

**Report of the Area Leader – South East Leeds**

**Report to Outer East Leeds Area Committee**

**Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013**

**Subject: Well Being Budget (Revenue) 2013/14**

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Garforth & Swillington Kippax & Methley Temple Newsam Cross Gates & Whinmoor		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:		

**Summary of main issues**

1. This report provides details of the Well Being Budget available for Outer East in 2013/14. The report details commitments, agreed funding streams and details of funding requests received.

**Recommendations**

2. Area Committee is recommended to:
  - Note the content of the report
  - Not award £10,000 towards Heads Together Productions
  - Note that £2500 has been agreed at the 3 respective tasking teams to fund Police Off Road motorcycles.
  - Award £7,000 towards the Outer villages holiday programme

**1 Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 This report provides details of the Well Being Budget for Outer East in 2013/14 and details commitments, agreed funding streams and details of new funding requests.

**2 Background information**

- 2.1 The Well Being Budget allocated to Outer East for 2013/14 is £185,220. The carry over figure from 2012/13 is £22,000 providing a total budget of £207,220.
- 2.2 The budget had one commitment of £33,649 to fund the annual cost of its 11 LeedsWatch CCTV cameras.
- 2.3 At the Area Committee meeting held in May 2013 it agreed the following funding streams:
- **Small Grants Budget of £5,000** - supporting local projects with a maximum grant of £500
  - **Skips budget of £5,000** – for use by community groups, in bloom groups, Parish Council's etc for community clean up's
  - **Tasking Teams budget of £10,000** – this to be shared evenly amongst the tasking teams (£2,500 per ward) for community safety and environmental projects
  - **Communications budget of £1,000** – to pay for the cost of room hire for meetings/forums, refreshments costs etc.
- 2.4 At the Area Committee meeting held in May 2013 there were also a number of other projects approved:
- Older Persons Events Week - £4,680. 5 days organised by Area Support Team and 1 day organised by HOPE (Halton Moor & Osmondthorpe Project for the Elderly)
  - Cricket Coaching for youngsters - £5,000. 5 weeks of cricket coaching during school summer holidays in Kippax and Whitkirk.
  - Christmas lights and switch on events - £21,235. Various events including Cross Gates, Garforth, Kippax etc. This figure is provisional and may reduce if businesses and traders contribute.
  - Neighbourhood Elders Team - £8,000. Project to support luncheon clubs in Outer East.
  - Out of School Activities programmes in Temple Newsam and Cross Gates and Whinmoor - £14,500 total cost of project with £7,250 from Area Committee funding and £7,250 from youth service budget that will be delegated to Area Committee.
  - Garforth Gala - £1,000 towards cost of the event.
  - Planting borders in Town End Garforth - £1,900.
- 2.5 The remainder of the budget will be used to support further priority work in the area.

### 3.0 Main Issues

#### 3.1 Heads Together Productions

- 3.1.1 Heads Together Productions have been working in East Leeds for 14 years. For the last 9 years this has been through their East Leeds FM project which is based at the disused housing office at Ramshead Hill. There are numerous problems with this building and Heads Together have been fundraising in order to develop Seacroft Methodist Chapel into a bespoke home for East Leeds FM. Heads Together have a 99 year lease on the building from the Methodist Church.
- 3.1.2 The total cost of the project is over £800k. All of the works are capital or for equipment. Inner East Area Committee have provided feasibility study funding and funding towards the capital costs totalling £20.5k The remainder of the funding has been provided by the following:
- Jimbo's Fund = £100,000
  - Tudor Trust = £75,000
  - Monument Trust = £100,000
  - Scurrah Wainwright Charity = £25,000
  - WREN community landfill tax grant = £50,000
  - Caird Bardon community landfill tax grant = £84,341
  - LCC Education (Seacroft Manston Family of Schools) = £18,000
  - Mills Reeve Solicitors (pro bono) = £13,100
  - Arts Council England = £327,351
- 3.1.3 There is still a bid to the Henry Smith charity for £62k outstanding. A decision is expected in July. Heads Together are requesting £10k from Outer East Area Committee.
- 3.1.4 Heads Together anticipate working with a considerable number of young people who live in Outer East and this is why they have requested funding from Outer East Area Committee. The dedicated arts centre will provide creative development opportunities for young people . The building will enable Heads Together to increase it's activities at ELFM; provide more sessions for schools to access on site; increase the amount of volunteering opportunities for local residents; increase the hours of broadcasting and performances; increase the range and amount of young people we will offer training courses, internships and apprenticeships.
- 3.1.5 The project has been discussed with Outer East Members by e mail. The general consensus is that although appreciating the merits of the project the Well Being Budget for outer east needs to be targeted at other priorities. Some Members felt this was a very large project and that the specification could either be reduced or Heads Together fund raise locally.
- 3.1.6 Having considered Members comments Area Committee is recommended not to support the request for funding.

## **3.2 Funding for North East Division Off Road Motorcycles – Tasking Budget**

- 3.2.1 A request has been received from West Yorks Police to award £2500 through the Outer East tasking teams to continue to fund this project. This has been agreed at the 3 tasking teams that cover Outer East.

3.2.2 Funding has also been sought from the tasking teams covering inner east, inner north east and outer north east.

### **3.3 Outer Villages Holiday Programme**

3.3.1 This request for funding will help support youth activity programmes in the Kippax & Methley and Garforth & Swillington wards.

3.3.2 The programmes available will include school holiday activities that are accredited and have a focus on: learning new skills, health, sports, arts, citizenship & youth participation. The bulk of the funding will be used to support a range of trips and local activity days intended to provide young people with opportunities to make positive use of their leisure time during school holidays in summer 2013.

3.3.3 The specific activities on offer will be decided in negotiation with young people at different localities prior to the programme being finalised.

3.3.4 The Funding will be broken down as follows:

- Swillington specific Activity programme     £3,000
- Kippax & Methley Activity programme     £4,000

## **4 Corporate Considerations**

### **4.1 Consultation and Engagement**

4.1.1 All projects developed are in consultation with Elected Members and local communities. Approval for a contribution from the well being budget is secured at Area Committee.

### **4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

4.2.1 Community groups submitting a project proposal requesting funding from the well being budget have an equal opportunities policy and as part of the application process, complete a section outlining which equality group the project will work with, and how equality and cohesion issues have been considered.

4.2.2 Internal and statutory partners are committed to equality and cohesion and all projects they are involved with will have considered these issues.

### **4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities**

4.3.1 The projects outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the following council policies:

- Vision For Leeds

- Children and Young Peoples Plan
- Health and Well Being City Priority Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Regeneration City Priority Plan

#### **4.4 Resources and Value for Money**

4.4.1 There is no new resource implications as a result of any projects detailed within this report. In all requests for funding from Area Committee applicants are asked to consider value for money during the application process.

#### **4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

4.5.1 Legal implications as a result of this report will be reflected in any subsequent Funding Agreements and Contracts to Tender that arise from projects funded from the Well being Budget.

4.5.2 All decisions taken by the Area Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are no longer eligible for call in.

4.5.3 There are no key or major decisions being made that would be eligible for call in.

#### **4.6 Risk Management**

4.6.1 All proposals requesting well being funding complete a section in the application process outlining the risks associated with the project and how they will be managed.

### **5 Conclusions**

5.1 The report provides information on how the well being budget 2013/14 has been allocated against funding streams and details projects funded to date.

5.2 The report also recommends that Area Committee does not award £10k to Heads Together Productions.

### **6 Recommendations**

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## **7 Background documents**

7.1 None

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.