

Report of East North East Area Leader

Report to Outer North East Area Committee

Date: 16 September 2013

Subject: Well-being Fund Budgets

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Alwoodley, Harewood, Wetherby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report provides members with an update on the current position of the revenue budget for the Outer North East Area Committee.
2. Applications made for funding are included in the report for member's consideration.
3. The report also provides details of the Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme approved by the Council's executive board where 20% of each receipt generated will be retained locally for re-investment, subject to a maximum per receipt of £100k.

Recommendations

4. Members are asked to:
 - Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2013/14 financial year;
 - Consider the following project proposals and approve where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded:

Project	Organisation	Amount applied for £	Ward
Grit bins	Leeds City Council	£5914.04	Alwoodley
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- Note the 2012/13 allocation of Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme funding and agree to either split the allocation equally between the three Outer North East wards, or use the funding on an area wide basis for strategic priorities

1. Purpose of this Report

- 1.2 The report provides members with an update on the current position of the revenue Well-being Funding for the Area Committee and sets out applications made for consideration by the Area Committee.

2. Background Information

- 2.1 Each of the ten Area Committees receive an annual allocation of revenue funding to commission projects and offer grants to organisations in the local area. The amount of funding for each Area Committee is determined by a formula based on 50% population and 50% deprivation in each area, as agreed by the Council's Executive Board. The Area Committees also have the balance of any revenue Well-being budget which was allocated to them in previous years.
- 2.2 Alongside the Well-being budget, ward councillors have access to other sources of local funding, such as Section 106, Ward Based Initiatives (WBI), Members Improvement in the Community and Environment (MICE). The use of this funding is discussed at ward member meetings as appropriate.

3. REVENUE PROJECTS

3.1 Well-being Revenue – available funding for the current financial year

- 3.1.1 The allocation for the Outer North East Area Committee for 2013/14 is £112,000.

- 3.1.2 The Outer North East Area Committee manages its allocation by apportioning the amount between the three wards based on population¹. For the 2013/14 allocation, the split between wards is:

- Alwoodley: £41726 based on pop. = 22766 (37.25%)

¹ Office for National Statistics 2011 Census

- Harewood: £33656 based on pop. = 18363 (30.05%)
- Wetherby: £36618 based on pop. = 19979 (32.69%)

3.1.3 The current revenue financial position of the Area Committee is shown in Appendix A.

3.1.4 The funding is used to support the priorities in the Area Committee Business Plan as agreed by the Area Committee in March 2013. Updates on spending and projects funded will be reported to the Area Committee on a regular basis.

3.2 New schemes for consideration

3.2.1 In considering these applications members are asked to take into account timescales for the projects. If projects are continuing after 31 March 2014, members are asked to decide if the appropriate proportion of the grant should be set aside from the 2013/14 budget and carried forward, or be drawn from the 2014/15 budget.

3.2.2	Project:	Grit bins
	Organisation:	Leeds City Council
	Total cost:	£3421.22
	Amount applied for:	£3421.22
	Ward:	Alwoodley
		Purchase of new bins with salt, cost each £168.38 x 10 = £1683.80 One refill for each new bin cost each £75.54 x 10 + £755.40 Two refills for each existing bin, cost each £75.54 x 46 = £3,474.84 Total £5,914.04
	Area Committee priorities:	Health and Wellbeing, Supporting Communities

3.2.3	Project:	Alwoodley Allotment Association Development Programme
	Organisation:	Alwoodley Allotment Association
	Total cost:	£10,232.
	Amount applied for:	£10,000
	Ward:	Alwoodley
		Alwoodley Allotment association are developing a new allotment site and are now in a position to install 3 key elements, agricultural stockproof fencing to enclose the site, agricultural drainage and two pairs of galvanised bespoke gates and 2 fence panels to create an entrance into the allotment site. This project will improve the quality of life for local people by providing an allotment site which is accessible to all the association's current members plus other groups. The intention is to hold open days, and other events, and create raised beds/plots for schools and community groups, including those representing people with disabilities.
	Area Committee priorities:	Health and Wellbeing, Supporting Communities

3.2.4	Project:	Northcall
	Organisation:	Northcall Community Centre
	Total cost:	£10826
	Amount applied for:	£10826
	Ward:	Alwoodley
<p>Northcall are now proposing to set up a housekeeping programme for older/housebound people. Services provided will include shopping or supported shopping, ironing, cleaning, filling in forms, and collecting prescriptions amongst other things. Northcall are seeking a wellbeing grant for start-up costs of £10,826 which will cover staffing costs, uniforms, marketing and cleaning resources. By month 12 they expect to have 100 working hours, which will enable them to pay the Project Manager 10 hours, pay for a Co-ordinator for 10 hours and employ workers to fill those 100 hours. This will also generate a profit of roughly £900 pa.</p> <p>This project will create new jobs and volunteering opportunities and contribute towards the health and wellbeing of older people.</p>		
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3.2.5	Project:	Wetherby Parkrun
	Organisation:	Parkrun Limited
	Total cost:	£6000
	Amount applied for:	£1500
	Ward:	Wetherby
<p>Parkrun organises free weekly timed runs around the world. There are currently four parkruns in Leeds at Roundhay Park, Woodhouse Moor, Cross Flatts Park and Temple Newsam. This project is to set up a parkrun for Wetherby, at Grange Park sports club. Parkrun Limited contributes £3000 and a further £3000 is required to set up an event. This includes buying equipment (2 high-tech stopwatches, 2 barcode scanners, a computer for processing the results, high visibility vests, cones and bollards, and tokens given to finishers. The event will be run by volunteers and is open to all. £1500 is sought from the area committee, and funding applications have also been made to West Yorkshire Sport and Leeds Athletic Network.</p>		
Area Committee priorities: Health and Wellbeing, Supporting Communities		

