

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

MEMBERS' ALLOCATIONS

21st March 2012

KEY ISSUE

To receive a report on the uses to be made of the Members' capital and revenue budgets for 2011-2012, noting actions carried out under delegated authority.

SUMMARY

The report summarises the framework and principles that govern the various delegated budgets available to the Committee in 2011/12, along with options for managing these. It also gives information on funding applications approved under delegated authority since the last meeting of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to:

- a) note the actions carried out under delegated authority as detailed in paragraph 2.1.
- b) agree the proposed expenditure from the Members' Capital and the Members' Revenue allocation budgets as detailed in paragraph 2.2, subject to:
 - Formal costings being received by the Community Partnerships Team (West) from the SCC Countryside Access team for the resurfacing of Public Bridleway 39
 - ii) The decision on the exact funding for Queen Eleanor's Junior School being delegated to the Community Partnerships' Team Leader in consultation with David Goodwin based on quotes being received.
 - iii) SCC Highways approving with the local member, the locations of the trees to be funded through the application from Abbotswood Residents Association.
 - iv) Approval being given for the location of the noticeboard outside Stoughton Infants School, for which funding is being applied by the Safer Guildford Partnership.
- c) note the return of funding

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1. The County Council's Constitution sets out the overall Financial Framework for managing the Local Committee's delegated budgets. The underlying principle is that Local Committees are at liberty to spend on locally determined purposes that promote social, economic or environmental wellbeing, as required by the Local Government Act 2000.
- 1.2. Each member of the Surrey County Council has been allocated a revenue budget of £8,410 in 2011/12 to be spent on schemes and projects. In addition, the Local Committee has a capital budget of £35,000 to support voluntary and community groups. Capital means that it must be used for building or equipment that has an asset value of at least 12 months duration. Capital funds cannot be used for revenue purposes.

1.3. 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
- Not duplicate or replace funding for core SCC services
- Be for one-off projects, not requiring on-going funding (e.g. staffing costs)
- 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.

2. MEMBERS' REVENUE & CAPITAL ALLOCATION

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

2.1. The following projects have been agreed by the Community Partnerships Manager/Team Leader (West) under delegated authority since the Local Committee meeting held on 7 December 2011:

Project	Organisation	Amount	Capital/Revenue	Member
Description				
To contribute towards the purchase of conservation area interpretation board at Ash Meadows.	Ash Parish Council	£1000	Capital	Marsha Moseley

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To fund a sport wheelchair to enable the integration of wheelchair and non-wheelchair basketball players	Guildford Heat Basketball Club	£998	Capital	Fiona White
To contribute towards the office set up for SurreySave Credit Union	SurreySave Credit Union	£1,000	Revenue	Mark Brett- Warburton
To contribute towards a more powerful server to enable clients to complete templates online.	Guildford Citizens Advice Bureau	£700	Capital	Mark Brett- Warburton
To install, maintain and fill for four years a grit bin in Quarry Rd., Hurtmore	Surrey CC Highways	£1,000	Revenue - £615 Capital - £385	Simon Gimson
To fund new tents for camping.	1 st Stoughton Guides	£950	Capital	Pauline Searle
To contribute towards equipment & insurance for arts workshops for young people at risk of NEET	Surrey Arts/Guildford 11-19 learning Partnership	£500	Revenue	Fiona White
To fund fireworks as part of a celebration of the Queens Diamond Jubilee in Normandy on 3 rd June 2012.	Normandy Parish Council	£600	Revenue	Nigel Sutcliffe

The Committee is asked to note the actions of the Community Partnerships Manager/Team Leader (West), under delegated authority.

FUNDING BIDS FOR APPROVAL

2.2. The following proposals are for consideration and decision at this committee.

Project Description	Amount requested	Capital/ Revenue	Member
Disability Challengers would like £1,260 towards kitchen supplies and activity and venue costs for a playscheme. The scheme will run for five weeks during the summer holidays from 9.30 am to 4 pm. It offers 30 spaces per day, of which 15 will be for disabled children requiring 121 support.	£1260	Revenue	Graham Ellwood
Puttenham Parish Council is requesting £3,500 towards the Hogs Back Wildlife Conservation project. It will provide a safe community area for the village and encourage wildlife to reestablish in the area.	£3,500	Revenue £1,900 Capital £1,600	Simon Gimson
Stoughton Community Association is requesting £1,505 as a contribution towards the weekly room hire to run a weekly crafts project. This is following a successful pilot project. The project is focussed on Stoughton, but is also open to residents of Westborough and Stoke wards.	£1,505	Revenue	Pauline Searle
Surrey Highways is requesting £3,200 to resurface the public footway on Stoughton Road opposite the shops on the Bellfield's estate. This work will benefit all pedestrians who use this busy thoroughfare.	£3,200	Revenue	Pauline Searle
Surrey CC Countryside Access team is requesting £4,000 to resurface the Public Bridleway 39 in Merrow. It is a very busy route, serving also as the entrance to a public car park. This funding is subject to formal costings being received.	£4,000	Revenue	Graham Ellwood
Queen Eleanors' Junior School, Guildford is requesting £2,000 towards a new fencing system to be installed around the swimming pool to provide additional security. Quotes for this work have not yet been received so the actual amount will be decided by the Community Partnership Team Leader	£2,000	Revenue	David Goodwin

Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership would like the funding to purchase a suite of laptops for the Park Barn Community Centre. They will be made available to all groups and organisations which use the facility.	£4,136	Revenue £2,180 Capital £1,956	Fiona White
Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy would like funding for the uniforms for the next wave of Street angel and volunteer chaplain recruitment.	£1,360	Revenue	Marsha Moseley
Seale & Sands Parish Council is requesting £1,500 towards a single zigzag and a double zig-zag twister for Seale Recreation ground. The equipment needs replacing to keep in line with EU safety regulations.	£1,500	Capital	Simon Gimson
Worplesdon Parish Council would like £3,618 for the installation of a CCTV system at the premises used by the Little Crickets Nursery and the Wood St Village cricket club. This will protect the young children attending the nursery and all cricket club users.	£3,618	Revenue £118 Capital £3,500	Nigel Sutcliffe
Onslow Infant School is requesting £3,060 towards providing a protective canopy over the front entrance of the school. The canopy will provide protection for all pupils, their families and other users of the school.	£3,060	Revenue	David Goodwin
Shere Parish Council would like £1,149 for IT equipment for the Shere library project. Three rooms in Shere Village hall are being combined and new library facilities installed, which will benefit the 3000 residents of Shere.	£1,149	Revenue	Keith Taylor
Pirbright Parish Council would like £1,750 towards their Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations. £1,400 is for commemorative mugs for the children of the Parish and £300 for publicity printing costs for the celebratory event to be held on the village green on 3/6/12.	£1,750	Revenue	Nigel Sutcliffe
Surrey CC Highways would like £3,000 towards replacing yorkstone flags on the footways of the High Street, Guildford. This work will benefit all users of the High Street.	£3,000	Revenue	Marl Brett- Warburton

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	£1,250	Revenue	Graham
received from Burpham Community			Ellwood
Association to fund the training of			
volunteers to install and maintain the			
Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS).			
A request has been received from Ash	£5,000	Revenue	Marsha
Parish Council to contribute towards		£4,250	Moseley
the purchase of a wireless CCTV to be		Capital	
used at the entrance of Coronation		£750	
gardens and Carrington recreation			
park to reduce the damage to the			
height barriers at these locations.			
East Horsley Village Hall Management	£2,500	Revenue	Bill Barker
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towards the refurbishment of the			
kitchen in the village hall. The hall has			
approximately 50,000 users each year.			
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funding will cover commemorative			
gifts, decorations and entertainment.			
Watts Gallery, Compton would like	£2,000	Revenue	Simon
£2,000 towards the creation of	22,000	Revenue	Gimson
terracotta sculptures to complete the			Girison
restoration of the Watts Gallery.			
Abbotswood Residents Association,	£1,368	Revenue	Mark
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Stoughton Rd. This funding is subject		
to the approval being received for the		
location of the board at the front of the		
infants school.		

2.3. The Committee is asked to note the return of the following sums allocated in 2010/11. The funding has been added back into the current years allocation of the relevant Member.

Project	Reason for return of funding	Amount	Capital/ Revenue	Member
Guildford Schools Safety Quiz transport	The use of the funding was changed as reported at the Local Committee meeting on 22/9/11 and as a result the full amount was not required.	£280	Revenue	Mark Brett- Warburton
Barn Youth Project new premises	Due to changes in youth service provision, the Barn Youth Project is not managing the premises.	£5,000	Revenue	Fiona White

3. CONSULTATIONS

3.1. The appropriate SCC services and partner agencies are consulted when bids are submitted.

4. FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

4.1. The allocation of the Committee's budgets is intended to enhance the wellbeing of Guildford residents and make best possible use of the funds.

5. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

5.1. The CCTV for Ash Parish Council, the traffic calming funding requested by Normandy Parish Council, the uniform funding for the Street Angels and the VAS volunteer training are all projects that contribute to community safety and help to prevent criminal and anti-social behaviour.

6. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

6.1. The variety of events to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee, the refurbishment of the Shalford Cricket and Football Club Pavilion and the Stoughton craft project are all projects that promote social inclusion, self-reliance and stronger communities.

7. CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1. The Committee is invited to make decisions that will allow the timely and effective deployment of its various budgets throughout the year. The Committee is required to agree arrangements for the allocation of its budgets.

8. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

8.1. The Community Partnerships Team (West) will administer the Committee's budgets in line with the decisions taken.

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