



Report of the South East Area Manager

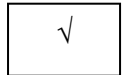
East (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 7 September 2010

Subject: Well Being Budget (Revenue) 2010/11

Electoral Wards Affected:

Cross Gates & Whinmoor
Garforth & Swillington
Kippax and Methley
Temple Newsam



Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

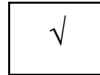
Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

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 updates Area Committee on project work funded through the Well Being budget for 2010/11. The budget for 2009/10 is £220,727.

1.0 PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

- 1.1 The Well Being budget for Outer East Area Committee is £220,727 in 2010/11.
- 1.2 The budget has one commitment of £38,500 to cover the cost of Leedswatch CCTV monitoring and maintenance for its 11 cameras.
- 1.3 The remainder of the budget was set against particular projects and priority themes in the Area Delivery Plan.
- 1.4 This report updates Area Committee on progress with some of the projects it has funded.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 The Well Being Budget for 20010/11 is £220,727.

2.2 In 2010/11 Area Committee has a total commitment of £38,500 for CCTV monitoring and maintenance costs.

2.3 At its meeting held in March 2010 Area Committee approved the following projects:

- a gardening service for elderly and disabled people - £39,000
- community payback probation scheme - £15,000
- small grants budget - £10,000.
- the cost of an additional Community Environment Support Officer (CESO) - 27,700 per year (including on costs).
- Funding towards the provision of a Credit Union at Halton Moor One Stop Centre - £5,000.

2.4 The CCTV commitment and cost of the other projects amounts to £135,200. This leaves a balance of £80,527 to be split evenly across the 4 wards.

2.5 Area Committee agreed that the remainder of the budget was allocated against the following priority areas of work with these allocations:

- Additional Activities for young people
- Community Engagement
- Tasking Team (Community Safety and environmental work)

3.0 MAIN ISSUES

3.1 Small Grants

3.1.1 There is £10,000 available within the small grants budget which provides up to £500 per application. Small grant expenditure in 10/11 is detailed on **appendix 1**.

3.2 Activities for young people

3.2.1 **Cricket Coaching.** This project has attracted greater numbers year on year with over 120 children attending each day of the two weeks of coaching at Kippax and Whitkirk. The increase in number has meant that more coaches were required and therefore the cost increased. This cost increase was offset by charging each youngster 50p per day for coaching. The coaching was provided by staff at Yorkshire County Cricket Club.

3.2.2 **Summer programme of activities for young people.** The programme of activities was provided in all four wards during the summer. An evaluation of the work is currently being undertaken by Youth Service and will be reported to Area Committee at a future meeting. All activities were advertised widely at local schools, community centres and libraries as well as through the youth service website.

3.3 Community Engagement

3.3.1 **Older Persons Week September 2010.** This programme of events is organised through the Older Persons Sub-Group and the dates have now been set. They are as follows:

- Monday 20th September – Great & Little Preston Village Hall
- Tuesday 21st September – St Gregory's Youth & Adult Centre, Swarcliffe
- Wednesday 22nd September – Kippax ex-service and social club
- Thursday 23rd September – Christ Church, Halton
- Friday 24th September – Garforth Liberal Club

3.3.2 Some of the organisations supporting this event include West Yorkshire Fire Service, West Yorkshire Police, Aire Valley Homes, Fuel Savers, Message in a Bottle, Telecare, Help the Aged, Joint Care Management, NHS Leeds, Lloyds pharmacy etc. As well as information and advice the events will include entertainment provided by local schools and Pocket Panto.

3.3.3 An arrangement has been made with Leeds Building Society who will attend each day of the week and will provide a free written will service to anyone attending who is over 50 years of age.

3.3.4 **Year of the Volunteer Awards Event.** The date of 4th November has been set for this event which will be held at the Civic Hall from 12.30 'til 2.30pm. Members will be contacted concerning the format for the day and which voluntary organisations are invited and recognised at the event.

3.3.5 **Christmas Lights – Cross Gates and Methley.** Area Committee is requested to provide funding towards Christmas Lights motifs in Cross Gates and Methley. The funding will be paid from the respective wards community engagement allocation. In both areas Festive Lights committees have or will be formed to support 'switch on' events that are planned. The cost for motif hire is as follows:

- Christmas lights at Cross Gates - £3,110. Inner East Area Committee will provide £500 towards this cost which means Area Committee are asked to award £2,610.
- Christmas lights at Methley - £2,145.

3.3.6 **Methley Gala.** This event occurred during the summer bank holiday and the request for funding is a result of unexpected security costs to stage the event. The amount of funding being requested is £1,000. This has been approved by the Ward Members for Kippax & Methley from their community engagement allocation and is included in this report to be noted by Area Committee.

3.4 Swarcliffe Good Neighbours - gardening and decorating service for elderly and disabled people

3.4.1 At the time of writing this report 233 gardens have been completed and 10 decorating referrals made. It is anticipated that up to 400 gardens will have maintained, under the Area Committee funded scheme, by the end of October.

3.4.2 An apprentice from Corpus Christi High School will be taken on from September 2010 until July 2011 working 2 days with Swarcliffe Good Neighbours and 3 days at School.

3.5 Community Environment Support Officer (CESO)

3.5.1 The position of CESO for Swarcliffe has now been filled. This is a three year funded project with year 1 being funded jointly by Swarcliffe PFI credits and Aire Valley Homes and years 2 and 3 funded by Swarcliffe PFI credits.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

4.1 The details described in this report and the recommendation fits with existing Council policy and governance arrangements.

5.0 LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no new legal implications arising from this report.

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

6.1 The Well Being Budget will continue to fund projects that support its Area Delivery Plan and deliver local outcomes in relation to its key priorities of community safety, community engagement, improving the environment and providing activities for younger and older people.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Area Committee is asked to note the content of this report and raise any questions.

7.2 Area Committee is requested to agree to support the following projects with funding from its Well Being Budget:

- Christmas lights in Cross Gates - £2,610
- Christmas lights in Methley - £2,145

7.3 Area Committee is requested to note the approval to support the Methley Gala with a £1,000 contribution from the Kippax & Methley community engagement allocation.

Background papers

- East (Outer) Area Committee Report, 8th July 2008 – Area Delivery Plan 2008-11
- Executive Board Report, 16 July 2008 – Area Committee Roles 2008/09
- East (Outer) Area Committee, 23rd March 2010 – Well Being Report to Area Committee