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Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Inner West Area Committee

Date: 22nd June 2010

Subject: Inner West Area Committee Well-Being Fund Update

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
Armley Bramley & Stanningley	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
✓ Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap
Council Delegated Executive Function Function available for Call In	✓ Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report

Executive Summary

This report provides details of the amount of well-being capital and revenue funding available for the financial year 2010-2011, and an update on commitments already made. Members are asked to note this information, comment on any new applications and consider them for approval.

1.0 Purpose of This Report

1.1 This report seeks to update Members on the current amount of capital and revenue funding committed and available via the Area Committee Well-Being Budget for wards in the Inner West area. It seeks approval for new and continuing projects commissioned by the Area Management Team.

2.0 Well-Being Budget 2009/10

2.1 The Well-Being budget available for projects in 2010/11 has been calculated as follows:

Revenue Allocation 10/11	£153,000
Revenue carry forward from 09/10	£10,279.47
Total Revenue	£163,279.47

Capital Allocation 10/11	£20,000
Capital carry forward from 09/10	£35,700
Total Capital	£55,700*

*Since the last Area Committee in April 2010, the 10% cut on Capital carried forward from 2009/10 was abolished and each Area Committee was allocated an additional £20,000.

- 2.2 The revenue projects already agreed for 2010/11 are detailed at Appendix 1. A total of £135,398.30 has been approved to date, in the last Area Committee in April 2010 a Small Grants Fund of £5,000 and Skips Fund of £1,000 was approved from the Revenue budget, this leaves a remaining balance of £12,771.92.
- 2.3 In December 2009, the Area Committee approved up to £8,000 of revenue to be paid to New Wortley Community Centre, this was to be paid in monthly installments from December 2009 to March 2010. To date New Wortley Community Centre have been paid £6,773.23, this figure covers all shortfalls incurred between Dec 2009 and March 2010, as result there is £1,226.77 left over from the original allocation of upto £8,000, this amount will go back into the revenue budget and is reflected in paragraph 2.1.
- 2.4 Since the last Area Committee meeting the 4 Families Project has underspent by **£7882.48**, this will go back into the revenue budget which now leaves a balance of **£21,881.17** (this is also reflected in paragraph 2.1).
- 2.5 There have been no Capital project applications received in 2010/11. This leaves a balance of **£55,700.**

3.0 New applications for Well-Being Funding

3.1 Capital

There is a budget of £55,700 for 2010/11 remaining.

3.2 A scheme to install CCTV on the Broadleas, costing £22030 – £23130 was agreed in principle at the February Area Committee, it was agreed that maintenance costs of £3,568 (per year for 5 years) should be picked up by West North West Homes and as a result the matter should be referred to the ALMO Inner West Area Panel. Upon seeking approval from the ALMO Inner West Area Panel, it was agreed Derek Whitehouse would attend the June Area Committee to discuss the project in more detail and for Members to consider final approval.

Project Title	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	Appendix
CCTV Broadleas - Installation		£22030 - £23,130		2
New Wortley Community Garden		£1,200 *		3
TOTAL	£22030 - £23,130			

* N.B. It should be noted that the £1,200 referred to in this table for New Wortley Community Garden was approved in December 2008 as revenue funding.

Members are now asked to note the transfer of this amount to capital funding. Paragraph 3.4 explains this in more detail.

3.3 Revenue

- 3.4 In December 2008 the Area Committee agreed to set aside £2500 of Revenue to clear the waste land on Holdsforth Place site. However due to ongoing issues relating to landownership, and the fact that volunteers in the area cleared the land themselves, the £2500 was not spent. Since then there has been a proposal by the New Wortley Residents Association to have a temporary garden on a different location, made available following the demolition of the T-Blocks. The total cost for the project is £2,200 with £1,000 coming from WNWHL, the proposal is to convert the some of the approved revenue fund of £2500 to capital. This has been agreed with the Capital Finance Manager, therefore £1200 is being requested for conversion from Revenue to Capital for approval for use on the new temporary garden, with the remaining £1300 to go back into the current Revenue budget (see Appendix 3 for more information on the scheme). This would therefore leave an allocation of **£23,181.17 in the revenue pot**.
- 3.5 The following revenue applications have been received for this Area Committee for 2010/2011. Detailed information regarding these applications is attached at Appendix 4, 5, 6 & 7.

