

**West Sunderland Area Committee meeting  
4<sup>th</sup> November, 2009**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I**

**Title of Report:**

Financial Statements and Funding Requests

**Author(s):**

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**Purpose of Report:**

This report requests Area Committee consideration of a proposal for the allocation of Community Chest to support initiatives that will benefit the area.

**Description of Decision:**

The Committee is requested to:

- i) Approve the 27 proposals for support from the 2009/10 Community Chest in Annex 1;
- ii) Note the financial statement for 2009/10 in Annex 2;
- iii) Approve the proposal for support from the 2009/10 SIB in Annex 3;
- iv) Agree the recommendation for allocation of SIP in Annex 4;
- v) Note the SIB project update in Annex 5.

**Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?**

**Yes**

**Suggested reason(s) for Decision:**

The Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) were established to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area. Applications for SIB/SIP funding should demonstrate the potential benefits to communities the proposed project would bring and be able to provide evidence and statistics that can illustrate these benefits.

Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and support is given to projects, which clearly demonstrate they will address identified local needs, provide genuine community benefit and can provide evidence/measurement of success.

**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

**Is it included in the Forward Plan?**

No

**Relevant Review Committee:**

**Management Scrutiny Committee**