

## WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

Extraordinary meeting Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 at 4:30pm

**VENUE – Committee Room 1 Civic Centre, Sunderland**

### Membership

Cllrs P Gibson (Chair), Essl (Vice Chair – Place) Atkinson, (Vice Chair – People), Allan, D. Dixon, G. Galbraith, I. Galbraith, Gofton, O'Brien, Porthouse, P. Smith, Tye, Waller, Waters, P Watson, S Watson, A Wilson and T Wright.

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26<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## REPORT OF THE HEAD OF PLACE MANAGEMENT

### Local Services Report

#### 1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To review and approve the Local Services Area Delivery Plan for the West of Sunderland for 2017/2018, as recommended by the West Place Board.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 Following approval of the Local Services standards for 2016/2017, at May 2016 Area Committee, the West Place Board were delegated responsibility to monitor delivery of standards. This monitoring took place quarterly and the Place Boards were presented with local intelligence from the service, alongside members' own views and community feedback.
- 2.2 Service schedules for the year ahead have therefore continued to be developed in consultation with the Place Board taking into consideration the key priorities highlighted by members to maximise full use of available resources. These service patterns will be presented by the Head of Place Management and Local Services officers to the Area Committee.

#### 3. Working with Communities

- 3.1 The City Council is committed to community development approaches and developing a strong, positive and enabling relationship with local residents and community groups, so that more work can be delivered through partnership working. To enable this, Local Services will continue to support the Member Support and Community Partnerships Service to ensure the best outcomes for our communities are achieved
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#### 4. Recommendations

##### 4.1 Members are requested to:-

- a. Note the contents of the report.
- b. Approve the West Sunderland Local Services Area Delivery Plan for 2017/2018.
- c. Delegate the responsibility to oversee the development and delivery of the 2017/2018 Local Services Area Delivery Plan to the Place Board.

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## Cleansing Schedules and Grass Cutting frequencies – West – 2017/2018    **Item 2 Annex 1**

Activity		Locations	Frequency	W/C dates
<b>Cleansing.</b> (incl. Compact sweeper operations, bin serving, litter picking, leaf removal)	<b>High Density Residential Housing Areas</b> (Areas consisting of predominantly terraced houses with rear service lanes)	Pallion Barnes	Weekly	-
	<b>Housing Estates</b> (Residential housing areas without rear lanes)	Ford Estate Pennywell South Hylton Hastings Hill Estate Grindon Springwell Humbeldon Hill Estate Plains Farm Thorney Close Middle Herrington East Herrington Farringdon Silksworth Elstob Estate	Fortnightly	See week 2 schedule
	<b>Main arterial routes</b> (Main roads)	Durham Road (A19 – Prospect) Durham Road (Prospect – Thornholme Road) Chester Road (Excluding shopping areas)	Weekly  Weekly  Weekly	-
	<b>High Speed Roads</b> (Road over 50 mph or roads requiring traffic management to undertake works)	Hope Road Foxcover Lane Silksworth Lane	Annually x2	June + Sept
	<b>Shopping Centres</b> (City Centre Retail area and main street shopping areas)	St Luke's Terrace Shops Chester Road Shops Blind Lane/Silksworth Lane Shops Hylton Road Shops Allendale Road shops Ashdown Road Shops Lakeside Village Shops	Daily      Daily	-

