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To: Members of the Scrutiny Commission

Mr MR Lay (Chairman)	Mrs WA Hall
Mr C Ladkin (Vice-Chairman)	Mr MS Hulbert
Miss DM Taylor (Vice-Chairman)	Mr DW Inman
Mr PR Batty	Mr JS Moore
Mr Bessant	Mr K Morrell
Mr PAS Hall	Mr K Nichols

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Dear Councillor,

There will be a meeting of the **SCRUTINY COMMISSION** in the Council Chamber on **THURSDAY, 3 APRIL 2014 at 6.30 pm** and your attendance is required.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Owen'.

Rebecca Owen
Democratic Services Officer

SCRUTINY COMMISSION - 3 APRIL 2014

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS
2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 4)
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2014.
3. ADDITIONAL URGENT BUSINESS BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES
To be advised of any additional items of business which the Chairman decides by reason of special circumstances shall be taken as matters of urgency at this meeting.
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
To receive verbally from members any disclosures which they are required to make in accordance with the Council's code of conduct or in pursuance of Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. **This is in addition to the need for such disclosure to be also given when the relevant matter is reached on the agenda.**
5. QUESTIONS
To hear any questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10.
6. PARISH & COMMUNITY INITIATIVE FUND (Pages 5 - 14)
Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Community Direction).
7. EARL SHILTON SUSTAINABLE URBAN EXTENSION (Verbal Report)
The Development Consortium for the Earl Shilton SUE will be in attendance to give a presentation and provide an update on plans for the SUE.
8. SCRUTINY COMMISSION WORK PROGRAMME 2013-2014 (Pages 15 - 18)
Work programme attached.

Members are also asked to agree a date for an additional meeting to consider the Medium Term Financial Strategy before consideration by Council in May.
9. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH AS MATTERS OF URGENCY

Agenda Item 2

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY COMMISSION

6 MARCH 2014 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr MR Lay - Chairman
Mr C Ladkin – Vice-Chairman

Mr PR Batty, Mr PAS Hall, Mrs WA Hall, Mr MS Hulbert, Mr DW Inman, Mr JS Moore, Mr K Morrell and Mr K Nichols

Also in attendance: Councillor DC Bill MBE and Councillor Ms BM Witherford

Officers in attendance: Storme Coop, Bill Cullen, Edwina Grant, Lindsay Orton, Rebecca Owen, Ian Pinfold, Caroline Roffey and Sharon Stacey

432 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillors Bessant and Taylor.

433 MINUTES

On the motion of Councillor Nichols, seconded by Councillor Morrell, it was

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

434 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

435 COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP & COMMUNITY POLICING UPDATE

Inspector Starbuck of Hinckley LPU and Sharon Stacey provided an update on the Community Safety Partnership and crime statistics. During the presentation, the following main points were made:

- There were now good links between the police, councillors and the community and the engagement plan was working well;
- There had been no particular spikes in crime although there had been an increase in house burglaries for a couple of months due to the a serial burglar moving to the area;
- Whilst there had been a reduction in vehicle crime, there had been a slight increase in most crimes compared to last year, but fewer than the year before;
- Endeavour had developed well and had won a national award the previous week for the positive impact it had had on the community;
- Numerous campaigns had been developed through Endeavour, including the current campaign against sale of illicit tobacco;
- Various support services were provided through Endeavour including work around male domestic abuse, single vulnerable people, hate crime and children who had witnessed domestic abuse. Visits and talks in schools were also continuing.

During discussion following the presentation, a member said that there had been greater visibility of the police in his parish, and a good response to calls. Another member felt

that the reduction in resources had noticeably reduced the proactive element of the work of the Police, for example speed checks. Reference was also made to the consultation on priorities and the hope that the Police & Crime Commissioner took note of the outcome, the judicial reviews around the country into the developer contributions for policing and whether the requests for contributions was realistic when calculated on the average cost per household of policing.

Councillor Mrs Hall left the meeting at 7:24pm and Councillor Morrell left at 7.25pm.

