

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (ELMBRIDGE)

MEMBERS' ALLOCATIONS – ANNUAL REPORT 2007/08

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KEY ISSUE

To inform the Local Committee how Member Allocations were spent in 2007/08.

SUMMARY

Surrey County Council's Local Committees are allocated funding that meet local social, economic or environmental needs of the area in which they are based.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Elmbridge) is asked to agree:

(i) To note the contents of this report.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Committees have been the power to take decisions in response to local needs within the County Council's power of well-being, up to a maximum sum per County Council member of the Committee. In addition the County Council has allocated a capital sum to Local Committees. This funding is determined annually as part of the Council's budget process.
- 1.2 In 2007/08, the County Council allocated the sum of £11,000 revenue per County Councillor, and a total sum of £35,000 per Local Committee for capital projects. The Local Committee (Elmbridge) therefore had a total budget of £99,000 revenue and £35,000 capital to allocate throughout the year, as well as some funding which was carried forward from the previous year.

2 ANALYSIS

- 2.1 Surrey County Council's Corporate Plan lists the main challenges for the County under the following headings:
 - Making Surrey a better place to learn and develop
 - Making Surrey a better place to live and do business
 - Making Surrey a better place to travel
 - Making Surrey a better place where vulnerable people are more independent
 - Making Surrey a better place where people feel safe
 - Making Surrey a better place where everybody matters
- 2.2 In line with the Corporate Plan all Member Allocations (whether revenue or capital) are coded to reflect broadly how it aligns with the corporate priorities. The codes are:

Adults & Community Care: Independence for vulnerable adults, older people, adults with disabilities and health conditions, carers and health promotion.

Children & Schools: Children, vulnerable children, play, parenting, schools, children with disabilities and health conditions and children's carers.

Community Safety: Street lighting, abandoned cars, graffiti, fire and rescue, road safety, consumer protection, drug and alcohol misuse, domestic violence, a sense of safety, fear of crime and reassurance.

Environmental Projects: protecting countryside, waste and recycling.

Transport: Ways of travel, roads, pavements, traffic problems and highways.

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Lifelong Learning: learning in the community, libraries, adult & community learning and schools as community centres.

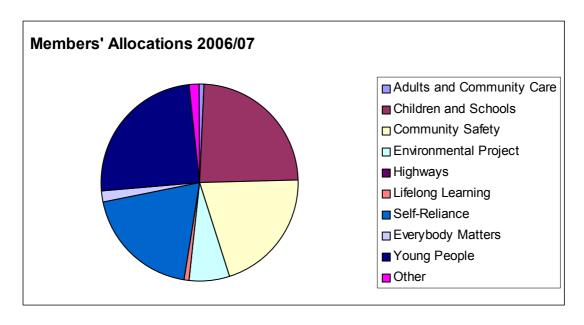
Self-Reliance: Local businesses, the Surrey economy, quality of life in disadvantaged areas, support for rural communities, ethnic minorities, community cohesion, refugees and management development for community organisations.

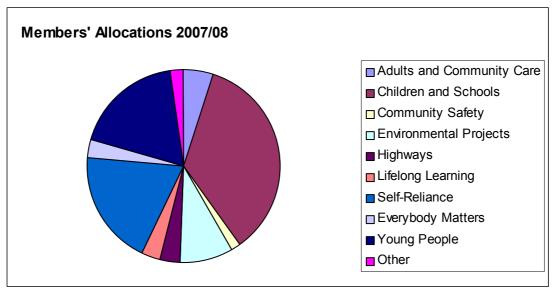
Everybody Matters: Consultation, community engagement, democracy, local committees, partnership development and publicity.

Young People: Facilities and activities for young people outside school including shelters, leisure equipment, courses, skateboard parks etc

2.3 The following charts show how capital and revenue was allocated across the subject areas, and indicate that projects to support Children and Schools, Self-Reliance and Young People received the highest proportion of funding. The amount of funding contributed towards community safety projects has significantly reduced in 2007/08. In 2006/07 Children and Schools and Young People received the highest proportion of support.

Category	Amount	Percentage
Adults and Community Care	7,410.00	4.9%
Children & Schools	52,750.42	35.2%
Community Safety	2,342.00	1.6%
Environmental Projects	13,493.00	8.9%
Highways	5,000.00	3.3%
Lifelong Learning	4,628.92	3.1%
Self-Reliance	29,107.28	19.4%
Everybody Matters	4,500.00	3.0%
Young People	27,536.74	18.4%
Other	3,250.00	2.2%
		100%





2.4 All projects supported in 2007/08 are listed in Annex A to this report.

3 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The allocations agreed benefited a wide range of adults and children in Elmbridge, some of whom may have disabilities.

4 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 For the year 2007/08 a wide range of projects were supported. This report provides an opportunity to review this. Members are invited to comment. This report will also be accompanied by a display at the Local Committee meeting highlighting projects supported throughout the year and how they have made a difference locally.

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