

MEETING

CHIPPING BARNET AREA COMMITTEE

DATE AND TIME

THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY, 2015

AT 7.00 PM

**(OR AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CHIPPING BARNET RESIDENTS' FORUM BY
8.30PM, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER)**

VENUE

1255 HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE, N20 0EJ

TO: MEMBERS OF CHIPPING BARNET AREA COMMITTEE (Quorum 3)

Chairman: Councillor Stephen Sowerby
Vice Chairman: Councillor Bridget Perry

Councillors

Caroline Stock
Pauline Coakley Webb

Amy Trevethan
Philip Cohen

Andreas Ioannidis

Substitute Members

Brian Salinger
David Longstaff
Alison Cornelius

Reema Patel
Tim Roberts

Laurie Williams
Kathy Levine

You are requested to attend the above meeting for which an agenda is attached.

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ASSURANCE GROUP

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Decisions of the Chipping Barnet Area Committee

22 October 2014

Members Present:-

AGENDA ITEM 1

Councillor Stephen Sowerby (Chairman)

Councillor Bridget Perry (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Caroline Stock

Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb

Councillor Amy Trevethan

Councillor Philip Cohen

Councillor Andreas Ioannidis

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Area Committee held on 18 June 2014 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

All Members were present.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None were declared.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

There was none.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

There was none.

6. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

(a) COUNCILLOR AMY TREVETHAN - CHESTERFIELD ROAD SAFETY MEASURES

The Committee heard representations from Councillor Amy Trevethan requesting an update on the feasibility study into road safety measures in and around Chesterfield Road EN5 including options for 20mph speed limits, the review into bus routes and direction of flow, along with bus stop and stand locations, any potential additional or improved crossing points in the area including near the school, any use of underutilised land near to the school to improve road safety, and operation of the local School Travel Plan.

July Environment Committee tasked officers with producing this feasibility study, so the Area Committee could make a decision on how to proceed.

RESOLVED - That officers report back to the next appropriate meeting of the Area Committee on the outcome of the feasibility study, any initiatives and options including the following agreed by the Environment Committee:

- 20mph speed limits,
- reviewing the bus routes and direction of flow, along with bus stop and stand locations,
- potential additional or improved crossing points in the area near to the park and school,
- whether underutilised land near to the school could be used in helping achieve safety improvements in the area and also
- continuing the good work done with the school via their School Travel Plans to educate and encourage improved Road Safety and modal shift to other forms of transport

7. TOWN CENTRES

The committee heard from the Commissioning and Policy Advisor regarding Town Centres in the Chipping Barnet Constituency area.

On September 8th 2014 Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee agreed that consultation should begin on an approach to tailoring the support the Council gives to different types of town centre. This was agreed in order to reflect town centres' differing roles, scales and needs in future years.

The proposals relate to town centres in particular the proposal to differentiate the support available to main, district and local town centres. The Area Committees have been invited to make recommendations as to which town centres should be included in each of these three categories.

Following discussion and consideration of the report the main points raised by the Committee

- That Chipping Barnet has the designation "Main" town Centre for the constituency area.
- That the third "Neighbourhood and Local" is superfluous and should be dispensed with, therefore all town centres in the constituency area (other than Chipping Barnet) should be classed "District Centres."
- With respect to the differences in size and function between established district centres like Whetstone and local centres such as Hampden Way or Great North way, the Committee felt that the broad classification did not accurately capture the local nature of the many of the smaller town centres as they tend to primarily focus on providing high quality services and meeting the needs of residents within the immediate local area.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Committee note the specific proposals relating to town centres set out in Appendix B to the report, which are currently the subject of public consultation.
2. That the Committees comments set out below are incorporated into the public consultation and fed back to the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee:

- That Chipping Barnet has the designation “Main” town Centre for the constituency area.
- That the third category “Neighbourhood and Local” is superfluous and should be dispensed with, therefore all town centres in the constituency area (other than Chipping Barnet) should be classed “District Centres.”
- With respect to the differences in size and function between established district centres like Whetstone and local centres such as Hampden Way or Great North way, the Committee felt that the broad classification did not accurately capture the local nature of the many of the smaller town centres as they tend to primarily focus on providing high quality services and meeting the needs of residents within the immediate local area.

8. WELLHOUSE LANE PEDESTRIAN & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

The Traffic and Development Officer introduced the report.

RESOLVED –

1. That the committee notes the shortlisted option from the feasibility study Report shown in Appendix A, and Barnet officer comments in 6.2 of the report.
2. That the Committee instructs the Strategic Director for Environment and Growth to progress all Options including simultaneous landscaping of the green area belonging to Open Spaces, as preferred in item 6.2 below, to detailed design and implementation stages, ensuring consultation and negotiation with stakeholders to include, but not limited to, the NHS Trust (Barnet General Hospital), London Buses, Transport for London, Barnet (Open Spaces) and all affected stakeholders including utility companies and statutory bodies.

9. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE CHIPPING BARNET RESIDENTS FORUM

The Committee received the item on Brunswick Park Playground which had been referred to the Committee by the Chairman of the Chipping Barnet Area Residents’ Forum

The Committee heard from Mr Peter White, Chairman of Governors, Brunswick Park Primary & Nursery School who was requesting to have fencing installed at Brunswick Park Playground. Amongst the main concerns were:

- Dogs running into the unfenced area and scaring children
- Potential problems with dog and fox fouling in the playground area
- Lack of fencing around the play equipment means that it will be very difficult to safeguard the children of Brunswick Park School whilst using the equipment as a group.
- Within close proximity of Pymmes Brooks there is hole in the bushes which leads to a steep bank with a drop of about 20ft. Children could easily fall through as it is not easily seen.

The Greenspace Manger stated that the due to the style and design of the play space it was never the intention to fence the trim trail/adventure playground. Fencing this space would also detract from the wider park which the play space currently blends into.

The installation of the play equipment utilised all available funding to ensure it delivered the best and maximum amount of play equipment on the ground. Fencing the area would have resulted in a much smaller play area with very little play equipment,

The Greenspaces Manager further stated there aren't any significant problems with dogs in the play area. She added that from experience with some of Barnets' other parks that don't have fencing there may have been initial issues with dogs and dog fouling. But that this was soon resolved once dog owners learned and became aware of the impacts of such anti-social behaviour and the fact that these parts of the park were being used for play.

To install a fence that meets the required standard would cost in the region of about £20,000, the parks budget does not have provision for expenditure of this scale.

It was suggested to Mr White that if this issue continues he may wish to put the scheme forward for alternative funding opportunities, with the school having to match fund any grant received.

RESOLVED – That the Brunswick Park Primary & Nursery School explore the possibility of obtaining match funding and report back to Greenspaces on any progress made.

10. ANY ITEM(S) THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

There were none.

The meeting finished at 9.45 pm

	<p>AGENDA ITEM 7</p> <p>Chipping Barnet Area Committee</p> <p>15 January 2015</p>
<p>Title</p>	<p>Area Committee Budget Allocations</p>
<p>Report of</p>	<p>Stephen Evans, Director of Strategy Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance</p>
<p>Wards</p>	<p>Brunswick Park, Coppetts, East Barnet, High Barnet, Oakley, Totteridge, Underhill</p>
<p>Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p>Enclosures</p>	<p>Annex 1 – Area Committee Budgets Guidance Annex 2 – Barnet Safeguarding Checklist Annex 3 – Conditions of Grant Appendix 1 – Applications for funding made to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2>
<p>On 10 June 2014 Policy and Resources Committee agreed that £100,000 per year over the next four years should be allocated to each of the Council’s three Area Committees, subject to agreement of detailed arrangements for the governance, accountability and prioritisation of these budgets by the Community Leadership Committee.</p> <p>On 11 September 2014 the Community Leadership Committee approved proposals for the Area Committee Budgets scheme, to be returned to the Policy & Resources Committee for final agreement.</p> <p>On 14 October 2014 the Policy & Resources Committee noted the proposals approved by the Community Leadership Committee and agreed the proposed process for allocating the Area Committee budgets during 2014/15.</p>

The deadline for the receipt of applications to the Area Committee Budgets was 15 December 2014. A total of 48 applications were received across the three areas (Chipping Barnet, Finchley & Golders Green and Hendon). The applications received were reviewed by a panel of officers to confirm that they comply with the Area Committee Budgets Guidance and Conditions of Grant.

Details of the applications to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee are set out in the appendix to this report for Members to consider. Members are requested to consider the applications which comply with the conditions and decide whether or not they wish to fund each project using part of the Area Committee's Budget.

Members are requested, as set out in recommendation 3, to note and review the applications which do not comply with the conditions of funding set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance. These are attached at the close of Appendix 1.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Committee consider the 20 applications for funding from the Area Committee Budget for Chipping Barnet, as set out in Appendix 1.**
- 2. That the Committee decide whether it wishes to fund each of the applications which comply with the Conditions of Grant and the criteria set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance.**
- 3. That the Committee review the 4 applications to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee which are not compliant with the conditions for funding, and which officers therefore recommend are not allocated funding as they are considered to fall outside the scope of the Area Committee budgets and, in certain cases, the decision of the Policy and Resources Committee relating to the conditions of the scheme.**
- 4. That the Committee consider the procedure followed for the first round of Area Committee Budgets and make recommendations on any refinements to the process to the Community Leadership Committee/Policy & Resources Committee.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 On 11 September 2014, the Community Leadership Committee approved proposals for a process to allocate Area Committee budgets, designed to:
 - Be open, transparent, simple and non-bureaucratic; and
 - Give Area Committees maximum flexibility and discretion to respond to local need, and assign Members a leading role.
- 1.2 On 14 October 2014, the Policy and Resources Committee agreed the process for allocating Area Committee Budgets.

- 1.3 The first round of applications closed on 15 December 2014 and the applications have been assessed by officers. Following the assessment process, the Committee are authorised to approve applications which meet the relevant conditions and which the Committee considers meet local priorities, subject to sufficient budget being available.
- 1.4 A total of 48 applications have been received across the three Area Committees (Chipping Barnet, Finchley & Golders Green and Hendon). 20 were received for funding from the Chipping Barnet Area Committee and further information on these is set out in sections 1.20-1.25 below. Detailed information on all of the applications received which relate to the Chipping Barnet area is provided in Appendix 1. This appendix presents the information submitted by applicants about their proposed projects, with comments, where relevant, from officers who contributed to the due diligence process.
- 1.5 As set out in the reports to the Community Leadership and Policy & Resources Committees, applicants will be invited to present their projects at each Area Committee on 15 January 2015 and the Ward Councillor with whom they have discussed their application will also be invited to comment on the project.

Assessment Process

- 1.6 Whilst the scheme is intended to be as light-touch as possible, a degree of accountability is still required to ensure that public funds are not put to inappropriate use. To ensure that applications meet the conditions agreed by the Community Leadership Committee and Policy & Resources Committee, a panel of officers reviewed the applications to determine which are compliant with the Area Committee Budgets Guidance (Annex A), the Safeguarding Checklist (Annex B), and the Conditions of Grant (Annex C).
- 1.7 The panels were made up of officers from the Finance, Policy and Governance Services and collectively agreed the officer position on each application. Where appropriate, specialist advice was sought from Delivery Units or the Legal Service.
- 1.8 In some cases, applicants did not submit sufficient information for officers to be able to fully assess the application against the agreed criteria. In these instances, applicants were contacted and the additional information requested. In most cases additional information was received and has been included in the information in Appendix 1. However, due to the timescales, some requests for additional information are still outstanding. Where additional information is received in advance of the Area Committee meeting, this will be circulated to the Committee as an addendum to the report and the information given in Appendix 1 highlights particular issues where Members may wish to ask for further detail when applicants present their projects to the Area Committee (see 1.11, below).

- 1.9 It should be noted that during the application process, applicants had the opportunity to contact the officers supporting the process to seek advice and guidance.
- 1.10 Where applications have met the criteria, they have been put forward for consideration by the Committee.
- 1.11 Where it is not yet confirmed that applications meet the criteria as additional information is required to establish whether they are compliant, they have been put forward for consideration by the Committee, but the points at which further detail is required have been indicated in the Assessment Forms.
- 1.12 For a number of projects, safeguarding issues have been identified and information requested from the organisations applying on their relevant policies and procedures. Where safeguarding issues have been identified, funding will be conditional on successful review of these policies and procedures by one of the Council's safeguarding experts.
- 1.13 Where applications have failed to meet the criteria, officers have recommended these are not allocated funding as they are considered to fall outside the scope of the Area Committee budgets and, in certain cases, the decision of the Policy and Resources Committee relating to the conditions of the scheme. This report therefore does not put these projects forward for consideration by the Committee, but the Assessment Forms with details of the application have been included for Members' information and review. Section 4 of the Area Committee Budgets Guidance indicates which kind of projects will not be funded. These include:
- projects which require on-going support from the Council, or future expenditure;
 - proposals which would address a budget deficit, meet the debts of an organisation in financial difficulty, or cover a shortfall in a service which would normally be provided by the Council or another public sector organisation;
 - projects which are initiated by another public sector body (e.g. a school or GP surgery)
 - funding to assist with the administration and/or research costs of preparing an application
 - retrospective applications for funding for projects which have already taken place
 - projects which have previously been turned down because they do not meet the above criteria.
- 1.14 Applicants and, where appropriate, the Councillor sponsoring their application, have been invited to attend the Area Committee meeting to present their projects and answer questions from the Committee. Any additional information provided at the Committee will be minuted and will form part of the audit trail. Any verbal information received can be used by the Committee in making a decision to approve or refuse an application.

- 1.15 The first round of Area Committee Budget applications will be reviewed by the Governance Services and Policy Unit after the first round of applications to identify refinements and process improvements. The Area Committee Budgets assessment process is scheduled for review by Internal Audit in Quarter 1 2015/16.

Release of Funds

- 1.16 In situations where full funding has been agreed by the Committee, this will be released following the decision and, where relevant, on the approval of safeguarding policies and procedures as set out in 1.12 above.
- 1.17 Applications which require additional match funding will receive a letter from the Committee Chairman asking the organisation/individual to advise when the additional funds required for the project to proceed have been secured.
- 1.18 Funds will be released as soon as possible after the decision. In accordance with the process approved by the Policy & Resources Committee in October 2014, funding should be spent within three months of being received by the organisation.
- 1.19 Once grants have been approved and payments have been made, the recipient will be sent confirmation which requests copies of invoices to the value of the grant or above to complete the Council's audit trail.

Overview of applications received

- 1.20 20 applications were received in total for funding from the Chipping Barnet Area Committee. 19 were for Chipping Barnet only, and one applied for funding from more than one Area Committee which included Chipping Barnet.
- 1.21 Most applications to this Committee aimed to promote family and community wellbeing and community safety and cohesion. The table below shows the number of projects which applicants presented as supporting each of the priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan. After family and community wellbeing, the largest number related to life chances for children and young people, followed by projects aimed at making the Borough a more attractive place. Only three projects targeted the needs of older people.

Table 1: Applications received against each of the Council's priorities

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	8
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	4
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	11

To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	3
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	3
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	14

- 1.22 Seven projects dealt with environmental improvements, including improvements to local green spaces, new play equipment and supporting infrastructure in parks, and footpaths and access paths in churches and community buildings. Other funding bids were predominantly to run workshops or activities for local people. Three related to local festivals or events. Two projects were aimed at particular communities; one for at-risk youth and one at Gypsy, Roma and Traveller families.

Overview of funding applied for

- 1.23 The total funding applied for, including applications made jointly to another Committee, is £114,003.
- 1.24 Four applications (one made jointly to another Committee) did not pass the due diligence test. One was for targeted support for a single individual, which meant it did not have the focus on a particularly local issue which these Budgets are intended to support. Another was led by another public sector body and was therefore ineligible, as noted in 1.13 above. The third would have incurred an ongoing maintenance cost and the proposed resource for this was also drawn from a public sector grant. The fourth asked for support to develop applications for future funding, which does not comply with the conditions set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance. If the non-compliant and joint applications are excluded the total amount applied for from the Committee is £84,006.
- 1.25 It should also be noted that one application (from the Friends of Friary Park) is for £10,000, which exceeds the recommended maximum grant of £9,999.
- 1.26 The Committee has the discretion to support the total project cost (up to the recommended maximum of £9,999), support only some elements of an application, or propose a smaller grant offer where the applicant would then need to seek match funding to allow the project to go ahead. This can be beneficial in creating buy-in from the individual or organisation. Match funding must not come from another Council funding stream. The Council must show that it has paid due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty when making recommendations or decisions as to the size of awards.
- 1.27 Area Committees may also decide to give collective support to a larger application providing it is of benefit to the wider community across a number of Wards. The Area Committees have the discretion to decide when this should be the case.

Measuring Impact

- 1.28 Successful applicants will be asked to submit a brief written update on the result of their project following completion. A short annual report based on these updates, on the audit log, and on feedback from Members will be submitted to the Community Leadership Committee each year.
- 1.29 Officers will review this information, along with intelligence from other grant funding streams, to identify trends in community need and any other lessons to be learned from the projects funded.

Timeline for Allocations

- 1.30 During the 2014/15 financial year there will only be a single round of applications and awards as the process for approving the applications was only agreed in October 2014, and to avoid clashes with the purdah period in April 2015.
- 1.31 In subsequent years, the two funding rounds will take place in June and January, with deadlines for applications one month before. This will leave the October and March meetings to discuss other business, encourage bids, and review the progress of grants.
- 1.32 This timeline for 2015/16 will be set following a review of the first round of applications and allocations.

Unallocated Funds

- 1.33 If any funds remain unallocated at the close of the financial year, they can also be rolled over for spending in the next, giving Committees some additional flexibility around how they are deployed. Carried forward funding can either be kept in reserve for use if demand is high or added to the base budget of £100,000 in the next financial year. The former approach is recommended as this allows underspend to be used in response to additional need as this arises, rather than spent to meet a deadline.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The process for allocating Area Committee Budgets was approved by the Community Leadership Committee and Policy & Resources Committee. The Area Committee are now required to approve (or refuse) the applications received in order for the funding to be released to the relevant organisations.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 None.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Following the decision of the Committee, funds will be released in accordance with sections 1.16 to 1.19 of this report and Section 12 of the Area Committee Budgets Guidance (Annex A).

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 The Area Committee Budgets contribute to the Corporate Plan's objective to promote family and community wellbeing and support engaged, cohesive and safe communities, by helping communities access the support they need to become and remain independent and resilient.
- 5.1.2 The scheme will also improve local people's life opportunities by helping local community groups access resources. This will empower them to take part in a broader range of activities, and increase the choices available to them for how they access services, contributing to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy's priority to increase wellbeing in the community.
- 5.1.3 Each application must demonstrate that the proposal supports one or more of the Council's priority outcomes, as set out in the Corporate Plan. Currently, these are:
- To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.
 - To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.
 - To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.
 - To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health.
 - To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.

Application forms ask applicants to detail how their applications support the Corporate Priorities set out above.

- 5.1.4 Area Committees have the flexibility to set their own additional priorities which reflect local need and circumstance, should they wish to do so.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 The budget allocated to each Area Sub-Committee is £100,000 per annum and is funded from Council reserves for four years.
- 5.2.2 Officer support for the Area Committee budget allocation is required but has so far been managed within existing workloads.

5.2.3 Support has come from the Governance Service, Policy Unit and Finance, with support from Legal and Delivery Units as appropriate. Some transactional finance support will also be required post-decision to provide audit and due diligence and arrange for funds to be released.

5.2.4 However, support arrangements will be reviewed after the round of applications and we cannot rule out the need for additional administrative support in the future around the time when applications are being processed. If this turns out to be the case, additional administrative resources may need to be made available at these times.

5.2.5 The upper and lower thresholds for awards have been proposed to ensure that Committee time is used effectively, avoiding time being spent administering small sums of money, and so that more complex procurement rules are not required.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

5.3.1 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A – the terms of reference of the Policy and Resources Committee includes “to allocate a budget, as appropriate, for Area Committees, and agree a framework for how that money may be spent.”

5.3.2 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A – the terms of reference of the Area Committees includes “Administer any local budget delegated from Policy and Resources Committee for these committees in accordance with the framework set by the Policy and Resources Committee.”

5.3.3 The Council has power to make the grant awards under section 1 of the Localism Act 2011.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 If the Council did not carry out due diligence on applications for any funding stream, there would be a risk that resources would not be used effectively or that inappropriate projects could be funded. The process set out for allocation of these budgets is designed to mitigate that risk.

5.4.2 Any applications which do not meet the agreed criteria are recommended for refusal.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 The due diligence carried out for the Area Committee budget allocations and the proposed regular review of the process will allow the Council to comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty placed on it under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010; specifically to:

- Check that project proposals are inclusive and consider any equality implications they may raise
- Identify any equality considerations relevant to the broader allocation of

resources more effectively than it can at present

- Gain a more comprehensive understanding of the needs of different groups in the community through the additional insight gained by reviewing the projects proposed.

5.5.2 Overall, applications for Area Committee funding were strongly focused on projects aimed at children and young people (29 projects targeting this Council priority), with limited numbers for older people in comparison (11 projects targeting this priority).

5.5.3 The applications to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee likewise had a strong focus on projects and services aimed at children and young people, with limited numbers of projects for older people or aimed at specific ethnic or faith communities. In future funding rounds Members may wish to consider encouraging applications aimed at a more diverse range of groups to ensure that provision is matched as effectively as possible to local need.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 A public consultation was carried out as part of the design of the Area Committee Budgets process. Details are set out in the report to the Policy & Resources Committee on 14 October 2014.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 [Area Environment Sub-Committees - Draft Funding Arrangements](#) (Policy & Resources Committee, 10 June 2014).

6.2 [Area Sub-Committees - Budget Allocation Draft Framework](#) (Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014).

6.3 [Developing a Community Participation Strategy for Barnet](#) (Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014).

6.4 [Community Participation Strategy: Area Committee Budget Arrangements and Wider Community Funding](#) (Community Leadership Committee, 11 September 2014).

6.5 [Area Committee Budget Allocations Proposals](#) (Policy & Resources Committee, 14 October 2014)

ANNEX 1 - Area Committee Budget Guidance



AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING GUIDANCE 2014-15

1. What are the Area Committee Budgets?

Barnet has three Area Committees, covering the constituencies of Chipping Barnet, Finchley & Golders Green, and Hendon. The Committees' remit is to respond to local concerns and consider any issues which arise in their area. Each one has a budget of £100,000 per year for 2014/15-2017/18, to be spent on projects which benefit the local area covered by each Committee.

