

**NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE**25<sup>th</sup> September 2019**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I****Title of Report:**

Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

**Author(s):**

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**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 Neighbourhood Fund (formerly Strategic Initiatives Budget), 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 Neighbourhood Funding of **£13,348** for the Southwick Illumination Project as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (c) Consider the approval of Neighbourhood Funding of **£20,000** for the Self-Supporting Community Associations as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (d) Consider the approval of Youth Activities Project Brief and Neighbourhood Funding of **£20,000** to add to the Project from the previously aligned Public Health Funding as set out in **Section 2.2** and **Annex 1**.
- (e) Consider the alignment of Neighbourhood Funding of **£28,208** to deliver the Southwick Green Regeneration Plan as detailed in **Section 2.3**.
- (f) Consider the alignment of Neighbourhood Funding of **£40,000** to deliver the Vehicle Activation Signage (VAS) Project as detailed in **Section 2.4**.
- (g) Note the 11 Community Chest approvals supported from 2019/2020 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 2**.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

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

The Area Committee has an allocation of £392,495 for 2019/2020 from the Neighbourhood Fund (Formerly 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 £20,000 to support Youth Activities in the area, £25,000 Public Health Funds and £40,000 CCG Funds.

**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:

25<sup>th</sup> September 2019**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE****Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources****1. Purpose of Report**

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**2 Neighbourhood Fund (Formerly SIB)**

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of Neighbourhood Fund for 2019/2020:

	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Total Neighbourhood Fund available for 2019/2020 is £392,495 plus a further £20,000 for Youth Activities, £40,000 CCG &amp; £25,000 Public Health</b>				
				<b>£392,495</b>
Castletown Scout Group	20.06.19	-	£5,632	<b>£386,863</b>
Area Committee Communication Project	20.06.19	£30,000	-	<b>£356,863</b>
Match funding to the £25,000 North Area Committee's Public Health Funding. To fund health projects in the community	20.06.19	£25,000	-	<b>£331,863</b>
St Bede's Community Project additional funding	15.07.19 (Via Delegated Decision)	-	£5,662	<b>£326,201</b>
North Area Enforcement and CCTV Project	14.08.19	-	£110,000	<b>£216,201</b>
<b>Returned Funding:</b> Marley Park Lighting	(29.02.16)	-	(£20,000)	<b>£236,201</b>
<b>Returned Funding:</b> Marley Park Play Area Swing	(29.02.16)	-	(£790)	<b>£236,991</b>
<b>Returned funding:</b> School Holiday Activities Summer 17	(04.06.17)	-	(£432)	<b>£237,423</b>

<b>Returned Funding:</b> Energy Audits for Community Facilities	(13.07.17)	-	(£3,263)	<b>£240,686</b>
<b>Returned Funding:</b> Summer Holiday Provision 2018	(07.06.18)	-	(£1,371)	<b>£242,057</b>
<b>Balance</b>				<b>£242,057</b>

2.2 There are 3 applications to the Neighbourhood Fund presented to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 4 Annex 1**

- **Southwick Illuminations** **£13,348**
- **Self-Supporting CAs** **£20,000**
- **Activities for Young People Brief/Public Health Funding** **£20,000**  
(Public Health funding already aligned to be allocated to Activities for Young People)

2.3 The Place Board Workplan for 2019 – 2020 includes the proposals to deliver the Southwick Green Regeneration Plan within the Heritage priority. September Place Board considered a proposal for a phased approach for Southwick Village Green Improvements which included the proposal for an alignment of **£28,208** from the Neighbourhood Fund subject to a full application to be presented to December Area Committee.

2.4 The Place Board Workplan for 2019 – 2020 includes the proposals to develop a Mobile Speed Signs project within the Environment and Green Space priority. September Place Board considered a proposal for the development of a Vehicle Activation Signage (VAS) project which included the proposal for an alignment of **£40,000** from the Neighbourhood Fund subject to a full application to be presented to December Area Committee.

2.5 The total additional budget requested for allocation for the above projects is **£101,556** if approved the balance of Neighbourhood Fund remaining would be **£140,501**.

### 3. Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward starting balances for 2019/2020. **Item 4 Annex 2** shows the approvals supported between May - August 2019

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Start Balance for 2019/2020</b>	<b>Project approvals since April 2019</b>	<b>Grant Returned</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Castle	£10,000	£2,835	£0	£7,165
Fulwell	£10,000	£4,200	£0	£5,800
Redhill	£10,000	£220	£0	£9,780
Southwick	£10,000	£1,680	£0	£8,320
St Peter's	£10,000	£4,162	£0	£5,838
<b>Total</b>	<b>£50,000</b>	<b>£13,097</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£36,903</b>

#### **4. Recommendations**

North Area Committee is requested to:-

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