

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

PROPOSALS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S REVENUE ALLOCATIONS

9 December 2009

KEY ISSUE/DECISION:

To receive a report on the uses to be made of the Members' revenue budgets for 2009-2010, noting actions carried out under delegated authority.

SUMMARY

The report summarises the framework and principles that govern the various delegated budgets to the Committee; gives information on funding applications approved under delegated authority after the last meeting of the Committee. The revenue budgets available to the Committee in 2009-2010 are described along with options for dealing with these.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked:

- a. to approve the proposed expenditure from the Members' Revenue Allocation budget listed in paragraph 6 and detailed in Annexe A.
- to note the allocations agreed under delegated authority from the 2009/10 budget since the Local Committee meeting held on 30 September 2009 (paragraph 4)
- c. to approve the return of funding to the relevant member for a project where funding is no longer required (paragraph 5).

BACKGROUND

The County Council's revenue budget for 2009/10 makes available delegated funding to be spent on local projects to promote the well being of the people of each borough or district area. For the current year this amounts to £8,250 for each of the 10 County Council Members of the Committee (a total of £82,500).

ITEM 10

The overall Financial Framework within which Local Committee delegated budgets are deployed is set out in the County Council's Constitution. The underlying principle is that Local Committees are at liberty to spend on locally determined purposes that promote social, economic or environmental well being, as required by the Local Government Act 2000.

3 Grants should:

- Be directed to activities for which the County Council has legal powers
- Meet demonstrable local needs
- Deliver value for money so that there is evidence of the outcomes achieved
- Be consistent with County Council policies
- Be approved through a process that is open and transparent, consultative, accountable and auditable
- Where appropriate, allow opportunities to be taken to pool funds with partner organisations

PROPOSALS FROM INDIVIDUAL REVENUE ALLOCATIONS

The following projects have been agreed by the Area Director under delegated authority since the Local Committee meeting held on 30th September 2009:

From the 2009/10 budget:

Agreed by Dave Johnson

- a) £500 for an interactive whiteboard for Send First School Nursery (Keith Taylor)
- b) £354 for Merrow War Memorial repairs (Graham Ellwood)
- c) £500 for BESOM community project for St Johns Church Stoke (David Goodwin)
- d) £1,000 for music and arts equipment for the N factor youth club (Mike Nevins)

Agreed by Carolyn Rowe

- e) £500 for Greening Campaign launch in Friary & St Nicolas (David Goodwin)
- f) £1,000 for a new East Clandon village website. (Keith Taylor) The Committee is asked to note the actions of the Area Director, under delegated authority.
- The Committee is also asked to note the return of £200 to Bill Barker allocated for the Guildford 2012 Olympic Games Partnership facilitated session, which is no longer required.
- The following proposal is for consideration and decision at this committee and listed in Annex A:
 - a. £1500 towards the cost of benches for Haydon Place/Sandfield Terrace pedestrian area (David Goodwin)

CONSULTATIONS

7 The appropriate SCC services and partner agencies for each proposal have been consulted as detailed in each proposal document, appended to this report.

IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, EQUALITIES, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL)

The proposals from the Members' allocations revenue are intended to enhance the wellbeing of Guildford residents and make best possible use of the funds available to the Local Committee.

CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The spending proposals from the Members' allocations revenue put forward for this meeting have been assessed for appropriateness and value for money and it is recommended that they should be approved, to enhance the wellbeing of Guildford residents.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- Should Members agree the proposals from the Members' allocations revenue, officers will require recipient agencies to sign a brief funding agreement form (based on the attached documents and Committee's decision), and then transfer funds when the agency requires. Recipient agencies are required to: account for the way the money has been spent, identifying where outcomes have been achieved, include a credit for SCC Local Committee in any publicity, and meet other conditions of the funding agreement. Officers will continue the practice of preparing an annual report on the outcomes of the previous year's funding.
- As part of their community leadership role, many Members will be in ongoing contact with projects for which they have proposed and secured funding. The input and perspective of Members on the effectiveness of local projects will be an important contribution to the ongoing monitoring of this funding.

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PROPOSAL FOR EXPENDITURE OF LOCAL BUDGET

Name of Member:	David Goodwin
Name of project:	Haydon Place/Sandfield
	Place Junction
Organisation responsible for carrying the project?	out Guildford Borough Council
Description of Project: What outcomes are expected? What needs will it address? What geograph area will it cover? Who will benefit? H many people?	
Who has been consulted?	Consultation with the local residents, businesses and schools
When will the project be started and completed? When will outcomes be seen?	Planned to start in first quarter of 2010. Construction estimated to be 4 to 6 weeks. Benefits will be immediate.
What is the total cost of the project? Estimate/breakdown of costings.	£62,000 total estimated cost – hard and soft landscape works
Amount and purpose of proposed Loc Committee funding?	cal £1,500
What alternative funds have been sou or secured?	received.
Has any other part of Surrey County Council been approached for this funding?	No
Has the Local Committee given funding for this purpose in the past?	
If this project will need funding in future how will that be met?	re, No
Area Director's / SCC Service Manag	
comments	recommends approval.
Date of Local Committee	9/12/09