

**Report of East North East Area Leader**

**Report to Inner North East Area Committee**

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

**Subject: Well Being Fund Capital and Revenue Budgets**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Chapel Allerton, Moortown, Roundhay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Summary of main issues**

1. This report provides members with an update on the current position of the revenue budget for the Inner North East.
2. Applications made for funding are included in the report for member's consideration.

**Recommendations**

3. Members are asked to note the contents of this report and;
4. Consider the applications made for funding for the following projects and make a decision in relation to each as set out in the report;
  - Talbot Fold – LCC Parks and Countryside £1,200
  - Isis Project – Black Health Initiative £5,000
  - Community Engagement - £1,000

## **1. Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 The report also provides members with an update on the current position of the Revenue Well Being Funding for the Area Committee and sets out applications made for consideration by the Area Committee.

## **2. Background information**

- 2.1. Each of the ten Area Committees receives an allocation of revenue funding. The amount of funding for each Area Committee is determined by a formula based on population and deprivation in each area which has been previously agreed by the Council's Executive Board.
- 2.2. The Area Committee have nominated a representative from each ward to form a Well Being Member Working Group to consider applications made for funding and also receive feedback and evaluations regarding projects funded.
- 2.3. The Area Committee wellbeing fund is used to commission activity and projects to support the promises in the community charter. Applications are also accepted from organisations in the local area who can demonstrate that their project supports the Community Charter promises. These projects are monitored quarterly on progress, with a final evaluation taking place when the project is completed. An update on the projects funded and outcomes is provided on an annual basis to the Area Committee and discussed in the Well Being Member Working Group.
- 2.4. The current budget position for the Revenue Well Being Budget is provided at Appendix 1 for Members information.
- 2.5. Community organisations can apply for a small grant to support small scale projects in the community, these are approved by ward members. Details of spending for small grants are included in Appendix 2.

## **3. New Applications for Consideration**

### **3.1. Talbot Fold – LCC Parks and Countryside £1,200**

- 3.1.1. The project is to undertake remedial work to land to the rear of Talbot Fold to deter anti social behaviour and to encourage the community to make better use of the land. The land is currently laid out with shrub beds and borders attract people to hide in, gather and generally cause mischief.
- 3.1.2. The local ward members and residents of the surrounding properties have meet with officers from the Park and Countryside Service to discuss what action can be implemented to help deter people from gathering whilst still managing to retain the green space for genuine users to enjoy.

3.1.3. The project will see the large shrub bed is to thinned and in places removed. The wooden knee rail removed leaving grass and trees only.

3.1.4. The total cost of the project is £2,200 with the labour costs of £1,000 being provided by Parks and Countryside. The remainder of the costs being sought from the Area Committee are for materials, equipment hire and tipping charges.

### 3.2. Isis Project – Black Health Initiative £5,000

3.2.1. The aim of the project is to provide, factual information on the preparation of the foods the communities targeted eat/purchase and healthier options on food budgeting

3.2.2. By being equipped with the above the trainees will be able to decrease the potential of disease which are prevalent within the communities targeted e.g. Diabetes, High Blood Pressure, Various Cancer(s) and address obesity issues within the African/African Caribbean and Dual Heritage Communities (both settled and newly arrived) within the area.

3.2.3. The project will comprise of :

- 7 x Group sessions comprising of minimum of 6, maximum 8 people
- 42 x Immediate beneficiaries min/ 56 max
- 42/56 x Household beneficiaries which has a ripple effect on the health of the total household

3.2.4. The breakdown of costs for the project are as follows:

Facilitation of the cooking/budgeting workshops	£ 600.00
Ingredients (cultural ingredients are more expensive e.g. halal meats; ackie etc)	£1,500.00
Kitchen Hire – including all utilities/equipment etc.	£ 500.00
Food Hygiene accreditation	£1,440.00 (£30 p/p)
Publicity materials/Admin support	£1,000.00
Take home information e.g. African/African Caribbean Food on a Budget/Healthy Preparation booklet	£1,500.00
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>£6,540.00</b>

3.2.5. The total cost of the project is £6,540 with a grant being obtained from MacMillan Cancer Support of £1,540, the remainder is being sought from the Area Committee

### **3.3. Community Engagement - £1,000**

3.3.1. At the start of the financial year the Area Committee set aside £2,000 for community engagement including the production and distribution of the Community Charter. To date £1,400 has been committed and used from this budget.

3.3.2. During recent meetings and discussions regarding community issues in Chapeltown it has been agreed to re-establish a Chapeltown and Harehills forum. It is suggested that an additional amount of £1,000 is set aside to be used towards the establishment of the forum and for community engagement activity across the inner north east for the remainder of the financial year.

## **4. Corporate Considerations**

### **4.1 Consultation and Engagement**

4.1.1 The local community and VCFS groups are consulted and the well being fund grant process is shared with them via the community engagement strategy and events that are attended. In addition feedback is provided via the Community Charter. Consultation on the priorities within the Community Charter is undertaken on an annual basis and shapes the priorities which the Well Being Fund is used to deliver.

4.1.2 The Well Being Member Working Group considers the applications for funding and makes a recommendation for the Area Committee to consider.

### **4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

4.2.1 Well Being Funding is used to ensure that inequalities within the local area are addressed through local projects and schemes and equality impact assessments carried out where necessary.

4.2.2 Not applicable in this instance.

### **4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities**

4.3.1 The Well Being Fund projects seek to contribute to the City Priorities by improving the local area and addressing inequalities in the inner north east.

### **4.4 Resources and Value for Money**

4.4.1 Not applicable under this section

### **4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

4.5.1 The decisions made in relation to Well Being Funding are subject to call in

### **4.6 Risk Management**

4.6.1 Not applicable under this section.

## **5. Recommendations**

5.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report and;

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## **6. Background documents**

Area Committee Roles and Functions 2011/12