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Report to: Inner East Community Committee – Burmantofts & Richmond Hill, Gipton

& Harehills and Killingbeck & Seacroft

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# **Wellbeing Report**

## Purpose of this report

 The purpose of this report is to provide Members of the Inner East Community Committee with details of its Wellbeing budget, including details of any new projects for consideration.

#### Main Issues

- 2. This report provides Elected Members with an update on the current position of the capital and revenue budget for the Inner East Community Committee.
- 3. Applications for funding, both revenue and capital, are included in the report for Member's consideration.

## **Options**

### New Revenue Projects for Consideration from 2015/16 budget

4. **Project:** Lark in the Park

**Organisation:** Community Unity

Wards affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

Amount applied for: £1,500 Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

 Funding will be used to support a long-running free community event held in East End Park including a range of family-friendly activities with the aim of promoting community cohesion.  Wellbeing funding will be specifically assigned to providing activities on the day, including games, face painting, art and graffiti classes and a climbing wall.

5. **Project:** Safe Space Harehills/Gipton

Organisation: Getaway Girls

Wards affected: Gipton & Harehills

Amount applied for: £9,494

Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- Funding requested for targeted prevention and early intervention work with girls ages between 11 and 13 who are at risk of sexual exploitation
- Work will include support and educational work with identified girls and activities to build their confidence.
- 6. **Project:** Opportunity Shops

**Organisation:** Gipton Supported Independent Living Limited (GIPSIL)

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills & Killingbeck & Seacroft

**Amount Applied for:** £16,000 **Projected Year of Spend:** 2015/16

Project overview:

- To support the delivery of four Opportunity Shops per week in Gipton, Harehills and Seacroft over the course of the current financial year.
- The shops deliver practical training and employment advice as well as access to IT equipment and support with CV's and job applications.
- 7. **Project**: Community Participation and Learning Programme (Inner East)

Organisation: Leeds Irish Arts Foundation

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills and Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

Amount Applied for: £2,400 Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- Funding is sought to develop the Community Participation and Learning Plan
- A specific focus will be on the socially isolated older Irish population, such as the Over 55's Irish Men's Group and the Tuesday Irish Club.
- The project will promote and encourage participation in the learning of traditional Irish music, arts and heritage.
- 8. **Project:** Harehills Festival

**Organisation:** Inner East Area Support Team

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills

**Amount Applied for:** £2,000 **Projected Year of Spend:** 2015/16

Project overview:

- The organisation of a community festival for Harehills.
- The festival will be a mixture of fun and family-friendly activities and information sharing.
- Part of the organisation of the project will involve identifying and mobilising local volunteers who can help with this year's festival as well as play an key role in organising future events.

9. **Project:** Fearnville Bike Festival

**Organisation:** Sport and Active Lifestyles

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills and Killingbeck & Seacroft

**Amount Applied for: £2,386** 

Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

**Project overview:** 

- A cycle-themed event to help celebrate the Tour de Yorkshire and promote the local Skyride sessions being delivered from Fearnville Leisure Centre.
- Will include various cycling themes for people to engage with (e.g BMX, bike ability) as well as other active lifestyle activities like martial arts, skateboarding and multi-sport.
- Will also include wider information sharing regarding physical activity and healthy lifestyle choices.
- 10. **Project:** Inner East Young People's Out of School Activities Programme

**Organisation:** Leeds City Council Youth Service

Wards Affected: All

Amount Applied for: £12,500 Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

Project Overview:

- To fund the hire and use of the MCS Bilal Centre twice a week to deliver targeted youth work for vulnerable young people who have been associated with criminal activity, including drug offenses and gang association.
- To deliver a four-week summer activity programme for vulnerable young people, including recreational trips, an accredited motorbike session and advice sessions around healthy eating.
- To deliver some further strategic youth provision in the Inner East Area.
- 11. **Project:** Al-Khidmat Centre

Organisation: Leeds Islamic Centre Ward Affected: Gipton & Harehills Amount Applied for: £2,500

**Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16** 

Project Overview:

- A programme of activities targeted at old people to improve their health and wellbeing and to raise awareness about chronic diseases.
- Specific activities include a walking group, gym sessions, dietary advice and relaxation and wellbeing advice.
- 12. **Project:** Seacroft Gala

**Organisation:** Seacroft Gala Committee **Wards Affected:** Killingbeck & Seacroft

**Amount Applied for: £1,530** 

Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

Project Overview:

- To put on a free, family-friendly event for the local community
- To include information and signposting to ensure people know where to go to receive advice and assistance across a range of different service areas
- Stalls at the gala will include; Leeds Credit Union, Leeds CAB, Welfare Rights.

