

Report of: Area Leader

Report to: Inner East Community Committee, Burmantofts & Richmond Hill, Gipton & Harehills and Killingbeck & Seacroft

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To note

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Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide Members of the Inner East Community Committee with an update on the 2018/19 Wellbeing budget, including details of any new projects for consideration and to inform the committee of decisions taken by delegated authority since the last community committee meeting.

Main issues

2. This report provides Elected Members with an update on the current position of the capital and revenue budget for the Inner East Community Committee.
3. Applications for funding received since the date of the last community committee are included in the report.
4. The report notes decisions regarding Wellbeing applications taken by delegated authority since the last Inner East Community Committee.

Options

5. Approved Youth Activity Fund applications

The following projects have been approved by Delegated Decision since the last community committee meeting in line with the 'minimum conditions', authorising revenue spend from the 2018/19 Youth Activity budget.

Project	Organisation	Wards affected	Amount awarded	Projected year of spend
Nowells Dance Sessions	DAZL	Burmantofts and Richmond Hill	£1200	2018/19

New Wellbeing applications received

6. The following Wellbeing applications have been received since the date of the last community committee. Some of these applications have been approved since being received. Others are currently undergoing consultation with the relevant ward members.

Project: RadhaRaman Ebor Gardens Event
Organisation: Communities Team
Wards Affected: Burmantofts and Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £900
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Approved

Project: Seacroft Select Boxing Club
Organisation: Leeds Community Spaces
Wards Affected: Killingbeck and Seacroft
Amount requested: £1800
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Approved

Project: Community Cafe
Organisation: Community Hubs
Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills/ Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £3628.71
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: £2177.23 approved

Project: Exercise classes
Organisation: Community Hubs
Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills/ Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £1110
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: £666 approved

Project: Denis Healey Centre Equipment
Organisation: LCC Youth Service
Wards Affected: Killingbeck & Seacroft
Amount requested: £3344.50
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Pending

Project: Denis Healey After School Club
Organisation: Street Works Soccer
Wards Affected: Killingbeck & Seacroft
Amount requested: £6,000
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Pending

Project: Harehills Festive Lights
Organisation: Communities Team
Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills
Amount requested: £3,038
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Approved

Project: Fever FM Equipment
Organisation: Fever FM
Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills
Amount requested: £7495
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: £6000 approved

Project: Junior Sports Hub Equipment
Organisation: Junior Sports Hub
Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills
Amount requested: £2212.20
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Pending

Project: Leodis Grid- Digital Access Project
Organisation: Get Technology Together C.I.C
Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £1,966.16
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Approved

Project: Leeds Free Little Library
Organisation: Leeds Little Free Library
Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £1000
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Pending

Project: Nowell Mount MUGA Lights
Organisation: Communities Team
Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £600
Projected year of spend: 2018/19
Decision: Approved

Project: Stay and Play Project
Organisation: Project Hope
Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill
Amount requested: £1500
Projected year of spend: 2018/19

Decision: Pending

Project: Gipton and Harehills Project

Organisation: Street Work Soccer

Wards Affected: Gipton & Harehills

Amount requested: £6000

Projected year of spend: 2018/19

Decision: Approved

Project: Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Project

Organisation: Street Work Soccer

Wards Affected: Burmantofts & Richmond Hill

Amount requested: £3000

Projected year of spend: 2018/19

Decision: Approved

Project: The Works Christmas Bike Programme

Organisation: The Works

Wards Affected: Killingbeck & Seacroft

Amount requested: £4040

Projected year of spend: 2018/19

Decision: Declined

Project: The Works Half Term Camps

Organisation: The Works

Wards Affected: Killingbeck & Seacroft

Amount requested: £1,882

Projected year of spend: 2018/19

Decision: Approved

Wellbeing projects approved by delegated decision

7. In accordance with the 'minimum conditions' set out below – including consultation with the relevant ward members - the following projects have been approved by Delegated Decision since the last community committee meeting, authorising revenue spend from both the 2018/19 Wellbeing budgets:

Project	Organisation	Wards affected	Amount awarded	Projected year of spend
RadhaRaman Folk Festival	RadhaRaman Society	Gipton & Harehills	£1200	2018/19
RadhaRaman Ebor Gardens	RadhaRaman Society	Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£900	2018/19
Seacroft Select Boxing Club	Leeds Community Spaces	Killingbeck & Seacroft	£1800	2018/19
Community Café	Compton Centre	Gipton & Harehills/Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£2177	2018/19

Exercise Classes	Compton Centre	Gipton & Harehills/Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£666	2018/19
Festive Lights	Communities Team	Gipton & Harehills	£3,038	2018/19
Equipment	Fever FM	Gipton & Harehills	£6000	2018/19
Leodis Grid-Digital Access Point	Get Technology Together C.I.C	Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£1,966.16	2018/19
Nowell Mount MUGA Lights	Communities Team	Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£600	2018/19
Gipton & Harehills Soccer Project	Street Works Soccer	Gipton & Harehills	£6000	2018/19
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Soccer Project	Street Works Soccer	Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	£3000	2018/19
October Half Term Camps	The Works	Killingbeck & Seacroft	£1,882	2018/19

8. Current spends to date for the Wellbeing budgets are attached as **Appendix 1**. The committee is asked to note these.
9. Current spends to date for the Youth Activity Fund are attached as **Appendix 2**. The committee is asked to note these.

