



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Hitchin Area Committee**

2. Date: **5 Mar 2013**

3. Summary of application: **Young People of the Year Awards 2013**

Name of organisation: **YOPEY**

Sum requested: **£1,250**

Total project cost: **£18,000**

Brief details:

Young People of the Year (YOPEY) started in 2005 as a campaign to give young people a fairer image in the media and wider society by recognising and rewarding 'unsung' heroes and setting them up as positive role models for other young people. The organisation, which is charity registered, depends on sponsors either of money or services to enable them to find and recognise the young people and have an Awards Ceremony.

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

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or DRR

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Comments from Development Officer:

YOPEY is the antidote to negativity towards young people perceived in the media and wider society . In recognising and rewarding young people's achievements and setting them up as positive role models the aim is to improve relations between generations and highlight the excellent young people in our society. A six month campaign to find the 'unsung' heroes will kick off in the Spring and with the money applied for from the Area Committee the organisation will work with the local schools and organisations in Hitchin to find the youngsters. All three senior Hitchin schools have taken part in previous years and there have been some notable Hitchin winners including a 17 year old young musician who raised money for charity and helped a friend who was dying, a Hitchin teenager who looks after her older autistic brother and Urban Saints a group of young people who spent 10 days in Mexico building houses, amongst others.

Amount recommended: **£1,250**

4. Comments from Ward Members:

I support / do not support this application

Name:

Signed:

Date:

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Signed:

Date: