

AREA 2 COMMITTEE - 28 MAY 2014

Title of paper:	Area Committee Finance and Delegated Authority – Q4	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Not relevant	
Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
Cutting unemployment by a quarter		<input type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure more school leavers get a job, training or further education than any other City		<input type="checkbox"/>
Your neighbourhood as clean as the City Centre		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down		<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham has a good mix of housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham offers a wide range of leisure activities, parks and sporting events		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Support early intervention activities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report advises the Area 2 Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Communities and provides an up to date finance report.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within Area 2, detailed in Appendix A and B.	

1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Records detailing Members spending decisions and consultation are shown in the attached Appendix. In accordance with the Constitution the Area Committee is required to note spending decisions taken by Ward Members. This report outlines the spending decisions since the report taken to the Area Committee Meeting on November 27th 2013

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 Members budget allocations and Area Committee Finances.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Not to provide the funding outlined in Appendix 1 but the funding requested will provide additional services or benefit to residents of Bestwood and Basford wards.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Members had an individual allocation for 2013/14 of £5,000.
Bestwood Ward was also granted an additional sum of £14,154 under the heading -
- Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) funding.
- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to a subsequent committee.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 These arrangements provide transparency and regulation to the spending of individual Member's 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. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Has the equality impact been assessed?

Not needed (report does not contain proposals or financial decisions) **X**

No

Yes – Equality Impact Assessment attached

Due regard should be given to the equality implications identified in the EIA.

7. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

- 7.1 Delegated authority for each scheme listed in Appendix A is held by the Committee Section.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets

Bestwood and Basford Area Committee - 29th May 2013

Bestwood and Basford Area Committee - 11th September 2013

Bestwood and Basford Area Committee - 27th November 2013

Bestwood and Basford Area Committee – 19th February 2014

APPENDIX A

Basford Ward Budget Allocations

Schemes: Basford Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Planting for Vernon Park	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£575
Office Furniture for Highbury CBF Gym	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£1,450
SALTAR 2013 Summer Playscheme	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£700
Vernon Park Summer Fun Day 2013	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£3,000
Projector for Basford History Society	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£500
Pool table for Heathfield CC	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£425
SALTAR Xmas Playscheme	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£650
Basford CC 2013 Summer Playscheme	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£500
Ridewise projects at Heathfield and Ellis Guilford	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£850

Balance brought forward 2012/13	£18,675
Allocation 2013/14	£15,000
Total available allocation 2013/14	£33,675
Total allocated at 31/12/13	£14,200
Total unallocated at 31/12/13	£19,475

Schemes committed but not allocated

Heathfield 2012 Summer Playscheme	Arnold, Norris and Ottewell	£1,100
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APPENDIX B

Bestwood Ward Budget Allocations

Schemes: Bestwood Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Southglade Park Live 2013 Contribution	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£1,500
Chairs – Bestwood Park Church	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£7,018
Best Companions	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£3,000
Bestwood Christmas Lights 2013	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£15,000
Cornfields Armed Forces Day	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£250
Love You Love Bestwood Campaign	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£3,000
Southglade Park Live 2014 Contribution (Joint project with Bulwell Forest)	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£1500
Southglade Library Youth Project Contribution (Joint project with Bulwell Forest)	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£275
Bestwood Park Community Association 'We'll Meet Again'	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£250
Southglade Library Resources Project	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£100
Bestwood Angling Interest Team (BAIT)	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£700

Balance Brought forward 2012/13	£28,066
Allocation 2013/14	£15,000
Deprivation(IMD) 13/14	£14,154
Total Available Allocation	£57,220
Total allocated at 31/03/14	£32,593
Total unallocated at 31/03/14	£24,627