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		Broadway Shops Durham Road Shops		
		Grindon shops Thorney Close shops Springwell shops	3 times per week	
Activity	Land Type	West Area Locations	Frequency	W/C dates
<b>Grass Cutting.</b> <i>(Incl. Strimming, mini-tractor work, pedestrian mowers and case tractor operations)</i>  <i>(Excludes Sport pitches)</i>	<b>Cemeteries</b>	BishopWearmouth Cemetery	2 weekly	See week 2 schedule
	<b>Parks</b> <i>(key parks only)</i>	Barnes Park	Weekly	-
	<b>Fixed Play Sites</b> <i>(Children's Play areas and play sites incl. kick about goal locations)</i>	All	3 weekly	See week 3 schedule
	<b>Open Spaces</b> <i>(cultivated grassed areas and open spaces, cut with a tractor)</i>	South Hylton Hylton Road Ford Quarry Hylton Road Playing Fields Silsworth Ski Slope King George v Park Portsmouth Road Elstob Estate Princess Town Terrace Holborn Road North Moor Middle Herrington Park West Park	3 weekly	See week 3 schedule
	<b>Grass Verge – Priority Area</b> <i>(Verges on arterial routes leading directly to City or Town Centres)</i>	Leechmere Road Premiere Road Silksworth Lane	3 weekly	See week 3 schedule

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		St Luke's Road European Way		
	<b>Grass Verge – Main Road</b> (verges on main roads)	Durham Road Chester Road	2 weekly	See week 2 schedule
	<b>Grass Verge – Residential areas</b> (Grass verge within housing estates or on 'B' roads)	All grass plots	4 weekly	See week4 schedule

<b>Week 2 schedule W/C dates</b>	<b>Week 3 schedule W/C dates</b>	<b>Week 4 schedule W/C dates</b>
3 April	10 April	17 April
17 April	1 May	15 May
1 May	22 May	12 June
15 May	12 June	10 July
29 May	3 July	7 August
12 June	24 July	4 September
26 June	14 August	2 October
10 July	4 September	30 October
24 July	25 September	
7 August	16 October	
21 August		
4 September		
18 September		

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2 October		
16 October		
30 October		

**WEST AREA COMMITTEE**  
**26<sup>th</sup> April 2017**  
**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):**

Head of Member Support and Community Partnerships

**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 2017/18 Strategic Initiatives budget:  
 Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in section 2.1.
- (b) Accept £20,000 match funding from Sunderland City Council to support delivery of youth activity projects within the West, to reduce anti-social behaviour and improve community cohesion.
- (c) Approve the allocation of £60,000 for West Youth activities. Item 3 Annex 1
- (d) Note the 46 Community Chest approvals supported from 2016/2017 Community Chest, as detailed Item 3 Annex 2.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

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

The Area Committee has an allocation of £331,887 for 2017/2018 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

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:



26<sup>th</sup> April 2017**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS****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 2017/2018:

	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Total SIB for 2017/2018 is £331,887</b>				
				<b>£331,887</b>
<b>Project Name</b>				
No projects approved to-date for 2017/2018				
<b>Balance</b>				<b>£331,887</b>

- 2.2 The People Board in April 2017 have made the following recommendation for 2017/2018 SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration.
- 2.3 During Area Committee in March the alignment of £40,000 SIB (2016/2017 allocation), to support a call for projects, to deliver additional youth activities within the West of Sunderland, to promote community cohesion and to reduce anti-social behaviour, was agreed.
- 2.4 In recognition of feedback received through the budget consultation process, it was agreed by Council that £100,000 be included to support Youth activities, to be allocated £20,000 to each of the 5 Area Committees. Area Committee is therefore requested to formerly accept the West allocation of £20,000 match funding, to enable the Area Committee to fund the local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) to deliver youth activity projects within the community.
- 2.5 The £20,000 would be matched to the £40,000 already approved by the West Area Committee (as noted in 2.3 above), giving the West a total of £60,000 to support the VCS to deliver projects which support the delivery of activities for young people within the West of Sunderland to improve community cohesion and reduce anti-social activity.

- 2.6 The People Board in April 2017 then considered a report (Item 3 Annex 1), to develop a call for projects, which would include a significant element of Holiday Hunger activities. The People Board are recommending the criteria for the Call for projects (Item 3 Annex 1), as well as the approval of a further £60,000 SIB (2017/2018 allocation), to give a total overall budget for the project of £120,000 (£20,000 per ward), to ensure effective delivery throughout the West of Sunderland, which must include Holiday Hunger activities, to be delivered throughout all school holidays from July 2017, through to and including May 2018.
- 2.7 The total SIB budget requested for approval for the above project totals £60,000, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining for 2017/2018, would be £271,887.