A member enquired about the success of the 'Neighbourhood Takes Charge' initiative in Earl Shilton. Inspector Starbuck advised that in particular the Keats Lane project had been really successful.

In response to a member's question, Inspector Starbuck reported that Neighbourhood Watch and CCTV were encouraged by the police as they were a core tactic in deterring and detecting crime. The use of Crimestoppers was also endorsed and encouraged.

436 WELFARE REFORM CHANGES & IMPACT ON HBBC RESIDENTS

Members received an update on the impact of welfare reform changes. The main changes were outlined, including those that had already been implemented and those that were awaited. It was reported that the additional charges and reduction in benefits for some was starting to have an impact which was identified by an increase in arrears. All those affected by the spare room subsidy had received a personal visit and had been given advice.

With regard to universal credit, it was noted that this had been delayed from the original roll out date of October 2013 and was now expected to be fully implemented by 2016-17. The Government appeared to have learned from the pilot schemes regarding direct payments, and it was now likely that direct payment would be possible where a tenant was in arrears.

During the presentation and discussion thereon, the following comments were made:

- Some people lacked the basic skills to be able to budget so required support;
- Payments totalling £75,000 had been made from the discretionary housing payment fund. It was noted that the fund was available to support housing costs and could be used for removal costs for example if a tenant facing a benefit reduction because of under-occupancy was moving to a smaller property;
- It was reported that the authority had experienced difficulty in getting council tax payers to apply for the Discretionary discount fund, this was despite contacting them directly;
- The Leicestershire Welfare Provision fund could assist people in basic furnishing or by providing funds if someone lost their purse or their benefit money;
- There had been an increase in use of the foodbank and providers in the rural areas were sought, as well as looking at signposting to such services. It was felt that provision was not uniform and it was difficult to know how the scheme was administered in different areas and where the food could be obtained;
- It was reported that whilst some people subject to the under-occupancy charges had the option of moving to smaller properties, the lack of one-bedroom properties prevented some people from down-sizing.

RESOLVED –

- (i) the report be endorsed and the impact be reviewed again in 12 months;

- (ii) Investigate utilising Markfield Community Centre to secure Foodbank Provision in northern parishes.

437 CLOCKWISE CREDIT UNION UPDATE

The Scrutiny Commission received an update on Clockwise Credit Union, including the new information points in Barwell and Wykin and the branch set up at Earl Shilton Community House. It was reported that there was also now a local access point at Next Generation in Hinckley.

Councillor Hulbert left the meeting at 8.27pm.

Members were pleased that the number of customers of the Credit Union was continuing to grow, but concern was expressed that many of the most vulnerable people were not aware of the Credit Union, or still found it easier to access loan sharks. Information was requested on the percentage of loans that were approved. It was reported that Clockwise in Leicester had launched an automatic lending decision in order to respond to market pressure and make the process quicker to be able to compete with less reputable loan providers.

Members were concerned that not enough people knew about the Credit Union and that the provision should be better publicised. It was agreed that the Communication Strategy be brought to the next meeting of the Scrutiny Commission along with options for identifying financial support for publicity of the Clockwise services for the Borough.

RESOLVED –

- (i) the report be noted and the continuation of the current delivery model be endorsed;
- (ii) a Communications Strategy be brought to the next meeting;
- (iii) officers be RECOMMENDED to identify resources to support the Communications Strategy and that these be brought back to the next meeting.

438 DEMENTIA FRIENDS

The Scrutiny Commission received a short presentation on the national Dementia Friends campaign which was an introduction and precursor to a longer presentation. Members found the presentation very informative and agreed that all members should receive the presentation.

RESOLVED – a similar presentation to Council be arranged.

Councillor Batty left the meeting at 8.50pm.

439 GREEN SPACE DELIVERY PLAN

Members received the Green Space Delivery Plan which had been out for consultation and was due to be considered by Council on 8 April. It was noted that the plan would be updated annually to reflect funding available and that most funding would come from developer contributions. It was emphasised that the plan mostly covered the Hinckley area as other parts of the borough were covered by parish councils. It was noted that a similar approach was being promoted with parish councils.

