



Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 4th September 2006

Subject: Well-Being Fund 2006/07

Electoral Wards Affected:

Chapel Allerton
Moortown
Roundhay

Specific Implications For:

Ethnic minorities
Women
Disabled people
Narrowing the Gap

Council
Function

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
report

Executive Summary

This report contains the recommendations of the Well-Being Fund Working Group. The Area Committee is requested to consider the recommendations of the Working Group and indicate if they approve the level of grant requested.

Background Information

1. The North East (Inner) Area Committee received an allocation of £166,774 Well-Being revenue funding for the 2006/07 financial year.
2. In addition, the Committee has a three year capital allocation of £317,925. Members are requested to note that 2006/07 is the final year for spending the remainder of this allocation.
3. The current position with both budgets is that £45,839 revenue and £3,665 (or £1,145 if VAT is payable on project INE.06.11.LG) capital remains. Details of the large and small grant projects approved to date is summarised in Appendix 1 and 2.

Project applications

Revenue – Large Grants

D: Side (INE.06.18.LG) – requesting £2,500

4. D:Side is a drugs and health education programme that works with children in primary schools, through the Children in Crisis charity. The staff use specially designed mobile learning centres and interactive teaching resources to address the factors which may lead them to experiment with potentially harmful substances such as alcohol, tobacco, medicines, illegal drugs and solvents. The programme is in school for between 3 -5 days.
5. The funding request is for a contribution towards the cost of running the programme (staffing, equipment and teaching aids/resources) in 7 primary schools for 06/07 – Carr Manor, Moortown, Kerr Mackie, Bracken Edge, Holy Rosary & St Anne's Catholic, Miles Hill and St. Matthew's C of E. The total cost of implementing the project in inner north east is £16,678. The project applied for, and was awarded £2,000 WBF at the December 2005 Area Committee for a contribution to running costs for 05/06.
6. *Working group recommendation:* The project meets Area Committee priorities under the children & young people and community safety themes. The evaluation report for 05/06 shows that the Well-Being fund allocated last year enabled the project to be delivered to 1,900 pupils and enabled them to work in two new schools – Moortown and Miles Hill primary schools. **Recommend - £2,500 contribution**

Leeds Chinese Women's Group (INE.06.19.LG) requesting £1,510

7. The Women's Group are coaching a group of Chinese children to perform traditional Chinese dance, with weekly rehearsals at the Chinese Community Centre on North Street. They are also teaching them how to make traditional snacks, so the group can participate in the Chinese New Year celebrations. All the children who will be taking part in this project attend the Chinese supplementary school at Allerton High School but live in the inner area (Chapelton, Chapel Allerton, Meanwood, Moortown and Oakwood).

8. *Working group recommendation:* The project meets the area priority of activities for children and young people, and although the New Year celebrations are not exclusive to the area, the beneficiaries of this project all live in inner north east. The working group recommends that along with a small financial contribution, the Chinese Women's Group are put in touch with the Grant & Funding Advice Worker and given a copy of the Leeds City Council Small Grants to Voluntary Organisations booklet. **Recommend - £750 contribution**

Scott Hall Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) (INE.06.21.LG) requesting £5,000

9. Groundwork Leeds are requesting a contribution towards the cost of a MUGA next to the Prince Philip Centre (Chapel Allerton ward). The MUGA will be installed on a currently derelict hard surface ball area adjacent to the Centre. Learning & Leisure have agreed to maintain the site once it is completed. The Youth Service are supportive of the project, and it will be used for both structured and informal sporting activities. The total cost of the project is £60,000. Funding applications have been submitted for the full amount. £5,000 has been secured from Leeds City Council Project Support Fund and a bid for £50,000 has been submitted to Barclays Spaces for Sports. A decision is due on this mid August.
10. *Working group recommendation:* The project meets Area Committee priorities to provide activities for children & young people and reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour. If the Barclays funding application fails, the project cannot go ahead and any Well-Being fund allocated to the project would be put back into the pot. **Recommend – £5,000 contribution**