### 3. Community Chest

- 3.1 The table below details the Community Chest ward starting balances for 2016/2017. **Item 3 Annex 2** indicates the approvals supported up to 31 March 2017.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2016	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£21,039	£21,039	£0	£0
Pallion	£16,655	£16,655	£0	£0
Sandhill	£16,029	£16,029	£0	£0
Silksworth	£15,138	£15,351	£213	£0
St Anne's	£16,139	£17,699	£1,560	£0
St Chad's	£19,800	£20,300	£500	£0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£104,800</b>	<b>£107,073</b>	<b>£2,273</b>	<b>£0</b>

### 6. Recommendations:

- 6.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1.
- 6.2 Accept £20,000 match funding from Sunderland City Council to support delivery of youth activity projects within the West, to reduce anti-social behaviour and improve community cohesion.
- 6.3 Approve the allocation of £60,000 SIB (2017/2018), for West Youth activities including Holiday Hunger activities across all school holidays. **Item 3 Annex 1**
- 6.4 Note the 46 Community Chest approvals supported from 2016/2017 Community Chest as set out in. **Item 3 Annex 2**

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**WEST PEOPLE BOARD****5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2017****ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE****1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 Following the People board in February and the discussion in relation to activities for young people across the West, £40,000 SIB funding was approved at March Area Committee, which has in-turn been matched by the Council (£20,000). Therefore currently, the West Area Committee has £60,000 available to deliver activities for young people across the West during 2017/2018.
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to consider options available to the committee to ensure activities for young people are delivered across the West, with a focus upon reducing ASB and encouraging community cohesion.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 In recognition of feedback received through the budget consultation process, it was agreed by Council that £100,000 be included to support Youth activities to be allocated £20,000 to each of the 5 Area Committees. This funding will be formerly accepted by the Area Committee at its meeting in June 2017.
- 2.2 During the Area Committee in March 2017, the committee agreed to align £40,000 SIB funding to support delivery of youth activities across the West, to reduce ASB and encourage community cohesion. Therefore, currently the total budget available is £60,000 to support delivery across the West for the next 12 months.
- 2.3 Activities for young people have continued to be a key priority for the West Area Committee. To-date, the Committee has supported the delivery of youth activities to support:
- Holiday Hunger
  - Mental Health and Wellbeing
  - Intensive Support to tackle NEET and Worklessness
  - West Apprenticeship Programme
  - Healthy Lifestyles – working with schools

**3. FUNDING**

- 3.1 During 2016/2017, Area Committee funded Holiday Hunger activities for the year (July 2016 through to and including May 2017). The value of this project was £60,000.
- 3.2 If People Board agrees to move forward with a Call for Projects, as set out about, they may wish to consider the value of the proposal/project. Will the current £60,000 budget allocation suffice, if the People Board agrees to recommend to Area Committee to deliver activities young people throughout the year, as well as during school holidays?
- 3.3 People Board may therefore wish to consider developing a recommendation to Area Committee, as part of the presentation of the Call for project recommended approvals, to increase the budget available, utilising some of the new Area Committee SIB allocation for 2017/2018.

