

**WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
26th November, 2008**

Title of Report:
STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET : 2008/09 WARD BASED COMMUNITY CHEST

Author(s):
Report of the Chief Executive (Acting)

Purpose of Report:
The purpose of this report is to bring forward 29 recommendations relating to the 2008/09 Community Chest Scheme.

Description of Decision:
The Committee is requested to:
i. approve the 29 proposals for support from the 2008/09 Community Chest as detailed in Annex 1

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? *Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:
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. This scheme is operated under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:
The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution?
No

Relevant Review Committee:

Is it included in the Forward Plan?
No

Regeneration and Community Review Committee