Discussion ensued on whether some aspects should be funded from the special expenses budget or HBBC's general fund. Members felt that the plan should clearly identify which projects were to be funded by Hinckley special expenses, and which from the Borough rate.

Concern was also expressed that there were gaps in the strategy as it only covered land in the responsibility of the Green Space team and not council housing land which meant that where the two were adjacent there was no strategy to link them. It was further noted that some Green infrastructure routes went through HBBC, housing and parish land, and in response officers explained that in those situations a project team with representatives from all land owners would need to be set up. Members felt that an overarching strategy for all green space for HBBC, housing, parish and privately owned land would be beneficial and resources should be secured for this.

RESOLVED –

- (i) the Green Space Strategy be noted and endorsed;
- (ii) Financial requirements from Hinckley Special Expenses and the Borough rate be clearly identified;
- (iii) resources be sought for creation of a green space strategy for all green space within the Borough.

440 SCRUTINY COMMISSION WORK PROGRAMME 2013-2014

In considering the work programme, the following was discussed:

- The April meeting would be brought forward from the 10th to 3 April so the MTFS could be considered by the Scrutiny Commission prior to decision by Council;
- Information on the Earl Shilton SUE planning application would be brought to the meeting on 3 April and members of the Barwell & Earl Shilton Scrutiny Group would be invited to attend and take full part in the debate on the item;
- The May meeting of the Commission would be held on 15 May not the 22nd as originally scheduled as this would clash with the European Elections.

It was also reported that Blaby District Council had expressed an interest in undertaking joint scrutiny of the Community Safety Partnership. Members agreed to the suggestion that a joint meeting of both authorities' scrutiny commissions be held once a year, with an interim 'local' meeting.

RESOLVED – the work programme be noted with the addition of items mentioned above and any others agreed at this meeting.

(The Meeting closed at 9.20 pm)

CHAIRMAN

SCRUTINY - 10th APRIL 2014

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE FUND ALLOCATION OF GRANTS FOR 2014/2015

REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE (COMMUNITY DIRECTION)



Hinckley & Bosworth
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WARDS AFFECTED: ALL PARISH WARDS

1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To request the Scrutiny Commission approve the allocation of grants through the Parish and Community Initiative Fund 2014/15.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 That the Scrutiny Commission supports the funding allocations of £98,549 as detailed in section 4, from the Parish and Community Initiative Fund 2014.

2.2 That the Scrutiny Commission supports the carry forward request of £16,488 allowing previous years schemes to be completed.

3. **BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT**

3.1 Since 2005 the Parish Community Initiative Fund has distributed over £749,000 towards 172 schemes to local parishes or voluntary organisations.

3.2 In 2013/14 the scheme received 27 applications from across the Borough and a total of £84,382 was awarded to 26 schemes

4. **APPLICATIONS FOR 2014/15**

4.1 The table in Appendix 1 of this report provides an objective scoring summary of the assessments made of all the applications by the Green Space Team.

4.2 The assessment panel then determined grants to be allocated. This panel consisted of Caroline Roffey Head of Street Scene Services, Ian Pinfold – Green Space Manager, Edwina Grant – Strategic and Community Planning Officer, Paul Scragg – Senior Green Space Officer, Chris Pocock - Green Space Officer and Susan Chambers Green Space Officer

4.3 The maximum amount of funding available to each Parish is £10,000. The grant will fund a maximum of 50% of the project costs. Each applicant must seek support from their Parish Council and Borough Councillor. Only capital items are funded, the lowest submitted quote has been used to calculate the maximum eligible grant.

29 applications have been received requesting a total of £129,628.

