



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Hitchin Area Committee**

2. Date: **14 Sep 2010**

3. Summary of application: **Annual Community Festival**

Name of organisation: **Walsworth Festival Association**

Sum requested: **£1,000**

Total project cost: **£3,000**

Brief details:

**Walsworth Festival has ran annually since and costs increase annually to put the Festival on. Some of the larger expenditures are the toilets at over £500, security at £207, the PA at £323, Licence £70 and the Insurance at £283. Money is raised through advertising in the programme and the sale of the programme, a Tombola run by Festival organisers and stall sales. Commercial stalls are charged at a higher rate than charity stalls. This year, 2010, there would have been a loss on the Festival but the organisers had been given DVD's of Old Walsworth which they were able to sell and this gave a surplus of £431.68 to run next year's Festival.**

Matched / linked funding:

Funder:

Discretionary rate relief: **£0**

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

**Walsworth Festival is a well established Community Festival with a large number of charitable organisations raising funding through having a stall at the Festival. The Festival Committee try every year to have interesting and exciting arena events with which to attract the public. With the exception of 2010, which was very hot, there has been mixed weather for the last few years Festival and this reduces the number of attendees and thereby the number of commercial stalls which raise the largest amount of money for the Festival. It is also difficult to attract exciting arena events which do not cost money. Walsworth Festival is run solely by volunteers and is a very fine example of community cohesion.**

Amount recommended: **£0**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date:

I support / do not support this application

Name: .....

Signed:

Date:

5. For officer use:

Amount awarded from Area Budget:

**£0**

Amount awarded from Dev't Budget

**£0**

Signed off by Head of Service

Signed:

Date: