

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE
14th January 2014

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

Author(s):

Chief Executive

Purpose of Report:

This report requests Area Committee consideration of proposals for the allocation of the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and Healthy City Investment Funds that will benefit the area.

This report denotes an item relating to an executive function

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to approve the following:

- **Note** the financial statement for Area Committee funding for 2013/2014.
- **Approve** the returns of £15,000 from the Heritage Banner Project (Beamish Museum) and £10,000 from the Enterprise Grants for young people to the 2013/14 SIB budget allocation
- **Approve** the SIB project applications listed in Annex 1
 - Improving Wellbeing – Woodridge Gardens: £3,840
 - Washington Millennium Centre Luncheon Club: £1,500
 - Well Being in Mind Anxiety Group: £575
- **Approve** £80,000 SIB from the 2013/14 budget for the Village Centre Improvements Project as detailed in **Item 5 Annex 2**
- **Approve** £50,000 SIB from the 2013/14 budget for the Washington Events Programme 2014 as detailed in **Item 5 Annex 2**
- **Approve** SIB Call for Projects for the Washington 50 Community Programme as detailed in **Item 5 Annex 2**
- **Approve** £28,000 SIB 2013/14 budget for the 'Local Approach to Employment & Enterprise' as detailed in **Item 5 Annex 2**
- **Note** the 26 approvals supported from 2013/14 Community Chest budget as set out in **Item 5 Annex 3**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

Each Area Committee has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.

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

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

No

Relevant Scrutiny Committee: