

EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Monday 6th July, 2020 at 5.30pm

This meeting will be held remotely. Joining details will be emailed to all participants.

The meeting will be livestreamed for the public to view on the Council's YouTube channel, 'sunderlandgov' at :-

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Membership

Cllrs E. Gibson (Chair), C. Marshall (Vice Chair), S. Bewick, M. Dixon, M. Essl, H. Fagan, N. Hodson, P. Hunt, B. McClennan, M. Mordey, R. Oliver, J. Potts, L. Scanlan, A. Wood and P. Wood

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ELAINE WAUGH
Assistant Director of Law and Governance

26th June, 2020

At a meeting of the EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held remotely on MONDAY, 16th JUNE, 2020 at 5.30p.m.

Present:-

Councillor E. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors Bewick, M. Dixon, Fagan, Hodson, Hunt, Marshall, McClennan, Mordey, Oliver, Potts, Scanlan, A. Wood and P. Wood

Also Present:-

Trish Cornish	- East Area VCS Network Representative
Matthew Jackson	- Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council
Julie Maven	- East Area VCS Network Representative
Nicol McConnell	- Area Community Development Lead, Sunderland City Council
Allison Patterson	- Area Co-ordinator, Sunderland City Council
Helen Peverley	- Neighbourhood Investment Plan Project Manager
Sarah Reed	- Director of People, Communications and Partnerships, Sunderland City Council
Claire Tulley	- Nexus

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received on behalf of Shaun Makin and Jamie Southwell.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 16th March, 2020

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th March, 2020 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Supporting our Communities and Finalising Neighbourhood Investment Plans

The Executive Director of Neighbourhoods and Cabinet Member for Communities and Culture submitted a report (copy circulated) which advised the East Sunderland Area Committee of the next steps, following Cabinet approval in March 2020, of the Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans, which took into consideration the additional priorities required to support Sunderland through to recovery post Covid-19.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Ms Peverley presented the report and drew Members attention to the background to the development of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans. On 24th March 2020 the Cabinet had approved the Neighbourhood Investment Plans and following consultation with local residents; the East Area priorities had been agreed at the meeting of the Area Committee on 16th March 2020. Following the introduction of the lockdown there had been further consultation with residents to ensure that the priorities were still fit for purpose given the changes which were being faced due to the current situation.

There had been a strengthening of the partnerships with the VCS during the lockdown; within a day of the lockdown starting there had been community hubs established. There had been an increase in the amount of volunteers during this time.

A number of main themes for the East Sunderland Area Committee had been identified and these were detailed in section 5 of the report; the delivery plans would be discussed at the next meeting of the Area Committee in July 2020.

Councillor P. Wood queried whether the vetting of tenants referred to in the Create Safer Streets theme would include Gentoo or whether it would just be tenants of private landlords. He also queried whether there would be further discussions around the delivery plans. Ms Peverley advised that there would be a workshop arranged to discuss the plans prior to the July Area Committee meeting and that work was being done to see what could be done at a city wide level to address the priorities.

Councillor M. Dixon referred to the increase in volunteering and commented that some volunteers who had recently signed up had not then participated in any activities as there had been an excess of volunteers; he asked what was being done to try and keep these volunteers following the covid-19 crisis. Ms Peverley stated that there was a desire to keep the volunteers and that there was regular communication with volunteers through the volunteer platform and there was the volunteer week to recognise the hard work of volunteers. A lot of the new volunteers would be returning to work in the coming weeks and it was hoped that they would continue to be involved in the community. The volunteers had made new friendships. Ms McConnell added that there were 220 volunteers within the East Area and that a lot of the groups in the area were run by older volunteers who would appreciate assistance; it was

necessary to raise awareness of the groups with the new volunteers and they would be asked if they wanted to become involved in these groups. Ms Patterson added that training would be provided and work would be done to match volunteers with organisations.

Councillor Fagan queried who stored the lists of volunteers and vulnerable residents and what steps had been taken to ensure that the lists were GDPR compliant. Ms Peverley advised that the list of shielded residents had been provided by central government and these people had been placed on the list by healthcare professionals. The NHS had made the initial call to the resident to place them on the list. The information was only held if the resident required the assistance of a volunteer and the only information received by the council was names and addresses. Ms Patterson added that there was a freephone number for residents to use to request support and there were GDPR questions to ensure that residents had given their permission for the information to be held.

Councillor McClennan expressed her thanks to volunteers and officers for all of their hard work and the commitment they had shown to the city. With regard to tenant vetting she stated that it was her understanding that Gentoo already did vigorous vetting of tenants and that registered landlords such as Back on the Map could access a vetting service although this was not mandatory. Unvetted tenants could cause antisocial behaviour and crime issues which impacted on the wider community and there was a need to ensure that the issues were tackled rather than just moved on to elsewhere. Within VCS organisations there were issues around funding running costs; the level of paperwork required to get grants was often too much for smaller organisations to manage; she referred to a local group which only had a few months of funds left to cover core running costs. She also queried what impact there would be on the work of the Committee now that there had been an announcement that free school meals would continue through the summer holiday. Ms McConnell advised that the Fancy a Day Out programme as agreed by the Area Committee was operational in holiday periods beyond the summer holiday. Discussions were being held with partners to see how they could deliver activities while observing social distancing or operating remotely; there would be activities delivered although it was not yet known what would be delivered.

Councillor McClennan then referred to the increased risk of contracting covid-19 within BME communities and questioned whether there were any projects being developed to help these communities access services. Ms McConnell advised that Young Asian Voices had approached her and there had been leaflets translated by them for distribution among this community. There were business grants available for businesses which could not operate including those in the hospitality sector and these businesses were being contacted. Ms Patterson added that there was £8million of government funding for VCS organisations which had encountered an increased workload.

Councillor Mordey welcomed the report and thanked the East Area residents for their participation. He also commented that Chance had done excellent

work in supporting residents who were shielding. He asked that Members be provided with the Neighbourhood Investment Plan as soon as possible before the Area Board to allow for the information to be considered in advance of the meeting.

Councillor Hodson commented that it would be good to hear from the partners at the next meeting of the Area Committee as the last update had been received at the meeting in December 2019. Ms McConnell advised that the partners were keen to attend the next meeting to provide updates.

Councillor Mordey asked that the Police and Crime Commissioner be invited to attend as well as the Neighbourhood Inspector to discuss her ambitions for policing in the East Area. The Chair welcomed this suggestion.

2. RESOLVED that:-

- a. The content of the report be noted and the work undertaken through the Area Community Hubs during the Covid-19 pandemic be acknowledged.
- b. it be agreed that support be given to further resident consultation to finalise the detailed priorities for the East Sunderland Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan which would be presented to the Community and Neighbourhood Board prior to the July meeting of the Area Committee.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the Meeting.

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Chairman.

**REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF EAST NEIGHBOURHOODS
AND COMMUNITY BOARD**

**Area Committee Annual Update 2019 / 2020; East Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan
Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023 and Neighbourhoods and Community Board Governance
Arrangements for 2020 / 2021**

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2019 / 2020 Work Plan, including Neighbourhood funded projects.
- b. Presents the East Neighbourhood Investment Plan Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023
- c. Provides an update on Neighbourhood and Community Board Governance Arrangements for 2020 / 2021.

2. Background

- 2.1 Following the approval of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans in March 2020, the East Area Committee has worked together to finalise their Delivery Plans. All priorities have been determined following significant resident consultation via Let's Talk Sunderland. The Council also undertook further consultation with residents, during June 2020, to ensure the priorities were still relevant post COVID-19.
- 2.2 This report also provides an update for the Area Committees' previous work plan for 2019 / 2020, in addition to presenting the governance arrangements for the year 2020 / 2021.
- 2.3 During the last year a number of discussions have taken place, including Area Chairs, to consider the most appropriate governance arrangements and processes which would support effective delivery of the Neighbourhood Plans. In response to those discussions and other changes, the Area Committee now has a Neighbourhood and Community Board, which will usually meet monthly, attended by all Committee members, to ensure priorities are delivered throughout the coming months and years.
- 2.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board will work hard, analysing intelligence, undertaking site visits and engaging with residents and partners, to ensure performance updates are presented to each Area Committee meeting, highlighting the action taken, key areas of influence and achievements delivered during that period and making recommendations to approve funding.

