

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE
5th MARCH 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):

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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:

The Area Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2014/15 budget. Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in the report
- (b) Approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Physical Hub as detailed in this report and **Annex 1**.
- (c) Approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark as detailed in this report and **Annex 1**
- (d) Consider and agree the Change to Project Request for Youth Opportunities and School Opportunities as detailed in **Annex 2**
- (e) Note the 4 approvals of the Washington Way to Well Being Small Grants Scheme – Go Washington as detailed in **Annex 3**
- (f) Note the 11 approvals of Community Chest detailed within.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation 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

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

5th March 2015

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 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 update 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 £306,507				
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Project Name				
Dementia Awareness Training	19.06.2014		£7,000	£299,507
Volunteer Development	19.06.2014		£74,850	£224,657
Washington Heritage Festival	Emergency delegated		£2,500	£222,157
Funding returned -Washington Trust £29,370.56	-	-	+ £29,370.56	£251,527
Neighbourhood Improvements	19.06.2014		£125,000	£126,527
Funding returned -Social Isolation (AGE UK) £1,575	-	-	+ £1,575	£128,102
Funding returned -Wash 50-Teal Farm Residents £432			+ £432	£128,534
Funding returned-Unallocated Washington 50 £2,845			+ £2,845	£131,379
Washington Youth Opportunities (Phase 2)			£59,992	£71,387
Washington Way to Wellbeing Call for Projects			£20,000	£51,387
Washington Events Programme 2015			£15,000	£36,387
Washington 50- RETURNS Springwell Village Community Venue £6.92 and Friends of Washington Old Hall £218.40			+ £225.32	£36,612.32
Washington Heritage Festival 2014 RETURN £1194			+ £1,194	£37,806.32
Employability Support Services Project		£20,000		£17,806.32

Washington Heritage Festival RETURN £3,382 (total returned £4,576)			+£3,382	£21,188.32
Washington Village Christmas Festival RETURN £834.33			+834.33	£22,022.65
Balance				£22,022.65

2.2 Members are asked to note the balance of **£22,022.65**. This includes returns to the budget as detailed in the table above in 2.1. **There are no applications for funding from this balance to be considered at this meeting.**

2.3 Washington Area Committee invited local and non-profit making organisations including statutory partners to respond to the Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects for the Washington Well Being Charter Mark and the Washington Physical Hub. Members are asked to note the total budget made available to the Washington Way to Well Being initiatives was £60,000 - £20,000 SIB, £20,000 Maximising Green spaces funding, and £20,000 CCG Local Innovation funding.

2.5 **Annex 1** provides the standard executive summary of the applications received for this Call for Projects. Those applications have been subject to an independent assessment using the SIB Scoring Matrix and consultation which is also detailed in Annex 1.

2.6 Members are also asked to approve a 'Change to Project' request as detailed in **Annex 2**. This proposal will make better use of Area Committee resources by aligning the Youth Opportunities and the School Opportunities projects. There is no request for further funding although additional outcomes, outputs and an extension to the School Opportunities work will result.

2.7 At December 2014 Area Committee, members agreed that all applications for the Washington Way to Well Being Small Grants (Go Washington) be confirmed via SIB consultation and assessment processes. All assessments and recommendations were subjected to full Area Committee consultation. A detailed update with regards to allocation is provided in **Annex 3**. A further round will be invited in March 2015 for the balance of **£9,406**

3 Maximising Green Spaces Funding:

3.1 The table below shows the financial position of Maximising Green Spaces funding.

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Green Spaces Fund (approved to AC to award)				£20,000
Project Name				
Washington Way to Well Being	16 th October		£20,000	-
New Balance			£20,000	£0

4. Local Innovation Funding (CCG)

3.1 The table below shows the financial position of Local Innovation funding.

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Local Innovation fund (approved to AC to award)				£20,000
Project Name				
Washington Way to Well Being			£20,000	-
New Balance			£20,000	£0

5. Community Chest

- 5.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward balances as at December 2014. **Annex 4** shows the approvals between December 2014 - February 2015.

Washington Central	£11,002.60	£6,577.59	£42.88	£4,467.89
Washington East	£10,853.10	£7,611.59	£42.88	£3,284.39
Washington North	£10,000.00	£7,778.26	£1,166.88	£3,388.62
Washington South	£10,969.60	£4,478.59	£248.64	£6,739.65
Washington West	£15,369.60	£7,349.76	£42.88	£8,062.72
Total	£58,194.90	£33,795.79	£1,544.16	£25,943.27

6. Recommendations:

- 6.1 Note the financial statement set out in the report
- 6.2 Consider and agree the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Physical Hub as detailed in this report and **Annex 1**.
- 5.1 Consider and agree the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Charter Mark Scheme as detailed in this report and **Annex 1**.
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Annex 1: Executive Summary and SIB Assessment SIB proposals

Annex 2: Change to project request Youth Opportunities and School Opportunities

Annex 3: For information: Go Washington Grants awarded

Annex 4: For information: Community Chest