

WEST AREA COMMITTEE - 2 MARCH 2016

Title of paper:	PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead, Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Wards affected: Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Not relevant	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		x
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		x
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		x
Adults, Health and Community Sector		x
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		x
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 Neighbourhood Services.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within West Area, detailed in Appendix A from the Ward Councillor Budget Allocation for 2015/2016.	

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.
- 1.2 All Councillors in the Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley Wards have received an allocation of £5,000 each for 2015/2016.

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.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

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

- 4.1 The arrangements approved by the Executive Board for spending Ward Councillor budgets are reported back, for information, to this Area Committee. Ward Councillors and Neighbourhood Development Officers work together on funding applications to ensure that value for money is achieved and spending is monitored.

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 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)

- 7.1 An EIA is not required as these decisions do not relate to new or changing policies 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 Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets.