

Requests for SIB funding

Support for Local Shopping Centres

To continue the successful work of the Business Support project it is requested that the project is extended until March 2014 with a target of a further 31 businesses supported on a one to one basis. A small grant (e.g. for internal/external improvements, marketing, website development etc...) will be available to individual traders who are fully engaged with the project. It is proposed that the establishment of Traders' Associations is progressed in all three centres and that a small grant is made to each to one to assist with start up costs and support sustainability in the longer term. Outline costs are:

Intensive business support until March 2014 reaching an additional 31 businesses	£26,500
Grants available for those fully engaged with the project (£500 x 20)	£10,000
Support to Traders Associations	£3,500

The total funding requested is **£40,000**

Recommendation from Place Board: **Approve**

Lighting at Ross Lea, Shiney Row

The proposal is to install street lighting to an unlit footpath. The unit will be incorporated into the Street Lighting and Highway Signs PFI to ensure future maintenance. The project will improve the area for residents and visitors and reduce fear of crime.

City Council PFI Contractor, Aurora, have designed the proposal to meet national standards. The installation will take place once funding has been secured

The total requested is **£2,000**

Recommendation from Place and People Board: **Approve**