

Torridge County Committee Locality Budget for financial year 2009/10 – confirmation of spending proposals and spend to date

Report of the County Community Strategy Officer

Please note this recommendation is subject to consideration and determination by the Torridge County Committee before taking effect.

Recommendation:

a) that the committee confirms approval of spending proposals set out in the report, including those agreed by the Chair /Vice Chair since the previous meeting

(b) that the Committee notes the current budget position for 2009/10

1. Context

In accordance with the Council's Constitution and with the agreed operating principles for the County Committee Locality Budget, this report sets out the current budget position as at 2nd March 2010. It also brings to the attention of the Committee, all spending proposals which have been approved by the chair or vice chair since the previous meeting of the Committee and seeks the Committee's formal agreement to this expenditure.

Appendix 1 provides a summary of the approved spending to date. Proposals which have been agreed by the chair or vice chair and paid since the last report, are shaded.

Table 1 sets out those spending proposals for approval by the Committee at this meeting.

2. New Spending Proposals for approval by the Committee – Table 1

Organisation	Nature of project	Name of Councillor(s)	Amount of funding
Welcombe Village Hall Committee	Refurbishment of Welcombe Village Hall	Cllr Alison Boyle	£1,500.00
The Stone Homelessness Project	To assist with refurbishing the old premises into a rough sleepers support unit.	Cllr Alison Boyle	£400.00
Clovelly Youth Club	To assist with purchasing computer equipment for the Reach Out Project	Cllr Alison Boyle	£500.00
Rotary Club Bideford	Youth Speaks Event	Cllr Alison Boyle	£284
Huntshaw Parish Hall Committee	To assist with upgrading the kitchen at the community hall	Cllr Sam Robinson	£750.00
Torridge Voluntary Services	TTVS Community Office and enhanced VB services	Joint venture £1,300 from each of the following:- Cllr Andy Boyd Cllr Alison Boyle Cllr Andrew Eastman Cllr Sam Robinson	£5,200
DCC Highways	Shrub bed at the corner of New Road and Well St, Torrington	Cllr Andy Boyd	£155.00

3. Audit Arrangements

Following a review by the Devon Audit Partnership, the Procedures Committee on 19 November; it was agreed that some changes are required in the way in which locality budgets are managed. These are outlined below.

The recommendations of the Devon Audit Partnership were accepted and from now on:

(a) Any allocation of a Members locality budget is dependent upon the recipient(s) formally agreeing to spend the funding on the activity and/or items specified on the application form, the recipient(s) agreeing to return any unspent monies. Members should maintain sufficient contact with recipient organisations so that they are able to identify the outputs/successes (or otherwise) of the funding granted, by asking the recipient to provide a simple statement of how the funding benefited the organisation and local community.

(b) Where a scheme is jointly funded by one or more Members appropriate arrangements be made to ensure the necessary declaration is made once and the Chairman of the relevant County Committee will be asked to ensure appropriate monitoring takes place;

(c) An analysis of expenditure from locality budgets across the County will be prepared and submitted to County Committees at the end of the financial year to enable Members to satisfy themselves that the principles of the scheme are being met.

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Background Paper None

Date

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Appendix 1

2009/10 Locality Budget Decisions as at 2nd March 2010

Spending decisions agreed by the Chair or Vice Chair since the last meeting of this Committee are shaded.

BELOW ARE THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS SPREADSHEETS

Div 54 - Bideford East

Sam Robinson

Brought forward	Budget 2009-10	Total Budget
0.00	10000.00	10000.00

Requested	Paid	Monies remaining
0.00	4100.00	5900.00

Div 55 - Bideford South & Hartland

Alison Boyle

Brought forward	Budget 2009-10	Total Budget
0.00	10000.00	10000.00

Requested	Paid	Monies remaining
0.00	2650.00	7350.00

Project name	Reference Number	Requested	Paid
Littleham Village Hall	TO54/001		1000.00
Taw & Torridge Voluntary Services	TO54/002		500.00
East the Water Association	T054/003		500.00
Harbour Bideford	T054/004		350.00
Little Bridge House - Joint Project	TO54/005		250.00
Highways - parking alteration in Honestone St, Bideford	TO54/006		1500.00

Project name	Reference Number	Requested	Paid
Otters Wheelchair Basketball Club	TO55/001		50.00
Woolsery & District Agric Soc	TO55/002		800.00
Little Bridge House Joint Venture	TO55/003		200.00
Appledore Book Festival	TO55/004		1600.00

Div 56 - Holsworthy Rural

Barry Parsons

Brought forward	Budget 2009-10	Total Budget
0.00	10000.00	10000.00

Requested	Paid	Monies remaining
0.00	0.00	10000.00

Div 57 - Northam

Andrew Eastman

Brought forward	Budget 2009-10	Total Budget
0.00	10000.00	10000.00

Requested	Paid	Monies remaining
0.00	8650.00	1350.00

Project name	Reference Number	Requested	Paid

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Appledore Singers	TO57/001		1000.00
RNLI Appledore	TO57/003		1000.00
Appledore Baptist Church	TO57/005		1000.00
Jay's Angels Majorettes	TO57/004		1000.00
Harbour Bideford	TO57/002		350.00
Westward Ho! Baptist Church	TO57/006		1000.00
Little Bridge House - Joint Project	TO57/007		200.00
Appledore Silver Band	TO57/008		1500.00
Appledore Book Festival	TO57/009		1600.00

Div 58 - Torrington Rural

**Andy
Boyd**

Brought forward	Budget 2009-10	Total Budget
0.00	10000.00	10000.00

Requested	Paid	Monies remaining
0.00	4600.00	5400.00

Project name	Reference Number	Requested	Paid
High Bickington Parish Council - directory	TO58/001		300.00
Great Torrington Gold Jubilee Comm	TO58/002		1,000.00
Great Torrington Cavaliers	TO58/003		1,000.00
Petrockstowe Recreation Ground	TO58/004		500.00
Little Bridge House - Joint Venture	TO58/005		200.00
Appledore Book Festival	TO58/006		1600.00