3. Update of 2019 / 2020 East Area Committee Work Plans

- 3.1 The 2019 / 2020 East Area Committee Work Plan is attached at Item 3, Annex 1 and provides an update on performance. Any remaining actions within the East Area Committee Work Plan have been incorporated into the East Neighbourhood Investment Plan Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023.

4. East Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan 2020-2023

- 4.1 Following the approval of the East Neighbourhood Investment Plan at Cabinet in March 2020, no-one could have anticipated the impact the Coronavirus (COVID-19) would have across the world. The Area Arrangements service, who were working directly with elected members and Area Committees to finalise the Investment Delivery Plan, were immediately mobilised into forming the Covid-19 Area Community Hubs. This was a full time role often involving late evenings and weekends to support our most vulnerable communities alongside our voluntary and community sector partners.
- 4.2 As the Covid-19 lock down began to ease in June, the service was able to reflect on the learning from community hub delivery, as well as reconsult using the Sunderland Let's Talk resident engagement methodology. This insight, then enabled officers to work alongside the Area Committee to present the Delivery Plan for the East Neighbourhood Investment Plan. The Plan is set out in Item 3, Annex 2. The Plan is a working document, which will include addition information from other public sector partners and VCS Area Network, where relevant.
- 4.3 The Plan, which includes an introduction from the Chair of the Area Committee, commits to a significant number of priorities, which will be delivered within the East of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan will be monitored by the Area Committee and actions will be addressed throughout the next three years via the East Neighbourhood and Communities Board.
- 4.4 Residents will be able to monitor delivery of the plan via the online activity tracker which will be available to access at www.sunderland.gov.uk as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. Funding to support delivery of the plan has been allocated and further information can be found at Item 4.

5. Area Committee and Neighbourhood Investment Plan Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-
- a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a neighbourhood level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's City Plan, and at a neighbourhood level ensuring maximum impact where necessary, through utilising its own resources.
- 5.2 Following the approval of the Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans at Cabinet in March 2020, the Neighbourhood Investment Plans replaced the former Article 10 Local Area Plans.
- 5.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their Neighbourhood Investment Plan, which was informed in partnership with residents and partners. To enable the Area Committee to deliver their priorities, Delivery Plans have been developed.
- 5.4 The Delivery Plans form the work programme for the Area Committee for the coming months and years, and to enable the Committee to work swiftly and efficiently, in partnership across the public and voluntary and community sectors and with residents, Neighbourhood and Community Boards have been established and will replace the previous Area Place and People Boards.
- 5.5 The Neighbourhood and Community Board will be the task and finish working group for the Area Committee. The Board will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee.

All Committee members are invited to attend the meetings. The Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood and Community Board are set out in Item 3, Annex 3.

- 5.6 Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision-making body and the work and recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committee for final endorsement. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in June 2020.
- 5.7 Other associated Boards where East Sunderland Area Committee has Elected Member representation are outlined below: -

Group	Elected Member Representatives
East Sunderland Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (L.M.A.P.S)	Cllr Michael Dixon and Cllr Lynda Scanlan <i>Updates to be provided after each meet to all East Cllrs, including CCTV locations.</i>
East VCS Area Network	Cllr Elizabeth Gibson as Co-Chair All East Area Councillors <i>Updates are provided at Area Committee by VCS Area Network representatives</i>
Children's Local Advisory Board	Cllr Christine Marshall <i>Updates will be provided to Neighbourhood and Community Board.</i>

6. Recommendations

6.1 Members are requested to: -

- Note the Annual Update relating to the East Area Committees Work Plan for 2019 / 2020, as set out in Item 3, Annex 1.
- Approve the East Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023 and agree to work together as a Committee alongside partners and the VCS Sector to deliver the priorities within the Delivery Plan over the next three years, as set out in, Item 3 Annex 2.
- Note the Area Committee Governance arrangements for 2020 / 2021 outlined in Section 5 and Item 3, Annex 3

Annex 1 East Area Committee Work Plan Update 2019 / 2020

Annex 2 East Neighbourhood Investment Plan 2020 / 2023

Annex 3 Area Committee Governance Arrangements 2020 / 2021

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Shaded sections = actions are completed