4.4 Based on the information in Appendix 1 the assessment panel recommends funding the following schemes totalling £98,549: (Applications are set out in alphabetical order by parish and parish name is given in brackets)

1. Organ Restoration – St Peter’s Church, Thornton. (Bagworth & Thornton)
Outline: Restoration of the church organ: £8,000
2. Replacement of Boiler – Barlestone Parish Church. (Barlestone)
Outline: To replace the old boiler with a new more energy efficient model:
£2,259
3. Footpath Resurfacing – Barlestone Parish Council. (Barlestone)
Outline: resurfacing of footpath at Bosworth Road park to improve access:
£4,925
4. Meeting point Children’s area – Elohim Church Hub. (Barlestone)
Outline: Flooring and toddler play equipment for a community room at
Elohim Church: £1,346
5. Resurfacing of play area car park – Barwell Parish Council. (Barwell)
Outline: Resurfacing of a play area car park at Dovecote Way play area:
£2,707
6. Public Address System and T Loop – George Ward Centre. (Barwell)
Outline: Installation of a PA system and T Loop for the hard of hearing in a
meeting hall at the George Ward Centre: £2,039
7. WW1 Commemorations – Barwell Parish Council. (Barwell)
Outline: The installation of a hanging basket tree at Barwell War Memorial
in commemoration of WW1: £600
8. Footpath Extension – Burbage Parish Council. (Burbage)
Outline: The installation of a new footpath at Brookside Recreation
Ground: £6,384
9. Community Defibrillator Project – Cadeby Parish Council. (Cadeby)
Outline: The installation of a defibrillator for use in emergency by the
general public: £1,000
10. Community Church Project – Cadeby Parish Council. (Cadeby)
Outline: Restoration works to All Saints Church in Cadeby: £4,233
11. Footpath improvement Project – Carlton Parish Council. (Carlton)
Outline: Installation of kissing gates to improve public access on
footpaths in Carlton Parish: £1,404
12. Energy saving improvements – Desford Free Church (Desford)
Outline: Insulation and draught exclusion works to improve energy
efficiency at Desford Free Church: £510
13. Projection Facilities – Sport in Desford (Desford)
Outline: The provision of a projector, computer and screen for use by a
variety of groups for presentations and training: £450

14. Resurfacing and Site Interpretation – Earl Shilton Town Council (Earl Shilton)
Outline: Resurfacing of an area of QE11 Hallfield Park, with block paving and the installation of an interpretive plaque: £6,750
15. Family Inclusive Sports Area – Groby Parish Council (Groby)
Outline: The installation of a Multi-use Games Area at Quarry Park in Groby: £5,000
16. Renovation of Village Hall – Groby Village Hall Charitable Trust (Groby)
Outline: Re-pointing of Groby Village Hall to help preserve the building: £2,100
17. Play Area improvements – Market Bosworth Parish Council (Market Bosworth)
Outline: The installation of new safety surfacing to improve the play area at Waterside Mede in market Bosworth: £2,242
18. Furniture for Parish Hall – Market Bosworth Parish Hall management Committee (Market Bosworth)
Outline: New furniture for newly refurbished Market Bosworth Parish Hall: £3,000
19. Play Area Improvements – Markfield Parish Council (Markfield)
Outline: Play area improvements at Mayflower Close Play Area: £5,850
20. Community Defibrillator Project – Nailstone Parish Council (Nailstone)
Outline: The installation of a defibrillator for use in emergency by the general public: £1,062
21. Community Defibrillator Project – Newbold Verdon Parish Council (Newbold Verdon)
Outline: The installation of a defibrillator for use in emergency by the general public: £1,062
22. Outdoor Gym Equipment – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: The installation of outdoor gym equipment at Stapleton recreation ground: £3,500
23. Play area fencing – Peckleton Parish Council (Peckleton)
Outline: Fencing for the play area at Kirkby Mallory recreation ground to improve safety: £2,904
24. Church Tower repairs – St Martin’s Church DCC (Peckleton)
Outline: repairs to the tower at St Martin’s Church in Stapleton: £3,596
25. Community Defibrillator Project – Ratby Parish Council (Ratby)
Outline: The installation of a defibrillator for use in emergency by the general public: £1,152

26. Disabled pathway in the glade – Sheepy Parish Council (Sheepy Magna)
Outline: The construction of a surface pathway at Sheepy Glade situated on Sheepy Playing Fields: £4,250
27. Play area improvements – Stanton under Bardon Parish Council (Stanton under Bardon)
Outline: Play area improvements at Main Street recreation ground, Stanton under Bardon: £8,394
28. Dadlington Village Hall Kitchen Extension – Dadlington Village Hall Management Committee (Sutton Cheney)
Outline: Construction of an extension to provide a new kitchen facility: £10,000
29. Repair and care project – St Peter’s Church Parochial Church Council (Witherley)
Outline: Repairs and improvements to Witherley Parish Rooms for use by the community: £1,830

