WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING 24TH AUGUST, 2006

Section 136 Grant Aid To Bewdley Town Council

OPEN	
COMMUNITY STRATEGY THEME	Internal Organisational Theme
CORPORATE THEME:	Improving Corporacy & Performance
KEY PRIORITY:	Financial and Asset Management
STRATEGY:	Grant to Parish/Town Councils
CABINET MEMBER:	Cllr. John Campion
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Head of Financial Services
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APPENDIX 1	Letter from Bewdley Town Council

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider a request by Bewdley Town Council for payment of its £8,704 Grant Aid for 2006/2007 under Section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is asked to DECIDE:-

2.1 The application by Bewdley Town Council for payment of its £8,704 Grant Aid for 2006/2007, under Section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972, be approved.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Council on 1st March, 2006, as part of the Budget, approved an additional grant to Bewdley Town Council of £8,704, 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.

4. KEY ISSUES

4.1 The proposal for usage of the Grant is in summary as follows :-

Wyre Hill Play Area Maintenance	£4,000
Bewdley CCTV Scheme Contribution	£3,400
Contirbution to Youth Café	£1,000
Installation and Maintenance of Seats	£ 250
Extra Support to Churchyards	£ 200
	Bewdley CCTV Scheme Contribution Contirbution to Youth Café Installation and Maintenance of Seats

Total £8,850

Grant Value £8,704

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The payment of this grant can be met from within existing budget.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

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

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The grant payment is made in accordance with Section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972.

7.1 There are no risk management implications

8. <u>CONCLUSIONS/ACTIONS</u>

8.1 The request by Bewdley 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 C108 1st March, 2006