2019 / 2020			
NO.	AREA PRIORITY	ACTIONS	PROGRESS REPORT
1	Positive Place	a) Community Engagement: Host neighbourhood events i.e. Meet Your Neighbour to showcase what is happening in the Area / Ward.	Scheme was superceded by the Let's Talk campaign, which engaged with residents from across the East area to develop Neighbourhood Investment Plan. COMPLETED.
		b) Speak to residents, carry out walk and talks, polls and surveys to find out what the neighbourhood issues are, but also what is good about living their.	16 walkabouts have been held, with 124 local issues reported and 21 projects funded. ROLLED OVER TO NIP
		c) Create or complement existing communication channels to keep residents informed of progress.	East area launched a Facebook page (@eastsunderlandcommunity) in July 2019, which has 706 followers. Discussion on whether or not to continue with VIBE articles, have a dedicated Area Newsletter or neither continue. ROLLED OVER TO NIP
2	Better Neighbourhood Environment	a) Promote enforcement action taken in neighbourhoods, i.e. fixed penalty notices to deter shameless behaviour of perpetrators	Enforcement Update being shared on social media. COMPLETED
		b) Address dissatisfaction from residents by carrying out small scale solutions via the Walk and Talk programme.	In October the Let's Talk Campaign was launched to engage with residents to find out what they think would improve their neighbourhood. Intelligence from the campaign has been used to inform the Neighbourhood Investment Plan being discussed at Area Committee. ROLLED OVER TO NIP

3	Influence and shape services and strengthen partnerships	a) Invite key services and partners to the Area Board meetings to discuss what improvements need to be made and how we can share intelligence and resources to achieve said improvements. Invitees identified too date are: Sunderland BID, University and College; City leads on empty residential and commercial properties, City Centre regeneration, Local Services - cleansing and enforcement; Museum and Arts; Heritage Action Zone, etc.	A tour of the University's new medical centre was held in September, with updates provided by the Council on the HAZ and Townscape Scheme. The Halloween Parade was delivered in partnership with Sunderland BID in October with hundreds of people enjoying the event. In January, Cllrs were invited to a tour of the Beam and received an update on Riverside Sunderland. CLOSED
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CARRIED OVER FROM 2018 / 2019			
NO.	AREA PRIORITY	ACTIONS	PROGRESS REPORT
4	Cleaner streets	NEW: Think BIG, Act Local: Maximise opportunities to develop projects which enhance the unique characteristics of each ward.	All projects have ended. CLOSED
5	Improve housing	Improving Lives Together	Homelessness Crisis Support pilot funded from Feb-Dec 2019. Progress report was presented to the People Board in November 2019. Funding ended in December 2019, however, additional funding has been secured to continue and expand the crisis support across the city. COMPLETED
6	Maximising community assets	Carry out a call for projects to fund diversionary activity which develops resilience to youth offending and risk / or ASB behaviour in a positive setting.	11 VCS Groups funded to deliver activities on a Friday and Saturday night between Jan - Dec 2019. Programme ended, discussion to be held under area budget report about extended some elements of the project. COMPLETED

AREA PEOPLE BOARD

Shaded sections = work is completed.

2019 / 2020			
NO.	AREA PRIORITY	ACTIONS	PROGRESS REPORT
1	Health and Wellbeing	a) More Males and Positive Parenting: carry out a call for projects using the aligned £50,000 Public Health/Neighbourhood Fund to increase older males participation in community life, and teach parents how to engage in play and development.	Call for project has closed. £45,000 was allocated against the Area Priority, with deliver happening during January 2020 to March 2021 across the East area. COMPLETED
		b) Strengthen relationships with the CCG, Public Health, Commissioned Services and the University (Medical Centre).	£40,000 was accepted from the CCG and awarded in March to VCS Groups to develop health and wellbeing within the East area. Visits carried out at the University, and reports presented from Public Health. COMPLETED