3.3 Small grants and skips

3.3.1 Each of the wards has a pot set aside for community groups to apply into for small grants and skips. The following small grants have been agreed for this financial year.

Organisation / Department	Project	Total Project	Grant Approved
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		Cost	£	£
West Yorkshire Police	Off road motorbikes	£5670		170
Living Local	Community fun day in the Lingfields	£1300		£500

3.3.2 Appendix B provides details of the remaining balances for the small grants and skips pots, plus the other pots of funding which were set aside, Treetops Community Centre, and Community Engagement.

3.4 Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme

3.4.1 The establishment of a Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme (CRIS) with effect from April 2012 was approved by Executive Board in October 2011. The key feature of the scheme is that 20% of each receipt generated will be retained locally for re-investment, subject to maximum per receipt of £100k. 15% retained by the respective ward (via the existing Ward Based Initiative Scheme) and 5% pooled across the Council and distributed to wards on the basis of need.

3.4.2 Some receipts are excluded from the scheme and these are largely receipts that are already assumed to fund the Council's budget or are earmarked in some other way to previous or future spend.

3.4.3 Executive Board has approved the transfer of the 5% element to area committees on the basis of the existing area wellbeing needs based formula. The table below shows the allocations for 2012/13. Future allocations will take place on a quarterly basis following regular update reports to Executive Board.

2012/13 CRIS allocation

Area Committee	Percentage Allocation	Area Allocation
Inner South	12.50%	£14,070.76
Outer South	10.23%	£11,518.19
Outer East	10.31%	£11,607.81
Subtotal South & East		£37,196.76
Inner West	7.61%	£8,567.67
Inner North West	12.00%	£13,510.48
Outer West	8.59%	£9,666.28
Outer North West	8.96%	£10,086.17
Subtotal West/ North West		£41,830.61
Inner North East	9.00%	£10,140.70
Inner East	14.57%	£16,404.60
Outer North East	6.23%	£7,019.09
Subtotal East/ North East		£33,564.39
Total – All Areas	100.00%	£112,591.76

3.4.4 Historically, the area committee wellbeing capital fund was split equally between the three wards. Splitting this CRIS fund three ways will give an allocation of £2339 per ward.

3.4.5 The area committee is asked to consider if this funding is to be split equally between the three wards, or kept in an area wide pot for spending on strategic priorities.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 Area Committees now have an enhanced role in Community Engagement and have responsibility for overseeing and monitoring the work of the Area Support Team in relation to local engagement activities. The priorities in the Area Committee business plan which the wellbeing supports are arrived at through consultation with ward members and the local communities they serve.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 Well-being Funding is used to ensure that inequalities within the local area are addressed through local projects and schemes. All projects funded by Well-being monies must demonstrate:

- Equality and diversity issues have been considered in the planning of the project,
- How equality and diversity issues have shaped the project delivery;
- The impact of the project will be on different groups;
- How the project will promote good community relations between different groups and how barriers that might prevent their involvement will be overcome.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 Well-being funding is used to support the priorities set out in the Outer North East Area Business Plan which supports the Vision for Leeds.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 Spending and monitoring of the Well-being budget is administered by the Area Support Team in accordance with the decisions made by this Area Committee.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 The Area Committee has delegated responsibility for taking of decisions and monitoring of activity relating to utilisation of capital and revenue Well-being budgets within the framework of the Council's Constitution (Part 3, Section 3D) and in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

4.5.2 In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, agreed at Full Council May 2012, all decisions taken by Area Committees are not eligible for Call In.

4.5.3 There is no exempt or confidential information in this report.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 All Well-being funded projects must demonstrate that they have identified any potential risks for the project and what action would/will take to avoid or minimise them. Details of the risk assessments for individual projects are available from the author of this report.

5. Conclusions

5.1 The Well-being revenue fund provides financial support for projects in the Outer North East area which help to deliver the priorities of the Area Committee business plan. New capital funds have been transferred to the area committee via the Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme.

6. Recommendations

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7. Background documents²

² The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include

Executive Board report, 15 February 2013, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2013/14

[Executive Board report of 11th October 2011 – Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme](#)

[Executive Board report of 17th July 2013 – Capital Programme 1 Update 2013 – 2016](#)