

## Lenton & Wollaton East, Meadows, Wollaton West Area Committee – 23 September 2020

<b>Title of paper:</b>	Ward Councillor Budget	
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<b>Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)</b>	N/A	
<b>Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:</b>		
Nottingham People		X
Living in Nottingham		X
Growing Nottingham		X
Respect for Nottingham		X
Serving Nottingham Better		X
<b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):</b>		
<p>This report advises this Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Community Protection for those projects funded by Ward Councillor Budgets</p>		
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>		
<b>1</b>	<p>That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Community Protection in respect of projects and schemes within the Lenton &amp; Wollaton East, Meadows, and Wollaton West Wards detailed in Appendices A, B, and C</p>	

### **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 2019/20 and 2020/21.

### **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, B, and C but the funding requested will provide additional services or benefit to residents of this area.

### **4 FINANCE COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)**

- 4.1 Ward Budget allocations for 2020/2021 are as follows:

Lenton & Wollaton East	=£10,000
Meadows	=£ 7,500
Wollaton West	=£10,000

- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to a subsequent committee.

### **5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)**

- 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 COLLEAGUE COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)**

- 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, B, & C is held by the Constitutional Services team.

### **9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 9.1 None