

**ARBORETUM, DUNKIRK AND LENTON, RADFORD AND PARK COMMITTEE**  
**20<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

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| <b>Title of paper:</b>  | <b>Ward Councillor Budget</b>   |   |                                     |
| <b>Director(s)/<br/>Corporate Director(s):</b>  | Dave Halstead<br>Director of Neighbourhood Services   | <b>Wards affected:</b><br>Arboretum<br>Dunkirk and Lenton<br>Radford and Park |                                     |
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| <b>Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s)<br/>(if relevant)</b>  | N/A   |   |                                     |
| <b>Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:</b>   |   |   |                                     |
| Strategic Regeneration and Development  |   |   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Schools   |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Planning and Housing  |   |   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Community Services  |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Energy, Sustainability and Customer   |   |   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Jobs, Growth and Transport  |   |   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Adults, Health and Community Sector   |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Children, Early Intervention and Early Years  |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Leisure and Culture   |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration  |   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):</b>  |   |   |                                     |
| This report advises this Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Neighbourhood Services for those projects funded by Ward Councillor Budgets. |   |   |                                     |
| <b>Recommendation(s):</b>   |   |   |                                     |
| <b>1</b>  | That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within the Arboretum, Dunkirk and Lenton, Radford and Park wards, detailed in Appendix 1.  |   |                                     |

## **1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 Records detailing Ward Councillors spending decisions and consultation are shown in the attached Appendices. In accordance with the Constitution the Area Committee is required to note spending decisions taken by Ward Councillors. This report outlines the spending decisions since the last Area Committee in June 2017.

## **2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)**

- 2.1 This action follows the arrangements established by the Executive Board to allow for spending approvals through individual Ward Councillor budget allocations.

## **3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 Not to provide the funding outlined in Appendices A and B but the funding requested will provide additional services or benefit to residents of this area.

## **4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)**

- 4.1 Ward Councillors have an individual allocation for 2017/18 of £5,000.
- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to a subsequent committee.

## **5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)**

- 5.1 These arrangements provide transparency and regulation to the spending of individual Ward Councillor allocation.
- 5.2 The funds allocated by Area Committee are used to address diverse needs from various sections of the community and reduce inequalities.

## **6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)**

- 6.1 None.

## **7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 7.1 An EIA is not needed (report does not contain proposals. Individual Councillors make decisions about their allocations and many groups funded seek to reduce inequalities)

## **8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION**

- 8.1 Delegated authority for each scheme listed in Appendices A & B is held by the Constitutional Services team.

## **9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 9.1 None.