Area Committee Grants 2015/16 Final Report – Chipping Barnet

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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Barnet Community Projects (BCP) - Award £4,947.00

BCP was seeking start-ups funds (for equipment etc) for the ARC Community Café at the Rainbow Centre on the Dollis Valley Estate to extend its operations and increase the training and employment opportunities it offers.

The Arc is a daytime café in the Rainbow Centre; it is open 5 days a week and alongside serving regular customers provides catering to groups using the centre, meetings and events, including community celebrations.

The Arc Café has been part of the Rainbow Centre since the local community took it over in April 2011. The initial model was for an independent chef to run the café kitchen as a self-contained business with BCP running the front of house (i.e. serving, preparing coffees etc). Whilst there was value in this approach - enabling a local business operating out of the centre to promote entrepreneurship – the operation and impact were often limited. BCP is therefore taking the operation of the kitchen in-house from the beginning of 2015:





Barnet Elizabethan's Rugby Football Club Ltd – Award £4,800.00

Barnet Elizabethan's were seeking a grant to complete a total refurbishment of the gentleman's toilets at the BERFC club house, Bying Road, Barnet. The toilets are nearly 35 years old and installed when there were 5 senior teams. Today there are 3 sides but also 308 six to seventeen year olds. The existing toilets are not fit for the minis (young players). All the male players and the club as a whole will benefit.



Brunswick Park Primary and Nursery School Fence Project – Award £9,999.00

The Brunswick Park Primary and Nursery school project was to install fencing around the play equipment installed by Barnet Council in an area of Brunswick Park close to the Osidge Lane entrance. This summer the play area has been utilised by a large number of children who have derived a great deal of pleasure and exercise from using the equipment.

The fencing is preventing dogs entering and enabling parents to keep better control of their children.

Coppetts Wood Conservationists – Award £4,358.00

A conservationist project. CWC manages two Local Nature Reserves (LNR): Coppetts Wood LNR and Glebelands LNR, where they actively maintain the woodlands which have a high bio diversity of insect pollinators and wild flowers.

The project involved the purchase of a large steel container for use as a tool storage unit on the Coppetts Wood LNR and the production of a database for two reserves. With the funding extensive wildlife survey records that have been held for the past forty years will be digitised.

East Barnet Festival in the Park - Kazzum - Award £850.00

The project derived from responses to surveys we received with comments that there is not much at our main East Barnet Festival for young children. To counter this Kazzum were booked for Sunday 5th July, they specialise in dynamic work that bridges the gap between entertainment and education. See www.kazzum.org.uk



WE CAN PROMISE YOU A GRAND DAY IN THE PARK

ALL INFORMATION and TIMINGS ARE APPROXIMATE

FRIDAY July 3rd 17.00-21.00

The East Barnet Festival Opens
The Pinnacle Bar Is Open Tonight
A variety of Food Outlets are available

Funfair—Tonight is a 'Wrist-Band Evening' - Pay Once and Ride All Evening
17.00 Golf Tournament
The Hooper Cup Singles Open Oakhill Park 9 Hole Pitch & Putt
£5 All proceeds to The Great Ormond Street Hospital
21.00 Prize Giving, on The Main Stage at the end of the Big Band Performance

The Festival Main Stage Presenters are Arran Davies And Matt Magee This Weekend

FRIDAY NIGHT IS 'BIG BAND NIGHT'
17.00 AL PASCAL SHOWCASE 18.45 THE URBAN BIG BAND 20.00 The WTW BIG BAND

SATURDAY

MAIN MUSIC STAGE
12.00 The Rockin' Bones
12.30 Fiende Fatale
13.15 Little Boy Lost
14.00 Obsession
14.45 Michael Mirfield
15.15 The Fraudsters
16.00 Dark Skies
17.30 Hokum
18.15 Rangoon
19.00 PopCoulture
19.30 The Feedback Band

DANCE STAGE
Your Host is Ann-Marie Pierce
14.00 Love to Dance 14.30 The Spirit of David 15.00 Footworks
15.30 Rikud Israeli Traditional Dancers 16.00 Love The Beat

MUSIC IN THE BIG TOP
This year we have some really great bands who deserve an audience.
We've invited a few of them to be here tonight
Your Host Is Will Hudson
17.30 McGoozer 18.15 The AutistiX 19.15 Rock ReUnited

START-UP STAGE
In association with Community Projects Hosted by Al Pascal Music
12.45 Maddy 13.10 Counter Point 13.45 Al Pascal Music Show 17.45 Nat Shay
18.30 Ma Fish Wa Loose 19.10 Luke Carey 19.40 House Of Bamboo

