

**Public Health Outcomes Fund (Voluntary Sector Support Fund):
Wallasey Constituency Evaluation Report
May 2015**

Finance

Allocation: £25,000

Amount spent: £25,000

£16,840 - Wallasey Bright Ideas Fund

£8,160 – Your Wirral

An underspend of £95 was returned from project WC4 (Wallasey Bright Ideas Fund) in March 2015 which has been carried forward into 2015/16 and will be reinvested by the Committee at its next meeting on 25 June 2015.

WALLASEY BRIGHT IDEAS FUND (YEAR 1 - 2013/14)

Project background and description

A total of £40,000 was set aside by Wallasey Constituency Committee for bids from voluntary, community and faith groups and not-for-profit organisations for projects to address the priorities of reducing social isolation and/or reducing the impact of the welfare benefit reforms. This fund consisted of £15,000 from the Committee's devolved budget and £25,000 from Public Health Outcomes Fund (VSSF).

The Fund was launched on 20 December 2013 and closed on 24 January 2014. 36 groups/not-for-profit organisations made applications to Wallasey Bright Ideas Fund; two groups withdrew their respective applications following submission. The Committee's 'Priorities and Spend' Task & Finish Group recommended funding 23 projects at a cost of £27,449; these were agreed by Wallasey Constituency Committee on 19 February 2014 (minute 18 refers). The list of successful projects is set out in Appendix 1. This committed £16,840 Public Health Outcomes Fund (VSSF).



Appendix 1 - WBIF
2013-14 - Funded.xls

Evaluation of projects

Groups were required to deliver their projects by 31 December 2014 and complete and submit an evaluation report on or before 3 January 2015. An evaluation of all projects funded through Wallasey Bright Ideas Fund (Year 1) was presented to Wallasey Constituency Committee on 16 April 2015. This included 15 projects funded solely through the Committee's devolved budget and 8 projects funded jointly through both PHOF (VSSF) and the Committee's devolved budget. The 'headlines' from this full evaluation are set out in the document below and further information can be found here:

<http://democracy.wirral.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?MIId=4848&x=1&>



WBIF 2013-14 -
Infographic.pdf

The evaluation reports submitted by each group solely in relation to jointly funded projects is included in Appendix 2 below. This includes the outcomes of each project, any problems encountered, the sustainability of the project, summary of spend and number of people benefiting. Photographs are available for all projects upon request.



Appendix 2 - WBIF
2013-14 PHOF only - 5

Summary

PHOF has helped sustain the work of a range of voluntary and community groups and not-for-profit organisations to tackle a range of public health priorities. In total, over 2,378 children, young people and adults benefitted directly from the 8 PHOF/Constituency Committee jointly funded projects.

YOUR WIRRAL (2014/15)

Project background and description

The remaining £8,160 was carried forward from 2013/14 and added to Wallasey Constituency's £50,000 'Your Wirral' fund in 2014/15. This is a joint fund between Wirral Council and Magenta Living. Applications were invited from voluntary and community sector (not-for-profit) groups across the Constituency. To be eligible for funding bids were required to meet one or more of Magenta Living's seven themes (in line with their charitable objectives). Any bids that met the outcomes within the PHOF were subsequently considered within the remaining allocation of £8,160.

Your Wirral launched on 4 August 2014. The first round closed on 12 September 2014. 31 applications were received for Wallasey Constituency and at Wallasey Constituency Committee on 1 October 2014 (minute 20 refers) grants amounting to a total of £61,733.42 were awarded (a proportion of the Committee's devolved budget was also used to supplement this spend).

At Wallasey Constituency Committee on 23 October 2014 (minute 20 refers) it was agreed that four applications to Your Wirral would be funded by PHOF; three in full and one in part.

Your Wirral projects are currently being delivered and are required to be completed by 1 December 2015. Evaluation reports for these projects are not due until 15 December 2015.