

**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 2017/18.
  - The Youth Activities Fund budget available for allocation in 2017/18.
  - Those projects for consideration and approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2017/18.
  - Those projects for consideration and approval from the Youth Activities Fund allocation for 2017/18.

### **Recommendations**

2. The Community Committee is asked to:
  - Note the projects that have been approved since the last Community Committee meeting on 15 December 2016, as contained in **Table 1**.
  - 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 2017/18.

- Consider the projects listed at **Table 2** for approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2017/18.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 3** for approval from the Capital Fund allocation for 2017/18.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 4** for approval from the Youth Activities Fund allocation for 2017/18.

## 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, an application 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 2017/18 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 23 March 2017 will consider revenue applications for 2017/18 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 monies. This fund is to deliver sports and cultural activity for young people aged 8-17. This should be allocated with the involvement and participation of children and young people in the decision making process.
5. Youth Activities Funding approved since the last Community Committee meeting  
Members from the Children and Young People's sub group met on 4 January 2017 to consider Youth Activities Fund applications that had been received as part of the December application round. The projects detailed in **Table 1** were recommended for approval by the Sub Group and subsequently approved by the Inner North West Community Committee Councillors:

**Table 1**

Project	Project Applicant	Amount
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Weetwood youth activities pot		£5,500
Meanwood Friday Night Club and Activity Weeks	Meanwood Junior Playscheme	£2,394
Urban Arts Holiday Programme	DJ School UK	£4,744
City Varieties Music Hall	City Varieties	£5,670
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£18,308</b>

£12,946.71 was transferred from the Wellbeing budget to the YAF budget to cover the cost of some of the above projects.

## 6. Wellbeing 2017/18

Community Committees have received a reduced allocation to their Wellbeing Revenue Budgets for 2017/18 compared with that given in 2016/17. This gives the Inner North West Community Committee an allocation of **£96,720**. At the time of writing, there are no project underspends from 2016/17 to carry forward.

## 7. 2017/18 Wellbeing Revenue Projects For Consideration

The Wellbeing commissioning round for 2017/18 received 24 applications for funding totalling £127,470. (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 16 projects listed in **Table 2** below, valued at a total of **£75,995**, should go forward for consideration by the Community Committee on 23 March 2017. Should all of the following projects be approved, this will leave **£20,725** of Wellbeing revenue funding available for allocation in 2017/18.

**Table 2**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Project Applicant</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Small grants and skips	Communities Team – WNW	£7,000
Communications budget	Communities Team – WNW	£1,500
INW Festive Lights	Leeds Lights	£12,618
Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme 2016	Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme (ASAS)	£1,814
Tackling noise nuisance out of hours service- ring-fenced LS6	Leeds anti-social behaviour team	£1,000
Headingley LitFest 2017	Headingley LitFest	£2,100
Hyde Park Unity Day	Hyde Park Unity Day	£5,000
Woodhouse Ridge Festival	Hyde Park Source	£2,621
Little London Community Fun Day	Housing Leeds	£1,000
Leave Leeds Tidy	Leeds University Union	£6,172
Keep Fit and Healthy for Women	Behno	£6,000
Community Volunteering Project	Caring Together in Woodhouse & Little London	£6,000
Additional enforcement staff – Woodhouse Moor	Safer Leeds	£10,000
Craft fair and empowering women	Vandan Group	£1,500
Little London Community Eatwell Café	CALLS	£5,889

Stepping up to be employable	Right Choices project	£5,781
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£75,995</b>

## 8. 2017/18 Wellbeing Capital Projects For Consideration

The Wellbeing application round for 2017/18 received 2 applications for capital funding. There is currently £14,200 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 in **Table 3** below be put forward for consideration for approval by the Community Committee on 23 March 2017.

**Table 3**

Project	Project Applicant	Amount
Welcome In Community Centre –roof repair	OPAL	£5,000
Ash Road area street planters	ARARA	£1,342

## 9. Youth Activities Fund 2017/18 Projects for Consideration

For 2017/18, the Inner North West Community Committee has received a sum of **£20,670** Youth Activity Fund monies. At the time of writing, there are no project underspends from 2016/17 to carry forward.

The Youth Activities Fund application round for 2017/18 received 6 applications for funding totalling £25,759 (For a full list of these projects, please see **Appendix 2**). The applications were assessed against the funding criteria for the Inner North West Youth Activities fund, and due consideration given to the consultation event results from the children’s engagement event at the University of Leeds on 2 March 2017.

Members have reviewed the applications in detail and have agreed that the 4 projects listed in **Table 4** below, valued at a total of **£17,575**, should go forward for consideration by the Community Committee on 23 March 2017. Should all of the following projects be approved, this will leave **£3,095** of YAF funding available for allocation in 2017/18.

**Table 4**

Project	Project Applicant	Amount
Holiday Activity Sessions	Groundwork Leeds	£2,825
Urban Art Workshops	DJ School UK	£940
Carnival Mash-up	Geraldine Connor Foundation	£6,110
Mini Breeze	Breeze Leeds	£7,700
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£17,575</b>

## Corporate considerations

## **a. Consultation and Engagement**

10. Local priorities were set at the December Community Committee meeting and the 2017/18 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**

11. 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**

12. 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**

13. 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**

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

## **f. Risk Management**

15. 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**

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

17. 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

18. The Committee is asked to:

- Note the available Wellbeing Budget and Youth Activities Fund for allocation in 2017/18.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 2**, a total of £75,995 for approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2017/18.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 3**, a total of £6,342 for approval from the Wellbeing Capital budget.
- Consider the projects listed in **Table 4**, a total of £17,575 for approval from the Youth Activities Fund budget.

## Background information

- **None**