

Children's Facilities Working Party

Playground Update:

The working party has received and reviewed 3 quotes relating to the refurb and extension of the playground area outside of the Medical Centre. Each of the proposals have been reviewed and each of the suppliers asked to update their quote to take into account the working groups initial concerns/feedback.

Revised proposal and quotes should be received by the end of the first week in December.

The working party anticipates that the cost of the refurb will be in the region of £100,000 and the working party is looking to obtain funding through community grants, fund raising and funding from the JPC. It is currently anticipated that the working party will seek approval for the JPC to obtain a loan in the region of up to £50,000.

Each of the 3 potential suppliers will be asked to present their proposal to a small focus group in January. The local schools will be asked to invite two of their families to the presentation so that the views of local families can be obtained.

The Working Party seeks approvals to invite the three suppliers and local schools to attend the presentations in January and for John Garner to investigate the costs of obtaining a loan to partially fund the refurb.

Big Family Festival Weekend

The Hub has agreed to work with the JPC to arrange a family celebration day to be held in the summer of 2017. The aim would be to host an array of family-friendly activities in a Big Family Festival on the grounds of the High School, the main hall and gym plus the Hub itself. Visitors and residents could enjoy activities of the following nature: craft stalls, comedy and science shows, circus skills demonstrations, exhibitions of animals, dog obedience competitions and outdoor cinema sessions. There could also be sporting challenges for all ages. The main stage could showcase music ranging from local talents to tribute acts. The food court would exhibit a variety of local drinks and street food cuisine. Those wanting to stay in Henley for the weekend may take advantage of camping passes and spend the night at the designated site featuring various amenities.

Flower Club Annual show may be transferred to join us.

Arts And Crafts sales and exhibition

Allotment Vegetable show and Awards for Henley –in –Bloom and best Gardens etc.

This could be held on the weekend of July 16th 2017 after consultation with the town diary.

The JPC Children's Facilities Working Party in partnership with the Hub recommends the approval of a plan to develop the following ideas. The costs are approximate at this stage.

Henley in Arden School

Use of the main hall for an afternoon/evening event

Use of the gym as wet weather provision and/or some indoor sports

Use of the grass by the Hub building for camping

Use of showers/toilets

Use of kitchen area/canteen for food preparation

To include care-taking, cleaning and rubbish removal

To include cut and rolling the grassed area following the event

The hire charge would be £700.00 plus VAT. (£1400 for the weekend) (£1680)

The Hub Hire and facilities £500: This includes £240 for building cost that include insurance, contribution to maintenance, business rates, wi fi, utilities costs and use of equipment.

Quote from Young people's Young Persons Weekends provider £700 plus VAT (£740)

Hire of two large marquees £2,000

2 days children' and young peoples activities £700 plus VAT (£740)

Hire of stage, lighting and lights £1,000 inc VAT

Extra Toilets, 5 £500

Marketing and promotion £500

Other items yet to be identified. £2,000

Total Grant: £8660.

The funding would come from an application to the Community Celebration Lottery fund on behalf of the JPC, but in conjunction with the Hub@Henley Community Centre, which as a registered charity could use its funding consultant to put together a plan for an application. We need to establish an organising group of at least 2 Councillors, plus some residents and trustees from the Hub.

It is resolved that the provisional proposals to apply for a grant in conjunction with the Hub@Henley Community Centre CIO set out in this report are approved subject to the costs and funding being clearly established.