

Report of ENE Area Leader

Report to Inner East Area Committee

Date: 22nd March 2012

Subject: Wellbeing Report

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Killingbeck & Seacroft, Gipton & Harehills, Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	<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 type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report provides an overview of spending to date, and presents for consideration a number of new project proposals requesting funding for 2011/12.
2. The report also sets out a spending plan for 2012/13 together with a number of new project proposals for 2012/13.

Recommendations

3. The Area Committee is asked to note the spend to date and current balances for the 2011/12 financial year, and to agree a spending plan for 2012/13.
4. The Area Committee is asked to consider the following grant proposals and agree, where appropriate, the amount of grant to be awarded:

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Summer Holiday Activities	£28,000
Harehills Binyard project	£2,000

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide details of the 2011/12 well being fund spend to date, including details of new projects for consideration. It also sets out a proposed spending plan for 2012/13 for members to consider and includes details of new projects to be considered for 2012/13.

2 Background information

- 2.1 Each of the ten Area Committees receives an allocation of revenue funding. The amount of funding for each Area 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
- 2.2 The Area Committee wellbeing fund is used to commission activity and projects to support the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans and promises in the community charter. Applications are also accepted from organisations in the local area who can demonstrate that their project supports the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans and Community Charter promises. These projects are monitored quarterly on progress, with a final evaluation taking place when the project is completed

3 Main issues

Wellbeing Fund 2011/12

- 3.1 The council agreed the revenue allocations for each of the 10 Area Committee Wellbeing funds for 2011/12 in April 2011. The allocations were based on the 2010/11 formula of 50% population/ 50% disadvantage and the carry over of uncommitted Wellbeing funds from 2011/12.
- 3.2 This funding is used to support activities in the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans which in turn support the overarching priorities of the Community Charter, and the themes of the Leeds Strategic Plan.
- 3.3 Appendix A to this report shows spend to date and current balance for the revenue budget
- 3.4 **Small Grants**

Community organisations can apply for a small grant to support small scale projects in the community. A maximum of two grants 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 ward members and details of spend since the last meeting is included in appendix B

3.5 **Community Engagement**

The Area Committee has included in the 2011/12 spending plan an amount of £6,000 for Community Engagement, Details of spending to date under this heading are included in Appendix C

3.6 **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. £6,500 has been set aside for each tasking team in the Wellbeing spending plan. Details of spending under this heading are included in appendix D.

3.7 **Project Updates**

Projects which are awarded wellbeing funding are required to submit project monitoring returns giving details of what the project has achieved. Appendix E to this report provides information on projects awarded funding during 2011/12

From 2012/13 funded projects may also be subject to a spot visit to ensure that the agreed priorities are being met.

3.8 **New Projects for Consideration 2011/12**

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Gipton South Community Centre Furniture

Organisation: Area Support Team

Amount applied for: £2,500

Community Centres are part of the functions delegated to the Area Committee. A working group, lead by the Area Support team, is currently working on refurbishing and improving the viability of the Community Centres in the Inner East.

The Gipton South Community Centre has recently undergone a period of refurbishment making it a more attractive and useable space to encourage lettings. The Centre now needs a package of furniture to compliment this refurbishment and ensure that the centre starts to achieve an income via lettings.

Area Committee priority met: Support the physical regeneration of East Leeds

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Henry Barren Centre Kitchen

Organisation: Area Support Team

Amount applied for: £4,000

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The Henry Barren Centre has many potential uses but without a functioning kitchen cannot achieve its full letting potential. This funding is requested to purchase and fit a kitchen for the centre.

Area Committee priority met- Support the physical regeneration of East Leeds

Ward: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Project: RHEA activities for elderly people
Organisation: RHEA
Amount applied for: £987

Richmond Hill Elderly Action provide support and activities to elderly people in the area. This funding is requested to run two activities for the elderly people from Richmond Hill Community Centre, Zumba and a Cinema Club.

Area Committee priority met- Work with communities to organise events and activities that bring people together.