Project Title	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	Appendix
Armley Branch Sustainability		£10,000		4
Breeze Friday Night Project		£7,000		5
Dispersal Order Edinburghs		£ 4,809.00		6
Armley Christmas Lights Event		£2,000		7
TOTAL	£23,809.00	•	•	•

3.6

3.7 At the April Area Committee, Members approved £23,130 capital funding for a CCTV camera on the Broadleas estate in Bramley. This is submitted to this Area Committee meeting for ratification. The Area Committee also approved £3,568 revenue in principle for BT line rental, maintenance and monitoring. However, the Area Committee was strongly of the view that these maintenance costs should be picked up by West North West Homes and asked for the matter to be referred to the ALMO Inner West Area Panel. The next Area Panel meeting on 14th June 2010 will consider the revenue funding application. As that meeting will not have taken place prior to agenda dispatch, the outcome of discussions at that meeting will be reported verbally to the Inner West Area Committee on 22nd June 2010. Appendix 2 refers to this application.

4.0 Small Grants and Skips

- 4.1 There have been no applications received for small grants since the April 2010 Area Committee.
- 4.2 This leaves a balance of **£5,013.68** (£13.68 carry-forward from last years budget and £5,000 approved at the last Area Committee in April 2010)
- 4.3 There have been no applications received for skips since the April 2010 Area Committee.
- 4.4 This leaves a balance of **£1,544.35** (£544.35 carry-forward from last years budget and £1,000 approved at the last Area Committee in April 2010)

5.0 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

5.1 Well-Being projects support the actions contained in the Inner West Area Delivery Plan. Ward Members have been consulted on the Inner West Area Delivery Plan for 2008-11 and on the projects commissioned to deliver improvements to the area. The Area Delivery Plan contributes to the priorities of the Departmental, Council and Corporate Plans by aiming to create better neighbourhoods and confident communities.

6.0 Legal and Resource Implications.

6.1 The financial resource implications of well-being projects will be processed through the Area Management's well-being budget. Staff resources will be provided by Area Management and partner agencies.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The well-being fund provides financial support for key projects in the Inner West Area.

8.0 **Recommendations**

- 8.1 The Area Committee is asked to:
 - a) note the financial status of the Well-Being Budget, capital and revenue.
 - b) comment upon and approve where appropriate requests for funding for revenue, capital allocations, small grants and skips, as detailed in paragraphs 3-3.6.

Background Papers

• No background papers

Breakdown of Revenue Spend

Table 1: Revenue spend by theme 2010/11

Project Name	Project Details	Amount Approved	Delivery Organisation
Culture	Project Details	(£)	
I Love West Leeds	Delivery of the I Love West Leeds Festival	£25,000	Interplay
West Leeds Sports	A series of events to encourage		Leeds City Council
Development Programme	active participation in sport	£6,000	Community Sports Officer
	TOTAL	£31,000	
Enterprise & Economy			
Town Centre Manager	To support traders and businesses in Pudsey and Armley Town Centre	£25,000	Leeds Ahead
	TOTAL	£25,000	
Harmonious Communities	•		
Community Centres	New post of Business Facilities Manager and supporting three Community Centres in Inner West Priority Neighbourhoods	£75,680.32	BARCA - Leeds
Refugee Week Exhibition	Working with a school to offer learning opportunities about refugee and asylum issues	£2,220.98	Integrate
	TOTAL	£77,901.30	
Thriving Places			
Police Off Road Motorcycle Scheme	Leasing of 2 off road motorbikes	£1,497	West Yorkshire Police
	TOTAL	£1,497	
	TOTAL APPROVED:	£135,398.30	

