

NORTH AREA COMMITTEE
8th December 2014
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

Author(s):

Chief Executive

Purpose of Report:

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an updated position on progress in relation to allocating SIB, and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

Description of Decision:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in 2.1 and 3.1
- (b) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £6,283.78 for Sunderland City Council – Pier View Parking Project
- (c) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £500 for Sunderland City Council – Billy Hardy Signage Project
- (d) Consider the approval of Greenspace funding of £4,500 for Sunderland City Council – Be Active in Our Greenspace project
- (e) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £6,500 for Castlevew Academy – Cadet project
- (f) Consider the approval of £15,500 Green Space Funding and £14,500 SIB funding to deliver a project which leads to the redevelopment of the former Roker Paddling Pool and Beach Games on Roker Beach. (**Item 5 Annex 2**)
- (g) Consider the approval of £30,000 SIB funding to deliver an E Bike Project on Marine Walk with the condition that a Call for Projects is developed and agreed by the Boards to be circulated to the North VCS Network. (**Item 5 Annex 2**)
- (h) Note the 12 approvals of Community Chest detailed within **Item 5 Annex 3**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £314,858 for 2014/2015 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?

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

8th December 2014**REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE****Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB), Community Chest Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources****1. Purpose of Report**

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an up date position on progress in relation to allocating SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2014/2015:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £314,858				
				£314,858
Project Name				
Thompson Park House	07.04.14	-	£25,000	£289,858
Health Champions Dementia Training Module	07.04.14	-	£5,750	£284,108
Hylton Castle Cabin Project	18.06.14	-	£23,000	£261,108
North Area Ambient Air Project	18.06.14	-	£6,972.78	£254,135
Johnstone Villas land clearance	10.09.14 (Delegated Decision)	-	£16,000	£238,135
North Wheeled Sports Park Remedial Work	30.09.14 (Delegated Decision)	-	£1,724	£236,411
Returned Funding: at June's Area Committee	18.06.14	-	(£9,239)	£245,650
Battle Re-Enactment	20.10.14	-	£28,000	£217,650
Children's Take Over Day	20.10.14	-	£500	£217,150
Returned Funding: Keep Kids Active	21.01.13	-	(£1,332)	£218,482
Balance				£218,482

- 2.2 There are 4 applications for SIB/Green Space funding presented to Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 5 Annex 1**:

Pier View Parking, Sunderland City Council	£6,283.78
Billy Hardy Centre Signage, Sunderland City Council	£ 500
Be Active in Our Greenspace, Sunderland City Council	£4,500
Cadet Project, Castlevew Academy	£6,500

- 2.3 The People & Place Boards in November considered the update report on Environment & Green Space & Maximising the Use of Health Funds for Green Space – Marine Walk (**Item 5 Annex 2**) and discussed the allocation of funding to deliver the projects included in the report.
- 2.4 Members of the Board made a recommendation to allocate £15,500 Green Space and £14,500 SIB funding to deliver a project which leads to the redevelopment of the former Roker Paddling Pool and Beach Games on Roker Beach. (**Item 5 Annex 2**)
- 2.5 Members of the Board made a recommendation to allocate £30,000 SIB funding to deliver an E Bike Project on Marine Walk with the condition that a Call For Projects is developed and agreed by the Boards to be circulated to the North VCS Network. (**Item 5 Annex 2**)
- 2.6 The total budget requested for allocation for the above projects totals £77,783.78 if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £160,698.22 (including the allocation of £20,000 Green Spaces Funds – Item 3.1).

3. Green Spaces Funding

- 3.1 The table below shows the financial position of Green Spaces following the April 2014 Area Committee

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Green Spaces Fund (approved to AC to award)				£20,000
Project Name	-	-	-	-
No projects approved to date				
New Balance			-	£20,000

4. Community Chest

- 4.1 The table below details the starting balances for 2014/2015. **Item 5 Annex 3** shows the approvals between October - November 2014:

Ward	Start Balance for 2014/2015	Project approvals since April 2014	Grant Returned	Balance
Castle	£15,341.50	£9,778.04	£626.45	£6,189.91
Fulwell	£14,596.77	£10,137.58	£26.16	£4,485.35
Redhill	£27,409.66	£2,392.00	£33.16	£25,050.82
Southwick	£13,040.29	£4,650.00	£0.00	£8,390.29
St Peter's	£13,861.31	£6,188.00	£26.16	£7,699.47
Total	£84,249.53	£33,145.62	£711.93	£51,815.84

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, 3.1 and 4.1
- 5.2 Consider the approval of SIB/Green Space Applications as set out in 2.2
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| Pier View Parking, Sunderland City Council | £6,283.78 |
| Billy Hardy Centre Signage, Sunderland City Council | £ 500 |
| Be Active in Our Greenspace, Sunderland City Council | £4,500 |
| Cadet Project, Castlevew Academy | £6,500 |
- 5.3 Consider the approval of £15,500 Green Space Funding and £14,500 SIB funding to deliver a project which leads to the redevelopment of the former Roker Paddling Pool and Beach Games on Roker Beach as set out in 2.4.
- 5.4 Consider the approval of £30,000 SIB funding to deliver an E Bike Project on Marine Walk with the condition that a Call For Projects is developed and agreed by the Boards to be circulated to the North VCS Network as set out in 2.5
- 5.5 Note the 12 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Item 5 Annex 3**

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