Corporate considerations

1. Wellbeing funding is used to support the annual priorities agreed by Elected Members at the March meeting of the Inner East Community Committee. The annual priorities support the Council's Vision for Leeds 2011 to 2030 and Best Council Plan 2018-19.
2. Youth Activity Funding supports the Children and Young People's plan outcome – 'Children and Young People Have Fun Growing Up'.
3. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities and Environment to take such decisions.

The Community Committee has previously approved the following 'minimum conditions' in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when such conditions have been satisfied:

- a. consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken;

- b. a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors), and;
- c. details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members' information.

The Committee is invited to review the conditions previously agreed and consider whether any amendments are required, prior to agreeing such conditions for operation in the forthcoming municipal year.

4. The Community Committee, supported by the Communities Team, has delegated responsibility for taking of decisions and monitoring of activity relating to utilisation of capital and revenue Wellbeing budgets (including the Youth Activity Fund) within the framework of the Council's Constitution (Part 3, Section 3D) and in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.
5. In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, agreed at Full Council May 2012, all decisions taken by Community Committees are not eligible for Call In.
6. There is no exempt or confidential information in this report.

Conclusion

The Wellbeing fund and Youth Activity Fund provides financial support for projects in the Inner East area which support the priorities set annually by the Inner East Community Committee. This report sets out the current Wellbeing budget position, including new applications, and also notes recent decisions on funding applications made by delegated authority.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

1. Note the Wellbeing spend to date and current balances for the 2018/19 financial year (Appendix 1).
2. Note the Youth Activity Fund spend to date and current balances for the 2018/19 financial year (Appendix 2).
3. Note new Wellbeing applications that have been received since the date of the last community committee meeting.
4. Note the decisions taken on funding applications by delegated authority, in line with the agreed 'minimum conditions'.

Background information

Revenue

- Each of the ten Community Committees receives an annual allocation of revenue funding. The amount of funding for each Community Committee is determined by a

formula based on 50% population and 50% deprivation in each area, which has been previously agreed by the Council's Executive Board.

- It has been agreed that the new revenue wellbeing budget for this Community Committee for 2018/19 is £278,860. Carryover of both uncommitted and committed revenue funds from 2017/18 has also continued as well as any underspends. The total budget for 2018/19 is £330,260. It must be noted by the Community Committee that this figure includes schemes approved and ongoing from 2017/18 which are carried forward to be paid.
- As agreed at the March 2018 meeting of the Inner East Community Committee, once the agreed topsliced projects are removed the remaining budget will be split three ways between the wards. The amount available for each ward to spend in 2018/19 as well as the amounts remaining per ward are detailed in **Appendix 1 and 2**.
- The Wellbeing Fund Large Grant programme supports the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of a Community Committee area by funding projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities. A group applying to the Wellbeing fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and finance controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities; and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.
- Projects eligible for funding could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010 projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their religion, gender, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.
- Wellbeing Fund applications are considered at the relevant Ward Member meetings, wherever possible, for Elected Members recommendations prior to the Community Committee meeting.

Small Grants

- Community organisations can apply for a small grant to support small scale projects in the community. A maximum of one grant of up to £500 can be awarded to any one group in any financial year, to enable as many groups as possible to benefit. These are approved by Councillors outside of the Community Committee meeting and are funded from a small grant pot set aside by Elected Members from their Ward allocation.

Community Engagement

- The Inner East Community Committee approved an amount of £3,000 at its March 2018 meeting to spend on community engagement activities. This allocation is split equally between the three Wards.
- The funds are to be spent on room hire, refreshment and stationary costs associated with community meetings.

Crime and Grime Tasking

- Each of the priority neighbourhoods in the Inner East area has a multi-agency tasking team which focuses on tackling crime, anti-social behaviour and environmental problems. Ward members have set aside a portion of their Ward allocation to support the work of these teams; this pot is managed by the ENE Communities Team.

Project Monitoring Update

- Projects which are awarded Wellbeing funding are required to submit project monitoring returns giving details of what the project has achieved.

Capital Receipts Programme

- The establishment of a Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme (CRIS) was approved by Executive Board in October 2011. The key feature of the scheme is that 20% of each receipt generated will be retained locally for re-investment, subject to maximum per receipt of £100k, with 15% retained by the respective Ward – via the existing Ward Based Initiative Scheme - and 5% pooled across the Council and distributed to Wards on the basis of need.
- Future allocations will take place on a quarterly basis following regular update reports to Executive Board. As agreed previously by the Inner East Community Committee, all new allocations are to be divided equally between the three Wards.

Youth Activity Fund

- For 2018/19, the Community Committee was allocated £62,140 of new Youth Activity Funding (YAF). This pot of money is specifically ring-fenced for universal youth activity related projects for 8-17 year olds.
- As agreed previously by the Community Committee, all new allocations are to be divided equally between the three Wards. Details of the current balance of Youth Activity Fund (YAF) are shown in **Appendix 2**.