

**Report of: The West North West Area Leader**

**Report to: The Inner North West Community Committee – Headingley; Hyde Park & Woodhouse; Weetwood**

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**For decision**

## **Wellbeing Fund and Youth Activities Fund Allocation Report**

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### **Purpose of report**

1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Inner North West Community Committee of:
  - The current position of the Wellbeing budget and Youth Activities Fund budget.
  - The Wellbeing budget available for allocation in 2016/17.
  - The Youth Activities Fund budget available for allocation in 2016/17.
  - Those projects for consideration and approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2016/17.
  - Those projects for consideration and approval from the Youth Activities Fund allocation for 2016/17.

### **Recommendations**

2. The Community Committee is asked to:
  - Note the projects that have been approved since the last Community Committee meeting on 17 December 2015, as contained in **Table 1**, **Table 2** and **Table 3**.
  - Note the current budget position of the Wellbeing Fund and Youth Activities Fund at **Appendix 1**.
  - Note the available Wellbeing Budget and Youth Activities Fund for allocation in 2016/17.

- Consider the projects listed at **Table 5** for approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2016/17.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 6** for approval from the Capital Fund allocation for 2016/17.

## Main issues

1. Community Committees have a delegated responsibility for the allocation of Wellbeing Funding. The amount of Wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.
2. The Inner North West Community Committee seeks to ensure that Wellbeing funding is allocated in a fair and transparent way and that recipients are able to commence delivery of their projects as early as possible in the financial year. To facilitate this process, a commissioning round is held which requires organisations to submit proposals for projects. Once the annual Wellbeing budgets are set by Executive Board and ratified by Full Council, the Community Committee meets to agree which projects will be supported in the year ahead. These projects are then monitored and assessed by the Community Committee throughout the year to ensure they are fully meeting their objectives.
3. The 2016/17 Wellbeing allocation for the Inner North West Community Committee has now been approved by Full Council and, as such, the meeting of the Inner North West Community Committee on 3 March 2016 will consider revenue applications for 2016/17 and provide notification for successful projects to proceed with delivery.
4. In addition, the Inner North West Community Committee receives a sum of Youth Activity Fund funding. This fund is to commission sports and cultural activity for young people age 8-17. This should be allocated with the involvement and participation of children and young people in the decision making process.
5. Wellbeing Revenue Funding approved since the last Community Committee meeting  
Since the last meeting of the Community Committee on 17 December 2015, Councillors have approved the following project, as contained in **Table 1**, for funding from the Wellbeing revenue fund.

**Table 1**

| Project   | Project Applicant | Amount  |
|---|-------------------|---------|
| Purchase and installation of speed indication devices | LCC Highways      | £25,000 |

6. Youth Activities Funding approved since the last Community Committee meeting  
Members from the Children and Young People's sub group met on 8 January to consider Youth Activities Fund applications that had been received as part of the December commissioning round. The projects detailed in **Table 2** were recommended for approval by the Sub Group and subsequently approved by the Inner North West Community Committee Councillors:

**Table 2**

| Project                   | Project Applicant             | Amount         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Martial Arts              | British Military Martial Arts | £600           |
| Adventures with Minecraft | Leeds Libraries               | £696           |
| RJC Dance                 | RJC Dance Camp                | £4,100         |
| Lazer activity programme  | Lazer Centre                  | £5,970         |
|                           | <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>£11,366</b> |

The projects listed in **Table 3** were received as part of the Wellbeing commissioning round for 2016/17. Members agreed that these be more appropriately approved under the 2015/16 Youth Activities Fund budget and agreed to fund the following:

**Table 3**

| Project                                | Project Applicant        | Amount       |
|--|--------------------------|--------------|
| Hyde Park & Woodhouse FC - Junior Team | Hyde Park & Woodhouse FC | £800         |
| Give it a go Hockey                    | Leeds Hockey Club        | £862         |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>£1662</b> |

This gives a total of **£13,028** of Youth Activities Fund monies allocated since the last meeting of the Community Committee on 17 December 2015.

