

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**CABINET**
24TH APRIL 2008**Section 136 Grant Aid To Stourport-On-Severn Town Council 2008/2009**

AN OPEN ITEM	
COMMUNITY STRATEGY THEME	Internal Organisational Theme
CORPORATE PLAN THEME:	Improving Corporacy & Performance
KEY PRIORITY:	Financial and Asset Management
STRATEGY:	Grants to Parish/Town Councils
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APPENDIX 1	Letter from Stourport-on-Severn Town Council
APPENDIX 2	Breakdown of proposed Stourport-on- Severn Town Council expenditure for S.136 Grant

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To consider a request by Stourport-on-Severn Town Council for payment of its £22,444 Section 136 Grant Aid for 2008/2009.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is asked to DECIDE:-

- 2.1 **The application by Stourport-on-Severn Town Council for payment of its £22,444 Grant Aid for 2008/2009, under Section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972, be approved in principle with delegated authority to the Leader of the Council to approve, following agreement of the actual proposed projects.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Council on 27th February 2008, as part of the Budget, approved an additional grant to Stourport-on-Severn Town Council of £22,444, equivalent to 15% of parish precept.
- 3.2 The grant was to be used for purposes agreed or stipulated and administered through the Cabinet.
- 3.3 A request for payment of the grant aid has now been received and a copy of the request is enclosed for members' information as Appendix 1.

4. KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 The proposal for usage of the Grant is to contribute to the projects identified in Appendix 2.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 For information, the approval for 2007/2008 Section 136 Grant Aid in the sum of £20,774 was given by Cabinet on 22nd November 2007. Payment was made in January 2008.
- 5.2 The payment of this grant can be met from within existing budget.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no significant legal or policy implications arising from this report.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 The grant payment is made in accordance with Section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972.
- 7.2 There are no risk management implications.

8. CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS

- 8.1 The request by Stourport-on-Severn Town Council is in accordance with the criteria agreed by the Executive on 20th March, 2003, i.e. grant aid should be used for projects that benefit the local community.

9. Consultees

- 9.1 CMT

10. Background Papers

- 10.1 Council Minute C.82 27th February 2008