

SUNDERLAND EAST AREA COMMITTEE
25th OCTOBER 2010
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Community Chest, Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) - 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), the Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) and Community Chest to support initiatives that will benefit the area.

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2010/11 budget:

1. Annex 1b: Approve 27 proposals for support from the 2010/11 Community Chest, all projects total £10,682.
2. Annex 1c: Approve two SIP proposals from the 2010-11 budget: £21,178 to improve officials changing rooms at Ryhope Colliery Welfare Football Club and £1,128 to renew two front doors to improve security at East Community Association.
3. Annex 1c: Approve two SIB proposals from the 2010-11 budget at a reduced cost to pump prime the following projects: £10,442 for Victim Support to employ a worker to support victims of crime, and £13,200 to Family Impact Services to employ a worker to support children and young people who are victims of bullying.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

SIB is a budget delegated to Areas Committee in order to can be used to commission activity that delivers actions against the key strategic priorities identified in the Sunderland East LAP, Its main purpose is to benefit the local community and to attract other funding into the area.

The Area Committee has a budget of £277,456 for 2010-11, with a further £140,187 carried over from 2009-10. During 2010-11, £972 has been returned to budget providing a new balance of £418,615 for SIB 2010-11.

The Community Chest forms part of the SIB and that £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2010/2011, £10,000 for Doxford, Hendon, Millfield, Ryhope and St Michael's wards.

SIP was approved at Cabinet in March 2008. Included within the plan was as a one-off allocation of £1.426m delegated to Area Committees. The amount allocated to the East Area Committee was £227,293 (which must be allocated by March 2011). SIP can only be used to deliver capital projects which are aligned to the key priorities identified in the Sunderland East Local Area Plan (LAP). Its main purpose 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.

<p>Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No</p> <p>Is it included in the Forward Plan? No</p>	<p>Relevant Scrutiny Committees:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Community and Safer Scrutiny Committee2. Children, Young People and Learning Scrutiny Committee
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