## 7. Wellbeing 2016/17

Community Committees have received a reduced allocation to their Wellbeing Revenue Budgets for 2016/17 compared with that given in 2015/16. This gives the Inner North West Community Committee an allocation of **£109,850**. Taking into account project underspends from 2015/16, the total fund available for new projects in 2016/17 is **£111,922**. The details of this calculation are set out in **Table 4** below:

**Table 4: Wellbeing Revenue Budget**

| 2016/17 INW Revenue                    | Amount          |
|--|-----------------|
| INW Revenue Allocation 2016/17         | £109,850        |
| Unallocated budget from 2015/16        | £2,072          |
| <b>Budget Available for Allocation</b> | <b>£111,922</b> |

## 8. 2016/17 Wellbeing Revenue Projects For Consideration

The Wellbeing commissioning round for 2016/17 received 26 applications for funding totalling £153,801. (For a full list of these projects, please see **Appendix 2**). These applications have been assessed against the funding criteria for the Inner North West Wellbeing Fund. Members have reviewed the applications in detail and have agreed that the 15 projects listed in **Table 5** below, valued at a total of **£87,861**, should go forward for consideration by the Community Committee on 3 March 2016. Should all of the following projects be approved, this will leave **£21,989** of Wellbeing revenue funding available for allocation in 2016/17.

One project, 'Employ-abled', from the applicant Right Choices, has been deferred for decision at a later date.

**Table 5**

| <b>Project</b>  | <b>Project Applicant</b>                       | <b>Amount</b> |
|---|--|---------------|
| Small grants and skips                                  | Communities Team – WNW                         | £6,500        |
| Communications budget                                   | Communities Team – WNW                         | £1,100        |
| World Triathlon Series pot                              | Communities Team – WNW                         | £9,000        |
| INW Festive Lights                                      | Leeds Lights                                   | £12,025       |
| Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme 2016            | Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme (ASAS) | £1,622        |
| Out of hours noise nuisance ring-fenced service to LS6. | Leeds anti-social behaviour team               | £9,000        |
| Improving women's health                                | Behno Group                                    | £7,000        |
| Headingley LitFest 2016                                 | Headingley LitFest                             | £3,800        |
| Fit Kids  | Young Minds                                    | £2,930        |
| Leave Leeds Tidy  | Leeds University Union                         | £4,688        |
| Hyde Park Unity Day                                     | Hyde Park Unity Day                            | £5,000        |
| Community Volunteering Project                          | Caring Together in Woodhouse & Little London   | £8,698        |
| Additional enforcement staff – Woodhouse Moor           | Safer Leeds                                    | £11,998       |
| Keeping it Safe   | Better Leeds Communities                       | £2,400        |
| Promoting Greater Headingley                            | Headingley Development Trust                   | £2,100        |

#### 9. 2016/17 Wellbeing Capital Projects For Consideration

The Wellbeing commissioning round for 2016/17 received 2 applications for capital funding. There is currently £10,700 available in Wellbeing capital monies. The applications were assessed against the funding criteria for the Inner North West Wellbeing fund and Members have decided that the two applications listed below be put forward for consideration for approval by the Community Committee on 3 March 2016. The applications are detailed in **Table 6** below:

**Table 6**

| Project  | Project Applicant      | Amount |
|--|------------------------|--------|
| Welcome In Community Centre                      | OPAL                   | £6,300 |
| New elevator at Community Centre, Alexander Road | Hindu Charitable Trust | £4,400 |

## 10. Youth Activities Fund

For 2016/17, the Inner North West Community Committee has received a sum of **£21,350** Youth Activity Fund monies. Combining this with **£5995** remaining unallocated from 2015/16, there is currently **£27,345** available for allocation. There are no applications for consideration at the Community Committee meeting.

## Corporate considerations

### a. Consultation and Engagement

11. Local priorities were set through the Area Business Plan process and the 2016/17 Wellbeing application round was advertised to all Community Committee contacts. The Youth Activity Fund application rounds are promoted through the Breeze Culture Network and local providers, with consultation from children and young people also being taken into account.

### b. Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

12. All Wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Wellbeing process is currently being reviewed citywide, which will include undertaking a new Equality Impact Assessment to ensure the Wellbeing process continues to comply with all relevant policies and legislation.

### c. Council policies and City Priorities

13. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for Wellbeing funding are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

- Vision for Leeds
- Leeds Strategic Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Regeneration City Priority Plan

### d. Resources and value for money

14. Aligning the distribution of Community Committee Wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

### e. Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

15. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

#### **f. Risk Management**

16. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all Wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

#### **Conclusion**

17. Wellbeing funding provides an important opportunity to support local organisations and drive forward improvements to services.

18. All applications received by the Inner North West in respect of funding via the Wellbeing fund and Youth Activities Fund are presented in the attached **Appendix 2**.

#### **Recommendations**

19. The Committee is asked to:

- Note the projects that have been approved since the last Community Committee meeting on 17 December 2015.
- Note the available Wellbeing Budget and Youth Activities Fund for allocation in 2016/17.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 5**, a total of £87,861 for approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2016/17.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 6**, a total of £10,700 for approval from the Wellbeing Capital Budget.

#### **Background information**

- **None**