The Assessment panel recommends **rejecting** the following application:

1. New Club House Project – Market Bosworth Sports Club (Market Bosworth)
Outline: The building of a new club house at market Bosworth Sports Club.
Rationale: The application failed to meet the essential criteria as there is currently no planning permission for the new building and no planning application has been submitted. The total cost of the scheme is estimated at £343,000 and no further funding has yet been confirmed. The scheme was considered unlikely to be delivered in the next 12 months and we would suggest the applicant reappplies for funding next year.

4.5 Previous Years Applications

There is 1 grant totaling £4,000 which was approved in 2012/13 where works are currently underway and are scheduled for completion in April 2014. This is: St Peter’s church toilet provision at Higham-on-the-Hill. There are 3 grants totaling £12,488, which were approved for 2013/14 where projects have been delayed. These will be completed in 2014/15. These are: Hard surface for basket ball net at Kirkby Mallory £2,493, Scout Hut improvements at Groby £5,000 and Outdoor gym and fitness equipment at Stoke Golding £4,995

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (IB)

- 5.1 The total capital budget for 2014/15 is £100,000. The total grants recommended for approval is £98,549.
- 5.2 To allow for the carry forward of the 4 projects in 4.5 above the capital budget will be increased by £16,488. For 2014/15 after allowing for the carry forward request and the recommended bids a revised budget of £115,037 is being requested. If approved, these budget revisions will form part of the year end outturn process.

6. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (MR)**

- 6.1 The Local Government Act 2000 empowers the Council to give financial assistance where it considers that that expenditure promotes the economic social or environmental well being of the borough.

7. **CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 The Parish & Community Initiative fund supports parishes and community groups to achieve the following aims and objectives of the Corporate Performance Plan:

- Creating a vibrant place to work and live
- Empowering Communities
- Providing value for money and pro-active services

8. **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

The projects rely on third party delivery and there is therefore a risk that some of the projects may not be delivered. – Only projects that are likely to be completed in the following 12 months are recommended for funding.

Misuse of funds – funding for projects is only released once scheme is completed and evidence of completion and payment of the works is received.

9. **KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

All grants are awarded to the rural areas, and parish council support is sought for each application.

10. **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:

- Community Safety implications
- Environmental implications
- ICT implications
- Asset Management implications
- Human Resources implications
- Planning Implications - some schemes will require planning consent
- Voluntary Sector

Background papers: Appendix 1 attached

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Executive Member: Cllr B Crooks – Executive Member for Rural Issues

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APPENDIX 1 – PCIF allocation of grants 2013/14

Parish	Project	Applicant	Project cost	Amount applied for	Maximum eligible grant	Score	Recommended grant	Conditions to be applied / comments
Bagworth & Thornton	St Peter's Church, Thornton. Organ Restoration	St Peter's Church Thornton	£16,700	£8,000	£8,350	50.0	£8,000	Grant conditional, based on receiving faculty permission.
Barlestone	Barlestone Baptist Church. Replacement Boiler	Barlestone Baptist Church	£4,518	£2,259	£2,259	56.5	£2,259	Improvements will improve the energy efficiency of this facility.
Barlestone	Bosworth Road Park Footpath resurfacing	Barlestone Parish Council	£11,340	£4,925	£5,670	46.5	£4,925.00	Resurfacing of an existing pathway, but will improve access to the park.
Barlestone	Elohim Church Hub. Meeting Point Childrens Area	Elohim Church Hub	£2,244	£1,346	£1,122	71.0	£1,346	Reasonable value for money and scored highly.
Barwell	Resurfacing Dovecote Play Area car park	Barwell Parish Council	£21,903	£2,707	£10,000	47.0	£2,707.00	Linked to a play facility and relatively small percentage of total costs.
Barwell	Meeting Hall Public Address System & T Loop at George Ward Centre	George Ward Centre	£4,078	£2,039	£2,039	66.5	£2,039	Good detailed application. Requires further investigation. Condition of grant requires minutes from George ward centre committee meeting confirming equipment will be available to all users.
Barwell	Hanging basket tree at Barwell War memorial in commemorations of WW1	Barwell Parish Council	£1,295	£600	£648	59.5	£600	Linked to WW1 commemorations
Burbage	Brookside Recreation Ground. Footpath Extension	Burbage Parish Council	£15,700	£7,850	£7,850	73.0	£6,384	New access improvements, scored highly. £3616 received for footpath to new outdoor gym equipment in 2011. Recommend funding of £6384 based on previous grant given, and ensuring total grant of £10,000 for overall site project (as per grant criteria).
Cadeby	Community Defibrillator Project	Cadeby Parish council	£2,000	£1,000	£1,000	50.5	£1,000	Defibrillator to be housed in either public telephone box or church hall.