2	Community Connectors	a) Support young volunteers, people who are housebound, provide bereavement support for families suffering from suicides, and young people facing crisis.	29 projects have been approved to deliver a variety of community engagement activities across the East area with an investment of £110,000 Neighbourhood Funding. A performance update was shared with Members in January. No concerns. ROLLED OVER TO NIP
		b) Use the Fancy A Day Out model to deliver activities which increase social inclusion.	£28,000 was awarded to 12 community groups to deliver daily activities during the school holidays throughout July 19 - April 2020, which are fun, educational and provide access to a tasty meals. Evaluation due May 2020. Additional programme funded for 2020 / 2021. ROLLED OVER TO NIP
3	Economic Wellbeing	a) Provide a mixture of tools to support people preparing or maintaining universal credit. Such as, mental health support, translators, basic qualifications, diagnoses for learning disabilities.	September People Board received an information report in relation to the commissioning of the 1st Tier Welfare Rights contract to ensure other providers across the area are supporting this service wherever possible. NOTED
4	Support the Sector	a) Identify funding opportunities via Grantfinder and co-ordinate submissions of bids to secure funding to deliver projects with complement the City Plan at a Neighbourhood level.	Grantfinder searches have been carried out for the Royalty Theatre and Portland School NOTED
CARRIED OVER FROM 2018 / 2019			
NO.	AREA PRIORITY	ACTIONS	PROGRESS REPORT
5	Develop a digital infrastructure network	Provide appropriate technical support (e.g. telephone hotline, site visits, training, etc.) to IT Hubs across the East.	£60,000 Neighbourhood Fund approved to provide up to 15 IT hubs in the East, along with technical support and capacity training. Ends December 2020. ROLLED OVER TO NIP

6	Build digital skills, capacity and confidence	Develop an outreach multi skilled team to deliver a variety of participation tools and activities to capture people's interest in using IT. Specially focusing on households effected by universal credit, adults with mental health and visual impairments, or learning difficulties to use the internet to pay, report and apply online.	£70,000 Neighbourhood Fund approved to employ a dedicated IT outreach Team to work in the main and smaller hubs, deliver outreach sessions and carry out home visits, helping people prepare for universal credit, or use IT for the first time. In addition, to providing support to people with visual impairments and learning difficulties. Ends December 2020. ROLLED OVER TO NIP.
7	Valuing volunteers	Enable volunteer to help others by finding out what is out there for families, children, young people, special educational needs, disabilities, adults and older people by improving use and access via the Sunderland Information Point.	Recommendation to approve £30,000 Neighbourhood Fund to top up the EDIT phase two contracts to enable existing organisations to promote the usage, enhance content, raise awareness with volunteers about the Info Point and strengthen web development and social media marketing skills in the VCS Sector. Ends March 2020. Funded rolled over to host an Award Ceremony in 2021 COMPLETED

Item 3, Annex 2

East Sunderland Area Committee

Terms of Reference

Neighbourhood and Community Board



The Neighbourhood and Community Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the delivery of the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan – Delivery Plan.

Membership and Role

Chair

- The Chair of the Neighbourhood and Community Board is Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. Should the Vice-Chair be unable to chair the Board, the Board will be chaired by the Area Committee Chair
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each item will be set in consultation with the Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area Committee priorities and the Neighbourhood Delivery Plan.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the Neighbourhood and Community Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the Neighbourhood Community Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

Elected Members

- Attendance of the Neighbourhood and Community Board is open to all Ward Members.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that Neighbourhood and Community Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

Support Officers

Relevant Council Officers - will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board, as and when required.

Designated Area Co-ordinator – is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and ensures the Chair and Board delivers the Area Neighbourhood Delivery Plan priorities

Designated Area Community Development Lead– supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the Neighbourhood and Community Board in delivering priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network and wider partners where relevant.

Governance Officers - will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times, venues and following up action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint, sharing agendas and associated papers.

Frequency

Neighbourhood and Community Board meetings will usually be held monthly throughout the municipal year to ensure delivery of the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan.

Reporting Arrangements

The Neighbourhood and Community Board will report four times per year to the Area Committee (July, September, December and March) through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the Neighbourhood and Community Board, assisted by the designated Area Co-ordinator and / or Area Community Development Lead.

Remit of the Neighbourhood and Community Board

The remit of the Neighbourhood and Community Board is to:

- Respond to all priorities in the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan Delivery Plan, as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development and implementation of plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and support the delivery of the City Plan at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local neighbourhood issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Neighbourhood Fund.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Neighbourhood Fund to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision-making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE 6 JULY 2020 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I	
Title of Report: East Area Budget Report	
Author(s): Assistance Director of Community Resilience	
Purpose of Report: Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific area priorities identified in the Neighbourhood Investment Plan with the overall aim to benefit the East residents and where possible attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement and updated on progress in relation to area funding, Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, Neighbourhood Fund and Community Chest, and presents funding proposals for Members consideration.	
Description of Decision: The Area Committee is requested to note the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Note the financial statements set out in table one and two. (b) Approve the £10,000 contribution towards festive lighting from the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme (c) Note the approved Community Chest grants between March 2019 June 2020, as set out in Annex One and Annex Two. 	
Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?	Yes
Suggested reason(s) for Decision: The Area Committee has delegated executive functions to allocate area funding to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Neighbourhood Investment 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? No	Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

