

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: TUESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2013
title: RIBBLE VALLEY STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (RVSP) PERFORMANCE
REWARD GRANT (PRG) PROJECTS
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1 INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

1.1 This report provides an update on existing projects.

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:

- Council Ambitions –The projects funded from the PRG and the Second Homes Council Tax all contribute to the achievement of the objectives contained within the SCS and its associated action plans.
- Community Objectives – The Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) and its associated action plans form the basis of the sense of place and common vision of the communities in the Ribble Valley. The projects are predominantly from the community.
- Corporate Priorities – In its role as community leader the Council has been instrumental in developing the projects.
- Other Considerations – None.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 This report summarises the status of projects funded by the 2011/2012 PRG money.

3 PERFORMANCE REWARD GRANT

3.1 PRG is money payable by Central Government for the achievement of targets contained within the LAA.

3.2 The Government savings package for 2010/11 included savings of LAA Reward Grant of £125m nationally. The reasons behind this were that the focus on reducing the deficit, whilst protecting front line services, meant that the Government looked carefully at programmes such as LAA Reward and concluded that the programme should be reduced. The announcement stated that "Areas will receive 50% of the reward achieved on any target".

3.3 Areas with LAAs that ran from 2006-2009 (including the Lancashire Partnership), had already submitted their claims, 50% of which was paid in the Last financial year. The whole claim for the Lancashire Partnership was £19.1m, of which 50%, £9.5m was received in 2009/10. It was agreed by the Lancashire Partnership that 40% of the LAA Reward Grant would be allocated to the Lancashire Partnership, with the remaining 60% divided equally between

the 12 District LSPs. Ribble Valley received this first tranche, which amounted to £478,384.

3.4 Following some further claims in 2010 Ribble Valley received a second tranche of PRG which amounts to £169,062.

3.5 The current position of these funds is as follows:

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First tranche	478,384
Second tranche	<u>169,062</u>
	647,446
Commitments (shown in Appendix 1)	<u>523,989</u>
Unallocated	123,457

4 **CONCLUSION**

4.1 That Committee note the status of projects allocated funding from the Performance Reward Grant as set out in Appendix 1.

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STATUS OF PERFORMANCE REWARD GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS

Description of Project	Amount allocated (£)	Spent & Committed (£)	Comments
Tourist Information Kiosk	80,000	80,000	Match funding not available so far Funds " ring fenced " for Tourism Projects
Community Food Growing	50,000	23,120 15,000	Primary and High School sites being developed Money allocated for land Share sites at Sabden, Calderstones, Whalley and Gisburn
Mobile Resource Centre (STAN)	75,000	75,000	Project now entering into fourth year
Hydro Power Generation Survey	15,000	15,000	Completed
Domestic Violence Worker -	42,000	42,000	Completed
<u>Village Amenities Projects</u>			
Ribchester Play on Project	5,000	5,000	Completed
Chatburn Play Ground	4,000	4,000	Completed
Gisburn Playing Fields	5,000	5,000	Completed
Downham Village Hall	6,500	6,500	Completed
Rimington Memorial Institute	5,000	5,000	Completed
Chipping Play Area	10,000	10,000	Completed
Dunsop Bridge Woodlands Project	10,000	10,000	Completed
Sabden & Heyhouses Community Hall	10,000	10,000	Completed
Longridge Station Buildings	6,000	6,000	Completed
Newton Village Hall	7,500	7,500	Completed
Mellor Brook Community Centre	10,000	10,000	Completed awaiting final invoice
<u>Emerging Projects</u>			
Whalley Playing Fields Sports Facility	8,000	8,000	Completed

Description of Project	Amount allocated (£)	Spent & Committed (£)	Comments
One Stop Voluntary Sector Hub Centre in Clitheroe	5,000	0	To be reallocated
Ribble Valley Food Events Strategy	12,850	12,850	Completed
Air Pollution Monitoring	5,500	0	To be reallocated
Dog Waste Bins	13,370	13,370	Completed
Management Costs	36,000	36,000	Completed
<u>2nd Tranche</u>			
Management Costs	12,680	12,680	Completed
Ribble Valley Walking Week	2,000	2,000	On-going project
Eco-Classroom & Renewable Centre	2,000	0	To be reallocated
Hield Well 'Tarry-a-while site' Clitheroe	10,000	10,000	On-going project
<u>Reallocation of resources</u>			
Longridge Social Enterprise	5,760	5,760	Completed
Clitheroe Food Festival	17,939	17,939	Completed
Partnership Officer	76,270	76,270	Fixed term contract
Total	548,369	523,989	