Presented by The East Barnet Vets

Judging 13.30

Presented by The East Barnet Vets

| N THE PARK | 14.30 | Maddaq Productions - Comedy Line Dance - (Near Teas In The Park) | 13.30 - 14.30 | Smart Play Circus Skills Bubble Magic Tug O War (Children's World) | 13.00 - 15.00 - 14.30 | Punch and Judy (Children's World)

There's plenty of attractions here in the Park that will happen throughout the day There's a Food Fair Market Hall Gazebo Street And lots more to do and see There's a Fire Engine, and don't forget to visit Children's World (It's near The Bog Top) Face Painting, Puzzles, and lots of Junior things that should keep them involved (for a time Punch and Judy returns (We couldn't get rid of him, could we!) There's Go Karts and Strolling Performers
Investigate our Teas in The Park where there's Cream Teas, and an Art Exhibition
Local organisations are all over, on Stalls, and in Gazebos, They have the chance to display their information and maybe catch your attention. Our Local News Papers are here as well Meet our Bucketeers who are hoping for a donation to Noah's Ark'and 'Friends In Need'.

Please Help Us To Help Them You Donate! - They Spend!

SUNDAY
11.30 'Songs of Praise' St Mary's Church Oak Hill Road

MAIN MUSIC STAGE
12.00 Natalie Shay 12.30 Blind Pilgrim 13.15 Hft's Unlimited Choir
14.00 Tim Leffman 14.45 The Silver Manatees 15.15 Joel Rocca
16.00 Kerrie Masters 17.30 Paparazzi 18.15 Vigilante 19.00 The Texas Flyers
19.30 Minnie's Henhouse

DANCE STAGE
Your Host is Ann-Marie Pierce
12.00 East Barnet Music Centre Band and Orchestra Concert
Adrian Collins and Louisa Till play violin duos by Pleyel
Conducted by Mrs C Cigleris and Mr O'Till
13.30 "Canadian Music Through Time" 14.30 Lemon Jelly Arts 15.00 Jigsaw Arts
15.30 IDI Israeli Dance Institute 15.50 Lesley Hand School of Dance
16.00 Finchley Youth Theatre and Solo Dance 16.30 Dance Wright

MUSIC IN THE BIG TOP Your Host Is Will Hudson 17.30 Dwight School Band 18.00 Dwight School Choir 18.30 Singology 19.30 Barbora

START-UP STAGE
13.00 Who Killed Kenny 13.25 Taz and Sam 14.00 I Talk To Strangers
14.45 Al Pascal Music Show 18.55 Hot Under The Collar

CARS IN THE PARK
9.30 Calling all classic & custom car people. We invite you to participate, or inspect the car
All vehicles entered in the show area will be eligible for the 'Show & Shine Awards'
Judging - By the participants and public
This will be a good opportunity to show off your 'Pride and Joy
16.00 Prizes Presented

| 10.06 FTIZES FTEENING
| 13.00 - 14.30 - 16.00 | Punch and Judy (Children's World)
| 13.30 - 14.30 - 16.30 | Smart Play Circus Skills Bubble Magic and more (Teas In The Park)
| 13.30 - 15.00 - 16.30 | Kazzum Presents Paper People' (Children's World)
| 14.45 | Cheerstarz Acrobatic Dance (Near Teas In The Park)







Exposure - Award £9,998.00

The Underhill Exposure runs regular youth media workshops over a 12-month period. The project is helping develop the creative skills of at least 30 young people to produce a 12-page youth magazine and an associated short film highlighting the growing problem of domestic abuse in relationships between adolescents.

Underhill Exposure is free and open to all young people, aged 13 to 25, in Barnet.

Website www.exposure.org.uk

Campaign - http://exposure.org.uk/2016/03/new-domestic-abuse-film-behind-closed-doors/

Film - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=76YnazEIIY0

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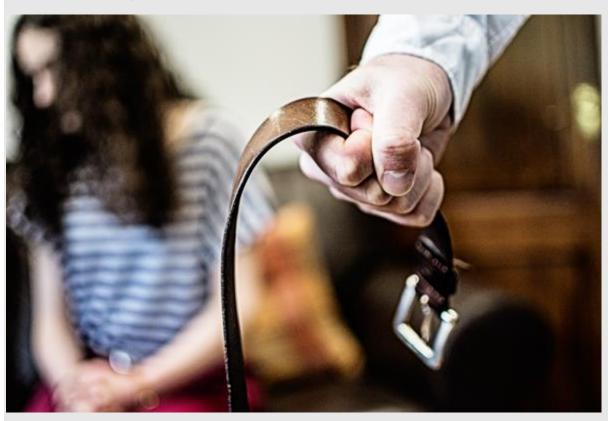
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Posted on June 3, 2015



Announcing our latest magazine and film project

Exposure has secured a grant from Barnet Council's Area Committee to fund a creative media project addressing domestic abuse.