Parish	Project	Applicant	Project cost	Amount applied for	Maximum eligible grant	Score	Recommended grant	Conditions to be applied / comments
Cadeby	Cadeby Community Church Project	Cadeby Parish Council	£125,090	£8,500	£10,000	61.5	£4,233	Requires confirmation of faculty consent. Funding of £5,767 was awarded last year for development of this project. Recommend funding of £4233 for church works. To give total grant funding of £10,000 for this project (as per grant criteria)
Carlton	Footpath S68 Improvement project	Carlton Parish Council	£2,808	£1,404	£1,404	83.5	£1,404	Good application offers good value for money. Possible work in kind by HBBC groundworks
Desford	Desford Free Church. Energy Saving Insulation& Draught Exclusion	Desford Free Church	£1,020	£671	£510	62.0	£510	Small amount requested to improve facility for users. Good value for money. Possible work in kind with housing for installation.
Desford	Projection facilities at Sport in Desford	Sport in Desford	£900	£450	£450	48.0	£450	Small amount of funding requested. Scored low but will provide up to date equipment for a number of groups.
Earl Shilton	QE11 Hallfield Park. Resurfacing and site Interpretation.	Earl Shilton Town Council	£13,500	£6,750	£6,750	57.5	£6,750	Quotes not consistent or clear. Good project but application lacked detail . Further information requested. Possible work in kind by HBBC.
Groby	Quarry Park. Family inclusive sports area	Groby Parish Council	£198,714	£5,000	£10,000	83.5	£5,000	Good application. Scored highly.
Groby	Renovation of Groby Village Hall	Groby Village Hall Charitable Trust	£11,580	£5,700	£5,790	57.5	£2,100	Lowest quote not used. Recommended funding based on lowest quote.
Market Bosworth	Waterside Mede Play Area improvements	Market Bosworth Parish Council	£4,857	£2,400	£2,429	73.5	£2,242	Lowest quote not used. Recommended funding based on lowest quote.
Market Bosworth	Furniture for Market Bosworth Parish Hall	Market Bosworth Parish Hall Management Committee	£10,848	£5,000	£5,424	65.0	£3,000	Funded £7,000 last year for building improvements, recommend funding further £3,000 to allow for a total project grant of £10,000. (as per grant criteria)
Market Bosworth	New Clubhouse project	Market Bosworth Sports Club	£343,721	£6,600	£10,000	42.0	£0	No planning application currently in. Currently doesn't meet essential criteria. Low Scoring scheme. Reject scheme suggest reapplying next year.
Markfield	Mayflower Close Play Area Improvements.	Markfield Parish Council	£19,321	£9,661	£9,661	69.5	£5,850	Reasonably high scoring play area project. Not used lowest quote? Recommend funding based on lowest quote

