

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – February 17th 2016

Title of paper:	Area Committee Finance and Delegated Authority		
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A		
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:			
Strategic Regeneration and Development			<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools			<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing			<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services			x
Energy, Sustainability and Customer			<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport			<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector			x
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years			<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture			x
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration			x
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 in November 2015

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 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Each ward member had a budget allocation of £5000 for 2015/16 plus any underspends from previous years allocation.
- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to a subsequent committee.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT 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 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 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 N/A

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No

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An EIA is not required because this report does not relate to changing policy or functions.

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

- 8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee Minutes – November 2015

APPENDIX A

Bulwell Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Football equipment	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£125
Light Switch on 2016	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£4000
Older Persons event 2016	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£250
Extended toilet opening 2016	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£2000
Peoples Choice	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£59
Planting barriers	Hartshorne, Morris & Klein	£250

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; Events £1,500(these schemes are not included in the table below)

Balance Brought Forward 14/15	£6,200
Councillor Funding 15/16	£15,000
Total Funds	£21,200
Allocated 15/16	£8730
De-committed Schemes	£355
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	£12,825

Bulwell Forest Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Forest Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total in £)
Bulwell Forest Week of Action 2016	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	1500
Volunteer Recruitment Event	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	600
Rise Park and Bulwell Xmas Lights	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	3900
Scorpion Football Club	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	125
SKN Heritage	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	250

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 £600, Mellish Sports Centre Xmas Playscheme £250, Bulwell Forest Football Club £700 (These schemes are not included in the table below)

Balance Brought Forward 14/15	78
Councillor Funding 15/16	15,000
Total Funds	15,078
Allocated 15/16	12,176
Decommited Schemes	0
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	2,902