

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET :  
2008/2009 WARD-BASED COMMUNITY CHEST**

**Report of the Chief Executive (Acting)**

**1.0 Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to bring forward 28 recommendations relating to the 2008/2009 Community Chest Scheme.

**2.0 Description of Decision**

- 2.1** The Committee is requested to approve the 28 proposals for support from the 2008/09 Community Chest as detailed in Annex I.

**3.0 Background**

- 3.1** The Committee will be aware that the Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and that £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2008/2009, £10,000 for each Ward, plus any unclaimed allocations identified from previous years. This scheme is operated under Section 137 of the Local Government Act.

**4.0 Current Position**

- 4.1** To date approvals for each Ward total:

Castle	£6124
Fulwell	£2922
Redhill	£3192
Southwick	£3415
St. Peter's	£2782

- 4.2** The projects listed on Annex 1 total:

Castle	£1000
Fulwell	£1440
Redhill	£0000
Southwick	£3012
St. Peter's	£2200

- 4.3** Should the Committee grant the requests listed on Annex 1 the remaining balances, including the unclaimed allocations identified from previous years, would be:

Castle	£2953
Fulwell	£8067
Redhill	£8081
Southwick	£7218
St. Peter's	£5782

## **5.0 Reason for Decision**

- 5.1** Community Chest support is given to projects which clearly demonstrate that they will address identified local needs, as detailed in Area Regeneration Frameworks, normally providing genuine community benefit and which can subsequently provide evidence/measurement of success in this respect.

## **6.0 Alternative Options**

- 6.1** The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

## **7.0 Relevant Consultation**

- 7.1** Members have been consulted on all applications for Community Chest support.
- 7.2** The City Treasurer has been consulted on this report, all costs associated with developing Community Chest applications are resourced by the Strategic Initiatives Budget admin fee.
- 7.3** Residents have been consulted about the priorities in the Area Regeneration Frameworks Community Chest grants support these identified priorities.

## **8.0 Background Papers**

- 8.1** The following background papers were used:
- Community Chest Application Forms
  - Schedule of projects circulated at the panel meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2008.

**ANNEX 1****COMMUNITY CHEST 2008/2009****PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL**

	<i><b>Recommended Grant subject to final estimates, invoices, up to £:</b></i>
<b>CASTLE WARD</b>	
<b>Hylton Castle &amp; Town End Farm Boys &amp; Girls Club</b> – Purchase of equipment, computer and printer.	1000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1000</b>
<b>FULWELL WARD</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunderland St. Andrew's Guides</b> – Contribution towards trips, accommodation, transport etc.,	500
<b>Peter Stracey House</b> – Contribution towards Christmas lunch, transport etc.,	465
<b>Sunderland City Centre Management</b> – Contribution towards Christmas shopping evening, refreshments, transport etc.,	150
<b>Bidders for Bede</b> – Contribution towards craft materials, refreshments, crockery etc.,	100
<b>Sunderland Remembrance Day Steering Group</b> – Contribution towards expenses.	100
<b>Sunderland Antiquarian Society</b> – Purchase of map chests, web site facilities, photocopier etc.,	100
<b>Multiple Sclerosis Society</b> – Contribution towards transport for day trips.	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>1440</b>
<b>SOUTHWICK WARD</b>	
<b>Health Scented</b> – Contribution towards training.	375
<b>Riverview Lodge Care Home</b> – Purchase of equipment for sensory room.	500
<b>Southwick Ward</b> – Purchase and planting of bulbs and 3 trees,	660
<b>High Southwick Methodist Church Hall</b> – Contribution towards hire costs, refreshments etc.,	75
<b>Roker F.C.</b> – Purchase of football strips, equipment and contribution towards transport.	1000

<b>Sunderland City Centre Management</b> – Contribution towards Christmas shopping evening, refreshments, transport etc.,	32
<b>‘Music for All’</b> – Purchase of music, repairs, festival fees etc.,	100
<b>Bidders for Bede</b> – Contribution towards craft materials, refreshments, crockery etc.,	50
<b>Sunderland Remembrance Day Steering Group</b> – Contribution towards expenses.	100
<b>Sunderland Pensioners Association</b> – Contribution towards Pensioners Parliament in Blackpool.	50
<b>Multiple Sclerosis Society</b> – Contribution towards transport for day trips.	20
<b>Sunderland Orphanage and Educational Foundation</b> – Contribution towards helping disadvantaged children and young people, shoes, clothes etc.,	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>3012</b>
<b>ST. PETER’S WARD</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunderland St. Andrew’s Guides</b> – Contribution towards trips, accommodation, transport etc.,	500
<b>St. Benet’s Bowls Club</b> – Contribution towards transport.	625
<b>All Saints Ladies Fellowship Meeting Room</b> – Purchase of tables and chairs.	600
<b>Sunderland City Centre Management</b> – Contribution towards Christmas shopping evening, refreshments, transport etc.,	150
<b>Bidders for Bede</b> – Contribution towards craft materials, refreshments, crockery etc.,	100
<b>Sunderland Remembrance Day Steering Group</b> – Contribution towards expenses.	100
<b>Sunderland Antiquarian Society</b> – Purchase of map chests, web site facilities, photocopier etc.,	100
<b>Multiple Sclerosis Society</b> – Contribution towards transport for day trips.	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>2200</b>
<b>Total of Projects</b>	<b>7652</b>