2. Who can apply for funding?

Local residents, organisations, or voluntary or community groups are eligible to apply from funding from the Committee. The Committees can make awards of up to £9,999 and have the discretion to fund larger projects if necessary. They will not usually give grants of less than £200 but likewise have the discretion to do so.

3. What kind of projects will be successful?

Your project should focus on all or part of the local area covered by one of the Committees – if it is for a larger area it is recommended that you instead contact the Council's Corporate Grants Programme in the first instance. Further information on the Corporate Grants Programme is available at:

<http://www.barnet.gov.uk/grants>

Each project must also support one or more of the Council's priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan. The current priorities are:

- To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.
- To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.
- To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.
- To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health.
- To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.
- To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.

More information on the priorities and the Corporate Plan can be found on the Council's website at:

http://www.barnet.gov.uk/info/725/corporate_plan_and_performance/270/corporate_plan_and_performance

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You are encouraged to make contact with a Councillor to discuss your proposal before you submit it. Your Councillor will be able to work with you to champion your proposal to the Committee. You can find out who your local Councillor is at:

www.barnet.gov.uk/councillors

4. What kind of projects won't be funded?

Funding will be for one-off projects which do not require ongoing support from the Council. They must not require maintenance from the Council, or future expenditure.

Funding must not be used to meet a budget deficit in a specific area, to meet the debts of an organisation in financial difficulty, or to cover a shortfall in a service which would normally be provided by the Council or another public sector organisation. Projects should not be initiated by a public sector body (e.g. a school or a GP surgery).

Funding will not be given to assist with the administration and/or research costs of preparing an application.

Funding cannot be paid retrospectively for projects which have already taken place.

Projects which have previously been turned down because they do not meet the above criteria will not be considered for funding if resubmitted.

5. What if my project needs funding from more than one body?

If you have applied for funding for the same project from another source or another Council funding stream, you must disclose this.

If you have applied for match funding from another source, the Area Committee funds cannot be released until you have given confirmation that the additional funding has been secured.

6. What are the conditions of funding?

Funding will be provided for a period of 12 months from the date of approval. If funds are not claimed within 3 months you will be contacted to check the progress of your project. This is to ensure that funds are not committed to projects which are no longer going forward.

If your project involves improving land or buildings that do not belong to you or your organisation, you will need to demonstrate that you have received all necessary consents before your application can proceed.

Where applicable, you will be required to demonstrate that your project has the required safeguarding measures in place (relating to work with children, young people and vulnerable adults).

You will need to provide proof of spend as set out in 'What happens next?' below. Any spend above £5,000 will be subject to spot checks by the Council's audit team to make sure the right processes have been followed.

ANNEX 1 - Area Committee Budget Guidance

Your project must not discriminate against any group of people protected under the Equality Act 2010.

Appendix B sets out the full conditions of funding. You will be asked to sign an undertaking to comply with these as part of your application.

7. When do I need a sponsor organisation?

If you are applying as an individual or on behalf of an informal organisation or unconstituted group, you will need to ask a more formal, constituted organisation to sponsor your application. This can be a registered charity, a company limited by guarantee, or a not-for-profit group constituted in some other way.

You will need to list the organisation on your application form and the funds will be given to them to pass on to you.

8. What is the deadline for applications and when will decisions be made?

In the financial year 2014-15, there is only one round of funding and the deadline for applications is December 15 2014. Decisions will be made at the Area Committee meetings on 15 January 2015 and you will be encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss your proposal.

From 2015-16 onwards, there will be two rounds of funding in each financial year, in June and January. The dates for these meetings have not yet been set but the deadlines for applications will be approximately one month beforehand in each case.

9. How will a decision be made about my project?

Your application will go through an initial due diligence process – which includes looking at whether it has been demonstrated that the proposal is in line with Council's priorities and does not require on-going financial support – and you will be notified if your project does not pass this or if the Council needs further information to process it.

All applications which fulfil the criteria set out above will be put before the Area Committees for consideration. You will be encouraged to attend the meeting.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss proposals with a Councillor, who will be able to champion your application at the Committee. If that Councillor is unable to attend, you will be invited to present the project yourself or to approach your local Ward Councillor to do so on your behalf. The sponsor Councillor can also make a recommendation that you seek match funding for part of the cost of the project.

The final decision will be taken by the Area Committee.

10. What is the role of Councillors?

Members of the Area Committee to which you apply will make the final decision on whether or not your project is funded.

ANNEX 1 - Area Committee Budget Guidance

Your Ward Councillor or sponsor Councillor (if different) will be asked to comment in support of your application, champion your project to the Committee and promote it within the local area.

Councillors cannot themselves bring projects forward for funding.

11. What happens next?

If full funding is agreed by the Committee, the funding will be released following the decision. If match funding is required, you will receive a letter from the Committee Chair asking you to advise when the additional funds have been secured.

You will be notified within one week if your application has been successful, asking you for the relevant bank details.

Payment will be made directly to you or your organisation if you do not require a sponsor. If you require a sponsor organisation payment will be made through their bank and they will need to pass the money on to you.

Once funding is approved and payments made, you will be asked to provide receipts or copy invoices to the value of the funding (or above). Any unspent funds must be returned to the Council.

Successful applicants will be asked to submit a photograph demonstrating that their project is complete, and a brief written update on the result, which will form part of a short annual report to the Area Committees each year.

12. So, how do I apply?

Further information is available on the Council's website at www.barnet.gov.uk/grants, including the application form and other conditions of funding.

If you have any questions, or if you would like to request this document in another format for yourself or someone else, please contact the Committee support officers using one of the routes below:

By email:

areacommitteebudgets@barnet.gov.uk

By post:

Governance Service (Area Committee Budgets), Building 2, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London N11 1NP.

ANNEX 2 - Barnet Safeguarding Checklist

PROTECTING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS FROM HARM

A safe organisation - ensures that its governing body, all of its employees, commissioned or contracted services and volunteers are aware of their responsibilities to safeguard children and vulnerable adults.

This is done through:

- safe recruitment and selection practice (including rigorous checking of applications, references and CRB checks) and training of those who recruit staff to work with children or vulnerable adults.
- clear expectations on staff with regard to personal conduct and promoting the well being of children and adult service users.
- good induction systems and ongoing training for staff and volunteers in expected standards in safeguarding, including where the primary service users are adults who are parents.
- clear access to guidance and procedures concerning safeguarding children and adults and awareness of local systems to refer concerns.
- listening to the concerns of children, their parents and vulnerable adults with an open mind and promoting a culture of safeguarding as paramount.
- good supervision of staff and volunteers.
- clear and accessible complaints and 'whistle blowing' procedures.
- adherence to procedures for investigating allegations of harm by persons in positions of trust through the council's designated officer .
- good record keeping including decision making about any concerns or allegations.
- a formal and independent review process to learn from serious incidents with regard to abuse of children or adults by those in a position of trust.
- regular audits of the above to ensure compliance.
- leadership/accountability in a named senior manager and clear access to specialist advice about safeguarding children and adults.

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ANNEX 3 – Conditions of Grant

These are the conditions you will be signing up to if you are awarded a grant and accept it.

In these conditions, 'the organisation' means the voluntary organisation, society, association or company to which 'the Council' has agreed to make a grant; and 'the Council' means Barnet London Borough Council.