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: CCTV – Broadleas Roundabout

Lead Organisation: Environments & Neighbourhoods, Community Safety

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

Problems of crime and anti-social behaviour have become more prevalent on the Broadlea Area of Bramley & Stanningley ward. In other areas across the City, the installation of CCTV with regards to a crime strategy has reduced such incidences. This has been discussed with partners at the Inner West Crime and Grime Tasking meeting, where support was given for CCTV to address the hotspot area in the Broadleas. The Sandfords Tenants and Residents Group have raised the need for CCTV in this area for sometime.

The preferred site for one single CCTV camera within the estate has been chosen at Broadlea Hill near to the Off Licence (copy of map attached). This preferred site has been identified via discussions with the police and local residents on the estate; the location determined provides coverage of the Off Licence frontage, the Community Youth Club entrance and frontage, both bus shelters and the telephone box. Costs of the project:

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

- Reduce instances of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage within the Broadleas.
- Enhanced community safety (and perception of safety);
- Promote business confidence.

Project Cost. Please indicate

How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

- Capital Funding for the installation of a one camera system is £22,030 (without a contingency budget). Allowing for a contingency budget of 5% of that total £1100 this is a capital outlay of £23130.
- Revenue Funding: BT £1490 (per year) if a 5 year contract is signed if not the cost is £1568 (per year).
- There is then the additional revenue cost of £1000 maintenance and £1000 monitoring.

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Bramley & Stanningley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)				
Capital Revenue 1 Revenue 2 Total Cost	22030 1490 <u>2000</u> £ <u>25520</u>	23130 1568 2000 £26698	BT annual cost annual maintenance & monitoring	
Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details) Derek Whitehouse - 3950806				

Approved Date

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: New Wortley Temporary Community Garden

Lead Organisation: New Wortley Residents Association (NWRA)

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

The NWRA as part of the New Wortley Community Plan have lobbied for a community garden, in New Wortley. Hillary Benn MP and Local ward members are supportive of the Community Plan. The plan was developed through a 'planning for real' exercise, which involved a range of New Wortley community representatives. The plan was also in response to the council progressing with the demolition of the area. The project aims to create a community garden, and through discussions with the community a temporary site has been identified.

The site will be made available following the demolition of 36 properties. The demolition work is being managed by West North West Homes (ALMO) and is due for completion June 2010. The demolition project is a priority scheme within the West Leeds Gateway (WLG) Regeneration Area.

In the longer term, if a development opportunity emerges, in line with the licence agreement the community will have the option to either cease the garden or identify an alternative location. If an alternative location is identified by the community this will be subject to agreement from either the Council or any interested third party.

The cleared sites are identified for future residential development; therefore the site will be leased to the NWRA on a temporary basis. The terms and conditions of the lease will be outlined in the licence which Business Unit team are currently developing.

Planning Policy are supportive of the project. They have said that the project will aim to tidy the site up, avoid significant 'structural' features and is flexible enough for the community garden to be 'transferred' to a different site when this site comes forward for development.

Strategic Landlord, Area Management and the ALMO are all in support of the project. They are represented on the WLG Project Team and Programme Board. The ALMO have led on the demolition of the T blocks, where the temporary community garden will be located.

Outline plans for the scheme show where the planting will take place have been produced. The planting and work will include raised beds, small shrubs and plants.

Capital funding of £1000, for the temporary garden has been agreed from the West North West Homes Area Panel Funding as match funding. The total cost of the project is estimated at £2200.

The NWRA will be responsible for the maintenance and management of the land and this will be set out clearly in the licence agreement. Once the licence has been signed a copy will be available for your information. This is being overseen by the City Projects Team.

The community garden will be temporary, and the licence will be reviewed on an annual basis.

The City Project Office and Area Management Team will support and maintain contact with the NWRA during the project.

