

WEST AREA COMMITTEE
12th June 2019
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 2019/20 budget:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1.
- (b) Accept £20,000 match funding from Sunderland City Council Children's Services to support delivery of youth activity projects within the West
- (c) Approve the West Activities for Young People Holiday Hunger projects, as detailed **Item 5 Annex 1, Item 5 Annex 2, Item 5 Annex 3**
- (d) Accept £40,000 funding from Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to meet local health outcomes and delegate the responsibility to oversee the development and delivery of projects and allocation of the funding via small grants process to the West People Board.
- (e) Note the 2 Community Chest approvals supported from 2018/2019, as detailed **Item 5 Annex 4**
- (f) Note the 8 Community Chest approvals supported from 2019/2020, as detailed **Item 5 Annex 5**

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 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:

12th June 2019**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE****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 2019/2020:

| | Committee Date | Aligned | Approved | Balance |
|---|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total SIB 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 | | | | |
| | | | | £476,887 |
| Project Name | | | | |
| Match funding for Public Health Grant in addition to £7,088 match funding secured from 2018/2019 SIB allocation | 1.4.19 | £17,912 | | £17,912 |
| Youth activities and Holiday Hunger | 24.4.19 | £28,000 | | £28,000 |
| Balance | | | | £470,975 |

- 2.2 In recognition of feedback received through the budget consultation process, it was agreed by Council that £20,000 be allocated to each Area Committee to support Youth activities. Area Committee is therefore requested to formally accept the West allocation of £20,000 match funding, to enable the Area Committee to fund the local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) to deliver youth activity projects within the community.
- 2.3 At the West People Board in April, an approach to further support Activities for Young People as well as address Holiday Hunger was discussed. Item 5 Annex 1. As a result of the discussion an extraordinary Area Committee decision was taken (24.4.19) to support the alignment of £28,000 SIB, to match with the £20,000, allocated to the committee from the Council (Children's Service), offering a total budget of £48,000. A subsequent call for projects was issued to the West VCS Network. Item 5 Annex 2.
- 2.4 The applications were assessed and are presented to the Area Committee for approval (detail Item 5 Annex 3) as follows:

- Barnes Ward - Recommend approval of the application received from Youth Almighty Project. Total Value £8,000
- Pallion Ward- Recommend approval of the application received from Active Families. Total Value £8,000
- Sandhill Ward - Recommend approval of the application received from Grindon Young People's Centre. Total Value £8,000
- Silksworth- Recommend approval of the application received from Youth Almighty Project. Total Value £8,000
- St Anne's - Recommend approval of the application received from Pennywell Community Centre. Total Value £8,000
- St Chad's - Recommend approval of the application received from Youth Almighty Project. Total Value £8,000

2.5 The Area Committee are asked to consider an additional request for Holiday Hunger for £5,000 for Everyone Active to deliver sessions for individuals across the West working with the approved providers (above) to enable young people to access the facilities at Everyone Active Silksworth and receive a free family swim pass.

2.6 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 gives Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG) the power to use grant funding to support VCS activities at national, regional and local levels. Grant funding can enable the CCG to work with VCS organisations to respond to the needs of patients and the public and targeting health inequalities, in innovative and cost-effective ways within local communities. The Area Committee are asked to accept a grant of £40,000 from the Sunderland CCG and agree to work collaboratively with the Sunderland CCG Primary Care Localities Teams to oversee the small grant allocation scheme, utilising call for projects to award small scale, one off grants of £5,000 to meet local health outcomes, up to the total value of £40,000. The Area Committee are also asked to delegate the responsibility to oversee the development and delivery of projects and allocation of the funding via small grants process to the West People Board. This partnership between the Area Committee and the Sunderland CCG Locality Teams is an ideal opportunity to not only deliver improvement in health outcomes but also as a mechanism to build relationships between our localities and the VCS organisations for future working.

2.7 The total SIB budget requested for approval for the above project totals £33,000, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining for 2019/2020, would be £465,975, this figure includes the £40,000 CCG Grant Funding and £25,000 Public Health Funding.

3. Community Chest

3.1 The table attached at Item 5 Annex 6, details the approvals up to 31 March 2019 from 2018/2019 budget allocation.

3.2 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 | £0 | £8,600 |
| Pallion | £10,000 | £1,000 | £0 | £9,000 |
| Sandhill | £10,000 | £5,002 | £0 | £4,998 |
| Silksworth | £10,000 | £0 | £0 | £10,000 |
| St Anne's | £10,000 | £0 | £0 | £10,000 |
| St Chad's | £10,000 | £250 | £0 | £9,750 |
| Total | £60,000 | £7,652 | £0 | £52,348 |

4. Recommendations:

- 4.1 Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 above.
- 4.2 Accept £20,000 match funding from Sunderland City Council to support delivery of youth activity projects within the West.
- 4.3 Approve the West Holiday Hunger projects, as detailed **Item 5 Annex 1,2,3.**
- 4.4 Accept £40,000 funding from Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to meet local health outcomes and delegate the responsibility to oversee the development and delivery of projects and allocation of the funding via small grants process to the West People Board.
- 4.5 Note the 2 Community Chest approvals from 2018/2019 Community Chest as set out in. **Item 5 Annex 4.**
- 4.6 Note the 8 Community Chest approvals from 2019/2020 Community Chest as set out in **Item 5 Annex 5**

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