CHEVIOT NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT FUND ASSESSMENT PANEL

This report sets out the recommendations of the Panel for consideration by the Cheviot Area Partnership. The report provides a brief description of each application considered and highlights key factors that influenced the decision reached by the Panel.

Kelso Scout Group

An application was received for the purchase of three Troop tents to enable large groups of young members to go camping. Their current tents only accommodate 2-3 Scouts and are in poor condition. The troop tents will accommodate up to 10 children each and are constructed of high quality canvas. The intention is to take at least two camping trips per year.

The Panel considered this to be a good application and were supportive of the project. The panel recommend awarding £2,500

Ancrum & District Heritage Society

An application was received for the purchase of four interpretation boards to be erected around the village of Ancrum. The boards will feature information on the heritage and historical sites of Ancrum: Strong application. The applicant has been working with Scottish Borders Council to gain agreement for installation of a board in Ancrum's cemetery.

The panel described Ancrum as having a lot to offer and agreed to recommend awarding £2,500 as long as additional terms and conditions from Scottish Borders Council were completed.

Jed Tourism Alliance

Graham Hayward declared an interest and did not take part in the discussion.

An application was received for the upgrade of the Jedburgh Town website to include key features and information. The intention is to make the site easier to navigate which will help promote different assets of Jedburgh and beyond. The longer term finance for the website is supported through donations from tourism booklets.

The panel agreed to recommend awarding £2,500

Stable Life

An application was received for project running costs to deliver an equine assisted learning programme for young people across Borders which would include young people from Cheviot. The intention is to help young people develop life skills and strengthen their resilience, increase self-confidence and self-belief, have improved relationships and reach their potential.

The panel felt this was a strong application from an organisations with a history of delivering. Panel agreed to recommend awarding £2,500.

G Jardine, on behalf of Cheviot Area Assessment Panel, 06/09/2022