Ward: Gipton & Harehills
Project: Fearnville Football project
Organisation: LCC Youth Service
Amount applied for: £1,059

The grant will be used to provide payment towards the hire of the Fearnville Leisure Centre astro turf pitch and flood lights. We have been working with a group of young people from the Gipton area playing football , this has developed considerably where workers alongside young people wish to develop the provision into a league consisting of existing users, other local youth groups, and street teams

Area Committee priority supported- Provide a range of activities for young people to enjoy in their local neighbourhood

There is an under spend in the overall wellbeing budget due to some funds being allocated as a 'contingency' fund for any eventualities or overspend. If the Area Committee agrees to fund the following project it will be taken from this under spend, and not from individual ward pots, as the project benefits the whole Inner East.

Ward: All wards in IE
Project: Chapel FM
Organisation: Heads Together Productions (East Leeds FM)
Amount applied for: £5,500

Heads Together have been fundraising to develop Seacroft Methodist Chapel into a bespoke home for East Leeds FM and the first dedicated arts centre in East Leeds.

Developing Seacroft Methodist Chapel into ChapelFM offers the potential for excellent creative engagement and personal development for a significant profile of participants and listeners in East Leeds. They will be able to increase their output of work, particularly with young people, and increase their inter-generational activities.

The scheme proposes to completely renovate the Chapel, providing a small 'theatre in the round' on the first floor, with a renovated chapel organ; a bespoke broadcast studio; one medium and one large room for rehearsals/performance/recording/training etc. In addition, there will be toilets, storage and a kitchen fitted. The budget includes a large pull-down screen and a projector for screening films – an idea is to offer 'silver screenings' during the afternoon for older members of the community.

Heads Together have raised £485,000 so far and have another two applications pending which could bring in another £345,000. Heads Together has been successful in being awarded £50,000 from WREN Landfill Communities Fund. A condition of this fund is that they secure £5,500 from a Third Party Funder in order to release the £50,000 from WREN. This application is for £5,500 in order to achieve their £50,000 grant from WREN

Area Committee priority met- Support the physical regeneration of East Leeds.

3.9 **Wellbeing Fund 2012/13**

3.10 The Council has agreed the revenue allocations for each of the 10 Area Committee Well Being funds for 2012/13 based on the current formula of 50% population / 50% disadvantage. Any unspent funds from 2011/12 will also be carried over to the new financial year and split three ways.

3.11 The allocation for the Inner East Area Committee for 2012/13 is £261,760, the same allocation as in the previous year.

3.12 If all of the projects in section 3.8 are approved then there will be an under spend of £18,308.01 to be carried forward to 2012/13, making a total allocation of £280,068.01.

3.13 At the last meeting of the Area Committee in February 2012 Members agreed to continue to fund the two Neighbourhood Manager posts (£60,000), CCTV (£14,109.76) and a Probation Supervisor (£15,000), subject to a new budget being awarded in 2012/13.

3.14 Since this meeting, East North East Homes have agreed to fund a community payback team for 2012/13 to cover all ENEHL managed greenspace and highways. It is therefore suggested that rather than still having a community payback team for both Inner East and Inner North East they combine their funding and have one team to cover both areas.

3.15 The tasks probation were given that covered East North East Homes properties will now be picked up by their team and the other sites by the Area Committee team. This should work out that there is still effectively a team in each area. The saving that this would make (£7,500) could then be earmarked to fund an

apprentice (£6,240pa), subject to a detailed report being submitted to Committee on apprenticeships.

3.16 If approved the SLA with probation will be amended to reflect these points, this will be a revised single SLA to cross both INE and IE and work with the ENEHL contract

3.17 It is proposed that members also agree to top slice £3,000 from the new budget for a Community Engagement 'pot', with the remaining amount being split three ways as ward pots.

The Community Engagement funding will be used by the Area Support team to pay for the costs relating to venue hire, publicity and auxiliary items for events designed to engage and consult the community on issues that affect them.

3.18 If the proposals in both 3.14 and 3.17 are agreed to, then the amount remaining in the Inner East budget is £189,218.25 to be split three ways.

3.19 This would mean that each ward is allocated a budget of £63,072.75 to be spent on projects which support the priorities of the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans and Community Charter.

3.20 As part of this ward allocation it is recommended that Ward Members reserve a budget for Small Grants and a budget for Crime and Grime Tasking for their ward and spend against these sub- budgets will be reported to Area Committee.

