

5<sup>th</sup> March 2015

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**Washington Way to Well Being  
Small Grants Scheme: Go Washington**

**Grants awarded**

**1. SCC Sport and Leisure: Be Active in our Green Space (Washington)**

£4,500 awarded to install, promote and maintain marker points and arrows to form various accessible routes for walking, jogging and running, on existing Wellness Park Walks and upcoming Heritage Walks Programme.

**2. Washington MIND: Active ways to well being**

£2,000 awarded to provide a range of activities to help residents be more active and to access green and open space in Washington.

**3. Springwell Community Venue: Gateway Hub**

£1,964 awarded to deliver a gateway for cyclists, pedestrians and walkers from Springwell Village Community Venue. This project would provide the start and end to a cycling route which would include heritage sites for Washington and also a cycling parking facilities. A secure bike rack, bench, bins and information board would be installed. Children's and adults groups would be invited to maintain the area and promote intergenerational work.

**4. St Bede's Primary School**

£2,130 awarded to build a forest school within the school grounds, encouraging children to utilise an outdoor learning facility alongside parents and grandparents. It is intended to also create a gardening club, made up of volunteer and community members, which would enhance and share gardening skills. Children, parents and the community would utilise the scheme and it is anticipated that the forest school would be used for camping/ sleepovers in the school holidays holding camp fires and activities. The aim is to promote health and well-being; by increasing physical activity all year around.

**Balance remaining for Round 3 invitation - £9,406**