The project is hot on the heels of our last Barnet-based project, <u>Breaking The Chain</u>, a short film raising awareness of gang culture and <u>I Need Help</u>, a campaign promoting support services to young victims of crime for the charity Victim Support.

We will work with at least 30 young people in Barnet, developing their skills through interactive learning programmes in filmmaking, creative writing and design.

The project will culminate in a magazine and an associated short film, highlighting the problem of domestic abuse in relationships. Our exploration will cover why this abuse happens, how to recognise and address it, and where to go for support.

"We are excited about this opportunity to raise awareness of this growing concern for young people. We'll be working closely with Solace Women's Aid, who have been delivering support for over 40 years to young people affected by domestic and sexual violence living in London," enthused Fran O'Connell, Exposure's Media Trainer.

All participants will have the opportunity to complete Exposure's ASDAN-accredited award, entitling them to undertake a creative apprenticeship and paid freelance work at Exposure.

The project will be free and open to all Barnet residents aged 13 to 25.

For more information about the project, please contact Fran at fran@exposure.org.uk

Our thanks go to Barnet Council, who are funding this project.



Friends of Friary Park – Award £3,675.00 (Awaiting evidence and final report)

The project was to install a full sized concrete table tennis on the tarmac area in Friary Park, between the toilets and the skate park. The net will be made of concrete or metal, and players will bring their own bats and balls.

This will benefit park users of all ages, particularly younger people to encourage exercise and to improve skills.

Secondly, a hopscotch layout within the same area has been created. This aimed at younger Park users by encouraging them to have fun and exercise. If it is situated near the new adult gym equipment the whole family should benefit at the same time.

Friern Barnet Community Library – Award £2,500.00

Friern Barnet Community Library began the project with the objective of running two types of courses from the library. The first would be English as a second language, aimed in particular at parents of children in local schools - but open to all interested users of the library. The second would be for an on-going regular fortnightly computer class that took interested people through IT training.

The goal of the project was to tackle two key issues - inclusion and community engagement, as well as enabling and empowering those to connect and communicate with diverse groups. It would facilitate cross-community engagement and understanding. It would also support training, skills and digital inclusion for a range of excluded groups and people.

The course has proved to be highly successful with a great uptake in participants.





New Barnet Community Association – Award £4,350.00

New Barnet Community Centre provides affordable services and accommodation for local groups. This particular project arose due to the access paths deteriorating and need for replacement and upgrading. In addition the fire exits needed to be updated to meet new safety standards.

Newsletter

We would like to thank Barnet Council's Area Committee for their funding to improve safety and security at the Community Centre. The first part of their funding has enabled us to replace the fire exit crash bars which had started to show metal fatigue. The second part will be used to mend the pathways at the back of the building. We would like to thank Pauline Smith from Broadfields Playscheme who offered Allsorts Club some of their equipment as their playscheme has closed. Thank you to parents and friends who have donated many other items which really help to keep our costs down.

Best wishes Barbara, Ingrid and Staff



Financially assisted by Barnet Council





Traveller Movement - Award £2,019.00

GTR education support project, in partnership with The Traveller Movement, Communities Empowerment Network and Community Barnet. The project ran for two days a week, from November 2014 until May 2015.

The project aimed to address the disproportionate amount of school exclusions given to Gypsy, Traveller and Roman young people and to support families with educational issues, through advocacy for individual families and by providing training.

Families received free support, advice and representation following CEN's model of education advocacy.

Free training around education law was provided for GTR communities and families as well as for practitioners working within GTR communities.

A weekly education drop-in advice session was provided alongside an existing GTR drop-in run by Community Barnet at the Rainbow Community Centre.

Over the six months that the project ran for, the part-time worker provided support for families on twelve cases.

Of the seven exclusion related cases, four pupils are currently enrolled in mainstream education and one will be joining a mainstream school in September.

The five 'other' cases included supporting parents at meetings related to attendance and providing advice around school admissions. Both of these are often daunting to parents, particularly those with low literacy rates or who had negative experiences during their own education.