• Wellbeing funding will be used to provide play inflatables, An exotic animal display and a face-painting.

13. **Project:** Haslewood West Subway

Organisation: Seagulls Re-Use Limited

Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

**Amount Applied for: £7,391** 

Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

Project Overview:

- To install a large scale community arts project at Haslewood West Subway
- Funding will be specifically used to paint a base coat on the subway walls which will then be used a canvas for graffiti art.
- A community mosaic which members of the local community have worked on - will also be installed in the subway
- 14. **Project: Signpost** Family Intervention Service Young Fire Fighters

**Organisation**: Signpost

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills

**Amount Applied for:** £1,500

Projected Year of Spend: 2015/16

Project Overview:

- An engagement programme aimed at 15 young people aged 12-16.
- The project will provide a learning course for selected attendees who will learn a variety if skills, including awareness, problem solving, team work and how to contribute positively to their local community.
- 15. **Project:** Gipton Gala

**Organisation:** Gipton Together **Wards affected:** Gipton & Harehills

Amount applied for: £1,000

Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- Gipton Together plan to use the grant to put on Gipton's Community Gala
- The gala is due to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> July.
- There will the people's stalls and information stalls from local service providers. Other activities will include a fun fair, performances, displays etc.
- The aim of the gala is to bring the local community together and extend the welcome to neighbouring communities.
- 16. **Project:** Positive Action for Refugees

**Organisation:** Sudanese Community Association

Wards affected: All

Amount applied for: £3,164

Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- This funding application is to help pay for a wide range of activities swimming, reading, football, sewing, Maths and ICT lessons – for members of the Sudanese community who are new to Leeds.
- The aim of project is to promote integration and have existing members of the community learn new skills.

 Members should note that this application was deferred again at the last meeting of the Inner East Community pending discussions to reduce the size of the bid. These discussions have now taken place with the applicant and the bid has been revised.

17. **Project:** Replacement of stolen alleygate – Bellbrooke Terrace

Organisation: Safer Leeds, LCC

Wards affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

Amount applied for: £840

Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

 Funding will be used to supply and re fit a stolen alleygate on Bellbrooke Terrace in Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Ward.

 The total cost of this scheme is £1,680. Matching funding for the gate will be allocated from the Safer Leeds budget.

18. **Project:** Inner East Tasking Pots

Organisation: East North East Area Support Team

Wards affected: All

Amount applied for: £15,000 Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- Funding will be used for reactive and ad-hoc projects targeted at crime prevention and environmental improvements. For example, CCTV, additional Police hours, the enforcement of cold calling zones and the funding of skips and street cleaning equipment.
- These pots were allocated by Elected Members at the Inner East Community Committee in March 2015.
- 19. **Project:** Inner East Community Engagement Pots **Organisation:** East North East Area Support Team

Wards affected: All

Amount applied for: £3,000 Projected year of spend: 2015/16

Project overview:

- Community Engagement pots are requested for the 3 wards within Inner East – Burmantofts & Richmond Hill, Gipton & Harehills and Killingbeck & Seacroft.
- Funding will be used for venue hire/refreshments for Community Committee Meetings, other community meetings e.g. CLT's and ad/hoc items such as materials for community events.
- These pots were allocated by Elected Members at the Inner East Community Committee in March 2015.

## **Corporate considerations**

20. Wellbeing funding is used to support the annual priorities agreed by Elected Members at the March meeting of the Inner East Community Committee. The annual priorities support the Council's Vision for Leeds 2011 to 2030 and Best Council Plan 2013-17.

