

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET :
2008/2009 WARD-BASED COMMUNITY CHEST**

Report of the Director of Development and Regeneration

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to bring forward 16 recommendations relating to the 2008/2009 Community Chest Scheme.

2.0 Description of Decision

- 2.1 The Committee is requested to approve the 16 proposals for support from the 2008/09 Community Chest as detailed in Annex I.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 The Committee will be aware that the Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and that £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2008/2009, £10,000 for each Ward, plus any unclaimed allocations identified from previous years. This scheme is operated under Section 137 of the Local Government Act.

4.0 Current Position

- 4.1 To date approvals for each Ward total:

Doxford	£3113
Silksworth	£2963
St. Chad's	£1343

- 4.2 The projects listed on Annex 1 total:

Doxford	£3864
Silksworth	£3388
St. Chad's	£2932

- 4.3 Should the Committee grant the requests listed on Annex 1 the remaining balances, including the unclaimed allocations identified from previous years, would be:

Doxford	£6155
Silksworth	£3649
St. Chad's	£6193

5.0 Reason for Decision

- 5.1 Community Chest support is given to projects which clearly demonstrate that they will address identified local needs, as detailed in Area Regeneration Frameworks, normally providing genuine community benefit and which can subsequently provide evidence/measurement of success in this respect.

6.0 Alternative Options

6.1 The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

7.0 Relevant Consultation

7.1 Members have been consulted on all applications for Community Chest support.

7.2 The City Treasurer has been consulted on this report, all costs associated with developing Community Chest applications are resourced by the Strategic Initiatives Budget admin fee.

7.3 Residents have been consulted about the priorities in the Area Regeneration Frameworks Community Chest grants support these identified priorities.

8.0 Background Papers

8.1 The following background papers were used:

- Community Chest Application Forms
- Schedule of projects circulated at the panel meeting held on Monday 18th August, 2008.

COMMUNITY CHEST 2008/2009

PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL

	<i>Recommended Grant subject to final estimates, invoices, up to £:</i>
DOXFORD WARD	
Benedict Biscop CE Primary School – Contribution towards educational visit to France.	1200
Doxford Park Craft Class – Contribution towards room hire, materials etc.,	832
Doxford Park Bowls Club – Contribution towards room hire, materials etc.,	832
Y.A.P. (Youth Almighty Project) – Purchase of laptops, computer equipment and software.	1000
Total	3864
SILKSWORTH WARD	
Silksworth Art Group – Contribution towards Christmas lunch.	688
Royal British Legion – Contribution towards band costs for Remembrance day parade.	500
SAFC Foundation U 13's – Contribution towards equipment, winter clothing etc.,	1200
Y.A.P. (Youth Almighty Project) – Purchase of laptops, computer equipment and software.	1000
Total	3388
ST. CHAD'S WARD	
Farringdon Detached F.C. Contribution towards coaching, pitch hire etc.,	300
Herrington Flower Club – Contribution towards flowers, stage arrangements etc.,	300
Eggs-clusive Craft Club – Contribution towards tutor fees and materials.	200
Ashkirk Cheviot Homes – Contribution tutor costs, outdoor toys, art and craft materials etc.,	1000

Practical Papercraft Club – Contribution towards demonstrations, equipment, tutor costs etc.,	500
St. David's Community Church – Contribution towards social activities, transport, accommodation etc.,	500
Rotary Clubs of Sunderland – Contribution towards performance at Sunderland Empire.	100
Sunderland City Centre Management – Contribution towards Christmas shopping evening, refreshments, transport etc.,	32
Total	2932
Total of Projects	10,184