

**Report of: Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities)**

**Report to: Outer North East Community Committee**

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**Outer North East Wellbeing and Youth Activity Fund budgets**

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### **Purpose of report**

1. The report provides Members with an update on the current position of the Outer North East Community Committee's budgets and sets out applications for wellbeing 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. The allocation for the Outer North East Community Committee for 2015/16 is £97,510, a reduction of just over 9% on the 2014/15 budget. The Community Committee apports this budget between the three wards based on population.
3. 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 funding and 5% is pooled across the Council and transferred to the Community Committees on the basis of need.
4. Youth Activity Fund – the funding is determined by the number of children and young people aged 8 – 17. The allocation for this committee for 2015/16 is £41,000. The committee apports this budget between the three wards using the 8 – 17 year old population figures.
5. More detailed information about spend against the 2014/15 budget is available on the appendices to this report. (Appendix A – Well-being; Appendix B - Youth Activity Funding).

## Applications

6. The following applications have been approved since the Community Committee on 13<sup>th</sup> October under the delegated authority of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities).

### Wellbeing Funding

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for	Amount approved
Alwoodley	LCC Parks and Countryside	Alwoodley bench to commemorate the Tour de France	£1,075	£1,075	£1,075

7. The following applications are for consideration by the Community Committee:

### Wellbeing Funding

Ward(s)	Organisation	Project	Total cost	Amount applied for
Harewood	Collingham and Linton Cricket Club	Training and coaching nets, roller and covers	£39,629	£26,200

8. It should be noted that in addition to the applications set out above, an application from £18,000 has been received from MAECare for a project entitled 'Building Capacity in our Neighbourhood'. The total cost of the project is £19,000, with £1,000 being secured from other sources. Alwoodley Members have expressed support in principle for the project but suggest this is formally approved once the Outer North East Well-being budget for 2015/16 is confirmed. It is also suggested that given the significant amount requested, support is given to MAECare to help them identify potential match funding.
9. Based on discussion with applicants since the last Community Committee, it has become evident that the Wetherby Development Fund project is not likely to spend against the amount allocated in 2014/15. In discussion with Wetherby ward Members, it was agreed that £10,000 would be decommissioned from this project in 2014/15 and reallocated from the 2015/16 budget. This enables more pressing projects needing to spend in this financial year to proceed. Appendix A reflects this change.
10. Similarly, discussions since the last Community Committee have highlighted that some other projects are likely to underspend in 2014/15 and Members are therefore decommissioning these and re-commissioning in 2015/16 as follows:
- WISE - Memory Cafes
  - Moor Allerton Care Centre – Music and dancing therapy
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Moor Allerton Guides – Get Camping
  - Slaid Hill in Bloom – New Look Slaid Hill

## **Youth Activity Fund**

11. There are no current applications to the Youth Activity Fund.

### **Conclusion**

12. The Well-being revenue fund provides financial support for projects in the Outer North East area which help to deliver the priorities of the Community Committee business plan. New capital funds have been transferred to the Community Committee via the Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme. The Youth Activity Fund has been delegated to the Community Committee to fund universal activities for children and young people aged 8 – 17.

### **Recommendations**

13. The Community Committee is asked to:

- a. Note the spend to date and current balances for 2014/15 and 2015/16;
- b. Note the applications that have been approved since the Community Committee on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 under the delegated authority of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities).
- c. Consider the Wellbeing application set out at paragraph 7 and approve where appropriate the amount of grant to be awarded
- d. Approve the revised Appendix A reflecting decommissioned projects in Alwoodley and Wetherby wards

### **Background information<sup>1</sup>**

[Executive Board report, 14 February 2014, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2013/14](#)

[Executive Board report of 11th October 2011 – Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme](#)

[Executive Board report of 17th July 2013 – Capital Programme 1 Update 2013 – 2016](#)

[Executive Board report of 13th March 2013 – Investing in Young People: Future Direction for youth services in Leeds.](#)

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<sup>1</sup> 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.