

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – February 18th 2015

Title of paper:	Area Committee Finance and Delegated Authority	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Not relevant	
Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
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 type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/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):		
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.	

1. **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 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 December 12th 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 Bulwell and Bulwell Forest wards.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Members had an individual allocation for 2013/14 of £5,000.
Bulwell Ward was also granted an additional sum of £15,993 under the heading -- Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) funding.
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- 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 AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 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. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Not needed (report does not contain proposals or financial decisions) X

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 Appendix A is held by the Committee Section.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 22nd May 2013
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 18th September 2013
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 20th November 2013
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 19th February 2014
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 21st May 2014
Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 3rd September 2014

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 12th December 2014

APPENDIX A

Bulwell Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Deep Clean	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£2000
Wren bid match	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£11,000
Aspen Road Bin	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£350
Making a positive contribution	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£500
Scouts equipment	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£250
Well Women Event	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£350
Bins Bulwell	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£3,500
Older Persons event	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£150
Glee Club	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£3000
Bulwell Xmas Lights 2015	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£4,000

The following have received Councillor Support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval; Arts Festival £300, Choir £1,000 & Crabtree School London eye £1,000 (these schemes are not included in the table below)

Balance Brought Forward 13/14	£44,706
Councillor Funding 14/15	£15,000
Deprivation Funds	£15,993
Total Funds	£75,699
Allocated 14/15	£60090
De-committed Schemes	£10,603
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	£26,212

Bulwell Forest Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Forest Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total in £)
Making a Positive Contribution	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	500
Tent and cooking equipment, 48 th Nott'm Scouts	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	250
Bulwell and Rise Park Xmas Lights 2015	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	3900
Bulwell Forest Bulb Planting	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	400
Age Friendly Initiatives	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	3000
St Mary's Churchyard steps painting	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	150
Bulwell Forest Garden Arts Festival Workshops	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	900
Hucknall Rd Gateway Improvements	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	2750
Bulwell Forest Litter Bins	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	2800
Useful Contacts Leaflet	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	800
Bulwell Forest Bowling Green Equipment	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	2000
Rise Park Play Facilities	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	5000

The following have received Councillor support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval;- Fun on Bulwell Forest £1200, Interpretation Board Bulwell Forest Recreation Ground £600(These schemes are not included in the table below)

Balance Brought Forward 13/14	41,361
Councillor Funding 14/15	15,000
Deprivation Funds	0
Total Funds	56,361
Allocated 14/15	52,037
Decommitted Schemes	421
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	4,745