1. Any grant is made on the strict understanding that the organisation is a not-for-profit and non-party political organisation which provides services or undertakes activities for the benefit of all or some of the inhabitants of the London Borough of Barnet.
2. *The organisation shall seek neither to promote nor oppose any political party or party political cause; nor otherwise engage in party political activities; nor publish or cause or permit to be published any material which, in whole or in part, appears designed to affect public support for a political party. The organisation shall also have regard in issuing publicity to any guidance published by the Council in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Act 1986.
3. The organisation shall provide the Council's officers with such information and proof as may be required from time to time as regards
 - (a) the use made of the Council's grants;
 - (b) details and statistics of the activities provided to residents of the borough and the users or beneficiaries of those services; and
 - (c) the expertise to undertake and provide those services.
4. The organisation shall allow Council officers a right of access at all reasonable times to inspect
 - (a) written records (including any publicity issued by or on behalf of the organisation);
 - (b) any premises which the organisation uses for the conduct of its activities; and
 - (c) any works undertaken or items of equipment purchased with the aid of Council grant.
5. The organisation shall observe all relevant statutory requirements including those relating to equalities, employment practices and non-discrimination. The Council shall not be held liable in any way for any action, inaction or negligence on the part of the organisation which contravenes any statutory requirement or guidance, or results in civil action being taken in a court of law.
6. The organisation shall apply any grant only to those purposes for which it has been approved by the Council, as notified in writing, and may not use it for any other purpose except with the Council's express permission in writing.
7. The organisation shall publicly acknowledge the Council's financial support by including the Barnet Council logo in the approved format in its public literature.
8. Any grant is given at the discretion of the Council.

9. Any material change in the organisation's circumstances which significantly affects its finances, operations or grant entitlement, including any additional source of grant income not previously declared, must be notified in writing without delay to the Third Sector Commissioning Team, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London N11 1NP. The Council reserves the right to withhold payment of an approved grant, or to demand repayment (either in whole or in part) of any grant awarded, where in its opinion such a material change has occurred and circumstances so warrant.
10. If it appears to the Council that the organisation has failed to comply with any of the conditions subject to which the grant is made, the Council may, by written notice, demand repayment of all or such part of the grant as it may think fit, and the organisation shall forthwith repay to the Council any sums so demanded.
11. The Council further reserves the following rights:
 - (a) to withhold payment of any approved grant until such time as satisfactory proof has been provided to the Council that the relevant expenditure has been committed, or will shortly be incurred; that any necessary planning or other consent has been obtained; that any relevant statutory requirement or guidance has been complied with;
 - (b) to pay any approved grant by such instalments as it may deem appropriate, and to deduct from payment any sum of rent, service charge or other debt owing to the Council.

***Note on Condition 2 – Political activities**

In determining whether published material appears to be designed to affect public support for a political party, the Council will have regard to the matters set out in sub-section 2 of section 2 of the Local Government Act 1986 and to the Code of Recommended Practice on Local Authority Publicity issued by the Department of the Environment under section 4 of that Act. Sub-section 2 reads:

“In determining whether material falls within the prohibition regard shall be had to the content and style of the material, the time and other circumstances of publication and the likely effect on those to whom it is directed and, in particular, to the following matters

- (a) whether the material refers to a political party or to persons identified with a political party or promotes or opposes a point of view on a question of political controversy which is identifiable as the view of one political party and not of another;
- (b) where the material is part of a campaign, the effect which the campaign appears to be designed to achieve.”

Appendix 1

Barnet Council

Applications for funding made to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee

December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS PUT FORWARD FOR DECISION

The following applications have passed the Council's due diligence tests and are being put forward to the Area Committees for consideration. Any additional officer comments are provided at the end of the assessment form for each application.

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet
Applicant/organisation:	Exposure Organisation Ltd
Member sponsor:	Cllr Amy Trevethan Cllr Peter Edwards Cllr Tim Roberts
Amount applied for:	£9,998
Total cost of project:	£9,998
What is the project?	
<p>The Underhill Exposure project would start in early 2015, running regular youth media workshops over a 12 month period. Our project will develop the creative skills of at least 30 young people to produce a 12 page youth magazine and an associated short film highlighting the growing problem of domestic abuse in relationships between adolescents. Beneficiaries will explore how and why it takes place and offer local advice and guidance to their peers, including signposting relevant local services to those who are most vulnerable. Underhill Exposure will be free and open to all young people aged 13 to 25 in Barnet. Beneficiaries will take part in a series of interactive tutorials to develop their creative skills in a range of media. Content will be realised in a contemporary, dynamic and engaging style, using a blend of facts, thoughts, feelings and ideas. We will run three programmes alongside each other: Film Making, Creative Writing, Art and Design. The key aim of Underhill Exposure will be to encourage young people, especially those at risk of becoming victims of domestic abuse, to use media production as a creative release by exploring, addressing and sharing their experiences as a form of narrative therapy. In doing so, they will raise awareness about an issue facing more and more young people in the UK, and explore ways to identify and address it. We will work primarily with a group of young people at the Rainbow Youth Centre, where Exposure already has strong relationships with young people and service providers. Recently, Exposure has been developing ideas with a group of inspiring young girls from the Centre's Dollis Dolls nail bar to explore the choices and consequences of gang culture. This is part of a short film we are currently producing with young people in Barnet.</p> <p>Underhill Exposure will target young people from the Dollis Valley Estate, which has the highest level of education, skills and training deprivation in Barnet. We will equip young people to attain a nationally recognised, accredited 'introduction to youth media' award to improve their confidence, skills and future prospects. Young people who then go on to achieve Exposure's full 'youth media' award then qualify for paid creative apprenticeships through our partners Collage Arts, a local arts and creative regeneration charity, as well as paid freelance work at Exposure.</p> <p>To generate initial interest we will enable young people to create and upload media content, on a quick turnaround, to be shared through local youth platforms as well as Exposure's website and social media channels. As beneficiaries' skills and confidence grow so will their ability to inform the creative planning of the final, more substantive outputs of the project, i.e. the magazine and film.</p> <p>Exposure will work with expert partners to inform the project and access young people at risk of domestic abuse across Barnet, including Alice Milman (Barnet Domestic Violence Advisor for young people at Solace Advocacy Support Service) and Mark Vargeson (Positive Activities Coordinator, Youth & Community Service, Barnet Council).</p>	

Additionally, Exposure has strong contacts with other local youth groups including young people at Barnet and Southgate College at Wood Street, Queen Elizabeth Girls' School and Woodhouse Sixth Form. We will engage with these groups to increase the reach and impact of the project. We will create promotional material to advertise our project on Exposure's new 'youth news and lifestyle' website (www.exposure.org.uk) and other social media. We have strong contacts in local schools and will disseminate flyers to local libraries and youth centres to ensure the widest possible reach. This will be an excellent opportunity to connect young people from different social backgrounds and cultures in the borough. We will also encourage them to utilise local facilities at Canada Villa and other youth centres in the borough. A key participant – and indeed the instigator for this project – is a remarkable young woman, Emily Hutchings, a Chipping Barnet resident and regular volunteer at Exposure. She has experienced domestic abuse first hand (at a young age) and is passionate about inspiring and empowering other young people facing similar situations to share their stories. The finished film and magazine will be launched at a local venue, celebrating the project where young people will receive their awards. It will also be uploaded to Exposure's website and shared on other local social networking sites. The work produced will be used as an effective learning resource, and 4,000 copies of the magazine will be widely disseminated to young people through established, appropriate and safe networks, including schools, colleges, youth groups and statutory provisions both locally and across the whole borough. This project will be completed over the duration of 12 months and will not require ongoing financial support. After the project is complete, young people will have the opportunity to continue working on other youth media projects at Exposure.

How will it benefit the local area?