6 JULY 2020

ASSISTANCE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE**Area Budget Report****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the neighbourhood investment plans, with the overall aim to benefit East residents and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, Neighbourhood Fund and Community Chest, and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Area Budgets

- 2.1 Members are requested to note the starting financial position for Area Committee, as set out in Table One.

Area Funds	Area Budget
Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme	£500,000
Neighbourhood Fund	£397,456
Community Chest	£50,000
Total	£947,456

Table One: Financial starting position 2020 / 2021

3. Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme

- 3.1 East Area Committee has been allocated £500,000 for capital developments which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Members will be responsible for allocating the funding through a majority decision at Area Committee.
- 3.2 The Capital Programme can be allocated in one year, or across more than one, depending on what proposals come forward throughout the year(s). The Area Committee have up to three years to allocate the full amount.
- 3.3 In June 2020, the Neighbourhood and Community Board meeting agreed to seek approval of £10,000 towards festive lights, under the priority to support local events with the understanding that Members must be consulted on purchases and locations of the lights. The request was brought forward to accompany a procurement process for the City, and to with fit timescales to allow the purchase and installation to occur in 2020. If approved by Area Committee the remaining balance will be £490,000.

4. Neighbourhood Fund

- 4.1 East Area Committee has been allocated £397,456 for capital and revenue projects.
- 4.2 Neighbourhood Fund will need to be allocated within this current financial year. There are no funding proposals to consider from the Neighbourhood Fund for the July 2020 meeting.

5. Community Chest

- 5.1 Doxford, Hendon, Millfield, Ryhope and St Michael's wards have been allocated a ward budget of £10,000 each, to support projects which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. The process to allocate Community Chest remains the same. With ward Councillors leading on seeking suitable project proposals and making decisions on applications received. Where it becomes difficult to make a majority decision and discussions cannot be resolved at a ward level the outcome will be escalated to Area Committee for a final decision.
- 5.2 Members are requested to note the Community Chest funding awards made between April 2019 and March 2020, as set out in Annex One.
- 5.3 Table two below details the budget, approvals and balance remaining for 2020 / 2021. Members are requested to note the four Community Chest funding awards made between April 2020 and June 2020, as set out in Annex Two, and are encouraged to continue to sponsor and submit project proposals, which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan to ensure full allocation of Community Chest by March 2021.

Ward	2020 / 2021 Balance	Amount Awarded	Returned Funding	Remaining Allocation
Doxford	£10,000	£1,000	£0	£9,000
Hendon	£10,000	£2,000	£0	£8,000
Millfield	£10,000	£0	£0	£10,000
Ryhope	£10,000	£802	£0	£9,198
St Michael's	£10,000	£0	£0	£10,000
Total	£50,000	£3,802	£0	£46,198

Table Two: Financial Statement Community Chest 2020 / 2021

6. Recommendations

6.1 Members are requested to:

- (c) Note the financial statements set out in table one and two.
- (d) Approve the £10,000 contribution towards festive lighting from the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme
- (c) Note the approved Community Chest grants between March 2019 June 2020, as set out in Annex One and Annex Two.

Background Papers Community Chest applications and financial records

Annex One Community Chest Awards 2019 / 2020
Annex Two Community Chest Awards 2020 / 2021

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Item 4, Annex 1

East Sunderland Area Committee

6 July 2020

Community Chest: Financial Statement
April 2019 to March 2020

Doxford Ward Budget	£10,000		Approvals
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Sunderland Sikh Association (joint application across East Wards)	08.04.19	-	£375
Doxford Park Security Scheme	02.05.19	-	£1,000
Silksworth Banner Group	12.07.19	-	£750
Conservation Management Services	08.10.19	-	£2,993
Doxford Park Tiddlers	08.10.19	-	£633
Doxford Park CA	19.11.19	-	£954
The Box Youth Project	19.11.19	-	£786.59
Doxford Park CA	17.03.20	-	£350
Friends of Doxford Park	17.03.20	-	£643
Sunderland Area Parent Support	17.03.20	-	£680
The Box Youth Project	17.03.20	-	£835
Remaining balance			£0
Hendon Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Hendon Community Allotment	13.06.19	-	£514
Sunderland Heritage Forum	13.06.19	-	£560
Sit N B Fit	13.06.19	-	£952
East End and Hendon Festival	24.06.19	-	£1,560
Hudson Boating Club	14.08.19	-	£800
Assign	14.08.19	-	£710
Life Kitchen Social	24.09.19	-	£800
Keep Active	14.10.19	-	£700
More Than Grandparents	14.02.20	-	£500
East end and Hendon Festival	20.03.20	-	£2,000
Hendon Community allotment	20.03.20	-	£271
Sunderland Heritage Forum (Joint application with Millfield & St Michael's)	20.03.20	-	£633
Remaining balance			£0
Millfield Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Sunderland Sikh Association (joint application across East Wards)	08.04.19	-	£375
Indian Welfare Association	21.05.19	-	£1,077
City Juniors	21.05.19	-	£294
TFC - Elwin Terrace	18.11.19	-	£461
Deptford and Millfield CA	18.11.19	-	£500

Sunderland Samba FC	06.01.20	-	£200
Thornholme RA (joint with St Michael's Ward)	17.02.20	-	£115
Sunderland Heritage Forum (Joint application with Hendon & St Michael's)	27.03.20	-	£633
Sunderland Culture	27.03.20	-	£5,000
Sunderland Foodbank	27.03.20	-	£1,345
Remaining balance			£0
Ryhope Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
St Aidan's Guides Unit	15.05.19	-	£1,000
Bobby Richardson Banner Group	11.07.19	-	£1,000
Ryhope Community Spirit	11.09.19	-	£920
Wadham Court	11.09.19	-	£500
Sunderland RCA (UNO) Football Club	11.09.19	-	£900
Ryhope Seaview Angling Club	11.09.19	-	£900
Sunderland City Council	05.11.19	-	£508.80
Robert Wheatman Social Committee	25.11.19	-	£445
Ryhope Bowls Club	25.11.19	-	£500
Ryhope St Pauls Rainbows	25.11.19	-	£716
St Paul's Primary School	16.12.19	-	£1,300
1st Ryhope Brownies	16.12.19	-	£300
1st Ryhope Brownies	19.03.20	-	£700
Bobby Richardson Banner Group	19.03.20	-	£310
Remaining balance			£0
St Michaels Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Sunderland Heritage Forum	22.05.19	-	£900
Blue Watch Youth Centre	22.05.19	-	£500
Ashbrooke Sports Club	22.05.19	-	£500
Sunderland Ladies Probus Club	22.05.19	-	£750
St John's Methodist Church	10.09.19	-	£1,000
St Michaels Residents Association	09.10.19	-	£560
Ashbrooke Vets Bowling Club	09.10.19	-	£750
Sunderland St Georges Rainbows	11.11.19	-	£606.10
Sunderland Samba – (Joint application with Millfield)	17.12.19	-	£200
Sunderland Floral Art Club	14.02.20	-	£1,000
Thornholme RA (Joint application with Millfield Ward)	14.02.20	-	£115
Sunderland Heritage Forum (Joint application with Millfield & Hendon)	17.03.20	-	£634
Sunderland Rugby Football Club (Under 8)	17.03.20	-	£170
St Nicholas community Hall	17.03.20	-	£745
Hill View Infant Academy	17.03.20	-	£500
Hill view Junior Academy	17.03.20	-	£500
St Mary's RC Primary	17.03.20	-	£480
Remaining balance			£89.90

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Community Chest: Financial Statement

April 2020 to March 2021

Doxford Ward Budget	£10,000		Approvals
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Hall Farm Doxy Lads FC	17.06.20		£1,000
Remaining balance			£9,000
Hendon Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
CHANCE	15.04.20	-	£1,000
FISCUS	15.04.20	-	£1,000
Remaining balance			£8,000
Millfield Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Remaining balance			£10,000
Ryhope Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Northumbria Police	14.05.20	-	£802
Remaining balance			£9,198
St Michaels Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Remaining balance			£10,000