3.21 **New Projects for Consideration 2012/13**

Ward: All wards

Project: Summer Holiday Activities

Organisation: Area Support Team

Amount applied for: £28,000 (£10,000 G&H, £10,000 K&S and £8,000 B&RH)

The Area Support team have been working with the Extended Services Cluster Managers, who support the schools in the area, to look at improving the way in which we commission Summer Holiday Activities. In previous years a topsliced allocation for summer holiday provision has been made to Youth Services with a view to them offering provision on behalf of the Area Committee, as well as funding other project ideas which have come to Committee for consideration.

In order to ensure value for money and to avoid duplication with the holiday provision offered by Extended Services, we propose advertising a commissioning opportunity to youth work providers in the area (including Youth Services). We will work with the Cluster Managers and the providers to set up a programme of activities throughout the full 6 weeks which supports the priorities of the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans, actively targets young people who we would like to see diverted into positive activities, and includes families who need additional support.

This programme of activities will be advertised to every child in the Inner East through a booklet given to them at school. The Cluster Managers will match fund money allocated by the Area Committee, and a report detailing the outcomes of the programme on ASB levels, and case studies on how each activity has influenced individual children, will be brought to Area Committee in October

Area Committee Priority met- Provide a range of activities for young people to enjoy in their local neighbourhood, Reduce crime and fear of crime

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Harehills Mini Olympics

Organisation: Harehills Youth Strategy

Amount applied for: £1,886

The Harehills Youth Strategy Group was established as a result of the community unrest last summer and members include the Area Support Team, Sports Development, ENEH, Cluster Coordinators and third sector organisations from the area who work with local young people. The aim of the group is to improve community cohesion and establish joined up working between all providers in the area to create opportunities and positive diversions for the young people.

To coincide with the passage of the Olympic torch through Harehills the group has been working on a week of Olympic themed activities to take place in the week proceeding the torches arrival, including a football tournament and swimming sessions and culminating in a family funday on the Sunday the torch will be passing through. Activities at the funday include; athletic competitions; cricket competitions; and breeze inflatables and there will be an Olympic medals ceremony held for the winners of different competitions. This funding is to pay for coaches, room hire, bronze, gold and silver effect medals, swimming sessions for 20 ladies and a St Johns ambulance for the funday.

Area Committee priority met- Provide a range of activities for young people to enjoy in their local neighbourhood **and** Work with communities to organise events and activities that bring people together.

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Youth Service Tradex Project

Organisation: LCC Youth Service

Amount applied for: £3,000

The funding will be used to provide an additional youth work session at the Tradex Centre, once a week for the next 12 months. This session has been funded by the Area Committee for 2011/12 and this funding request is to continue the session in the new financial year.

The project is focused around sport and they will make use of the multi sports facilities such as astro-turf pitch, badminton / cricket pitch, and small games area, however this forms the foundation as we also provide a range of personal, social and educational activities for young people aged 11-19years that will develop young people's experiences both culturally and educationally

Area Committee priority met- Provide a range of activities for young people to enjoy in their local neighbourhood

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Harehills DPPO

Organisation: Safer Leeds

Amount applied for: £4,000

There is currently a Designated Public Places Order covering the Gipton area of the ward, this funding is to extend that order so that the whole of Gipton & Harehills is covered. A DPPO gives the police the power to confiscate any alcohol seen being consumed on the street, or in outdoor public spaces, covered by the order. This will make a big improvement to anti social behaviour and petty crime issues in Harehills as alcohol is known to be a large factor in public order offences in the area.

Area Committee priority met- Reduce crime and fear of crime.

Ward: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

Project: Lark in the Park

Organisation: Friends of East End Park

Amount applied for: £1,000

Lark in the Park is a one day event for all of the community. The event will provide a number of activities for all the family to participate in. All the activities are free in order to encourage as many families and young people as possible to attend.

The event will provide DJ and art workshops, sporting activities, circus skills classes, musical performances, food stall and community stalls providing information about activities going on in the neighbourhood

The Area Committee has provided funding for this event for a number of years.

Area Committee priority met- Work with communities to organise events and activities that bring people together.