Young beneficiaries from the local area will have opportunities to:

- Research domestic abuse & violence and explore positive solutions from help and support offered in local area;
- Plan content to make the supplement and films interesting to a young audience;
- Interview and work with other local vulnerable young people who have experienced domestic abuse;
- Write copy for the supplement based on the information gathered;
- Source appropriate images and material locally for use in the film and supplement;
- Design the supplement, including image manipulation, photography and layout;
- Distribute 4,000 copies to local schools, colleges, youth organisations, doctors surgeries, and on social networks;
- Edit the content of the film, including music, graphics and special effects;
- Submit to film festivals;
- Promote the film and make it widely available to the local health services, schools and youth clubs;
- Attain a nationally recognised, accredited youth media award to improve their further education/employment prospects.

During the project the beneficiaries will generate compelling content in the form of articles, designs and film footage with a purpose, developing ideas, considering their audience, seeing things through, meeting deadlines, working in a team, learning creative software, creating a portfolio of creative work as evidence to show prospective employers.

By receiving training on industry standard equipment, expert advice and support from media professionals, beneficiaries will be better equipped to engage in education and training, with a clearer idea of what working in the media industry entails.

The impact on beneficiaries will be measured by the 'Exposure Star', a tailored outcomes chart, designed to track impact, affirm progress, and identify goals for each beneficiary in eight key areas: harmful behaviour, health, resilience, self-worth, engagement, accessing support,

relationships, and future aspirations. Scores range from 1 (Not bothered) through to 5 (Doing great). All 30 beneficiaries will report improvements in at least one of the above key areas. The work produced will be used as an effective teaching resource at schools and at youth groups across the borough, which will ensure a greater reach and impact.

Which corporate priority does it meet?

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

How does it meet that priority?

A) To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.

Young people will have the chance to produce media for an established, genuine audience; giving them a voice to express their views, feelings and understanding. They will have an opportunity to experience working in the media by volunteering through writing, illustrating and designing articles in addition to organising and being involved in producing a film with industry professionals. These activities will enable young people to reach out to their peers and to raise real awareness about the heavily stigmatised issue of domestic abuse.

By focusing on the issue of domestic abuse; using research, discussion and creativity to share their learning via an effective platform that is native to young people, the Underhill Exposure project will aim to better life chances for children and young people across Barnet by providing relatable resources to those already at risk of domestic abuse, as well as steering those who may be at risk in the future towards preventative solutions.

Participants will develop a diverse range of key transferable and employable skills, including: improvement of their own learning and personal development, team-working, problem solving, time-keeping, planning and negotiation, communication, application of numbers, information technology and positive contribution. As participants practice and develop these skills they will also be working towards gaining an Exposure youth media award. This accreditation is also recognised by many UK higher educational establishments as a method for monitoring, recording and rewarding passage through a modular course. Once they have completed a media award, participants will be eligible for a paid media apprenticeship with our partner organisation Collage Arts. Whilst undertaking an apprenticeship, young people will return to Exposure as paid employees.

Going forward, they can continue working on their ideas, awards, filmmaking and graphic designs/artwork, using the local facilities they have been introduced to, at youth centres and at Exposure.

By providing vulnerable young people with a positive media outlet to express themselves, the project will encourage young people who are experiencing or at risk of domestic abuse to use media production as a tool to find their voice, to explore, address, and share their experiences as a form of narrative therapy, and as a free resource for others at risk of domestic abuse.

B) To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safer

communities.

The young people participating in the project will be drawn from a wide range of backgrounds, reflecting Barnet's diverse communities and will be a great opportunity for those who share an interest in the media and in being creative to collaborate with new people, to exchange experiences and inspire subject matter; potentially an opportunity never made available to them before.

The content that our beneficiaries would produce will be shared and celebrated with families, friends, youth workers, teachers, partner organisations, the local press and politicians. Each month the most hard-hitting articles will feature in a mail out to the 600+ subscribers to Exposure's mailing list raising awareness about the issues covered and promoting a more understanding and cohesive community. Young voices are often able to find unique and powerful ways of spreading a message and learning shared through creative content is repeatedly of value to others. For these reasons, the Underhill Exposure project would aim to share young people's content broadly across both Barnet and beyond.

Our young group would be given the support to communicate in a way that is easily understood by the audience. They will also be encouraged and helped to understand that speaking about your problems is beneficial to themselves, as well as for other young people in their communities who are experiencing similar issues, who could be helped by the content produced.

The subject matter addressed in the short film and magazine will not only be of interest and have significance to the young people working on the project, but also to other Barnet residents. It will improve relations between the young people and adults, providing them with a platform to have a voice and to reach out to others in similar situations. The wider community's perception of young beneficiaries will be improved, with friends, peers, parents, teachers and other adults appreciating difficulties faced and contributions made.

This project will create an opportunity for local people to support each other and help to build stronger ties within families and their communities.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Yes – the project involves working with children and young people.

Satisfactory supporting information/relevant safeguarding policies have been provided with the application.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project focuses on children and young people and is likely to have a positive impact on participants. It is recommended that the project managers are careful to ensure that access is open to all.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Officers would recommend that if Members decide to grant funding, they consider doing so on condition that the project ensures fair and open access and that local social work teams will be able to make referrals into it.

The overheads for this project have been costed at an additional 15% (included in the total given here). Members may wish to ask further questions about these costs at Committee.

Date:	19 December 2014
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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet
Applicant/organisation:	The Traveller Movement
Member sponsor:	Councillor Tim Roberts
Amount applied for:	£2,019
Total cost of project:	£2,019

What is the project?

This proposal is being submitted on behalf of two charities working on this shared project - The Traveller Movement (TM), Communities Empowerment Network (CEN) and in partnership with Community Barnet (CB). TM has worked previously with CEN through its founding member Gerry German on a number of school exclusion cases. TM has also a close working relationship with CB through our community internship programme. Indeed one of TM community internship graduates is now employed by CB. The Travellers Movement is a leading national charity working in partnership with GRT communities.

TM will be the lead agency on this project and will host a community development student placement from Goldsmiths College, University of London to deliver the frontline work of the project along with the TM community internship team. Communities Empowerment Network is an advocacy and campaigning service working for equality and justice in education. CEN have been providing advocacy support for parents across London for over 13 years with a proven track record and have an opportunity to bring this learning to the Gypsy Roma Traveller (GRT) communities through this shared project and see similar benefits in outcomes for these families. The project involves the development of a pilot Gypsy, Roma, Traveller education support project, based within Barnet at The Rainbow Centre in Dollis Valley.

The overarching aim is to reduce the disproportionate number of school exclusions given to GRT young people and to empower GRT parents to make more informed decisions around their child's education. There are two strands to the project: Free advocacy and support for families, aiming to build better relationships between schools and families and to keep GRT young people in education with adequate support. The lifetime cost to society of permanent school exclusion is estimated at over £65,000.

Free training for GRT communities and practitioners working alongside these groups. The project will provide training on education law and advocacy which will empower families to understand their rights and responsibilities around education. They will then be encouraged to share this knowledge with others in their community which provides a secondary level of project impact and self-advocacy.

Advice and support will be provided at a weekly drop-in at The Rainbow Centre, Dollis Valley. Initial community relationships are in place, we are looking to roll out our training and monitoring from January 2015. The pilot will finish and the initial monitoring will be completed in May 2015.

