

Report of: Area Leader

Report to: Outer North East Community Committee – Alwoodley, Harewood & Wetherby Wards

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For Decision

Outer North East Finance Report

Purpose of report

1. The report provides Elected Members with an update on the current position of the Outer North East Community Committee's budgets and sets out applications for Wellbeing Revenue Funding and Youth Activity Funding for consideration by the Community Committee.

Main issues

2. Wellbeing Revenue – the amount of revenue funding for each Community Committee is determined by a formula based on 50% population and 50% deprivation in each area.
3. The allocation for the Outer North East Community Committee for 2018/19 is £70,380. The Community Committee apportions this budget between the three wards on a population basis (Source: 2011 Census).
4. Capital Wellbeing – this is allocated through the council's Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme (CRIS). 20% of receipts generated are retained locally up to a maximum of £100,000 per capital receipt. 15% is retained by the ward as additional Ward Based Initiative (WBI) funding and 5% is pooled across the Council and transferred to the Community Committees on the basis of need.
5. Of this pooled CRIS funding the Outer North East Community Committee receives an allocation of 6.1%. Currently the Outer North East Community Committee has **£24,500** in its Capital Wellbeing budget following a cash injection of £4,400 for the months of April to September 2018 which was received in November 2018. A further explanation of capital funding and eligible schemes is attached at **Appendix A**.

6. At the September 2017 meeting of the Outer North East Community Committee, Members agreed to split this funding allocation equally between the three Wards. In November 2018 a capital injection of £4400 for the months of April 2018- September 2018 was added and split equally between the three wards. The current breakdown of this funding pot is:
- **Alwoodley Ward - £1466**
 - **Harewood Ward - £2106**
 - **Wetherby Ward - £14966**
7. On the 21st October 2015 the council's executive board approved a process for the allocation of CIL in Leeds. Any planning application approved prior to the 6th April 2015 do not qualify for a CIL contribution. As part of this payment schedule, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% for administration and 15-25% goes to a Community Committee or the relevant Town or Parish Council. This 15-25% of the CIL receipt (25% if there is an adopted neighbourhood plan, 15% if there isn't) is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund'. In the absence of a Town or Parish Council, the Neighbourhood Fund element of CIL is allocated to the Community Committee.
8. In the case of the Outer North East Community Committee the committee's CIL Neighbourhood Funding stream is only generated by receipts from the part of Alwoodley Ward that isn't parished. All other parts of the Outer North East area are parished and thus the CIL Neighbourhood Fund will be paid directly to the geographically relevant Town and Parish Council.
9. The current CIL Neighbourhood Fund balance for the Outer North East Community Committee is £0.00.
10. The current CIL Neighbourhood Fund balance for towns and parishes with a Neighbourhood Plan is £117753.90. The total for those without a Neighbourhood Plan is £190,307.47. The latest balances can be found in **Appendix B** and CIL guidance can be found in **Appendix C**.
11. Youth Activity Fund (YAF) – this funding is determined by the number of children and young people aged 8 – 17. The allocation for the Outer North East Community Committee for 2018/19 is £32,490. The committee apportions this budget between the three wards using the 8 – 17 year old population figures (Source: GP Data 2012).
12. More detailed information about the spending against the 2018/19 budget is available in the appendices to this report. (**Appendix D** – Wellbeing Revenue; **Appendix E** - Youth Activity Funding).

Wellbeing Funding

Current Wellbeing budget position

13. The current position for December 2018 is highlighted below:

Ward	Total budget remaining
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Alwoodley	£3,879.56
Harewood	£2,536.89
Wetherby	£26,047.48

14. The following four Wellbeing applications are for consideration by the Community Committee from the 2018/19 budget:

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for	Ward Member recommendation
Alwoodley	Moortown West Residents Association	Group Activities	£3600	£3600	Application supported in full - £3600.
Harewood	Shadwell Village Hall	Cinema Club	£12,000	£1,438.00	Application will be supported with MICE funding.
Wetherby	Boston Spa Bowling Club	Boston Spa Bowling Club Extension	£17,815	£6,815	Application supported in full with additional £10,000 due to being unable to secure other funding- £16,815. £6815 (Wellbeing Revenue) and £10,000 (CRIS).
Wetherby		Wetherby Development Fund		£10,000	Members requested £10,000 (Wellbeing revenue) to be added to project pot.
Wetherby	Clifford Village Hall	Clifford Village Hall extension	£120,000	£5,000	Deferred pending further discussions.

Youth Activity Fund

Current Youth Activity Fund budget position

15. The year-end reconciliation of the Wellbeing budget and Youth Activity Fund has been completed and taking into account carry-forward figures, the current position for December 2018 is highlighted below:

Ward	Total budget remaining
Alwoodley	£ 10,505

Harewood	£ 15,881
Wetherby	£ 13,234

16. The following two Youth Activity Fund applications are for consideration by the Community Committee from the 2018/19 budget:

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for	Ward Member Recommendation
Harewood	Shadwell Cricket Club	Cricket coaching	£1840	£1440	Application supported in full - £1440.
Wetherby	Wetherby Athletic Ladies FC	Pitch hire	£782	£782	Application supported in full - £782.

Delegated Decisions

17. No applications have been approved since the Outer North East Community Committee held in September 2018 by delegated decision.

Conclusion

18. The Wellbeing Fund programme supports the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of a Community Committee area by funding projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities. The Outer North East Community Committee priorities can be found in **Appendix E**. A group applying to the Wellbeing fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and finance controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities; and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.

19. Projects eligible for funding could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010 projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their religion, gender, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.

20. The report has set out the current budget position, applications recently approved through delegated decisions in consultation with Ward Members and funding applications for the Community Committee's consideration.

Recommendations

21. The Community Committee is asked to:

- Note the current budget position for 2018/19;
- Note the CIL Neighbourhood Fund balance for the Outer North East Community Committee as highlighted in paragraph 9.
- Note the CIL Neighbourhood Fund balance for towns and parishes with and without a Neighbourhood Plan in paragraph 10.
- Consider the four Wellbeing Revenue & Capital applications and two Youth Activity applications set out at paragraphs 14 and 16 and approve, where appropriate, the amount of grant to be awarded;