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# Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

**Outer West Area Committee** 

Date: January 29th 2010

**Subject: Outer West Area Committee Well-Being Budget** 

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:		
Calverley & Farsley Farnley & Wortley Pudsey	Equality and Diversity  Community Cohesion		
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap		
Council Delegated Executive Function Function available for Call In	Delegated Executive Function not available for Call in Details set out in the report		

# **Executive Summary**

The report updates Members on the current amount of capital and revenue funding committed and available via the Area Committee Well-being budget for wards in the Outer West area. Where appropriate it seeks approval for new projects commissioned by the Area Management Team.

### 1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 The report seeks to update Members on the current amount of capital and revenue funding committed and available via the Area Committee Well-being budget for wards in the Outer West area. It seeks approval for new projects commissioned by the Area Management Team.

## 2.0 Background Information

As detailed at the April 3<sup>rd</sup> committee meeting at the beginning of the financial year the allocations for 2009/10 were:

Revenue: £ 176,570Capital £ 90,626

2.1 The balance for 2009/10 including well-being projects agreed at the December 2009 Area Committee and any carry forward is therefore:

Revenue: £ 2,760.24Capital: £ £33,856.52

#### 3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Two applications for well being funding have been submitted for the Area Committee's consideration as detailed in the list below (see appendices 1-2 attached).

Commissioned Project	Amount requested for 2009/10		Amount requested in principle for 2010/11		Appendix
	Capital	Revenue	Capital	Revenue	
Improvements to	£11,006				1
Parade of Shops					
in Tyersal.					
Pudsey & Armley				£20,000	2
Town Centre					
Manager					

3.2 If the applications for wellbeing fund are approved the remaining funds available for projects in 2009/2010 will be:

Revenue: £ 2,760.24Capital: £22,850.52

3.3 At April 2009 Area Committee, it was agreed that, of the remaining capital balance, £15,000 would be set aside for each Outer West ward to spend on capital projects deemed appropriate by ward members. The amount of capital funding remaining per ward is:

Pudsey £ 0.00
Farnley and Wortley £ 6986.17
Calverley and Farsley £ 0.00

# 4.0 Small Grants and Skips Budget.

- 4.1 Since the last Area Committee the two small grants have been approved:
  - Purse Alarm Project £500
  - Year of the Volunteer £1,000

- 4.2 From a total allocation of £12,783.75 for small grants there remains £5,212 for the remainder of 2009/10.
- 4.3 Since the last Area Committee no skips have been requested.
- 4.4 From a total allocation of £2,825.00 for skips, there remains £1,835.00 for 2009/10.
- 4.4 It should be noted that, to date, the amount of funding remaining if the applications for wellbeing funding are agreed at this Area Committee, together with the allocations for small grants, skips and communications will be:
  - £ 2,760.24
  - £ 22,850.52

## 5.0 Budget Pressures for 2009/10

5.1 This limited revenue and capital funding available will impact on the ability of the Area Management Team to deliver projects set out in the Area Delivery Plan. However, every effort is made to maximize resources through joint commissioning, or funding of projects with partners.

### 6.0 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

#### Member Consultation

6.1 Well being projects are derived from West Leeds Area Management's Area Delivery Plan and developed via consultation with Area Committee Members. This plan helps to fulfill the Council's Corporate Plan objectives by aiming to create better neighbourhoods and confident communities.

#### 7.0 Legal and Resource Implications

7.1 The financial resource implications of well-being projects will be processed via the Area Committee's Well-being budget. Staff resources will be provided by Area Management and partner agencies.

#### 8.0 Conclusions

- 8.1 The projects outlined in this report aim to:
  - Improve the quality and value for money of Council service delivery
  - Improve the quality of democracy and find new ways to facilitate citizen participation in local government through the development of links between Ward Members and their communities
  - To co-ordinate policy and service delivery between the local service providers

## 9.0 Recommendations

- 9.1 The Area Committee is asked to:
  - a) comment upon and, where appropriate, approve funding from the Well-being budget (see appendices 1-2 );
  - b) note the small grant approvals set out in paragraph 4.1.

## **Background Papers:**

none