Chapelton Young People's 10-2 Club/Yes Cyber (INE.06.14.LG) – requesting £28,000

11. The organisation have secured funding for their staffing costs for 2006/07 to run youth programmes which aim to re-engage and provide learning opportunities for the most socially excluded young people in the area. The target age group is 13-19, and the Well-Being Fund is sought to cover premises rental, utilities and broadband access.
12. *Working group recommendation:* The Area Committee will recall that the decision on this funding application was referred at the last meeting to the Youth Issues Working Group for a recommendation. The group met on 8th August to discuss the application. The working group recognise the service provided by Yes Cyber to the Chapelton community and how it meets Area Committee priorities. However, the Committee has in the past agreed that the Well-Being Fund should be allocated to projects that not only meet the priorities, but offer additionality and generally not for core organisational costs. In this instance, the Working Group recognises the exceptional circumstances with one of the major funding partners withdrawing mid way through the financial year and is prepared to recommend an emergency one-off contribution towards the costs up to 31st March 2007. **Recommend – £10,000**
13. For the Area Committee's information, if the recommendations of the Well-Being Fund working group are accepted, the revenue balance remaining unallocated will be £27,589.

Revenue – Small Grants requiring a full Area Committee decision

The Gathering 2006 (INE.06.09.SG) – requesting £500

14. The Leeds Irish Arts Foundation have applied for a £500 contribution towards the cost of publicity for The Gathering 2006, a celebration of traditional music and arts events from 9-13th November. Some of the events will be taking place in venues in Chapel Allerton ward (Sheepscar Club, Chapel Allerton library and The Old Police Station).
15. The cost of publicity has been estimated by the Foundation at over £1,000 to produce 5,000 professionally produced publicity brochures.
16. *Working group recommendation:* Members were concerned that the cost of the publicity brochures seemed very high. Also that the event, although with some local venues, appears to benefit not only north east inner residents but a wider Leeds area. **Recommend – full Area Committee decision**

Revenue – Small Grants approved since the last Area Committee meeting

Roundhay Community Radio (INE.06.06.SG)

17. Roundhay High School worked with Heads Together Media Company to broadcast a week long community radio station from the school in June. The radio ran 8 hours a day for a week beginning 26th June. The content, which was developed with staff and students covered themes including racial justice, school and community, Breeze festival and 'the best of Roundhay School'. Sheila Fletcher from the Area Management Team and Councillor Kendall took part in the broadcast. **Approved - £500**

Capital - Large Grants

Stainbeck UFC Church (INE.06.20.LG) requesting £4,000

18. The Church is requesting a contribution towards the cost of installing a disabled chair lift. This will enable local people to access the community facilities on the first floor, including the community café, lounge and community meeting area. The Church have spent significant amounts of their own funds improving the car park and installing disabled ramps in parts of the building to make it as accessible as possible. The Church is an important part of the local community serving Beckhill (one of the District Partnerships priority neighbourhoods) and Miles Hill. They are a partner on the Beckhill Implementation Group and employ a Community Development Worker.
19. *Working group recommendation:* This is a capital bid, and the majority of the funds could be awarded from this pot provided the Chapel Allerton Methodist Church project (INE.06.11.LG) does not need to pay VAT. If VAT is applicable, the remainder could be allocated from the revenue funds. Beckhill is a priority neighbourhood and the application meets the Area Committee priorities of regeneration and to deliver sustainability to the voluntary and community sector. **Recommend - £3,250 contribution**

20. For the Area Committee's information, if the recommendations of the Well-Being Fund working group are accepted, the capital fund will have been fully allocated.

Recommendations

21. The Area Committee is requested to consider the recommendations of the Well-Being Fund Working Group and indicate if they support;
 - a) The level of grant proposed from the 2006/07 revenue Well-Being Fund and the three year capital allocation.