The site is included in the Strategic Affordable Housing Partnership land portfolio. In advance of development, the community have agreed to give up the land and identify a more permanent site. This will be written into the licence agreement.

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

The temporary project is a community led scheme and is aimed to increase community cohesion and capacity.

The NWRA as part of the New Wortley Community Plan have lobbied for a community garden, in New Wortley.

The New Wortley community will be able to participate in horticulture activities such as planting and grounds maintenance. In the interim period the physical area will be improved, making it a more attractive place for people to live and spend time in.

The project will aim to provide the following benefits;

Lower crime and enhanced self esteem. Studies over a 30-year period in communities, neighbourhoods, and housing projects show that when landscaping projects are promoted there is a definite increase in self esteem and a decrease in vandalism.

Health benefits. There is growing evidence that horticulture is important on a human level. The work involved will aim to lower blood pressure, reduce muscle tension related to stress, improve attention and reduce feelings of fear and anger or aggression.

Good landscaping increases community appeal. Parks and street trees have been found to be second only to education in residents' perceived value of the area. It is key representatives from the New Wortley community that wish to see the desired improvements across the estate.

Safer neighbourhoods. In a study conducted at a Chicago public housing development, residents of buildings with more trees and grass reported that they knew their neighbours better, socialized with them more often, had stronger feelings of community and felt safer and better adjusted than did residents of more barren, but otherwise identical buildings

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

Total: £2,200

£1,000 funding from WNWHL

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Armley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£1,200 Capital

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

Michelle McGill <u>newwortleyresidentsassociation@googlemail.com</u> 077891 277577

Approved Date

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: Armley Branch Sustainability

Lead Organisation: Leeds City Credit Union

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

To enable the current office in the Armley One Stop Centre to remain open for a further year. Retaining these branch offices will provide access to financial services for residents in the Armley, Kirkstall and Bramley areas of Leeds.

Leeds City Credit Union offer savings, banking and lending facilities. This funding will contribute to the total amount being requested from partner organisations to enable Leeds City Credit Union to retain this branch office.

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

To provide financial services to the residents of Leeds. LCCU currently has

- 25930 active members in Leeds
- 4980 Junior accounts
- 2995 Current accounts
- 2361 Other savings accounts including ISAs
- 1145 Christmas Club savings accounts. These enable members to have savings for Christmas, which are safe and can be spent where they choose.
- Loans have been granted to residents whose only recourse to credit would have been with doorstep lenders. This has meant that savings of approximately £17m have been made and this money has been available for residents to spend in their local areas.
- Leeds City Council and private landlords have also benefited as members are having Local Housing Allowance paid into their Credit Union accounts. Direct payments to landlords through the Credit Union budget account or by cheque will ensure rent is paid and prevent homelessness.
- Payments are also being made to Leeds City Council in respect of rent, Council Tax and other Sundry Income charges.
- Savings accounts to enable members to deposit benefit income and savings
- Budget accounts to enable rent to be paid in addition to other utility bills
- Current accounts with no overdraft facility for the deposit of wages and/or benefits
- Loans at fair rates of interest to members some of which cannot access mainstream credit facilities

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

Total: £31,000, contribution from other partners of £21,000 (WNWHL (£8k) & LCC Corporate funds (£13k))

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Armley & Bramley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£10,000 Revenue

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

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Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: Breeze Friday Night Project

Lead Organisation: Out of School Activities Team, Integrated Youth Support Service (OSA)

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

The Friday Night Project provides activities in sports, arts and crafts, music and dance to young people aged 8-18 years of age on a Friday night. Our aim is to encourage young people to engage in activities encouraging an active lifestyle and a safe place to socialise. It runs at a time when anti-social behaviour in the area is reported as at its highest and aims to reduce this by providing an alternative place to go.

The funding being sought from the Well Being Fund would be used to fund the activities; currently the core staffing and venue costs are being provided as an "in kind" contribution from the project partners.