The project has the opportunity to use an existing database platform within CEN to record and monitor the work which will be customised to enable and track the social impact of the project delivery. Specific indicators have already been developed which will enable the development of a detailed report on impact assessment. The funds requested for this project is to help support and prove the value of this pilot service in the local area and would not require on-going

funding from Barnet sources to sustain the work beyond May 2015.	
The training and advocacy element of the project will ensure the sustainability of this work, whilst TM would seek to scale up this model from alternative sources of funding, giving full credit to the grant provided by the Area Committee in supporting the early stages of this work.	
How will it benefit the local area?	
The project will have a physical base in Dollis Valley; therefore the majority of families reached will be from the surrounding area. Increased level of parent participation and engagement will benefit local schools as well as the education of the young people involved. School exclusions are costly to the community as a whole, from costs incurred by local authorities to the isolation experienced by families; preventing individual exclusions benefits whole communities.	
Which corporate priority does it meet?	
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>
How does it meet that priority?	
A recent report from The Children's Commission stated that at GCSE level Gypsy Roma Traveller young people have the lowest attainment rate of any other ethnic group. This project exists to support GRT young people in achieving a positive educational experience. A positive education creates better life chances for this particular group of the wider Barnet community.	
Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
N/A	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – the project involves working with children and young people.	
Satisfactory supporting information/ relevant safeguarding policies have been provided with the application.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project aims to benefit young people. It is likely to have a positive impact on participants and to advance equality of opportunity between different groups in the Borough by removing some of the barriers faced by Gypsy, Roma and Traveller children and young people.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:	
<p>The funding applied for is to cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Four training events• A weekly advice and advocacy drop-in• Use of a database to monitor and track the impact of the project) <p>No staff costs have been included; staff include a project manager, a community intern and a student on placement, presumably on a voluntary basis or funded through other routes. This way of resourcing the project offers good value for money.</p> <p>Costs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel (£589 two travel cards over four months)• Purchase of a telephone handset (for £50)• Four training events (each at £50)• Costs associated with piloting the monitoring database (£500 in licensing; £400 for software set-up) <p>Management costs are less than 10% at £200.</p>	
Date:	19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee	
Applicant/organisation:	New Barnet Community Association	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Laurie Williams	
Amount applied for:	£4,350	
Total cost of project:	£4,350	
What is the project?		
<p>New Barnet Community Centre provides affordable services and accommodation for local groups. The access paths have deteriorated and need replacement and upgrading also the fire exits need updating to meet new safety standards</p> <p>Work to be done in Spring 2015. All users and potential users of the Community Centre will benefit.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>By improving the safety and security of this shared community space, access for children, older people, and those with disabilities will be less hazardous. By creating new smooth pathways and emergency exits the building which is used daily by many groups and families including those with disabilities will continue to attract new users from the local area.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
<p>The Community Centre was formerly a school annexe and the NBCA has improved the building during the last 20 years. Safety standards for buildings with shared use require constant updating to meet improved standards for the safety of all users. The services provided include after school and holiday playscheme sessions, services for older people and young adults with physical and learning disabilities.</p> <p>Upgrading the access and improving emergency exits will benefit all those using the building particularly those with mobility problems.</p>		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		33

No safeguarding issues.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project would presumably benefit elderly, infirm or disabled users of New Barnet Community Centre, as well as parents with young children, by improving access.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
New Barnet Community Association is a self-sustaining project – this application should not result in a commitment of further funding from the Council and is therefore eligible for funding from the Area Committees	
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Date:	19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee
Applicant/organisation:	Barnet Community Projects
Member sponsor:	Cllr Amy Trevethan, Cllr Paul Edwards
Amount applied for:	£4,947
Total cost of project:	£4,947

What is the project?

Barnet Community Projects (BCP) is seeking start-ups funds (for equipment etc) for the Arc Community Café at the Rainbow Centre on the Dollis Valley Estate to extend its operations and increase the training and employment opportunities it offers. The Arc is a daytime café in the Rainbow Centre; it is open 5 days a week and alongside serving regular customers provides catering to groups using the centre, and meetings and events, including community celebrations. The Arc Café has been part of the Rainbow Centre since the local community took it over in April 2011. The initial model was for an independent chef to run the café kitchen as a self-contained business with BCP running the front of house (i.e. serving, preparing coffees etc). Whilst there was value in this approach - enabling a local business operating out of the centre to promote entrepreneurship – the operation and impact were often limited. BCP is therefore taking the operation of the kitchen in-house from the beginning of 2015: BCP will manage all elements of the café: it will have regular opening hours of 8 hours per day (currently variable, 4-5 hours per day); the menu will be expanded to cater better for different customers at different times of the day and introduce a greater range of healthy options; more young people from the estate will be trained and employed as chefs; more people from the estate will be offered regular volunteer opportunities in all areas of the café operation and have access to training; the café kitchen's collaboration with BCP's food/healthy eating projects will be improved and their impact increased (weekly Community Kitchen and holiday Lunch Club); the catering which the café offers to centre hires will increase. This will turn the café into a self-sustaining community enterprise which offers significant work-readiness, training and employment support and opportunities to people on the Dollis Valley estate. It will also support BCP's overall operations.

How will it benefit the local area?

- The Arc Café is crucial in making the Rainbow Centre an open, drop-in community hub for one of Barnet's most deprived estates, which has very few community facilities.
- The café brings people through the centre door; this enables BCP and partners to engage with them, provide them with information about support available to them, and signpost/refer them to any support services they will benefit from.
- Each week, the café serves on average of 190 drop-in customers, including centre users. They have no ready/easy access to a similar facility locally; local families and groups cannot afford to hire a hall and get catering elsewhere for celebrations and events; they cannot afford to go out for a meal elsewhere which offers a save family environment and a better, healthier range of food than takeaways.
- Each year, the café will work with 15 regular volunteers who will run regular shifts each week. We know from our experience to date that the volunteering opportunities we offer are crucial in getting local people who are far removed from the labour market work-ready. We have successfully and regularly progressed local people from informal drop-in volunteering to regular volunteering into employment or training elsewhere; this process is supported by other services offered at the Rainbow Centre like the weekly job club. We have seen people move from a place of low confidence, disenchantment with the education system and generations of unemployment into paid work and college courses.

- Each year, a number of young people will receive accredited catering training and their first paid employment at the café. The two trainee chefs who will be running the café kitchen from January received their initial training via BCP and were supported by BCP to gain their entry-level accredited qualification from the Prince's Trust.
- Together with our Lunch Club and the Community Kitchen projects, we will help local people improve their diets, food preparation and budgeting.

Which corporate priority does it meet?

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>

How does it meet that priority?

The Arc Café effectively represents a social enterprise within the Rainbow Centre. It is a crucial element of the Rainbow Centre serving as a local training, employment and enterprise hub, especially for young people. It serves as a living example of a business operating within the local community of the estate, which has no commercial centre and general community facilities. The nearest comparable cafés are a 20 minute walk away. It encourages entrepreneurship and offers effective and regular work readiness, training and employment opportunities. It also supports creating better chances for children and young people in the borough. The cafe offers training opportunities to young people from the estate, many of whom are NEET or in danger of becoming so. Catering is an area which offers many entry level jobs, especially to people who lack qualifications or who can only sustain a part time job. The training the Arc offers in all areas of a cafe operation enables young people to secure more than unskilled jobs, e.g. as a barista. It also supports promote family and community wellbeing and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities. The café makes the Rainbow open to all. People can drop in and socialise in their neighbourhood. It brings them into a centre that encourages learning, positive action and self-help. Through attending and volunteering people begin to take ownership and make a positive contribution to their community. For example, residents ran a Macmillan coffee morning in September. The café kitchen enables BCP to run two important projects which support health and wellbeing on the estate, the lunch club and the community kitchen. They encourage healthy eating, food sustainability, and the development of food budgeting and preparation skills.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

Yes – working with young people.

Satisfactory supporting information/ relevant safeguarding policies have been provided with the application.

EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project mentions direct benefits to the young people who are employed as trainee chefs as well as to young people in the wider community who use the centre and café.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
The application addresses safeguarding and equality issues and has provided a full budget breakdown with reasonable costs.	
The purchase of relatively low-cost cooking equipment is likely to make the project sustainable for these purposes in the future.	