Parish	Project	Applicant	Project cost	Amount applied for	Maximum eligible grant	Score	Recommended grant	Conditions to be applied / comments
Nailstone	Community Defibrillator project	Nailstone Parish Council	£2,125	£1,063	£1,062	51.5	£1,062	Needs confirmation of consent from LCC re location for equipment.
Newbold Verdon	Community Defibrillator project	Newbold Verdon Parish Council	£2,125	£1,063	£1,062	45.5	£1,062	Defibrillator
Peckleton	Stapleton recreation ground. Outdoor Gym equipment	Peckleton Parish Council	£7,000	£3,500	£3,500	63.5	£3,500	Scored reasonably highly and good value for money?
Peckleton	Kirkby Mallory recreation Ground. Play area fencing	Peckleton Parish Council	£5,807	£2,904	£2,904	68.5	£2,904	Fencing project but connected to play area improvements.
Peckleton	Tower repairs to St Martin's Church Stapleton	St Martin's Church DCC	£30,000	£10,000	£10,000	43.0	£3,596	Very limited information no definite quotes, however Faculty consent is in place. Scored low and requesting full £10k. Recommended funding reflects the fact that this scheme scored low and there being other more highly scoring schemes in Peckleton Parish requiring funding of £6,404 and only £10,000 being allowed per Parish, as set out in grant criteria.
Ratby	Community Defibrillator project	Ratby Parish Council	£2,305	£2,300	£1,152	47.5	£1,152	Defibrillator
Sheepy Magna	Sheepy Playing Fields. Disabled pathway in glade.	Sheepy Parish Council	£8,500	£4,250	£4,250	88.0	£4,250	Scored highly and offers good value for money.
Stanton under Bardon	Main Street Recreation Ground. Play Area improvements.	Stanton under Bardon Parish Council	£19,717	£9,859	£9,859	68.0	£8,394	Lowest quote not used. Recommend funding based on lowest quote.
Sutton Cheney	Dadlington Village Hall Kitchen Extension	Dadlington Village Hall Management Committee	£24,425	£10,000	£10,000	75.5	£10,000	Still requires confirmation of land owners permission, however no issues with this are foreseen. Reasonably high scoring scheme.
Witherley	Witherley Parish Room. Repair and Care Project.	St Peter's Church Witherley Parochial Church Council	£3,661	£1,830	£1,830	71.0	£1,830	High scoring scheme. Good value for money?
Totals			£917,802	£129,628	£146,973		£98,549	

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Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2013-2015

ISSUE 2013/06: APRIL 2014

SCRUTINY COMMISSION

TIMETABLE

Scrutiny Commission - Thursday 3 April 2014						
Function	Activity/ Objective	Reason	Desired Outcome	Vision, Values and Aims	Responsible (member/officer)	External Involvement
Scrutiny Topics	Earl Shilton SUE	Monitor process	Thorough, open and transparent processes and full consultation	All Corporate Aims	Deputy Chief Executive (Community Direction)	Developer, LCC, STW
Performance Management Information	Parish & Community Initiative Fund	Annual report to inform of funding allocation	To inform members	Strong & distinctive communities	Head of Street Scene Services	Parish Councils
Participation in Policy Development Issues						
Tracking of implementation with previous recommendations						
Committee Management Issues	Work Programme	Review work load for the year	Agreed forward work programme	All Corporate Aims		

Scrutiny Commission - Thursday 22 May 2014

Function	Activity/ Objective	Reason	Desired Outcome	Vision, Values and Aims	Responsible (member/officer)	External Involvement
Scrutiny Topics	Capital Projects (Leisure Centre, Bus Station)	Progress report	Ensure robust programme and progress of projects	Thriving Economy	Deputy Chief Executive (Com Direction)	
	Health service reforms	Update on changes from PCTs to CCGs	Insight into changes and how they affect residents	Safer & healthier borough	Deputy Chief Executive (Community Direction)	CCG / Public health
Performance Management Information						
Participation in Policy Development Issues						
Tracking of implementation with previous recommendations	Clockwise Credit Union – Communications Strategy	Consider resources to raise awareness of the Credit Union	Uptake of Credit Union's services and less reliance on 'loan sharks'	Thriving Economy	Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction)	Clockwise Credit Union
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LTP3 & rural bus services update – summer 2014.

Year 2 of work programme

Housing & Housing repairs performance

Clean Neighbourhoods Strategy review/update

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