

WEST AREA COMMITTEE
9th March 2016
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):

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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 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 2015/16 budget:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in 2.1, 3.1 and 4.1
- (b) Approve the allocation of £17,500 SIB for the West Enterprise Scheme. **Item 5 Annex 1**
- (c) Approve the allocation of £2,900 to support the promotion of the Accreditation Scheme in the West. **Item 5 Annex 2.**
- (d) Note the two proposals agreed through the small grants process for Maximising Greenspace / Derelict Land activity, as described at **Item 5 Annex 3**
- (e) Note the 8 Community Chest approvals supported from 2015/2016 Community Chest as set out in. **Item 5 Annex 4**

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £394,600 for 2015/2016 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:

9th March 2016**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF SCRUTINY AND AREA ARRANGEMENTS****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 2015/2016:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB for 2015/2016 is £394,600				
				£394,600
Project Name				
Holiday Hunger Scheme Pilot	15.07.15 (Delegated Decision)	-	£5,000	£389,600
Local Shopping Centres	22.07.15 (Delegated Decision)	-	£90,000	£299,600
Safety Works Transport	07.10.15	-	£5,000	£294,600
West Area Event 2016	07.10.15	-	£40,000	£254,600
West Community Helpers	07.10.15	-	£82,000	£172,600
Returned Funding: Dementia Module	25.06.13	-	(£1,750)	£174,350
CHIPS Machines	25.06.13	-	(£1,338)	£175,688
WIRES 2 Project	02.12.15	-	£45,000	£130,688
Balance				£130,688

- 2.2 The People and Place Boards have made the following recommendations for SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration.

- 2.3 At the January People Board members received a report on West Enterprise. The People Board have made the recommendation to Area Committee to support the delivery of a West Enterprise scheme for £17,500 SIB details in **Item 5 Annex 1**.

2.4 At the February Place Board members received a report on how the Landlord Accreditation Scheme could be promoted throughout the West. The Place Board has made the recommendation to Area Committee to support the Accreditation Scheme for £2,900 SIB details in **Item 5 Annex 2**.

2.5 The total SIB budget requested for allocation for the above projects totals £20,400, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £110,288

3 Maximising Green Spaces Funding

3.1 There were two maximising green spaces approvals between January and February 2016. **Item 5 Annex 3** details these approvals as part of the maximising green spaces to improve health within the West.

4. West Health Programme

4.1 The table below shows the financial position of West Health Programme following the December 2015 Area Committee meeting.

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
West Health Programme including £20,000 match funding from CCG				£100,000
Project Name				
Mental Health and Wellbeing Call For Projects	03.12.14	-	£31,421	£68,579
Community Helpers	07.10.15	-	£20,000	£48,579
New Balance			£51,421	£48,579

5. Community Chest

5.1 The table below details the Community Chest starting balances and approvals for 2015/2016. **Item 5 Annex 4** shows the approvals supported between December – February 2016

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2015	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£15,292	£4,253	£0	£11,039
Pallion	£22,446	£8,473	£0	£13,973
Sandhill	£14,784	£8,755	£0	£6,029
Silksworth	£14,544	£8,826	£0	£5,718
St Anne's	£21,062	£7,940	£0	£13,122
St Chad's	£17,096	£6,713	£0	£10,383
Total	£105,224	£44,960	£0	£60,264

6. Recommendations:

- 6.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, 3.1 and 4.1 above.
- 6.2 Approve £17,500 SIB West Enterprise Scheme. Item 5 Annex 1.
- 6.3 Approve £2,900 for the promotion of the Landlord Accreditation Scheme in the West Item 5 Annex 2.
- 6.4 Note the two proposals agreed through the small grants process for Maximising Greenspace / Derelict Land activity, as described at **Item 5 Annex 3**
- 6.5 Note the 8 Community Chest approvals supported from 2015/2016 Community Chest as set out in. **Item 5 Annex 4.**

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