Ward: Killingbeck & Seacroft

Project: Killingbeck & Seacroft Gala

Organisation: LS14 Trust

Amount applied for: £1,500

This grant is to support the annual Killingbeck and Seacroft Gala, a free event for all of the community to attend. The event will include funfair, stalls, sports, information stalls from service providers and voluntary/community organisations, performers etc.

The Area Committee has supported this event for a number of years.

Area Committee priority met- Work with communities to organise events and activities that bring people together.

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Gipton Gala

Organisation: GIPSIL

Amount applied for: £1,000

The funding will be used to support Gipton's Community Gala, bringing young and old together for a fun day and a day of community information and consultation. The Gala will help raise money to support the Gipton Together Youth Activities.

There will be information stall from local service providers including ENEHL, WYFS, WYP, Credit Union, Youth Service, Learning Partnerships etc. 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.

Area Committee priority met- Work with communities to organise events and activities that bring people together.

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Oz Box

Organisation: Deen Enterprises

Amount applied for: £2,365

The project aims to engage groups of young people from all backgrounds, but specifically those known to the workers and staff from other agencies, who are involved in anti social behaviour and inter racial tensions in Chapeltown and Harehills.

Oz Box is a boxing based exercise session which has been used elsewhere in the country to try to combat ASB. There will be two sessions per week (one at Mandela centre and one at Tradex/ Bilal Centre initially, though other venues such as Bangladeshi Centre may be used for some sessions) for 12 weeks. From January there will be one Boxercise session per week for 8 weeks at Allerton Grange and Carr Manor Schools.

The activity encourages and promotes self discipline and self respect, those engaged will also be supported to work with other participants from different backgrounds, encouraging cohesion and break down of barriers.

The applicants are requesting half of the funding, nmatch funding has already been agreed from INE Area Committee and ENE Homes.

Area Committee Priority met- Support young people to improve their behaviour, school attendance and achievement;

Ward: Gipton & Harehills

Project: Harehills Binyards project

Organisation: Area Support Team

Amount applied for: £2,000

The ownership and maintenance of bin yards in Harehills is an ongoing issue, they are habitually fly tipped in and it is the owners responsibility clear it as it is private land, but ownership is hard to establish and often split between many different parties who do not live near by as they rent the properties out.

A multi agency group has been established to look at solutions to this using best practice from similar situations across the city, they have decided to start making improvements in a trial area and work has been done to identify ownership of bin yards in this trial area, the group is now looking to carry out improvement and security work to those bin yards and the funding is requested to pay for this.

Area Committee priority met- Improve the cleanliness and condition of our neighbourhoods.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 In order for ward members to make an informed decision on wellbeing spending they are provided with details of the projects and the opportunity to discuss them at ward member meetings. The Neighbourhood Managers are also consulted to assess how the project supports the relevant Neighbourhood Improvement Plans

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 All projects funded by the Area Committee must demonstrate:

- Equality and diversity issues have been considered in the planning of the event
- How equality and diversity issues have shaped the project delivery
- What 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 Wellbeing funding is used to support the priorities set out in the Inner East Community Charter which are agreed with the local communities of Inner East and key stakeholders. More detailed action plans, Neighbourhood Improvement Plans (NIPs) are prepared for each priority neighbourhood. Both the Charter and the NIPs support the Vision for Leeds

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 Spending and monitoring of the Wellbeing budget is administered by the Area Management 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 There is no exempt or confidential information in this report

4.5.3 Decisions on wellbeing funding are delegated to the Area Committee from the Council's Executive Board, therefore they are subject to call in.

4.6 **Risk Management**

4.6.1 All wellbeing 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 individual projects are available from the author of this report

5 **Conclusions**

5.1 The well-being fund provides financial support for projects in the Inner East Area which support the priorities of the Community Charter and Neighbourhood Improvement Plans

6 **Recommendations**

6.1 The Area Committee is requested to consider the following project proposals and consider where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded:

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7 Background documents¹

Report to Inner East Area Committee, 23 June 2011, Area Committee Roles 2011/12

Report to Executive Board, 11 February 2011, Revenue Budget 2011/12 and Capital Programme.

¹ 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.