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Report of the Area Leader – South East Leeds

Report to Outer East Leeds Area Committee

Date: 16th October 2012

Subject: Well Being Budget (Revenue) 2012/13

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	\boxtimes	Yes	☐ No
Garforth & Swillington Kippax & Methley Temple Newsam Cross Gates & Whinmoor			
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?		Yes	☐ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?		Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:		Yes	⊠ No

Summary of main issues

1. This report updates members on the Well Being Budget for Outer East in 2012/13 and how Area Committee decided to allocate the funds against specific work streams. It also seeks approval for new project work and progress on work already funded.

Recommendations

- 2. Members are requested to:
 - a) Note the position of the Well Being Budget.
 - b) Note the Small Grants approved to date.
 - c) Confirm approval of the following projects:
 - Cross Gates Barnbow War Memorial £5,000
 - Covert CCTV camera for Environmental Locality Team £1,600
 - Road markings around Whitkirk Primary School £5,000
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 - Electricity supply and Christmas Tree holding base (Cross Gates) £4,000

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 This report reminds Members of the Well Being Budget allocated to Outer East in 2012/13 and how Area Committee agreed to allocate the funds against specific work streams. It also requests funding for specific projects in Outer East.

2 Background information

- 2.1 The Well Being Budget allocated to Outer East for 2012/13 is £185,220. The carry over figure from 2011/12 is £35,873 providing a total budget of £221,093.
- 2.2 The budget had one commitment of £33,000 to fund the annual cost of its 11 Leedswatch CCTV cameras.
- 2.3 At its May 2012 meeting, Area Committee agreed to set aside funding for:
 - Dedicated Probation Services 'Community Payback' Team £15,000
 - Gardening service for the elderly and disabled £20,000
 - Small grants budget (up to £500 per project) for local community based projects
 £10,000
 - Older Persons' Event Week 2012 £3,500
 - Cricket coaching for young people £5,000
 - Skips £5,000
 - Ad-hoc projects that meet Business Plan priorities £20,000
- 2.4 The remainder of the budget was allocated by ward to focus on the following priority areas:
 - Additional services for young people £36,000
 - Tackling crime and grime through tasking meetings £40,000
 - Community engagement and involvement £40,000

3 Main Issues – funding requests for new projects

3.1 Barnbow War Memorial

3.1.1 This project will provide funding towards a new memorial to be erected in Manston Park that commemorates an accident that happened in the Barbow munitions

factory during the First World War when 35 female workers were killed producing shells.

- 3.1.2 The project is a partnership between Leeds City Council and East Leeds Historical Society. The original memorial is still in-situ in Cross Gates and will remain so.
- 3.1.3 The total cost of this project is expected to be around £10,000 with Area Committee requested to provide £5,000 of funding and the rest being met by Parks & Countryside. A meeting with Ward Members, LCC Officers and East Leeds Historical Society was held in early October. The outcome of that meeting can be reported to Area Committee whilst considering this request.
- 3.1.4 The memorial is scheduled to be installed in December 2012.
- 3.1.5 This project meets the following priority of the Outer East Area Committees Business Plan:

Communities are empowered and engaged. People get on well together.

3.2 Covert CCTV camera to prevent fly tipping

- 3.2.1 This will provide a covert camera for the Environmental Services Locality Team to address the problem of fly tipping in the Outer East area.
- 3.2.2 In other parts of the city the use of covert CCTV has been useful in identifying and prosecuting those responsible for fly tipping.
- 3.2.3 This project meets the following priority of the Outer East Area Committees Business Plan:

Neighbourhoods in Outer East are clean and attractive.

3.3 Road marking around Whitkirk Primary School

- 3.3.1 The ongoing parking problems at this school have been discussed at Area Committee and the Halton Community Forum on a number of occasions.
- 3.3.2 Although it is appreciated that most schools have problems associated with parking at the start and finish of the school day this particular school appears to suffer worse than others due to its cul-de-sac location.
- 3.3.3 This proposal is only the first part of the solution with others plans in hand to potentially install a turning circle in the school and further parking restrictions.
- 3.3.4 The road marking for this part of the process will include parking restrictions along Templegate Walk

3.3.5 This project meets the following priority of the Outer East Area Committees Business Plan:

Residents in Outer East are safe and feel safe.

3.4 Friday Night Project – Halton Moor

- 3.4.1 This project is a partnership between Temple Newsam Learning Partnership Trust and Leeds City Council Youth Service to deliver the Friday Night Project with specialist coaching and resources to ensure a sustained offer for the most vulnerable young people in Halton Moor and Osmondthorpe every Friday evening.
- 3.4.2 This area has been highlighted as a hotspot for anti social and nuisance behaviour within the local community.
- 3.4.3 The provision will engage between 40 and 60 young people each week between the ages of 8 and 18. The majority of the young people are considered vulnerable in regards to living in areas of high deprivation, involved with the Social Services, needing support with attendance or behaviour in and out of school, in danger of becoming NEET, and in danger of becoming involved in anti social behaviour and/ or criminal activity.
- 3.4.4 The total cost of the project is £4,400 with £2,400 being contributed from the school cluster funds. Area Committee is requested to meet the balance of £2,000. The project will start in October and run for a 12 month period.
- 3.4.5 This project meets the following priority of the Outer East Area Committees Business Plan:

Provide a range of positive activities for young people across the Outer East.

3.5 Providing an electric supply and holding base for Christmas Tree and lighting to Cross Gates roundabout

- 3.5.1 This project will enhance the Christmas lights switch on event in Cross Gates as well as further promoting Cross Gates as a shopping destination.
- 3.5.2 The work will include installing a suitable electricity supply for a Christmas tree and lighting to other permanent trees to the roundabout. The cost of £4,000 also includes utility permissions and other associated costs as well as a concrete base for the Christmas Tree to stand.
- 3.5.3 This project meets the following priority of the Outer East Area Committees Business Plan:

Support work that helps town and district centres remain commercially active and vibrant.

3.6 Small Grants

3.6.1 The details of small grants received since April 2012 is detailed on *Appendix 1*.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 All projects developed are in consultation with Elected Members and local communities. Approval for a contribution from the well being budget is secured at Area Committee.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 Community groups submitting a project proposal requesting funding from the well being budget have an equal opportunities policy and as part of the application process, complete a section outlining which equality group the project will work with, and how equality and cohesion issues have been considered.
- 4.2.2 Internal and statutory partners are committed to equality and cohesion and all projects they are involved with will have considered these issues.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 The projects outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the following council policies:
 - Vision for Leeds
 - Safer & Stronger Communities Plan
 - Children & Young Peoples Plan
 - Health & Well Being City Priority Plan

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 There is no new resource implications as a result of any projects detailed within this report. In all requests for funding from Area Committee applicants are asked to consider value for money during the application process.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 Legal implications as a result of this report will be reflected in any subsequent Funding Agreements and Contracts to Tender that arise from projects funded from the Well being Budget.
- 4.5.2 All decisions taken by the Area Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are no longer eligible for call in.
- 4.5.3 There are no key or major decisions being made that would be eligible for call in.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 All proposals requesting well being funding complete a section in the application process outlining the risks associated with the project and how they will be managed.

5 Conclusions

- 5.1 The report provides information on how the well being budget 2012/13 has been allocated against priorities identified in its Business Plan.
- 5.2 The report also requests that Area Committee consider a number of new project proposals that support the Business Plan.

6 Recommendations

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7 Background documents

- 7.1 Well Being Budget report to Outer East Area Committee May 2012
- 7.2 Area Functions schedule report to Outer East Area committee July 2012

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.