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

Based on the experience to date we would expect:

- To increase Breezecard membership as all young people will use the Breezecard to register on to the programme
- Regular attendance by up to 50 young people per session
- Overall membership of approximately 500 young people by the end of the year
- Increased access to positive arts, physical and cultural activities by young people
- Reduction in youth anti social behaviour and offending
- Signposting of young people into appropriate support services ie Careers advice, Sexual Health information, Connexions Personal Advisors

Increased uptake across the partner agencies' services as young people are made aware of the range of activities available to them in the locality

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

Total: £27.810.00

£10,810 in kind from partners

£10,000 from PAYP

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Armley & Bramley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£7,000 Revenue

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

Chris Mulcahy: Out of School Activities Team Area Manager <u>chris.mulcahy@leeds.gov.uk</u> 0113 2760824

Approved Date

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: Dispersal Order Edinburghs

Lead Organisation: West Yorkshire Police

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

Due to a large amount of ASB and linked crimes, West Yorkshire police have applied for a dispersal order to cover the Edinburgh's and surrounding streets. We intend to police this for six months, which covers what may be potentially a dangerous policing period through the school holidays. It is intended to police this using the existing officers for the area, but also officers from surrounding wards. To ensure that the surrounding wards do not suffer due to abstractions it is intended to police the dispersal order on overtime. Some of this will be funded from the NPT budget, officers working for time and also from funds applied for from the area committee if successful. Also other departments, such as mounted section, roads policing and operational support officers will be tasked in the area in duty time, paid for by West Yorkshire Police. Also to work with Youth Services, PAYP, BARCA and charity organisations, such as Christ Church to work with the youths. This will include activities to defer youths from committing offences and education.

Policing Costs

The period which I am applying for assistance in the dispersal area would be for three months. This would be to cover the week- ends. Two Police Constables working a 2030 hours to 0030 hours shift on Fridays and Saturdays. In addition to this Staff from the NPT would be working in the area paid for out of my overtime budget. Also we would be applying for other police departments assistance, such as Mounted, Off road bikes and Operation support officers.

At 16 hours per weekend and a cost of £27.32 per hour, 11 weeks (176 hours in real terms which is 3 months) would cost just short of £5,000 (£4,809.00).

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

To assist in the policing of the Dispersal order area

To reduce Anti Social Behaviour and associated crime.

Also linking with other agencies to refer the offenders to appropriate services and to look at diversionary activities with partner agencies.

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

Total: £10,000

£5,000 contribution from additional Police resources.

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Armley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£4,809.00 Revenue

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

Inspector Mark Bownass Mark.bownass@westyorkshire.pnn.polce.uk 0113 2414806

Approved Date

Area Committee Well-being Fund – Project Summary Inner West Area Committee

Project Name: Armley Christmas Lights Event

Lead Organisation: Leeds Ahead

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

This application is for funding to help towards the Christmas light switch on in Armely. We are seeking to hold a large Christmas light switch on which has never be done before in Armley. The event will see Town Street closed from the junction with Branch Road / Town Street to Carr Crofts. We are working with the events team to put in a stage and fire works. Also at the event will be two special guests who will perform and entertain the crowd. We will also have a Santa's Grotto and other attractions.

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

The main achievements for this event would be a wider knowledge and understanding of the shops on Town Street and what it has to offer. The overall mission of the event is to give the community something which they have not had before and a day and evening they and their children will remember for a long time afterwards. This event if successful will run on a yearly basis and is designed to give the community a day that they can celebrate and enjoy the Christmas spirit.

Our anticipated outputs for this year are as follows:

- Increased business revenue
- Foot fall increase to Town Street
- Community event
- Better community relationships
- Feel good day for the community.

Project Cost. Please indicate How much the project will cost? (List all partners and their contributions)

Total: £5,000 Funding from other sources £2,000 (private retailers and banking establishments) £1,000 from TCM budget £2,000 request for WB Fund

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Armley

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

£2,000 Revenue

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

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Approved Date