

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee - 22nd May 2013

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| Title of paper: | Area Committee Finance and Delegated Authority | |
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| Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority: | |
| World Class Nottingham | |
| Work in Nottingham | |
| Safer Nottingham | x |
| Neighbourhood Nottingham | x |
| Family Nottingham | x |
| Healthy Nottingham | x |
| Leading Nottingham | x |

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

This report advises the Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Communities and provides an up to date finance report.

Recommendation(s):

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| 1 | That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within Area 1, detailed in Appendix A. |
| 2 | That Area Committee approves the Finance Report detailed in Appendix B |

1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 This action follows the arrangements established by the Executive Board to allow for spending approvals through individual Members budget allocations and Area Committee Finances.

2 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 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 21st November 2012.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Covered within the Appendix.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

- 4.1 Members had an individual allocation for 2012/13 of £5,000.

Bulwell Ward was also granted a sum of £15,993 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, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY 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 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

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

7 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 7.1 Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 21st March 2012
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 12th September 2012
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 21st November 2012
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 22nd February 2013

APPENDIX A

Bulwell Ward Budget Allocations since last report

| Schemes: Bulwell Ward | Councillor(s) | Amount (total) |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Bulwell Academy – EAZ Healthy eating film | Klein, Hartshorne & Morris | £500 |
| One Vision – Ashton Park Launch | Klein, Hartshorne & Morris | £300 |
| Bulwell Bog Notice Board | Klein, Hartshorne & Morris | £1200 |
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The following applications have received Councillor support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed by the Single Gateway Unit or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval:-
Spring lane right filter £2500, Bulwell Bogs Heritage Trail £1980, Hucknall Lane Bollard £412, Ellis Guildford Book Project £300.
CRESTA TRA printer support £50, French lessons for youth exchange visit £90, Dragons Den £2500, Domestic abuse awareness training £375

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| Balance Brought Forward 11/12 | £19,001 |
| Councillor Funding 12/13 | £15,000 |
| Deprivation Funds | £15,993 |
| Total Funds | £49,994 |
| Allocated 12/13 | £16,588 |
| De-committed Schemes | £6,041 |
| Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes | £39,447 |

Bulwell Forest Ward Budget Allocations since last report

| Schemes: Bulwell Forest Ward | Councillor(s) | Amount (total) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Stanstead School – NDVF Great Project | Campbell, Clark, McDonald | £550 |
| Dragons Den 2013 | Campbell, Clark, McDonald | £2500 |
| Bulwell Forest Community Garden | Campbell, Clark, McDonald | £300 |
| The Big Lunch – Rise Park | Campbell, Clark, McDonald | £300 |

The following applications have received Councillor support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed by the Single Gateway Unit or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval;-
 French lessons for youth exchange visit £90, Trent Sound £750, Fun on the Forest £604, Southglade Park Live £1500

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| Balance Brought Forward 11/12 | 20,820 |
| Councillor Funding 12/13 | 15,000 |
| Deprivation Funds | 0 |
| Total Funds | 35,820 |
| Allocated 12/13 | 13,114 |
| Decommitted Schemes | 4640 |
| Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes | 27346 |