WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
26 November 2008

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB): Regeneration Issues Report SIB Applications

Author(s):
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Purpose of Report:

This report requests Area Committee consideration of proposals for the allocation of Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) to support a variety of new initiatives that will benefit the area.

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2008/09 budget:

i) £20,000 from the 2008/9 budget, as a contribution towards emergency roof repairs for Bowes Railway Museum.
ii) £10,000 from the 2008/09 budget, as a contribution towards Area Committee Events Budget.
iii) £3,822 from 2008/09 budget, to enable an initial walkover survey of Pattinson South Pond lead by Friends of James Steel Park.
iv) £9,365 from 2008/09 budget, to reinstate Usworth football pitch lead by Washington Usworth Football Club.

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:
Each Regeneration Framework area has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum over the last thirteen years from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Frameworks, and to attract other funding into the area.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:
None

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution? No **Is it included in the Forward Plan?** No	**Relevant Review Committee:** Regeneration Review Committee