

Note of SDF Grant panel meeting held on Friday 11th April 2008

Present: Colin Peacock, Jack Ellerby, Colin Patrick, Tony Johnson, Craig Russell, Ian Henderson and Barbara Henneberry

1. Apologies

Joyce Lynch

Bill Grayson

2. Feedback on SDF meeting held with other northern AONBs and National Parks – Jack Ellerby

A good meeting at which information was shared on other funding sources and sustainability checklists compared. JE has since written to Jonathan Shaw, Rural Affairs Minister about the importance of Sustainable Development funding. A further meeting is planned for next year to look at projects which have received financial support through SDF.

3. 2007/8

Financial update

IEH confirmed that the 2007/8 fund had been fully allocated. However, problems had been experienced with CARP Ltd in getting financial documentation to support their final claim of £4,168. It was agreed that payment of the final instalment should be withheld unless the requested information is provided within 14 days. TJ to talk to Bob Roe/Ken Wolstenholme.

Projects update

A Project Report outlining the 11 schemes supported was tabled together with a financial spreadsheet showing a total of £65,846 in grants which had drawn in match funding of £79,246 and in-kind contribution of £20,828 - a 150% leverage.

4. 2008/9

Funding

Confirmation of funding for 2008/9 has still not been received but members considered the following **Project Ideas Forms**:-

- a. Arnside Parish Plan Trust - Playground equipment

Stress health & communities.

Use local wood

Explore other funding sources – SLDC??

IEH to talk to applicant

- b. Heron Corn Mill - Arts Festival

Some good ideas

Would only want to support certain elements

Suggest maximum grant of £4,000

Need clear detailed costs and outputs

IEH to talk to applicant

and **full applications**:-

- c. Silverdale Arts & Crafts Trail

members of the panel requested that the application be e-mailed to them for consideration

Action: BH to circulate Silverdale Arts & Crafts application and any subsequent applications as they are received

5. Any other business

IEH advised members that he will be submitting an application for a grant of £1,000 - £2,000 to help with The Greenwood Fair which the AONB is running in September.

TJ advised members that there is a proposal for a path round the bottom of Warton Crag following the old railway line. This may be something we can help with.