

**WEST AREA COMMITTEE**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> December 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):**

Chief Executive

**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 2.1 and 3.1
- (b) Consider the allocation of £80,000 to develop a Health programme details within **Item 5 Annex 1**
- (c) Consider the allocation of £31,837 to the extension of Community Work Clubs – WIREs details within **Item 5 Annex 2**
- (d) Consider the allocation of £4500 to deliver the additional outcome for Community Work Clubs details within **Item 5 Annex 2**
- (e) Consider the allocation of £40,000 to the West Area Event 2015 details within **Item 5 Annex 3**
- (f) Note the Maximising Greenspace funding approved at Place Board details with **Item 5 Annex 4**
- (g) Note the 12 approvals of Community Chest detailed within **Item 5 Annex 5**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

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

The Area Committee has an allocation of £438,233 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?

3 December 2014

## 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:

	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £438,233</b>				
				<b>£438,233</b>
<b>Project Name</b>				
Supporting Existing Business in the West	09.04.14	-	£8,500	£429,733
Safety Works Transport	25.06.14	-	£5,000	£424,733
Healthy Lifestyles Programme	25.06.14	£60,000	-	£364,733
West Area Derelict Land Survey	25.06.14	-	£1,000	£363,733
<b>Returned Funding – West Holiday Activities</b>	(24.04.12)	-	(£698)	£364,431
<b>Returned Funding – Stay &amp; Bake Courses</b>	(25.06.13)	-	(£2,816)	£367,247
Purchase of Community Vehicle – Tansy Centre	08.10.14	-	£28,197	£339,050
Maximising Green Spaces	08.10.14	-	£40,000	£299,050
Apprenticeships in the West	08.10.14	-	£20,000	£279,050
<b>Balance</b>				<b>£279,050</b>

2.2 At the People Board in November members reviewed the West Health Plan on a page (Item 3 Annex 3), and discussed the allocation of funding to meet the priorities contained within the plan. (Item 5 Annex 1)

- 2.3 Members of the People Board made a recommendation to allocate £80,000 SIB funding towards the delivery of priorities contained with the West Health Plan on a page. The board also recommended that the application of funding to individual programmes be agreed as follows:
- 2.4 Applications for less than £5000 to follow the small grants process and be considered for approval through the People Board.  
Applications in excess of £5000 to follow the full application process and be considered for approval at Area Committee.
- 2.6 At the People Board in November 2014 members received an update on the Community Work Club Project and progress made to-date. The People Board are recommending an additional £4,500 to ensure that West communities can continue to support in relation to seeking employment. Full details in Item 5 Annex 2
- 2.7 Members of the People Board discussed the future opportunities for extending the Community Work Clubs and are recommending an extension to the project Community Work clubs - West Intensive Recruitment Employment Support (WIRES), total SIB requested £31,837. Full details in Item 5 Annex 2
- 2.8 The Place and People Board held discussions in relation to a West Area Event for 2015. Both the People and the Place board are recommending an allocation of £40,000 towards the West Area Event, full details in Item 5 Annex 3.
- 2.9 The total budget requested for allocation for the above projects totals £156,337, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £122,713.

### 3 Maximising Green Spaces Funding

- 3.1 The table below shows the financial position of Maximising Green Spaces following the April 2014 Area Committee meeting.

	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Maximising Green Spaces Fund (approved to AC to award)</b>				<b>£20,000</b>
<b>Project Name</b>	-	-	-	-
Maximising Green spaces to Improve Health	08.10.14	-	£20,000	£0
<b>New Balance</b>			<b>£20,000</b>	<b>£0</b>

- 3.2 **Item 5 Annex 4** details approvals between October – December 2014, to deliver projects which maximise green spaces to improve health within the West.

### 4. Community Chest

- 4.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward starting balances as at June 2014, **Item 5 Annex 5** shows the approvals between October - November 2014.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2014	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£19,916.06	£8,604.00	£670.82	£11,982.88
Pallion	£21,370.59	£5,824.00	£0.00	£15,546.59
Sandhill	£15,617.80	£10,859.64	£26.16	£4,784.32
Silksworth	£13,307.46	£7,034.00	£26.16	£6,299.62
St Anne's	£18,054.33	£6,530.00	£1,338.00	£12,862.33
St Chad's	£13,488.46	£5,968	£276.16	£7,796.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>£101,754.70</b>	<b>£44,819.64</b>	<b>£2,337.30</b>	<b>£59,272.36</b>

## 5. Recommendations:

- 5.1 Note the financial statements set out in the sections above
- 5.2 Consider and agree the recommendation to approve £80,000 towards the development of a Health Programme using the small grants process through the People Board
- 5.3 Consider and agree the recommendation to allocate £31,837 to the extension of the Community Work Clubs - WIRES
- 5.4 Consider and agree the recommendation to allocate £4,500 to ensure that our communities can continue to support in relation to seeking employment.
- 5.5 Consider and agree the recommendation of £40,000 towards the West Area Event 2015
- 5.6 Note the projects approved through the Maximising Greenspaces Project
- 5.7 Note the 12 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Item 5 Annex 5**.

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