

## BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE – 25<sup>TH</sup> November 2009

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| <b>Title of paper:</b>   | <b>USE OF DELEGATED POWERS – INDIVIDUAL MEMBER’S ALLOCATION</b>   |  |
| <b>Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):</b>   | LIANNE TAYLOR ACTING DIRECTOR FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES   | <b>Wards affected:</b><br>BASFORD AND BESTWOOD |
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| <b>Relevant Council Plan theme(s):</b>   |   |  |
| Choose Nottingham  |   | X  |
| Respect for Nottingham   |   |  |
| Transforming Nottingham’s Neighbourhoods   |   | X  |
| Supporting Nottingham People   |   | X  |
| Serving Nottingham Better  |   | X  |
| <b>Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):</b>  |   |  |
| This report advises the Area Committee about the use of the disbursement of individual member allocations under powers delegated to the Acting Director Local Communities. |   |  |
| <b>Recommendation(s):</b>  |   |  |
| <b>1</b>   | IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Committee notes the report.  |  |

### **1 BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 This action follows the arrangements established by the Executive Board in respect of individual member allocation budget spending.
- 1.2 Details of the spending are attached as appendices 1-8.

### **2 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)**

- 2.1 Members have an individual allocation of £10,000 per year. Arrangements agreed by Executive Board for spending the money were reported to the Area Committee at its meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

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

- 3.1 Not applicable.

### **4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)**

- 4.1 Members have an individual allocation of £10, 00 per year. Arrangements agreed by Executive Board for approving the spending of the money were delegated to the Director for Local Communities and that action is reported to the relevant Area Committee for accountability and transparency.

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

- 5.1 The decision to request the spending of allocations is made by the elected member after proper consultation and consideration and that decision is considered by the Director for Local Communities under delegated powers. The approval of spending will ensure that resources are directed effectively in improving and enhancing the delivery of service within the area that offer value for money.

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

- 6.1 None.

**7 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**


- 7.1 Executive Board 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets. Basford and Bestwood Area Committee 27<sup>th</sup> May 2009 – Area Committee Budget Allocation.

**RECORD OF USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY  
BY THE DIRECTOR OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

REF NO:

**WARD MEMBER BUDGETS – INDIVIDUAL WARD SUPPORT BUDGETS**

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| <b>RELEVANT WARD MEMBER/S:</b>                  | Councillors Brian Grocock, Mick Wildgust and David Smith  |                      |  |
| <b>RELEVANT AREA COMMITTEE:</b>                 | Area 2 – Basford & Bestwood   |                      |  |
| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | Councillors Brian Grocock, Mick Wildgust and David Smith recommend the approval of the Bestwood Christmas Cracker Event. The cost of the event is £4,000 for 2009.  |                      |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | Last year's Bestwood Christmas Tree Light Event was a great success. The event saw approximately one thousand Bestwood and City residents taking part. One hundred & fifty school children together with the after school clubs from all of the Bestwood schools took part in the event. Partner agencies also took part in the planning and the lantern parade together with the community fair. The event also supports community cohesion by bringing the community together to celebrate. |                      |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None  |                      |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillor Grocock, Councillor Wildgust and Councillor Smith individual ward support budgets.   |                      |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Southglade Primary School, Robin Hood Primary School, Bestwood Park After School Club and Bestwood Park Community Centre Committee  |                      |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | The event saw community cohesion at its best, to quote one resident, "I have lived here for over 40 years and never seen the community celebrate like this before, the children and their families involved should be very proud – what a lovely evening".  |                      |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | See above.  |                      |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Grocock, Wildgust and Smith have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.   |                      |  |
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|   |   | <b>DATE:</b>         | 24/9/09                                |

