

BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE – 12 SEPTEMBER 2018

Title of paper:	Ward Councillor Budget	
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Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:

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"/>

Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):

This report advises this Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Community Protection for projects funded by Ward Councillor Budgets.

Recommendation:

1	That the Committee notes the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) actions agreed by the Director of Community Protection in respect of projects and schemes within the Basford and Bestwood wards, detailed in appendices A and B; (ii) allocations for 2018/19 of £5,000 for each Councillor.
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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 during 2019/19.

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

- 4.1 Ward Councillors have an individual allocation for 2018/19 of £5,000 each.
- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to subsequent committees.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS

- 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

- 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 and B is held by the Constitutional Services team.

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 None

APPENDIX A

Basford Ward Budget Allocations 2018/19

Date approved	Allocated Schemes: Basford Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount
10/04/18	Security Cameras for 44 th Scouts	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	400
10/04/18	Mellish Centre Running Costs	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	2,000
10/04/18	Basford Road Garden Design	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	200
10/04/18	Vernon Park Summer Fun Day 2018	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	4,000
10/04/18	Summer Programme 2018	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	2,500
20/04/18	Guides Camping Trip	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	110
18/06/18	Basford School Summer Showcase	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	790
27/06/18	Mellish Sport Centre Consultancy (50% contribution)	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	1,000
28/06/18	Highbury Family Fun Day (50% contribution)	Arnold, Raine and Woodings	500
Total			11,500

Schemes to be de-committed: Basford Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
None		

Balance brought forward 2017/18	£18,925
Allocation 2018/19	£15,000
Total available allocation	£33,925
Total de-committed	0
Total allocated at 30/06/18	£11,500
Total unallocated at 30/06/18	£22,425

APPENDIX B

Bestwood Ward Budget Allocations 2018/19

Date approved	Allocated Schemes: Bestwood Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)

Schemes to be de-committed: Bestwood Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount

Balance Brought forward 2017/18	£3,230
Allocation 2018/19	£15,000
Total Available Allocation	£18,230
Total de-committed	0
Total allocated at 30/06/18	0
Total unallocated at 30/06/18	£18,230