

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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City Council

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Subject:	Payment of funds to 'Small Steps Big Changes'
Total Value:	£35,000 (Type: Revenue)
Decision Being Taken:	Leverage funding contribution to support the development of 'Small Steps Big Changes', the local Big Lottery 'A Better Start Programme'.
Reasons for the Decision(s)	As part of the bid of the programme bid to the Big lottery, the council committed expenditure to support the development, delivery and embedding of the programme aims, which are to improve outcomes, including social and emotional development and communication, language and literacy for under 3's in identified areas of the City. The funding will be used to further roll-out a book-gifting scheme already running in wards of the city. The scheme supports the educational priorities of the city. This was a contribution agreed with partners at the initiation of this programme. This is the final instalment/year of leverage requirements.
Other Options Considered:	Not transferring the money was rejected as the Big Lottery funding was granted on the understanding that partners, including the City Council, contributed leverage.
Background Papers:	None.
Published Works:	None.
Affected Wards:	Aspley, Bulwell, Hyson Green and Arboretum, St Ann's

**Colleague / Councillor
Interests:**

Consultations: Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.

**Crime and Disorder
Implications:** None arising from the decision.

Equality: EIA not required. Reasons: Not required as this is not a new or changing policy, service, or function.

Decision Type: Officer

Executive Decision? Yes

**Scheme of Delegation
Reference Number or Other
Source of Delegation:** 1

Subject to Call In: No
The call-in procedure does not apply to the decision because the value of the decision is below the call in threshold.

Advice Sought: Finance

Finance Advice: The value of this decision is £0.035m and the funding to support this initiative will be from an earmarked reserve.

The decision needs to consider that this funding is better aligned to this commitment rather than to support in-year over spends. However, the total funding of this programme of £0.125m (made up of payments of £0.045m, £0.045m and £0.035m) was agreed during the initiation of the programme.

This is the final payment in respect of this programme.

Advice provided by Philip Gretton (Finance Analyst) on 26/05/2020.

Signatures: Candida Brudenell (Asst Chief Exec Corporate Director S&R)
SIGNED and Dated: 28/05/2020