#### 4. NEXT STEPS

- 4.1 To move forward swiftly and to ensure recommendations are ready for presentation to Area Committee, the following proposed next steps are set out for consideration and discussion:
- a. Agree to develop a 'Call for Projects', with an equal allocation per ward (current aligned budget would allow for £10,000 per ward – *sub note: additional budget would allow for £20,000 per ward*). Call for Projects to include the following criteria:
    - Provider must have a base within the Ward, from which they propose to deliver activities
    - Provider must hold a strong track record of previous compliant delivery within the ward
    - Provider must demonstrate delivery of Holiday activities as well as activities throughout the year, to ensure Committee continues to support holiday hunger throughout all school holidays (July 2017 through to and including May 2018)
    - Provider must demonstrate that activities include environmental improvements and community clean-ups
    - Provider must work in partnership with local neighbourhood police teams as well as other partners and health providers, to ensure young people understand their role within their local community
    - Provider must establish working relationships with other groups within the ward and encourage inter-generational activities to support cohesion across communities
    - Provider must be a C-Card holder and add value to the use and delivery of messages associated with the C-Card for young people within the ward, to ensure teenage pregnancy and STI's continue to be reduced
    - Demonstrate commitment to ensure delivery is sustainable moving forward, pursuing external funding opportunities as well as developing options within the organisation to increase income (tuck shop; room hire; charging policy etc.)
  - b. Circulate the call for projects to the West VCS network, supported by a workshop hosted by Area Co-ordinator and Area Community Development Lead to ensure organisations work effectively together across the wards to deliver the very best activities to address the criteria highlighted above.
  - c. Call for projects to be assessed and presented to an additional People Board in May 2017, to then enable final recommendations to be presented to Committee in June 2017. There are currently no meetings in the diary for the new municipal year. Therefore it is proposed to set an additional People Board for May, working within the Councillor Commitment diary.

#### 5. RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 Consider the report, discuss the options available and make recommendations for further action, to ensure delivery timescales are reached, ahead of June 2017 Area Committee.

## COMMUNITY CHEST 2016/2017 WEST AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED February – March 2017

Ward	Project	Allocation 2016/2017	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned since April 2016	Balance Remaining
Barnes	<b>Wearside Action Group</b> - Towards providing activities at various venues for members of the group. (Joint funding with Silksworth)		£250			
	<b>Plains Farm Academy</b> – Towards the delivery of Forest School Sessions including outdoor activities and equipment for the School Choir		£1,526			
	<b>Humbledon &amp; Plains Farm Youth Football</b> – Purchase of equipment and balls for various aged teams		£1,000			
	<b>Open Door (Humbledon Methodist Church)</b> – Purchase of a sound system		£2,619			
	<b>Plains Farm Homing Society</b> – Purchase of a laptop and printer for the group		£500			
	<b>Barnes Junior School Gardening Club</b> – To create a gardening club, working with other local groups to utilise space within the ward		£1,005			
	<b>Broadway Junior School</b> - Funding towards the Forest School Project		£2,327			
	<b>Sunderland Amateur Boxing Club</b> - To provide 3 additional sessions a week for six months to engage both parents and kids aged 6+		£4,746			
	<b>St Gabriel's Guides</b> - Purchase of arts and crafts and trips for members of the Guide group		£1,080			
	<b>19th Sunderland St Gabriel's Brownie Pack</b> – Towards the cost of trips and purchase of Brownie badges		£542			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£21,039</b>	<b>£15,595</b>	<b>£5,444</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>

<b>Pallion</b>	<b>Sunderland City Council</b> – Contribution towards new lighting at King George Playing Fields/ Skate Park		£3,047			
	<b>Deptford Boat Club</b> – Purchase of safety flares. (Jointly funded with Millfield)		£300			
	<b>HopeSpring</b> – Towards the extension of the Lets Eat Project for local families		£1,500			
	<b>Pallion Traders Group</b> - Purchase and installation of planters and animated signs		£905			
	<b>Sunderland City Council</b> - Replacement bin at Lambton Street Playing Fields		£491			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£16,655</b>	<b>£6,243</b>	<b>£10,412</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Sandill</b>	<b>Ozzies Parent &amp; Toddler Group</b> - Towards the cost of room hire and delivery of sessions		£645			
	<b>A690 Youth Initiative</b> - Collaborative approach towards a Social Inclusion Programme		£4,976			
	<b>Sunderland North Community Business Centre-</b> Delivery of Weekly sessions for local residents from Thorney Close Action and Enterprise Centre and one from Grindon Young Peoples Centre for a period of 3 months		£2,990			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£16,029</b>	<b>£8,611</b>	<b>£7,418</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Silksworth</b>	<b>Tots R Us - Toddler Group</b> - Purchase of new resources and equipment for toddler group		£546			
	<b>Wearside Action Group</b> - Towards providing activities at various venues for members of the group. (Joint funding with Barnes)		£250			
	<b>Soundwaves</b> - To provide a service to blind and sight impaired people by recording various magazine and other programmes and posting them to the customers		£360			
	<b>Silksworth Colliery Welfare Juniors</b> - Purchase of Team kit for junior football club		£500			