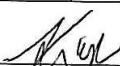
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| <b>RELEVANT AREA COMMITTEE:</b>                 | Area 2 – Basford & Bestwood  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | Councillors Brian Grocock, Mick Wildgust and David Smith recommend the approval of the Bestwood BAFTA Event. The cost of the event is £3,000.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | The Bestwood BAFTA event was started last year in recognition of local people that have either supported or helped their community in different ways by reaching a personal or professional goal, achievement or carrying out a piece of voluntary work in the community. The event is to celebrate their achievements and raise local aspirations.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillor Grocock, Councillor Wildgust and Councillor Smith individual ward support budgets.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           |  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | <p>The Bestwood BAFTA Event last year was a huge success with over thirty nominees awarded and over one hundred local residents attended. The feedback from residents and the community were,</p> <p>'It's so nice to be recognised for my volunteering, I really didn't expect this' (from a winner)</p> <p>'I love doing what I do, but it's even nicer that you also get a prize!' (from a winner)</p> <p>'I don't volunteer to get an award, but it is nice to be recognised' (from a winner)</p> <p>'I love the fact that local people are being recognised for what they do for their community' (staff member)</p> <p>'I have got really emotional for our parents that volunteer, finally they get a big pat on the back for the support they give the Centres' (Children's Centre worker)</p> |                      |                          |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | See above.   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Grocock, Wildgust and Smith have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.  |                      |                          |  |
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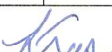
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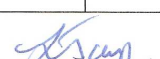
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| <b>RELEVANT WARD MEMBER/S:</b>                  | Councillors Cat Arnold, Rob Lee and Mick Newton  |                      |  |
| <b>RELEVANT AREA COMMITTEE:</b>                 | Area 2 – Basford & Bestwood  |                      |  |
| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | The approval of £3,000 for the Basford Week of Action Finale Day to be held at Ellis Guilford on Sunday 31 January 2010  |                      |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | The Week of Action will involve partners working in unison to address issues relevant to Basford and to deal with some of the concerns raised by the community. Objectives to reduce crime, work with drug users, engage young people and families, reduce anti-social behaviour, remove graffiti and abandoned cars or anything else that we can collectively impact upon the improvement of public confidence, in our ability to get things done together and have an influence that a single agency could not achieve alone. The Finale Day will endeavour to encapsulate the end of this Week. |                      |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None   |                      |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton and Cat Arnold  |                      |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Ellis Guilford School, Extended Schools, Police, Community Music, Dog Wardens, Graffiti Team, Sports Development, NHS, Street Scene, (not all consultations completed; action plan to be developed following the agreement of which section of Basford will be covered – to be determined on 12 November 2009)   |                      |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | Ellis Guilford will host the event; Extended Schools will support Neighbourhood Management in the development of the Action Plan for the event; Ellis Guilford Music School will demonstrate and promote on the day; Dogs Section will support in the involvement of residents and their dogs to get more ownership in control of pets in the area; Graffiti Team will demonstrate and involve youngsters on the day; more consultations to be finalised following the outcome of the above, in terms of area.   |                      |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | Support and advice to be discussed and taken at a later date   |                      |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton, and Cat Arnold have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.   |                      |  |
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| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | The approval of £500 for the Whitemoor Family Fun Day on Wednesday 28 October  |  |                          |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | Community event for residents and children, offering free food and activities during the Half-term school break, promoting the development of Whitemoor Park and surrounding residential area. |  |                          |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None   |  |                          |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton and Cat Arnold  |  |                          |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Park Rangers, Schools, City Sports Development, NCH, Play, and Street Scene Graffiti Team  |  |                          |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | The funding will enable the event to take place incorporating monies to cover BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Activities, etc  |  |                          |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | Safety provisions for bulb-planting by volunteers on the day; food & hygiene support from City Catering; risk assessments by Parks.  |  |                          |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton, and Cat Arnold have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.   |  |                          |
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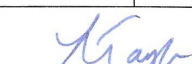
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| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | The approval of £100 for a local group of adults from the Fox & Crown Public House who have formed a football team as part of a fitness promotion for older adults at their local.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | The team have agreed times to practice and play matches now in a friendly league but would like some funding for strip and some of their equipment; this cannot be promoted through the Fox & Hound who already have their own football team that play in the Pub League. |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | Considerations to be given to them raising some of the money themselves through things such as a car-boot sale etc; the original request was for £345.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton and Cat Arnold   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Neighbourhood Management and the leader of this group of people   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | Negotiated compromise of £100 to support their venture but felt that Ward Budget could not make exceptions for footballers in the area; currently there are 22 Teams in Basford.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | None  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton, and Cat Arnold have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.  |                      |                          |  |
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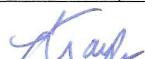
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| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | The approval of £500 towards the running costs of Old Basford Neighbourhood Watch Association.  |                      |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | To support the OBNWA with their continued work with partners such as the Police and the Prison services, in addition to their links with the Justice Seen, Justice Done initiative. |                      |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None  |                      |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton and Cat Arnold   |                      |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | OBNWA and Neighbourhood Management  |                      |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | Basford's current involvement in the Justice Seen, Justice Done initiative shows visible improvement and commitment by this group.  |                      |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | Information from Justice Seen, Justice Done and support from the local prison and police station  |                      |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton, and Cat Arnold have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.                                |                      |  |
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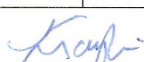


