

Report of Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities)

Report to Outer North East Area Committee

Date: 27 May 2014

Subject: Well-being Fund and Youth Activity Fund 2014/15

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 type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" 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. The Outer North East Area Committee has wellbeing revenue and capital budgets, plus a youth activities fund which are used to support projects which address locally determined priorities.
2. Applications for funding are included in the report for members' consideration.

Recommendations

3. The Area Committee is asked to:
 - Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2014/15 financial year;
 - Consider wellbeing and youth activity fund applications and approve where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded:

1. Purpose of this Report

- 1.1 The report provides members with an update on the current position of the Area Committee's budgets and sets out applications for wellbeing funding and youth activity funding for consideration by the Area Committee.

2. Background Information

- 2.1 Each of the ten Area Committees receives an annual allocation of wellbeing revenue funding and Youth Service funds to support local projects to address locally determined priorities. Each area committee also has a wellbeing capital budget from the Council's Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme.

3 BUDGETS 2014/15

3.1 Well-being Revenue

The amount of funding for each Area Committee is determined by a formula based on 50% population and 50% deprivation in each area. The allocation for the Outer North East Area Committee is £97,510. The area committee manages its allocation by apportioning the amount between the three wards based on population¹. The split between the wards is:

Alwoodley:	£36,322.23	based on pop. = 22766	(37.26%)
Harewood:	£29,301.76	based on pop. = 18363	(30.05%)
Wetherby:	£31,876.02	based on pop. = 19979	(32.69%)

3.2 Capital budget

The Area Committee's capital budget is from the Council's Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme. 20% of receipts generated are retained locally up to a maximum of £100,000 per capital receipt. 15% retained by the ward as additional Ward Based Initiative funding and 5% is pooled across the Council and transferred to the area committees on the basis of need.

3.3 Youth Activity fund

The amount of funding for each area committee is determined by the number of children and young people aged 8 – 17. The allocation for Outer North East Leeds is £40997. The area committee manages its allocation by apportioning the amount between the three wards using the ages 8 – 17 population figures.

Alwoodley	£14881	based on pop. = 2490	(36.3%)
Harewood	£13795	based on pop. = 2309	(33.65%)
Wetherby	£12319	based on pop. = 2062	(30.05%)

- 3.4 More detailed information about these budgets is available in the appendices to this report. (Appendix A – wellbeing funding, and Appendix B – Youth Activity funding.)

4. APPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Ward members are provided with details of the applications and have the opportunity to discuss them in detail at their ward member meetings in advance of the area committee.

¹ Office for National Statistics 2011 Census

4.2 Wellbeing

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total Cost	Amount applied for
Wetherby	Wetherby Town Council	Christmas lights	£25,000	£5157 (capital)

4.3 Youth Activity Fund

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total Cost	Amount applied for
Alwoodley	Northcall	Young peoples' residential	£3700	£3700

5 Corporate Considerations

5.1 Consultation and Engagement

5.1.1 Area Committees 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.

5.1.2 Panels have been established to involve young people in the decision making process for the Youth Activity Fund.

5.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

5.2.1 Area Committee funding is used to ensure that inequalities within the local area are addressed through local projects and schemes. All projects funded by the area committee monies must demonstrate how they address equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

5.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

5.3.1 Well-being funding is used to support the area committee priorities.

5.3.2 Youth Activity Funding supports the Children and Young People's plan outcome – 'Children and Young People Have Fun Growing Up'.

5.4 Resources and Value for Money

5.4.1 Spending and monitoring of the grants awarded is administered by the Area Support Team.

5.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

5.5.1 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.

5.5.2 The Area Committee also has delegated responsibility to commission, monitor and evaluate local play, arts, sports and cultural activity for young people age 8-17 with the involvement and participation of children and young people.

5.5.3 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.

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

5.6 Risk Management

5.6.1 All projects funded by the area committee must demonstrate that they have identified any potential risks for the project and what action would/will take to avoid or minimise them.

6.0 Conclusions

6.1 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. The Youth Activity Fund has been delegated to the area committee to fund universal activities for children and young people aged 8 – 17.

7. Recommendations

7.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

- Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2014/15 financial year;
- Consider wellbeing and youth activity fund applications and approve where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded:

Background documents²

[Executive Board report, 14 February 2014, 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](#)

[Executive Board report of 13th March 2013 – Investing in Young People: Future Direction for youth services in Leeds.](#)

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 documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.