

RURAL/URBAN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS - APPLICATION FOR APRIL 2012 EXECUTIVE

Applicant :	STONELEIGH VILLAGE HALL TRUST		
Description of scheme:	The intention is to resurface the current two double size tennis courts and divide into two parts, one half will be dedicated to Tennis and the other half to be converted into a multiplay area for Football, Basketball, Volleyball and other sports.		
Evidence of need:	Due to the number of increased youngsters in the Village the anti social behaviour problem has increased and it is hoped that this new facility will stop children becoming bored which will lead to a decrease of vandalism within the Village.		
3 years accounts received?	Yes		
Financial Performance (minus figure = deficit)	Year ended 31/12/11 £1,838	Year ended 31/12/10 £2,512	Year ended 31/12/09 £429
Available Funds (cash and reserves)	Year ended 31/12/11 * £15,404	Year ended 31/12/10 £8,554	Year ended 31/12/09 £6,033
	* The balance includes a Grant from Leigh Educational which they are using to help fund this scheme.		
Details of membership, fees etc:	Stoneleigh Village Hall Trust is a registered charity providing a community facility so although there are hire charges and about 70 members there is no membership fee.		
Details of usage:	The Stoneleigh Village Hall Trust has two affiliated sports sections for tennis and football that currently use the tennis courts around 300-400 p.a. This has an estimated usage following the new scheme of 4-5,000 if it is used by local schools. Stoneleigh Village Hall Trust encourages use of its facilities by all races, creeds and sexual orientation at Non-Commercial prices on a Non-Profit making basis.		
Details of Organisations equalities policies: 3 quotes provided for schemes in excess of £10,000: Which of the Council's Corporate Priorities are met?: Reduce Anti-Social Behaviour Increase Opportunities for everyone to enjoy and participate in sports, arts and cultural activities Engaging and strengthening Communities	<p>Evidence</p> <p>The Trust believe that anti-social behaviour is caused by a serious lack of sports facilities which lead to boredom, it is hoped that the new development of the tennis courts will help with the problem of bored children.</p> <p>The tennis section that tends to be used by the mid elderly agree that the new area can be promoted to encourage youth participation, especially with 5-a-side football this is believed that a bonding can take place to reduce some negative attitude by older people in the Village towards our young people.</p> <p>The Chair and Vice Chair personally visited 80% of all households and hold a 215 adult signature petition in support of the project. This contains no negative comments and the doorstep conversations that took place provided a good starting point towards village bonding.</p> <p>Yes - Three written quotes</p>		
Total cost of scheme (inc. VAT where appropriate):	£60,000		
Funded by:	Status		
Parish Council	£500 Requested 27/2/12		
Own Funds	£1,000 Approved		
External Funding			
WREN	£15,000 Requested 27/2/12		
Leigh Educational Grant	£5,000 Approved		
Stoneleigh United Charity	£1,000 Approved		
FC Stokes Charitable Trust	£500 Approved		
Miss Martin Trust (29-5-61)	£7,000 Requested 27/2/12		
Total Rural Initiatives Scheme	£30,000 Requested		
equates to	50.0%		