- 21. Youth Activity Funding supports the Children and Young People's plan outcome 'Children and Young People Have Fun Growing Up'.
- 22. Sometimes decisions need to be made between formal meetings of the Community Committee and therefore the Area Leaders have delegated authority from the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) to approve spend outside of the Community Committee cycle. All delegated decisions are taken within an appropriate governance framework and must satisfy the following conditions:
  - a. consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken;
  - a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the Community Committee Elected Members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a Community Committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors), and;
  - c. details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available Community Committee meeting for Members' information.
- 23. The Community Committee, supported by the East North East Area Support Team, has delegated responsibility for taking of decisions and monitoring of activity relating to utilisation of capital and revenue Wellbeing budgets (including the Youth Activity Fund) within the framework of the Council's Constitution (Part 3, Section 3D) and in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.
- 24. 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.
- 25. There is no exempt or confidential information in this report.

### Conclusion

- 26. The Wellbeing fund provides financial support for projects in the Inner East area which support the annual priorities of the Community Committee. For 2015/16, the Inner East Community Committee has six key priorities, highlighted below:
  - Projects that seek to promote diversity, encourage community cohesion and address language barriers
  - Projects that seek to tackle issues associated with child poverty
  - Projects that seek to get residents into employment, training, volunteering opportunities or learn new skills
  - Projects that seek to address both physical and mental health issues that affect residents in Inner East Leeds
  - Projects that seek to improve the environment for local residents
  - Projects that seek to reduce levels of domestic violence in Inner East Leeds
- 27. New capital funds have been transferred to the Community Committee via the Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme.

- 28. The Youth Activity Fund (YAF) has been delegated to the Area Committee to fund universal activities for children and young people aged 8 17.
- 29. In April 2015 the Community Committee held a commissioning round to encourage providers to come forward with projects for the key summer holiday period. As a result of that commissioning round the Community Committee received 32 bids totalling £99,680.
- 30. Due to the volume of bids and the tight timescales involved in turning these projects around in time for July, decisions on these applications will be made by delegated authority following conversations with Ward Members.
- 31. As part of those discussions Ward Members will be informed of the feedback from the Inner East Youth Panel on a selection of projects as well as the questionnaire responses returned by over 300 young people on the subject of youth activities. The details of the projects submitted for consideration by Ward Members are highlighted in the table below:

Project Name	Organisation	Amount of YAF applied for
1st Cross Gates Brownies	1st Cross Gates Brownies	£2,900
No Bystanders Radio Festival	Heads Together Productions	£2,430
Pop Up Sports Club – Seacroft	LCC Sports and Active Lifestyles	£775.20
Rhinos Holiday Zone	Leeds Rhino Foundation	£4,500
OIL Bicycle Build Project	Opportunities Inspiring Learning (OIL)	£2,000
Stitch-Up Summer!	Stitch Up CIC	£1,400
The Works on Tour Maintenance Sessions	The Works Skatepark Charity	£2,400
Seacroft Ice Pop Media Club	Lifeforce Productions	£1,950
Tigers Summer Project	Leeds Tigers Trust Limited	£4,670
National Citizenship Service	Leeds City Council	£4,130
Mini Breeze Events Oxton Fields/Denis Healy/Banstead Park	Breeze Team	£11,250
Youth Inclusion Project	Barca Leeds	£2,555.40

On Your Bike	Zest Health for Life	£845
Summer PlayScheme	Community Unity	£900
Summer of Fun	Community Unity	£1,181.25
CYDC Summer Sports Camp 2015	Chapeltown Youth Development Centre	£3,865.54
On Wings of Cardboard	Urban Angels	£2,750
Young Movie Makers Summer Campus	Lifeforce Productions	£1,955
CIR-US	Leeds Children's Circus	£3,964
Harehills Summer Football Camps and Ramadan Project	CATCH	£8,920
Girls Summer Fun	Getaway Girls	£1,978
Community Participation & Learning Programme	Irish Arts Foundation	£1,980
Compton Centre Mini Breeze Family Festival	Leeds City Council – Citizens and Communities	£1,719.80
Fearnville Multi Sport and Swim Camp	LCC Sports and Active Lifestyles	£4,387.25
Pop-Up Sports Club – Harehills	LCC Sports and Active Lifestyles	£1,146
Herd Farm Summer Activities Programme	LCC – Youth Offer Team	£6,450
Street Work Soccer Academy – B&RH	Street Work Soccer Academy	£1,920
Street Work Soccer Academy – G&HH	Street Work Soccer Academy	£1,920
The Minions Time	Syrian Community of Leeds	£2,480.74
First Floor ENE Community Programme	West Yorkshire Playhouse	£1,500
Zest School Holiday Activities	Zest Health for Life	£3,260.04
Streets to Society Project	CFYOC (Chance)	£5,600

### Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- 32. Note the spend to date and current balances for the 2015/16 financial year;
- 33. Consider the following project proposals and approve, where appropriate, the amount of Wellbeing Revenue funding to be awarded:

Lark in the Park	£1,500
Safe Space Harehills/Gipton	£9,494
Opportunity Shops	£16,000
Community Programme (Inner East)	£2,400
Harehills Festival	£2,000
Fearnville Bike Festival	£2,386
IE Young People's Out of School Activities	£12,500
Al-Khidmat Centre	£2,500
Seacroft Gala	£1,530
Haslewood West Subway	£7,391
Young Fire Fighters	£1,500
Gipton Gala	£1,000
Positive Action for Refugees	£3,164
Replacement of stolen alleygate	£840
IE Tasking Pots	£15,000
IE Community Engagement	£3,000

34. Members are asked to note that following decisions were made by delegated authority:

Burmantofts Gala 2015, ENE Area Support	£2,000 (Wellbeing Revenue)
Adventure Group, Epiphany Scout Group	£1,500 (Wellbeing Revenue)
Mums the Word Group, YMCA	£1,000 (Wellbeing Revenue)

## **Background information**

#### Revenue

- Each of the ten Community Committees receives an annual allocation of revenue funding. The amount of funding for each Community Committee is determined by a formula based on 50% population and 50% deprivation in each area, which has been previously agreed by the Council's Executive Board.
- It has been agreed that the revenue wellbeing budget for this Community Committee for 2015/16 is £214,550. Carryover of both uncommitted and committed revenue funds from 2015/16 has also continued as well as any underspends. The total budget for 2015/16 is £280,741. It must be noted by the Community Committee that this figure includes schemes approved and ongoing from 2015/16 which are carried forward to be paid (£40,924).
- As agreed at the March 2015 meeting of the Inner East Community Committee, once the agreed topsliced projects are removed the remaining budget will be split

three ways between the wards. The amount available for each ward to spend in 2015/16 is detailed in **Appendix A**.

 Wellbeing fund applications are considered at the relevant Ward Member meetings, wherever possible, for Elected Members recommendations prior to the Community Committee meeting.

#### **Small Grants**

- Community organisations can apply for a small grant to support small scale
  projects in the community. A maximum of one grant of up to £500 can be awarded
  to any one group in any financial year, to enable as many groups as possible to
  benefit. These are approved by Councillors outside of the Community he
  Committee meeting and are funded from a small grant pot set aside by Elected
  Members from their Ward allocation.
- Details of small grants that have been approved in 2015/16 will be reported to future meetings of the Community Committees.

## **Community Engagement**

- The Inner East Community Committee approved an amount of £3,000 at its March 2015 meeting to spend on community engagement activities. This allocation is split equally between the three Wards.
- The funds are to be spent on room hire, refreshment and stationary costs associated with community meetings.

## **Crime and Grime Tasking**

- Each of the priority neighbourhoods in the Inner East area has a multi-agency tasking team which focuses on tackling crime, anti-social behaviour and environmental problems. Ward members have set aside a portion of their Ward allocation to support the work of these teams; this pot is managed by the Area Support Team.
- Details of the expenditure against this budget in 2015/16 will be reported to future meetings of the Community Committee.

## **Project Monitoring Update**

 Projects which are awarded wellbeing funding are required to submit project monitoring returns giving details of what the project has achieved. Project updates will be reported to future meetings of the Community Committee.

#### **Capital Receipts Programme**

 The establishment of a Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme (CRIS) 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, with 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. Details of the current balance of Capital Wellbeing funding are shown in Appendix
 B. Future allocations will take place on a quarterly basis following regular update reports to Executive Board. As agreed previously by the Inner East Community Committee, all new allocations are to be divided equally between the three Wards.

## **Youth Activity Fund**

- The Community Committee has been allocated, as last year, £68,320 of Youth Activity Funding (YAF). This pot of money is specifically ring-fenced for universal youth activity related projects for 8-17 year olds.
- As agreed previously by the Community Committee, all new allocations are to be divided equally between the three Wards. Details of the current balance of Youth Activity Fund (YAF) are shown in **Appendix C**.