

BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA COMMITTEE – 18TH MAY 2016

Title of paper:	Delegated Authority and Finance		
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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			<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing			<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services			x
Energy, Sustainability and Customer			x
Jobs, Growth and Transport			<input type="checkbox"/>
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 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 February 17th 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 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 Members have been allocated £5000 per member for 2016/2017 which has been added to any underspend from the previous financial year.
- 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)

- 6.1 None

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 decision 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 A delegated authority for each scheme is available.

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets

APPENDIX A

Bulwell Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Events	Hartshorne & Klein	£1,500

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; (these schemes are not included in the table below). Bulwell Arts Festival £2,000, Carnival £106.

Balance Brought Forward 2015/16	£6,200
Councillor Funding 2016/17	£15,000
Total Funds	£21,200
Allocated 2016/17	£0
De-committed Schemes	£0
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	£21,200

Bulwell Forest Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Forest Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total in £)
Bulwell Forest Football Club	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	700
Highbury Vale Christmas Play scheme	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	250
Latimer Park Play Equipment	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	320
Bulwell Forest Community Garden Arts festival	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	500
Sharewear	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	840

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 St Mary's Guides £690 (These schemes are not included in the table below)

Balance Brought Forward 2015/16	1,517
Councillor Funding 2016/17	15,000
Total Funds	16,517
Allocated 2016/17	0
De-committed Schemes	0
Uncommitted Funds after Allocated Schemes	16,517