

Area Committee Grants 2015/16

Final Report – Hendon

Introduction

London Borough of Barnet has three Area Committees, covering the constituencies of Chipping Barnet, Finchley & Golders Green, and Hendon. The Committees' remit is to respond to local concerns and consider any issues which arise in their area. Each one has a budget of £100,000 per year for 2014/15-2017/18, to be spent on projects which benefit the local area covered by each Committee.

Local residents, organisations, or voluntary/community groups are eligible to apply for funding from the Committee. The Committees can make awards of up to £9,999 and have the discretion to fund larger projects if necessary.

Awards were subject to an application process where the application was approved at the committee meetings subject to certain criteria being met. (This can be found within the Area Committee Funding Guidance 2014-15)

What follows is a brief summary of each project along with photos or links to the project's final report.

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Physical exercises such as Yoga, Pilates etc. and hand crafts for the better coordination of the elders has also been introduced along with Jewellery making and cake icing with sugar flower courses.

Computer Skills learning group funded by Barnet Council at Wembley venue



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Participants of projects such as Yoga, Pilates, Keep Fit, Jewellery Making & computer skills funded by Barnet council.

Jewellery Making Group project funded by Barnet Council





Participants of Pilates Group at Watling Community Centre funded by Barnet Council

Barnet War Memorial – Award £1,500

The project was to add plaque with the names of 227 armed service personnel who fell in WW2 to the Hendon War Memorial. To honour and remember for posterity Hendon’s War Heroes. Installed in 2015 marking the 70th anniversary of the end of WW2. To benefit families of their lost loved ones who have no final resting place and have had no funeral to be able to say farewells. There was no repatriation in WW2.



The group is very diverse (ranging across 16 countries), multicultural, group of over 55's who either live on Grahame Park or in the surrounding district. Quite a few of the members are over the age of 80.

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Grahame-Park-Independent-Living/1445931605673099?sk=photos_stream&tab=photos_albums

Homestart – Award £9,999.00

The project started in April with the recruitment of a part time Coordinator trained in supporting families struggling to cope with money issues. Homestart then purchased the licence agreement from the Quaker Social Action to use the award winning Made of Money programme.

The Homestart team including the CEO, Operations Manager, Volunteer Manager, and Admin Officer then put in place a project plan starting from April 2015 with the marketing of the work to volunteers and supported families living in the Hendon side of the borough.

Volunteer manager had 15 expressions of interest from existing volunteers with 10 eventually taking part in the programme.

The CEO and Operations Manager marketed the project to partners in the community.

The Admin Officer marketed the project via our website, Facebook, Twitter and newsletter

Going forward families have already been referred into the project for one to one home visiting support which Corinne will start from September.

Corinne will also be starting the group programme for families in Grahame Park from the 17th September with 12 referrals in place.



Family leaflet with
Barnet logo.docx



Family Support
Worker advert with B

Love Burnt Oak – Award £8,970.00

The LBO H.E.A.R.T Project recruited and trained ten local residents as Volunteer Community Health Champions, enabling them to encourage and influence their friends, family and neighbours in the local community of the benefits of physical activity, health checks, sign-posting and promoting a range of health intervention and wellbeing activities and services in and around Burnt Oak in the London Borough of Barnet



Migdal Emunah – Award £8,680.00

The project was set up to create a better education and increased awareness to reduce the number of child abuse cases arising with a focus being worked on by the charity. Migdal Emunah are working closely with the NSPCC to create a bespoke educational programme for Jewish community schools that suggests the use of shared appropriate language and personal safety to empower children and their families with the knowledge to keep safe.

The child safety program will be introduced to all school staff, parents and the children with age appropriate information; this provides the ability for families to have correct discussions of personal safety as well as a preventative measure.

According to National Statistics 1 in 3 girls and 1 in 6 boys will be sexually molested before the age of 17 (2012). These figures are harsh and suggest that 34% of the UK population were victimised at some point in their lives. This demonstrates the desperate need for greater awareness and education to aid prevention and end child abuse.

The program has been tailored to fit the need of the school including religious beliefs as well as age appropriate information. It will take place across all Jewish schools in Barnet.

Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum – Award £9,999.00

The project was to replace the metal containers that have formed a "temporary" Pavilion for Cricket in Mill Hill Park since the old pavilion was burnt down in 2006. The temporary metal containers were wholly out of place in a Green Space (green belt) park. The cricket team that had previously used the field could not get any fixtures as the facilities were so poor. No one was attracted to use this potentially great pitch because of what was on offer.

The project involved installing a concrete pavilion which offers the vital facilities required to provide a great place to play cricket in the summer evenings and weekends (and possibly

softball or rounders). Coaching will also be available through Revolution Coaching.
www.revolutioncoaching.co.uk.

It is hoped to attract other young people to form cricket teams, either from local schools or as local community groups. Cricket is also a great spectator sport and the goal is to get people of all ages watching the games and enjoying the fresh air.

Nutmeg – Award £6,340.00

Nutmeg Community is a Barnet based youth organisation that aims to empower young people aged 11-24, especially disengaged young people, to equip for a prosperous future and reach their full potential.

The project aim was to cater to the Borough of Barnet with focus areas of Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware and Hendon. The project recruited and trained a group of 10 young people to form a youth community reporter’s team. The young reporters highlight positive stories within their communities to empower locals and raise aspirations.

“We are seeing the benefits our community reporters scheme brings to the wider community through the content produced. A blog post written jointly by 3 volunteers on an intergenerational community project that they had recently taken part in, reached over 400 people on social media on Nutmeg Community accounts alone. The post was also shared by a national charity (The Challenge) and a national campaign (Step Up to Serve) online, further extending our reach. Through sharing these positive stories online we have raised awareness of local services, challenge negative stereotypes of young people and of deprived areas, as well as promoting cohesive communities.”



LBB Nutmeg end of project report - April :



Training Ship Broadsword – Award £9,250.00

Training Ship Broadsword has its own purpose built facility in Cool Oak Lane, Hendon. The cadet unit use the facility almost exclusively in the evenings and at weekends. Consequently, the facility sits empty throughout the week during the daytimes. This is a crying shame and the projects rectifies this. The project takes place at our base in Cool Oak Lane, Hendon and runs on Wednesday lunch times throughout the year. It benefits older people who reside locally and younger people who are involved in running the lunch club and the various classes associated with it.

The grant has funded a lunch time club for older members of the community for a one year period. Once established the goal is to make this a permanent feature of the weekly programme. Hot meals are provided and various workshops such as computer training, gardening classes, keep fit classes and cookery classes as part of this project.



West Hendon Community Group – Award £7,000.00

The West Hendon Community Fair (WHCF) was held August Bank Holiday 2015 on the West Hendon estate. It provided an important focus for the West Hendon community and its residents where Voluntary and Statutory sector organisations who seek to support individuals and the communities represented on the estate came and informed the residents on the estate of their work and support.

This provided an important opportunity for local residents to empower themselves and develop their resilience in a time of change and promote family and community well-being.

It also provided the platform to showcase an important piece of community artwork that will have brought together members of the community, young and old, new residents and long standing residents, over the preceding 12 weeks.