

NORTH AREA COMMITTEE
7th December 2015
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

Author(s):

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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 statements set out in **Sections 2.1** and **3.1**.
- (b) Consider the approval of an additional SIB funding of £7,000 to Sunderland City Council – Downhill Wheeled Sports Park Project - to add to the £35,000 previously approved at March 2015 North Area Committee to increase SIB available for this project to £42,000 as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (c) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £4,000 to Limestone Landscapes – Village Atlas Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (d) Consider the approval of an additional SIB funding of £4,116 to Sunderland City Council – W heatsheaf Clock Phase 2 - to add to the £3,651 previously approved at June 2015 North Area Committee and the underspend from the previous phase of the project of £2,229 to increase SIB available for this project to £9,996 as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (e) Consider the approval of the Call for Projects to deliver School Holiday Activities in Easter and Summer 2016 as set out in **Annex 2**
- (f) Note the 12 Community Chest approvals supported from 2015/2016 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 3**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £312,578 for 2015/2016 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

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

7th December 2015**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF SCRUTINY AND AREA ARRANGEMENTS****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 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB), Community Chest, Green Space and Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) funding in addition to presenting proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2015/2016:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB available for 2015/2016 is £312,578				£312,578
Returned Funding at June's Area Committee	08.06.15	-	(£51,475)	£364,053
Southwick Illuminations Phase 2	08.06.15	-	£20,662	£343,391
Wheatsheaf Gyrotory Clock Phase 2	08.06.15	-	£3,651	£339,740
Johnston Villas Fencing Project	08.06.15	-	£2,836	£336,904
Downhill 3 2 1 Route	08.06.15	-	£4,500	£332,404
Redhouse Academy Wall Repairs	08.06.15	-	£1,679	£330,725
Summer Fun Having a Blast	08.06.15	-	£629	£330,096
Holiday Hunger Scheme Pilot	15.07.15 (Delegated Decision)	-	£5,000	£325,096
Former Roker Paddling Pool (additional funding)	06.10.15	-	£9,120	£315,976
Delivering Services & Activities across the North	06.10.15	-	£10,000	£305,976

Hylton Castle Re-Development Project	06.10.15	-	£40,000	£265,976
Battle Re-enactment additional funding	06.10.15	-	£10,000	£255,976
Ferryboat Lane Parking Scheme	06.10.15	-	£8,000	£247,976
Redhill Play Area	06.10.15	£40,000	-	£207,976
School Holiday Activities Easter & Summer 2016	06.10.15	£40,000	-	£167,976
Returned Funding: Addressing Social Isolation	18.06.14	-	(£515)	£168,491
Dementia Module	07.04.14	-	(£5,570)	£174,061
Holiday Hunger	15.07.15	-	(£2,753)	£176,814
Summer Fun Having a Blast	08.06.15	-	(£180)	£176,994
Balance				£176,994

2.2 The People and Place Boards have recommended 3 applications for SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 5 Annex 1**:

- a. Sunderland City Council – Downhill Wheeled Sports Park – approve an additional £7,000 (to add to the £35,000 previously approved at March 2015 North Area Committee based on estimated costs) to increase SIB available for this project to £42,000.
- b. Sunderland City Council – W heatsheaf Clock Phase 2 - approve an additional £4,116 (to add to the £3,651 previously approved at June 2015 North Area Committee and the underspend from the previous phase of this project of £2,229) to increase SIB available for this project to £9,996.
- c. Limestone Landscapes – Village Atlas Project – approve £4,000

2.4 October Area Committee agreed the alignment of £40,000 SIB for School Holiday Activities in Easter and Summer 2016 and for the People Board to develop a Call for Projects. The November People Board have developed and recommend the Call for Projects detailed at **Item 5 Annex 2**.

2.5 The total additional budget requested for allocation for the above projects is £15,116 if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £161,878.

2.6 At the meeting held on 5th October a decision was made to allocate £10,000 from the SIB budget to support the Self Supporting Community Associations of Castletown, Redby, Southwick and Thompson Park as there was an error and Southwick should have read Redhouse a delegated decision was made on the 21st October to correct.

3. Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the Community Chest starting balances for 2015/2016. **Item 5 Annex 3** shows the approvals supported between September to November 2015.

Ward	Start Balance for 2015/2016	Project approvals since April 2015	Grant Returned	Balance
Castle	£14,189.00	£3,206.00	£0.00	£10,983.00
Fulwell	£13,174.00	£4,539.00	£0.00	£8,635.00
Redhill	£24,307.00	£10,450.00	£0.00	£13,857.00
Southwick	£13,958.00	£8,668.00	£0.00	£5,290.00
St Peter's	£11,398.00	£7,977.00	£0.00	£3,421.00
Total	£77,026.00	£34,840.00	£0.00	£42,186.00

4. Recommendations

North Area Committee is requested to:-

- 4.1 Note the financial statements set out in **Sections 2.1** and **3.1**.
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- 4.5 Consider the approval of the Call for Projects to deliver School Holiday Activities in Easter and Summer 2016 as set out in **Annex 2**
- 4.6 Note the 12 Community Chest approvals supported from 2015/2016 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 3**.

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