SUNDERLAND North AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
19th September 2011

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Reviewing Progress

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 Community Chest to support initiatives 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 2011/12

- Annex 4: i) Approve proposals from the 2011/2012 SIB budget totalling £27,000;
  Holiday activities for young people £27,000 **Approve**

- Annex 5: i) Approve 21 proposals for support from the 2011/12 Community Chest totalling £10,038.68

Reviewing Progress report:

- Approve the following allocations, subject to application, full appraisal and consultation:
  North Area Community Warden Scheme £70,000

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

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:
The Area Committee has been allocated (£428,727.20) £288,548 per annum from the Strategic Initiatives Budget and carried over £140,169.20 from the previous year to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.
The Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2011/2012; £10,000 for each Ward.
Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) was approved at Cabinet in March 2008. Included within the plan was an additional one-off allocation of £1.426m to Area Committees. The amount allocated to each Area Committee was the same as SIB allocation for 2008-09. SIP can only be used to deliver capital projects, deliver key priorities identified in the LAP with 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.

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