

Report of East North East Area Leader

Report to Outer North East Area Committee

Date: 10th May 2012

Subject: Well-being Fund application

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Alwoodley	<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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report provides members with details of a wellbeing application submitted for their consideration.

Recommendations

2. Members are asked to consider the application for £500.

1 Purpose of this Report

- 1.1 The report provides members with details of a wellbeing application for a project in Alwoodley Ward submitted for their consideration.

2 Background Information

- 2.1 Each of the ten Area Committees receive an annual allocation of revenue funding. This funding is used to commission projects and offer grants to organisations in the local area which support the priorities of the Area Committee business plan.

2.2 The Outer North East allocation for 2012/13 is £112,000.

3 New scheme for consideration

- 3.1 **Project:** Allotments - Alderton Place/Alderton Bank
Organisation: Leeds City Council/East North East Homes Leeds
Amount: £500
Ward: Alwoodley

A proposal is being developed to undertake works to convert a former garage site to allotments. The site is situated between Alderton Place & Alderton Bank LS17.

A Planning Application is required to change the use of the site to allotments and as such a Geotechnical Phase 1 desk study is required by the Councils Minerals Section to determine any potential contamination/remediation works.

The site was originally split into two parts on the surface – green space and garages. The green space area of the site may have been contaminated because of it being immediately next to the garage site and, due to the proposal being for an allotment, it is essential that the site is shown to be free of any contamination. Contamination from the garage area of the site could have occurred when surface water has run off or drained into the adjacent green space area or if there were underground collector tanks in the garage area which may have leaked into the adjacent green space.

The estimated cost of the work is £1,500. East North East Homes Area Panel are contributing £1000 towards the cost of the survey, leaving a shortfall of £500 which the Area Committee is requested to consider funding from the wellbeing fund.

Community Charter Priority: Health; Communities;

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 The local community and voluntary, community and faith sector groups are consulted and the well-being fund grant process is shared with them via the community engagement strategy and events that are attended. In addition feedback is provided via the Community Charter. Consultation on the priorities within the Community Charter is undertaken on an annual basis and shapes the priorities which the Well-being Fund is used to deliver.

4.1.2 The ward member groups consider the applications for funding and make a recommendation for the Area Committee to consider.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 Well-being Funding is used to ensure that inequalities within the local area are addressed through local projects and schemes. All projects funded by Well-being monies must demonstrate:

- Equality and diversity issues have been considered in the planning of the project,
- How equality and diversity issues have shaped the project delivery;
- 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 Well-being funding is used to support the priorities set out in the Outer North East Community Charter which supports the Vision for Leeds.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 Spending and monitoring of the Well-being 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 Well-being 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 Well-being 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 Outer North East area which help to deliver the priorities of the Area Committee Business Plan.

6. Recommendations

6.1 Members are asked to consider the application for £500.

7. Background documents¹

- 7.1 Area Committee Roles and Functions 2011/12
- 7.2 Report to Executive Board, 10 February 2012, Revenue Budget 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.