

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE7th June 2018**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I****Title of Report:**

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:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statements set out in **Sections 2.1** and **3.1**.
- (b) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £138,984.80 for the CLLD Projects as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**
- (c) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £17,150 to Redhouse Community Association for Refurbishment Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 2**
- (d) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £25,000 to Southwick Community Centre for Refurbishment Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 2**
- (e) Consider the approval of SIB funding of £35,000 to Sunderland City Council for the School Summer Holiday 2018 Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 3**
- (f) Consider the alignment of SIB funding of £20,000 for the Self Supporting Community Associations Project to be developed and presented to the People Board as set out in **Section 2.5**
- (g) Reject the St. Peter's Youth & Community partnership application – St. Peter's Community Led Local Delivery Project - as detailed in **Section 2.3** and **Annex 1**
- (h) Approve the change to project for the existing Thompson Park House Project as set out in **Section 2.4**
- (i) Note the 13 Community Chest approvals supported from 2017/2018 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 4**.
- (j) Note the 6 Community Chest approvals supported from 2018/2019 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 5**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £328,784 for 2018/2019 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. Area Committee has an additional allocation of £28,020 to support Youth Activities in 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:

7th June 2018**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS****Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources****1. 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 up date position on progress in relation to allocating Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB), and Community Chest funding in addition to presenting proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2018/2019:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB available for 2018/2019 is £328,784 plus a further £28,020 for Youth Activities				
				£356,804
Returned Funding: Cultural Programme linked to Tall Ships 2018	05.03.18	-	(£1,512)	£358,316
Balance				£358,316

2.2 There are 4 applications for SIB funding presented to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 5 Annex 1, Annex 2, & Annex 3:**

- CLLD Match Funding
 - SNCBC REACT Project **£96,705**
 - Sunderland CC – Hylton Castle Project – Skilled Up **£24,864.80**
 - Grace House & HOPs – Wellbeing Works Project **£17,415**
- Redhouse CA – Community Hub Refurbishment Project **£17,150**
- Southwick CA – Community Hub Refurbishment Project **£25,000**
- Sunderland City Council – Summer Holidays 2018 Project **£35,000**

2.3 The following project is detailed in **Item 5 Annex 1** and is recommended by the People Board for rejection as the application had no letters of support from partners, potentially duplicated the SNCBC application, total cost of the project raised concerns over value for money given the number of potentially eligible beneficiaries from St. Peter's Ward:

- St. Peter's Community Led Local Delivery **£15,000**

- 2.4 Existing SIB Project Thompson Park House was due for completion at the end of March 2018, however, there is funding still remaining in the budget and the project lead has requested to extend the project up to September 2018 with continued delivery of a play ranger programme engaging children and young people during school holidays and weekend periods. Activities to include - family fun days, street games, soft ball games, cricket, tennis, rounders, arts, crafts and family cycle days within park and beyond.
- 2.5 The People Board Workplan for 2018 – 2019 includes the proposals to continue to work with Community Associations to develop their capacity as community hubs, in order to develop this proposal it is recommended an alignment of £20,000 SIB to support the Self Supporting Community Associations of Redby, Thompson Park, Castletown and Redhouse with proposals to be presented to the People Board
- 2.6 The total additional budget requested for allocation for the above projects is **£55,000** if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be **£303,316**

3. Community Chest

- 3.1 **Item 5 Annex 4** shows the approvals supported in March 2018 for 2017/2018.
- 3.2 The table below details the Community Chest Ward starting balances for 2018/2019. **Item 5 Annex 5** shows the approvals supported between April and May 2018

Ward	Start Balance for 2018/2019	Project approvals since April 2018	Grant Returned	Balance
Castle	£10,000	£800.00	£0	£9,200.00
Fulwell	£10,000	£500	£0	£9,500
Redhill	£10,000	£0	£0	£10,000
Southwick	£10,000	£0	£0	£10,000
St Peter's	£10,000	£3,118	£0	£6,883
Total	£50,000	£4,417.50	£0	£45,582.50

4. Recommendations

North Area Committee is requested to:-

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