



NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Letchworth Area Committee**

2. Date: **12 Mar 2014**

3. Summary of application: **Astronomy Education Programme**

Name of organisation: **Letchworth and District Astronomical Society** Sum requested: **£500**

Total project cost: **£862**

Brief details:

The Astronomical Society are requesting £500 towards the cost of venue hire and publicity for six public lectures in 2014. The lectures will be presented under the umbrella of “Key Moments in Astronomy”. The six lectures will be prepared and presented by members of the society at no cost. The lectures will take place in March, April, May, September, October and November 2014.

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

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Comments from Development Officer:

The society aims to encourage interest in astronomy through monthly meetings and regular observing sessions. The popularity of TV programmes such as BBC’s Stargazing Live has wetted the public’s appetite for astronomy knowledge. In Letchworth the group had over 200 people attend their associated event. Their objective is to tap into this interest and increase people’s knowledge and enjoyment of science and astronomy in particular.

The Community Development Officer has examined this application against the Authority's Area Grants Policy, the organisation’s accounts and grant history, and considers it an eligible application to put before the Committee.

Amount recommended: **£500**

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: