

**NORTH AREA COMMITTEE**  
**29<sup>th</sup> February 2016**  
**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I**

**Title of Report:**

Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

**Author(s):**

Head of Scrutiny and Area Arrangements.

**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 SIB funding of £10,000 to Fulwell Community Association Refurbishment Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (c) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £7,500 to Sunderland City Council – Airships, Acoustics & Airfields Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (d) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £8,000 to Sunderland City Council – Marley Park Play Area Swing Installation as set out in **Section 2.2**. and **Annex 1**
- (e) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £3,480 to Sunderland City Council – North Locality Youth Work Development Project as set out in **Section 2.2**. and **Annex 1**
- (f) Consider the alignment of £20,000 SIB to Sunderland City Council to develop a project which delivers lighting at Marley Park Play Area as set out in **Section 2.3**
- (g) Consider the approval of the following projects to deliver the School Holiday Activities in Easter and Summer 2016 Project as set out in **Section 2.7** and **Annex 2**:
  - SNCBC – Activities for Young People – Easter and Summer Holiday - £22,799
  - NE Sports – Life’s a Beach - £14,410
  - Roker URC – Holiday Activities Scheme - £2,791
- (h) Approve the extension to the Thompson Park House Project as set out in **Section 2.9**
- (i) Note the 13 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?



29<sup>th</sup> February**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:

	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Total SIB available for 2015/2016 is £312,578</b>				<b>£312,578</b>
<b>Returned Funding at June's Area Committee</b>	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
<b>Returned Funding:</b> 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
Wheatsheaf Clock Phase 2 (additional funding)	07.12.15	-	£4,116	£172,878
Downhill Wheeled Sports Park (additional funding)	07.12.15	-	£7,000	£165,878
Village Atlas Project	07.12.15	-	£4,000	£161,878
<b>Balance</b>				<b>£161,878</b>

- 2.2 The People and Place Boards have recommended 4 applications for SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 6 Annex 1**:
- a. Fulwell Community Association – Refurbishment Project – approve £10,000
  - b. Sunderland City Council – Airships, Acoustics & Airfields Project – approve £7,500 .
  - c. Sunderland City Council – Marley Park Play Area – Swing Installation – approve £8,000
  - d. Sunderland City Council – North Locality Youth Work Development Project – approve £3,480
- 2.3 January People Boards recommended the alignment of £20,000 to Sunderland City Council to develop a project which delivers lighting at Marley Park Play Area with detailed proposals to be brought back to future Area Committee
- 2.4 The total additional budget requested for allocation for the above projects is £48,980 if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £112,898
- 2.5 In October North Area Committee agreed the allocation of £40,000 for the delivery of Easter and Summer Holiday Activities for Young People with a Call for Projects to the Voluntary and Community Sector to be developed by the People Board
- 2.6 December Area Committee agreed the Call for Project Brief.
- 2.7 **Call for Projects** – Seven applications were received, appraised, scored and consulted upon and considered by the People Board held in February. The following projects are

detailed in **Item 6 Annex 2** and are recommended by the Board for approval within the budget available of £40,000:

- a. SNCBC – Activities for Young People – Easter and Summer Holiday - £22,799
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2.8 The following projects are detailed in **Item 6 Annex 2** and are recommended by the People Board for rejection given the competitive nature of the grant:

- a. Keep Kids Active – Healthy Holiday Fun Days - £14,090
- b. Foundation of Light – Foundation of Light - £13,407
- c. Castletown Primary School – Holiday Hunger & Action - £13,389.64
- d. Marine Activities Centre – Summer Adventurous Activities - £3,300

2.9 Existing SIB Project – Thompson Park House Project has had a delayed start due additional external funding applications being unsuccessful. The lead agent has aligned funds to the project and has commenced the refurbishment and has requested an extension to the proposed completion of the project until September 2017.

### 3. Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the Community Chest starting balances for 2015/2016. **Item 6 Annex 3** shows the approvals supported between December 2015 – February 2016.

Ward	Start Balance for 2015/2016	Project approvals since April 2015	Grant Returned	Balance
Castle	£14,189.00	£5,526.00	£0.00	£8,663.00
Fulwell	£13,174.00	£7,339.00	£400.00	£6,235.00
Redhill	£24,307.00	£10,750.00	£0.00	£13,557.00
Southwick	£13,958.00	£8,968.00	£0.00	£4,990.00
St Peter's	£11,398.00	£9,814.00	£0.00	£1,584.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£77,026.00</b>	<b>£42,397.00</b>	<b>£400.00</b>	<b>£35,029.00</b>

### 4. Recommendations

North Area Committee is requested to:-

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- 4.8 Approve the extension to the Thompson Park House Project as set out in **Section 2.9**
- 4.9 Note the 13 Community Chest approvals supported from 2015/2016 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 3**.

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