

WEST AREA COMMITTEE – 15 JULY 2009

Title of paper:	West Area Spending Profile 2009-2010	
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Relevant Council Plan theme(s):		
Choose Nottingham		X
Respect for Nottingham		X
Transforming Nottingham's Neighbourhoods		X
Supporting Nottingham People		X
Serving Nottingham Better		X
Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):		
This report makes recommendations to members on how the West Area Committee ward member's budget for the financial year 2009/10 can be allocated.		
Recommendations:		
1	Note that each member has been allocated an individual ward member budget allocation of £10,000, which Area Committees are required to divide between an Area Allocation Budget and individual Ward Support Budgets.	
2	Note that Aspley has received an additional £21,000 and Bilborough £15,000 based on being in the most top 5% deprived wards for indices of deprivation.	
3	Note the amounts allocated from last years budget across the three wards as outlined in Appendix 1.	
4	Approve and note the activities, totalling £24,500, in Appendix 2 that need to be supported from the uncommitted balances for 2008/09 budget.	
5	Note that £26,428 remains unspent from last year and therefore needs to be re-allocated to the £116,000 balance for this year.	
6	The total amounts available for West Area spending profile in 2009/10 is £142,428 and is distributed across the area budgets as outlined in Appendix 3.	
7	Approve the funding Request in appendix 4	
8	Approve that decisions regarding funding from the Community Influence and Engagement budget within the Area Allocation budget be delegated to the Area Manager, or in their absence, the Acting Director of Local Communities, and that any such decisions be reported to the next available Area Committee.	

1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 In 2008/09 each ward member was allocated £10,000 to support their role as 'Champion of Place'. For 2009/10 each ward member is again allocated £10,000 to support this role and in addition to this allocation further funds are made available to members to further support work to be undertaken in the top 5% most deprived wards in the City.
- 1.2 However, it is also recognised that there will still be a need for a central funding pot to support grants to individuals and groups within the voluntary sector and inter-ward, area-wide and cross cutting issues. This is important to ensure the transparency and also reflects that some issues are cross cutting and not geographically based.

2 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 To support the ward member role as 'Champion of Place' and provide a platform for a further focus to the top 5% most deprived wards.
- 2.2 To ensure value for money and transparency of the decision making process.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

4.1 Bilborough

Funding of £500 towards the Seagrave Court Patio Area and Garden can be met by:

£500 from the uncommitted balance of Councillor Creswell's budget. The uncommitted balance of Councillor Creswell's budget, not including the affect of other requests for allocation elsewhere on this agenda, currently stands at £3,000.

- 4.2 Funding of £500 towards the Moorgreen Resource Centre Summer Fun Day and Trip can be met by:

£500 from the uncommitted balance of Councillor Creswell's budget. The uncommitted balance of Councillor Creswell's budget, not including the affect of other requests for allocation elsewhere on this agenda, currently stands at £3,000.

The continued allocation of ward member budgets and the continued use of delegated approval proformas is within current legal powers. The process described in the report provides a lawful basis for taking expenditure decisions.

5 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS)

The funds allocated to this Committee are used to address the diverse needs of the various sections of the community and reduce inequalities within the community.

6 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE

DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

Nominal Ledgers

7 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2007

Appendix 1

Allocations	A933192 Members Allocation - Cllr Foster 3000	A933193 Members Allocation - Cllr Long 3000	A933194 Members Allocation - Cllr Wood 3000	A933195 Members Allocation - Cllr Watson 3000	A933196 Members Allocation - Cllr Cresswell 3000	A933197 Members Allocation - Cllr Chapman 3000	A933198 Members Allocation - Cllr James 3000	A933199 Members Allocation - Cllr Unczur 3000	24000
Christmas Parties across Aspley 2008						-710	-500	-500	-1710
Beechdale Mews Boulders	-600								-600
Leen valley LAGs Publicity		-1000							-1000
West Area Comm Chest Projects Aspley	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-253.5	-2028
Tartanaires			-133.33	-133.33	-133.33	-266.67	-266.67	-266.67	-1200
Bells Lane Comm Centre Furniture						-796	-796	-796	-2388
Robert Shaw Play Fields Entrance	-2146.5	-1746.5							-3893
Seagrave School Mining Trip				-125	-125	-250			-500
Arnold Football Trip				-100	-100				-200
Bilborough Library 50th anniversary celeb			-2600	-1200	-1200				-5000
Balance	0	0	13.17	1188.17	1188.17	723.83	1183.83	1183.83	5481

Appendix 2

Title	Amount	Ward	Area Committee Code
West Area Christmas Fayre	£5,000	All	Environmental economic and social well being
Aspley Christmas Parties	£1,500	Aspley	Environmental economic and social well being
Aspley Christmas Tree & Festival	£1,500	Aspley	£1000 from the Public Realm Aspley, £500 from Members allocation for Cllr Unczur
West Area Park Life Events 2009	£7,000	All	Crime and Anti-social Behaviour
West Area Park Life Events 2010	£7,000	All	£6143 from the Crime and ASB, £857 from members allocation for Cllr Watson
West Area Fun Day August 2009	£2500	All	Environmental Economic and well being budget
Total	£24,500		

The West Area Fun Day is a trip organised for approximately 450 people, including children and adults. The trip is being supported by the West Area Children and Young People's Partnership and will be used to consult on a range of issues. The Area Committee contribution of £2,500 is towards a total cost of £6,000.

Appendix 3

	A933192 Members Allocation - Cllr Foster	A933193 Members Allocation - Cllr Long	A933194 Members Allocation - Cllr Wood	A933195 Members Allocation - Cllr Watson	A933196 Members Allocation - Cllr Cresswell	A933197 Members Allocation - Cllr Chapman	A933198 Members Allocation - Cllr Cllr James	A933199 Members Allocation - Cllr Unczur
Allocation	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000

A933200 Public Realm Aspley	A933201 Public Realm Bilborough	A933202 Public Realm Leen valley	A933203 Crime & ASB	A933204 Health	A933205 Environmental Economic & Social Wellbeing	A933184 West Area Incidental Budget	A933206 Community Chest
15000	15000	9000	15000	10000	20000	19428	15000

Appendix 4

Projects	Ward	Background	Funding requested	Allocating Budget
Seagrave Court Patio Area and Garden	Bilborough	Residents at Seagrave Court Sheltered Housing Scheme approached Councillor Creswell for support to improve their garden area. The money will be used as a contribution towards materials and the residents will be doing the work themselves	£500	£500 from Councillor Creswell's budget
Contribution towards the Moorgreen Resource Centre Summer Fun Day and Day Trip	Bilborough	The Moorgreen Resource Centre will be organising a fun day for local people on the 5 th September at the Resource Centre for local people. A trip is also scheduled for Twin Lakes during the Summer. Councillor Creswell has agreed to support the above activities from his budget.	£500	£500 from Councillor Creswell's budget