

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (Epsom & Ewell)

COMMUNITY PRIDE FUND

27th JUNE 2011

KEY ISSUE AND SUMMARY

Surrey County Council's new £400,000 Community Pride Fund will pay for improvements to towns and villages across the county. In November 2010 the Cabinet has approved an allocation to each Local Committee based on £5,000 per County Member. For Epsom & Ewell this is a total of £25,000. The Epsom & Ewell Local Committee has delegated authority to decide how this funding is allocated.

Guidance as to how this fund can be used and what it can deliver has been distributed to Members and is included as an annex to this report.

To ensure all Local County Councillors have the ability and flexibility to promote projects in their area it is recommended that the Local Committee delegate funding and decision making to each County Councillor on the basis of the £5,000 per Member allocation. If two or more Members wish to pool their funding across divisional boundaries Officers will facilitate this, subject to the agreement of all appropriate parties.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

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

- (i) Funding is devolved to each County Councillor based on an equitable allocation of £5,000 per division
- (ii) Individual Members allocate their funding based on the principles detailed in annex 1

(iii) That Members should contact the Area Maintenance Engineer to discuss any specific requirements and arrange for the work activities to be managed on their behalf.

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