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| <b>RELEVANT AREA COMMITTEE:</b>                 | Area 2 – Basford & Bestwood  |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | Councillors Brian Grocock, Mick Wildgust and David Smith recommend the approval of £300 for Top Valley School Team Building exercise.  |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | The project was proposed by the Top Valley Transition Coordinator and the Year 7 pupils to support basic team building exercises in school during tutor time. The children will have to work in teams to complete a task; this will involve collecting literature, putting together scoring mechanisms etc. They will then be taken into the city centre to either the bowling centre or cinema depending on the task. They will have to work in their teams to accomplish their goal. |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None   |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillor Grocock, Councillor Wildgust and Councillor Smith individual ward support budgets.  |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Top Valley Year 7 Students<br>Top Valley Transition coordinator<br>Top Valley EIP Manager  |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | The hope is that this interaction, along with the fun element, will not only show them the uses of maths and English, outside the classroom but also spark some friendships between different groups of individuals that otherwise may never have spoken to each other.  |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | See above.   |                      |                          |  |                      |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Grocock, Wildgust and Smith have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.  |                      |                          |  |                      |
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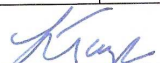
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| <b>RELEVANT AREA COMMITTEE:</b>                 | Area 2 – Basford & Bestwood   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>RECOMMENDATION/S OF WARD MEMBER/S:</b>       | The approval of £1,500 for the instigation and following costs of signage for schools competition on “Respect” theme around the Vernon Park area. This is an extension on the Library, School and Parks artwork and Vernon Park visit, themed around “Respect”. |                      |                          |  |
| <b>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>             | Support the residents’ drive on the improvement of ASB in the area and give emphasis on the promotion of confidence and ownership within the area.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b>                | None  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>RELEVANT WARD SUPPORT BUDGET/S:</b>          | Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton and Cat Arnold   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>CONSULTATIONS:</b>                           | Basford Library, Schools, Parks   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS:</b>                | Library and Parks event was well received with some good ideas from the young people and good artwork; this will gain some local ownership and support around our drives to reduce ASB in the area.   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>INFORMATION / ADVICE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT:</b> | Parks   |                      |                          |  |
| <b>LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:</b>         | No legal implications. Councillors Rob Lee, Mick Newton, and Cat Arnold have sufficient uncommitted ward member allocation to support this proposal.  |                      |                          |  |
| <b>APPROVED:</b>                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | <b>NOT APPROVED:</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>IF NOT APPROVED, STATE REASONS:</b> |
| <b>SIGNED:</b>                                  |    |                      |                          | <b>DATE:</b>                           |

Approved forms should be sent to Committee Section for publication and detailed by the Area Manager in the update report to the next meeting of the Area Committee. Forms not approved should be sent to Committee Section for publication and a report on any such issue should be submitted by the Area Manager to the next meeting of the Area Committee for decision.