



Report of Jane Maxwell East North East Area Leader

**Report to Inner North East Community Committee** 

Date: 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014

**Subject: Wellbeing Fund and Youth Activity Fund 2014/15** 

Are specific electoral Wards affected?		☐ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
Chapel Allerton, Roundhay, Moortown		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:		
Appendix number:		

### **Summary of main issues**

- 1. The Inner North East Community Committee has wellbeing revenue and capital budgets, plus a youth activity fund. These are used to support projects which address locally determined priorities.
- 2. Applications for funding are included in the report for member's consideration.

#### Recommendations

- 3. The Community Committee are asked to:
  - Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2014/15 financial year;
  - Consider the Wellbeing Working Group's recommendations and approve, where appropriate the, amount of grant to be awarded. Due to timings of the

Wellbeing Working Group meeting recommendations will be given verbally at the Community Committee meeting.

 Members are asked to note the DDN decisions made outside of Community Committee based on the Wellbeing Working Group's recommendations.

## 2 Purpose of this report

2.1 This report provides members with an update on the current position of the revenue & capital Wellbeing and Youth Activity funds and sets out applications made for consideration by the Community Committee.

## 3 Background information

- 3.1 Each of the ten Community Committees (previously Area Committees) receives an allocation of revenue funding. The amount of funding for each Community Committee is determined by a formula based on population and deprivation in each area which has been previously agreed by the Council's Executive Board.
- 3.2 The Community Committee have nominated a representative from each ward to form a Wellbeing Member Working Group to consider applications made for funding in detail and provide recommendations to the Community Committee. The group will also receive feedback and evaluations regarding projects that have already been funded.

#### 4 Budgets 2014/15

- 4.1 It has been agreed the revenue wellbeing revenue budget for the Inner North East Community Committee 2014/2015 is £141,350. Carryover of both uncommitted and committed revenue funds from 2013/14 has also continued as well as any underspends. The total budget for 2014/15 including this carry forward is £207,833. It must be noted by the Inner North East Community Committee that this figure includes schemes approved and ongoing from 2013/14 which are carried forward to be paid.
- 4.2 The total figure available for spend on new projects in 2014/15 is £128,595.62 At its March meeting the Community Committee agreed allocation of some of these funds into Ward, Community Engagement, Summer Holidays, and Small Grants pots. This breakdown is detailed at **Appendix 1**.
- 4.3 In addition to this, at its meeting in March 2013 the Executive Board agreed a new allocation to the overall Community Committee budget, ring-fenced for youth activities. This budget has been split between the ten Community Committees based on NHS population data of young people aged 8 17. On this basis, the Inner North East Community Committee has been allocated £51,670 for 2014/15.

# 5 Applications

5.1 Ward members are provided with details of the applications that have been submitted along with the Wellbeing Working Groups recommendations

## 5.2 Wellbeing Revenue

Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for	Recommendation
Leeds City Council Parks and Countryside	Potternewton Recreation Ground Changing Room Security Provision	£3000	£3000	Funding the full amount requested. Subsidies be available to groups from INE to hire facilities and promotion to take place with local groups.

5.2.2 A DDN report was written outside of the Community Committee cycle due to urgency of the project listed below. The Wellbeing Working Group met between Community Committee meetings and decided to recommend funding the full amount requested. This recommendation informed a delegated decision and Leeds West Indian Carnival was awarded £3050.

Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for
Leeds West Indian carnival	taking Leeds West Indian Carnival to its Full Potential /Pop Up Carnival work shadowing	£16,920	£3,050

## 5.3 Youth Activity Fund

Organisation	Project	Total	Amount	Recommendation
		cost	applied	
			for	

Feel Good Factor	A Taste of Life	£12,380	£12,380	Funding the full amount requested. Working Group asked for project expanded from original proposal and delivered all year.
Feel Good Factor	A piece of the action	£15,312	£15,312	Funding the full amount requested. Working Group asked for project expanded from original proposal and delivered all year.
NACRO	Chapeltown YIP Holiday Outdoor Activities	£2842	£2652	Award funding of £1894.Reduction due to costs associated with trip to Flamingo Land.

5.3.1 A DDN report was written outside of the Community Committee cycle due to Ramadan starting before the next Community Committee meeting date. The Wellbeing Working Group met between Community Committee meetings and decided to recommend funding the full amount requested. This recommendation informed a delegated decision and Street Work Soccer was awarded £1550.

Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for
Street Work Soccer Academy Ltd in conjunction with Manchester City Football Academy and West Yorkshire Police.	Chapeltown and Harehills Ramadan Football Camp	£1550	£1550

# **6** Corporate Considerations

## 6.4 Consultation and Engagement

- 6.4.3 Community 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.
- 6.4.4 Young people are involved in the decision making process for the Youth Activity Fund through local Youth Panels.

# 6.5 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

6.5.1 Community committee funding is used to ensure that inequalities within the local area are addressed through local projects and schemes. All projects supported by the community committee must demonstrate

#### 6.6 Council policies and City Priorities

- 6.6.1 Wellbeing funding is used to support the priorities of the Inner North East Community Committee.
- 6.6.2 The Youth Activity Funding supports the Children and Young people's plan outcome 'Children and young people have fun growing up'.

## 6.7 Resources and value for money

6.7.1 Spending and monitoring of the grants awarded is administered by the Area Support Team to ensure that the grant is used in accordance with the details of the application.

## 6.8 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

6.8.1 The Community 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.

- 6.8.2 The Community 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.
- 6.8.3 In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, agreed at Full Council May 2012, all decisions taken by Community Committees are not eligible for Call In.
- 6.8.4 There is no exempt or confidential information in this report.

## 6.9 Risk Management

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

#### 7 Conclusions

7.1 The Wellbeing revenue fund provides financial support for projects in the Inner North East area which help to deliver the priorities of the community committee business plan. New capital funds have been transferred to the community committee via the Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme. The Youth Activity Fund has been delegated to the community committee to fund universal activities for children and young people aged 8 – 17.

#### 8 Recommendations

- 8.1 The Community Committee is asked to:
  - Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2014/15 financial year;
  - Consider the Wellbeing Working Group's recommendations and approve where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded.
  - Note the delegated decisions made outside of Community Community

#### Background documents<sup>1</sup> 9

Executive Board report, 14 February 2014, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2013/14

Executive Board report of 11<sup>th</sup> October 2011 – Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme Executive Board report of 17th July 2013 - Capital Programme 1 Update 2013 -

Executive Board report of 13<sup>th</sup> March 2013 – Investing in Young People: Future Direction for youth services in Leeds.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.