BASFORD, BERRIDGE & SHERWOOD AREA COMMITTEE - 18 DECEMBER 2019

Title	of paper:	Ward Councillor Budget		
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Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:				
Nottingham People				
Living in Nottingham				
Growing Nottingham				
Respect for Nottingham				
Serving Nottingham Better				
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):				
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This report advises this Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Neighbourhood Services for those projects funded by Ward Councillor Budgets.				
Recommendation:				
1	That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Community Protection in respect of projects and schemes within the Basford, Berridge and Sherwood wards for the financial year 2019/20 as detailed in appendices A, B and C.			

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.

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 COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

4.1 Ward Councillors had an allocation for 2019/20 of £10,000 per ward.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS

- 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 COMMENTS

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 <u>LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION</u>

8.1 N/A

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 None.