

WEST AREA COMMITTEE
11th December 2019
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Neighbourhood Fund (formally Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB)) and Community Chest - 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 (formally 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 section 2.1.
- (b) Approve £90,000 to the West Youth Activities details in **Item 6 Annex 1**
- (c) Approve £5,000 towards the transport for SafetyWorks!
- (d) Approve £40,000 to deliver the West Area Event 2020 details in **Item 6 Annex 1**
- (e) Note the 13 Community Chest approvals supported from 2019/2020, as detailed **Item 6 Annex 2**

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £431,887 for 2019/2020 from the Neighbourhood Fund (formally 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?

11th December 2019**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE****Neighbourhood Fund (formally 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 Neighbourhood Fund (formerly SIB) and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Neighbourhood Fund

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

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total Neighbourhood Fund for 2018/2019 is £431,887 plus £25,000 from Public Health, plus £40,000 CCG, plus £20,000 from Children's Services for Youth activities – total allocation is therefore £516,887				
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Project Name				
Match funding for Public Health Grant in addition to £7,088 match funding secured from 2018/2019 Neighbourhood Fund allocation	01.04.19	£17,912	-	
Public Health Grant to support West health priorities	01.04.19	£25,000	-	
CCG Health Grant to support West health priorities	01.04.19	£40,000	-	
Youth Activities and Holiday Hunger	24.04.19	-	£28,000	
Youth Provision Consultation	22.7.19	-	£6,000	
West Walk and Talk	24.09.19	-	£120,000	
West Play Improvement Plan	26.09.19	-	£120,000	
West Event 2020	26.09.19	£40,000		

West Youth Activities	26.09.19	£90,000		
Balance				£29,975

- 2.2 The Place Board discussed the value of West Schools attending Safety Works! and agreed to recommend to Area Committee £5,000 of Neighbourhood Fund to cover transport costs. This will enable all Year 6 and Year 8 children to attend from West Schools during the 2019/2020 academic year. The Place Board also recommended that Youth Providers in the West were given the opportunity to invite their young people to attend SafetyWorks! And to share important safety messages with harder to reach young people. **Item 6 Annex 1**
- 2.3 At the September Area Committee £40,000 was aligned to the West Area Event 2020, applications have now been received following the call for projects which was approved by the Place Board. The Area Committee are asked to consider the application from Youth Almighty Project and approve. **Item 6 Annex 1**
- 2.4 Following the alignment of £90,000 towards Youth Activities at the September Area Committee, The People Board invited the Sunderland All Together Consortium to complete a full application, this has now been received and the People Board are recommending to Area Committee the approval of £90,000 to this project. **Item 6 Annex 1.**
- 2.8 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested for approval for the above projects totals £135,000 if approved the balance of Neighbourhood Fund funding remaining for 2019/2020, would be £24,975.

3. Community Chest

- 3.1 The table below details the Community Chest ward starting balances for 2019/2020.

Ward	Starting Balance	Approvals since April 2017	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£10,000	£1,400.00	£0	£8,600.00
Pallion	£10,000	£4,908.00	£0	£5,092.00
Sandhill	£10,000	£7,646.00	£0	£2,354.00
Silksworth	£10,000	£7,182.50	£0	£2,817.50
St Anne's	£10,000	£5,445.50	£0	£4,554.50
St Chad's	£10,000	£3,539.00	£0	£6,461.00
Total	£60,000	£30,121.00	£0	£29,879.00

4. Recommendations:

- 4.1 Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 above.
- 4.2 Approve £5,000 to SafetyWorks! Full details **Item 6 Annex 1.**
- 4.3 Approve £90,000 to The Sunderland All Together Consortium for the West Youth activities details **Item 6 Annex 1.**
- 4.4 Approve £40,000 to Youth Almighty Project for the delivery of a 3-day event in Barnes Park during 2020 details **Item 6 Annex 1**

- 4.5 Note the 13 Community Chest approvals from 2019/2020 Community Chest as set out in **Item 6 Annex 2**.

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