	<b>Silksworth Colliery Welfare Over 18s –</b> Purchase of kit for Over 18's team		£500			
	<b>Sunderland City Council -</b> Funding to assist a fly tipping proposal for prevention at Newport Dene		£3,151			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£15,138</b>	<b>£5,307</b>	<b>£10,044</b>	<b>£213</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>St Anne's</b>	<b>Pennywell Dance Club –</b> Purchase of a new music centre for keep fit classes for the elderly		£350			
	<b>Pennywell CC/South Hylton Tansy Centre -</b> Towards St Anne's in Bloom		£1,218			
	<b>Pennywell Community Centre –</b> Purchase of a new dishwasher		£300			
	<b>Sunderland Training and Education Farm –</b> Towards the installation of a new Adventure Nature Trail		£1,000			
	<b>South Hylton Tansy Centre / South Hylton Residents –</b> Purchase of new security cameras and CCTV for the centre		£1,495			
	<b>Sunderland City Council -Place Management Planters –</b> Towards planters and hanging baskets within St Anne's Ward		£1,051			
	<b>Bishopwearmouth Nurseries -</b> Cost of plants and Planters, barrier baskets and hanging baskets - St Anne's in bloom route		£1,770			
	<b>Eco-Logik –</b> Towards the Tansy Garden volunteer expenses and transport costs, activity room hire costs and tools		£1,500			
	<b>Sunderland City Council -</b> To paint Railings and A Frame at South Hylton Bank		£230			
	<b>Parker Memorial Home -</b> Recycled Products for display at Tansy Centre Garden		£500			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£16,139</b>	<b>£9,414</b>	<b>£8,285</b>	<b>£1,560</b>	<b>£0</b>

<b>St Chads</b>	<b>Herrington Flower Club</b> – Towards an event to celebrate the golden anniversary of the group		£600			
	<b>Herrington Village Show</b> – Contribution towards a photographic display		£450			
	<b>St Chads Church</b> - Contribution towards the cost of Ward Forum sessions		£456			
	<b>Altrincham Tower Friendly Club</b> – Contribution towards a Christmas meal and party for members of the group		£300			
	<b>The Box Youth Project</b> – Funding towards Project Gambia		£285			
	<b>Tiny Tots (FYCC)</b> – Towards the cost of delivering toddler sessions		£1,180			
	<b>Music Makers Ladies Choir</b> – Towards a 40th Year Celebration Dinner		£250			
	<b>2nd Herrington Scout Group</b> – To purchase tables to be used at various events		£650			
	<b>Farringdon Academy – Purchase of a</b> Wooden storage and planting houses for outdoor play equipment		£2,799			
	<b>St David's Community Project</b> – Contribution towards the delivery of a two day residential for local families		£500			
	<b>East Herrington Primary Academy -</b> Purchase of Trikes for Nursery Children at the school		£354			
	<b>Sunderland City Council Street Scene</b> – Purchase and installation of new bins		£2,907			
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£19,800</b>	<b>£10,731</b>	<b>£9,569</b>	<b>£500</b>	<b>£0</b>
	<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>£104,800</b>	<b>£55,901</b>	<b>£51,172</b>	<b>£2,273</b>	<b>£0</b>