

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (EPSOM & EWELL)

MEMBERS ALLOCATIONS ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008

9 June 2008

KEY ISSUE

To review the allocation of Local Committee [Epsom & Ewell] delegated funding in 2007/08.

SUMMARY

Surrey County Council's Local Committees receive delegated authority to allocate funding for locally determined purposes that meet local social, economic or environmental well-being needs.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Epsom & Ewell) is asked to:

(i) Note the distribution of funding allocated by the Local Committee in 2007/08 and consider any priority areas for 2008/09.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

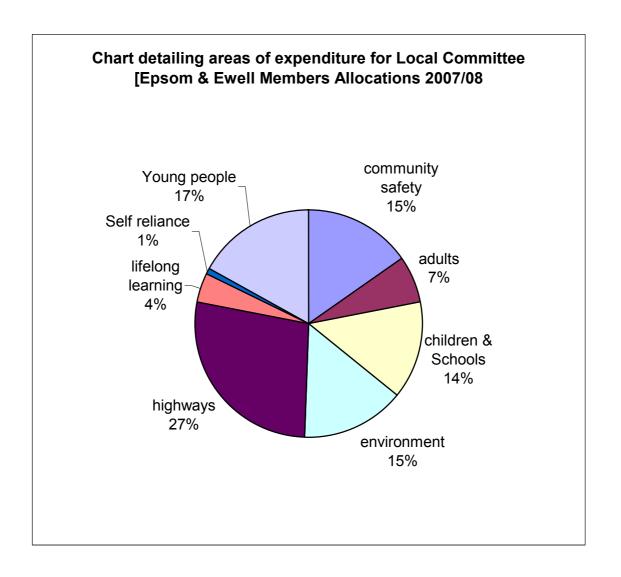
- 1.1 Surrey County Council's Local Committees have been delegated power to take decisions in response to local needs within the County Council's power of well-being, up to a maximum sum per County Council member of the Committee. In addition the County Council have also delegated a capital sum to Local 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 £11,00 revenue per County Councillor, and a total sum of £35,000 per Local Committee for capital projects. The Local Committee [Epsom & Ewell] therefore had a total budget of £55,000 revenue and £35,000 to allocate throughout the year.

2 FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK FOR LOCAL COMMITTEES

2.1 To give Local Committees maximum flexibility, the key underlying principle is that Local Committees are at liberty to spend on locally determined purposes that meet local social, economic or environmental well-being

3 SUMMARY OF EPSOM & EWELL'S LOCAL COMMITTEE DELEGATED BUDGETS 2007/08

- 3.1 The Local Committee allocated all of the funding delegated to it in 2007/08 to a total of 34 projects across the Borough from its revenue budget, and 8 projects from the Capital grant. This included a total of £4,877 revenue funding and £3618 capital funding returned by organisations unable to proceed with their projects. Allocations ranged in size from £300 for the feasibility study for the restoration of the pond in Shadbolt Park up to £7883 for a proposed footway in Chalk Lane.
- 3.2 The projects that received funding gave a wide range of economic, social and environmental benefits to the Epsom & Ewell area. The chart below summarises the revenue funding allocated by the Local Committee in 2007/08



Members Allocations Revenue 2007/08

Category	Amount	Percentage
Adults & Community	£4,000	7%
Care		
Children & Schools	£8,308	14%
Community Safety	£9,071	15%
Environment	£8,949	15%
Highways	£16,383	27%
Lifelong Learning	£2,561	4%
Self Reliance	£500	1%
Young People	£10,105	17%
Total	£59,877	100%

4 LOCAL COMMITTEE DELEGATED BUDGETS 2008/09

4.1 At the annual budget meeting on 5 February 2008 the County Council approved delegated funding to Local Committees of £11,000 revenue funding per County Council member and £35,000 capital per committee.

5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Local Committee delegated revenue funding for 2007/08 was £55,000 and a capital grant of £35,000. These monies were spent as per the attached annexe A.

6 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The Local Committee funding can be allocated to projects that benefit a diverse range of community needs. A summary of how the funding has been allocated is set out in Annexe A.

7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The Local Committee funding can be allocated to projects that benefit a diverse range of community safety needs. A summary of how the funding has been allocated is set out in Annexe A.

8 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 Surrey County Council Local Committees receive delegated funding to allocate on locally determined purposes that meet local social, economic or environmental well being.
- 8.2 The revenue and capital budgets have provided a wide variety of funding to assist local community issues, strengthening the partnership between the Borough, the County Council, and other organisations including voluntary. The funds provided particularly encourage youth development and activity, and address local transportation problems, as the above pie chart demonstrates, responding to local need.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: Local committee funding bids

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