

Area West Committee – 20th October 2010

6. Presentation from Opportunity Ilminster 2009 Winners

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Purpose of Presentations

For two years running Opportunity Ilminster was held in the town and on each occasion a number of groups and individuals applied to win a share of the money. Over the two years 24 projects were awarded funding totalling £52,494. Representatives from three of those organisations have been asked to give a short presentation to members providing an update on what benefits the funding provided.

Recommendation

To note and thank the representatives from the three organisations for their presentations.

Horton Village Hall

Received funds on both occasions; firstly £5,000 towards a new footpath connecting the new hall to the village. In the second year they received £2,000 to help buy new equipment for the kitchen.

Ilminster Town Council – Sports Initiative

In November 2009 Ilminster Town Council were awarded £2,000 to help kick start a project to create a new sports pavilion in the town.

Experience Ilminster

In November 2008, the idea was put forward to create a new three day festival in mid June providing a wide range of activities that would bring the community together. The public liked the idea enough to vote to award Experience Ilminster £5,000. In 2009 Experience Ilminster were awarded a further £2,000 to help put on the second event.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Corporate Priority implications

- 1.11 A vibrant and sustainable Yeovil, market towns and rural economy.
- 4.19 Increase civic participation in the local area from 16.4% in 2008/09 to 18% by 2010/11.

Carbon Emissions & Adapting to Climate Change Implications (NI188)

There are no implications in relation to this report.

Equality and Diversity Implications

The new footpath to Horton Village Hall gives access to people with all levels of mobility.