

## BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE

3 September 2014

<b>Title</b>	<b>DELEGATED AUTHORITY SPEND: Q1 April-June 2014</b>	
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<b>Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:</b>		
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"/>
<b>Summary of issues</b>		
This report informs the Committee of the spending decisions taken by Ward Councillors, ratified by the Director of Neighbourhood Services under delegated authority.		
<b>Recommendation</b>		
That the Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within Basford and Bestwood Area, as detailed in appendices A and B.		

### **1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 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 last Area Committee meeting on 28 May 2014.

## **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 Councillors had an individual allocation for 2014/15 of £5,000. Bestwood Ward was also granted an additional sum of £14,154 under Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) funding.
- 4.2 The full balance has not yet been allocated and further projects will be reported to subsequent meetings.

## **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 Councillor allocations.
- 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**

- 6.1 No as the report does not contain changing policies.

## **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 appendices A and B is held by the appropriate Neighbourhood Development Team.

## **8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 8.1 Executive Board report 'Ward Member Budgets' – 20 May 2008;  
8.2 Basford and Bestwood Area Committee - 28 May 2014.



## APPENDIX B - Bestwood Ward budget allocations 2014/15

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Bestwood Litter Bins	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£ 1,920
Leen Valley Community Association Events 2014	Grocock, Smith and Wildgust	£ 930

Balance Brought forward 2013/14	£ 24,627
Allocation 2014/15	£ 15,000
Deprivation (IMD) 2013/14	<u>£ 14,154</u>
Total Available Allocation	<u>£ 53,781</u>
<b>Less total allocated at 30/06/14</b>	<b>£ 2,850</b>
<b>Total unallocated at 30/06/14</b>	<b><u>£ 50,931</u></b>

### Schemes committed but not allocated

Bestwood Advice Centre	£ 4,000
Bestwood Christmas Lights	£ 16,000
Bestwood's Got Talent	£ 1,000