Date: 19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	St Mary the Virgin Church	
Member sponsor:	No Cllr contact given	
Amount applied for:	£5,000	
Total cost of project:	£5,000	
What is the project?		
Relaying of path across the churchyard. This is now very old and uneven and applications for council funding have been turned down due to lack of budget, despite it being a severe trip and slip hazard. The path is used by our entire congregation in attending events at our Church House (coffee mornings, social events, etc.) and weekly services as well as the younger generation attending Sunday School. It is also a major daily pedestrian cut-through for children and parents from Barnet High Street to Monken Hadley Primary School and St Martha's.		
How will it benefit the local area?		
Local people (particularly the young and old in our congregation and those attending local schools) will be able to use the path without fear of falling.		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
It allows families to attend events within our Church House and both parents and children walk to school safely. It would also allow our older generation to attend church social events - particularly in the evenings and during bad weather when many currently stay at home as the path is in such poor repair.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
Following a request by officers, the following information was provided by the applicant: The estimated cost is based on a quote that we received (after which we were told that there would be no such funding available and so had to stop further activity). If we were to proceed we would hope to get a number of quotes in (certainly more than two) and go with the cheapest option available, and obviously we would only need funding for what it actually costs us.		

SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
No safeguarding issues.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
There may be some positive benefit relating to equalities as the project promotes better access for people with disabilities or mobility issues.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
The project costs rely on old quotations but the applicants have committed to sourcing new ones should funding be granted.	
Date:	19 December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION
Reference number 44

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	Barnet Elizabethans Rugby Football Club Ltd	
Member sponsor:	Councillor David Longstaff	
Amount applied for:	£4,800	
Total cost of project:	£6,110	
What is the project?		
Total refurbishment of gent's toilets at the BERFC club house, Bying Road, Barnet. The toilets are nearly 35 years old and installed when we had 5 senior teams. Today we have 3 sides but also 308 six to seventeen year olds. The existing toilets are not fit for the minis (young players). All male players and the club as a whole will benefit.		
How will it benefit the local area?		
Modern toilets will not only enhance the clubhouse but will bring the facilities into line with recent improvements within the social area of the club house. More schools are likely to use the club, especially as floodlights were installed 18 months ago and the club is more likely to be let to locals.		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
The toilets will become acceptable for people of all ages. It will increase attractiveness for local functions, birthday parties, christenings – a bridge group have enquired. This year's season we are hosting a mini-festival which will impact 550-600 children and for the younger ages our toilets are just not suitable.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		
Yes- mini-festival involves interaction with children and young people.		
Satisfactory supporting information/relevant safeguarding policies are provided on the organisation's website.		

EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project will benefit children and young people using the rugby club.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
None.	
Date:	19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	Friends of Friary Park	
Member sponsor:	Cllrs Rawlings, Coakley-Webb, Salinger	
Amount applied for:	£3,675	
Total cost of project:	£3,675	
What is the project?		
<p>We plan to install a full sized concrete table tennis on the tarmac area in Friary Park, between the toilets and the skate park. The net will be made of concrete or metal, and players will bring their own bats and balls. The table will be situated on the existing hard standing with any preparatory work being undertaken by Barnet Council, but this is expected to be minimal. The structure should be able to be installed approx. 4 – 6 weeks after it is ordered from suppliers. A similar table has been provided in Child’s Hill Park – it is maintenance free. The cost is £3000 excl. VAT.</p> <p>We believe this will benefit park users of all ages, particularly younger people to encourage exercise and to improve skills. We are particularly encouraged by the support of Community Focus, which occupies Friary House and provides many creative opportunities for learning new skills, for young people and those with learning difficulties. Photographs are enclosed.</p> <p>Secondly, we see an opportunity to introduce a hopscotch layout within the same area. This aimed at younger park users by encouraging them to have fun and exercise. If it is situated near the new adult gym equipment the whole family should benefit at the same time. The cost of the hopscotch from Barnet Council’s approved supplier is £675 excl. VAT. Sample hopscotch layout is enclosed.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>Friary Park is a popular and vibrant facility with the local community throughout the year. The younger children’s play park and café are particularly busy in the summer, and the skate park is regularly used by older children. The park provides an attractive environment for all ages. We feel that our suggested will enhance the recreational facilities on offer at all times of the year.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		

1. The additional facilities will enhance the attraction of the park. The park is easily accessible by private and public transport.
3. Children and young people will benefit from the chance to exercise and play together, and as teams. The opportunities for those younger people who attend Community Focus will be increased, and encourage physical activity and coordination.
4. The projects will encourage exercise and fitness for people of all ages in the open air. It will be sited near the existing adult exercising equipment area which was installed recently. Therefore families will be able to enjoy the fitness and recreational facilities together.
5. Whilst the table tennis is primarily directed at younger people, over 55s will also be able to take advantage thereby encouraging their fitness and well-being.
6. The addition of this equipment will encourage families to exercise together in a safe and controlled environment.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

No safeguarding issues identified.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project benefits various specific age groups and will provide additional facilities for children and young people with learning disabilities.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

Green Spaces confirm that these table-tennis tables require no maintenance and are successful in other parks, as well as supporting the Sport and Physical Activity agenda. Green Spaces recommend that Members make funding conditional on the model of table being agreed with Green Spaces to guarantee appropriate quality.

Date: 19 December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS WITH OUTSTANDING QUERIES

The following applications are being put forward to the Area Committee for consideration, but require further information to confirm whether they pass the Council's due diligence tests. The outstanding issues have been identified in the comments box at the end of each assessment form. The comments indicate where further information has been requested from applicants and/or where there are other issues for Members to consider and address with applicants at the Committee meeting before coming to a decision on the application.

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet
Applicant/organisation:	African Caribbean Development Foundation
Member sponsor:	None identified
Amount applied for:	£8,500
Total cost of project:	£9,500

What is the project?

The Activities will take place at the Bull Theatre, 68 High Street High Barnet EN5 and the Grahame Park Estate Youth Centre.

The project targets 40 at-risk youth in Barnet; although on completion it should reach over 200 youths. Barnet has a strong gang culture; and quick monetary gain forms an integral part of gang groupings where members generally tend to have low levels of education, self-esteem and job prospects; making them easy prey to negative influences. The project will equip participants with financial education that motivates them towards saving and investing in opportunities that improve wealth and future prospects; including education and career enhancement. It targets youths 13 to 24 years old and focuses on linking financial literacy with enterprise development and learning life-skills.

Participants will attend a five day workshop which presents modules in financial literacy, together with social and business skills. The project will include activities such as lectures; guidance on filling in slips/applications; and using ATM, telephone/Internet banking. Benefits and risks of financial products and services will also be highlighted. Participants will then be tasked with building on, and sharing similar information to other young people through the internet and print media; using web pages and newsletters which they will design and populate over the year. In seeking to maintain participants' interest and motivation, concepts will be re-enforced through group challenges that involves gaining points that will be "banked" in team accounts.

They will engage in activities that force withdrawals from team accounts and work to increase deposits and maximize savings. At the end of the program each team will be awarded small sums of money based on their bankable points, which they must manage to develop and implement their own outreach strategy to other youths. The program will develop and utilise participants' talents in research, writing, information technology, art and design to draw out and depict main concepts.

Once the main modules are discussed, participants will work in groups to depict major concepts in ways that reinforces learning using music, games, IT, storytelling and other art forms. They will have responsibility for researching, designing and producing materials, including deciding how best impart their new knowledge to other youths. Facilitators will provide advice and supervision to ensure adherence to high quality, standards and accuracy of information to be presented.

Following the workshop, participants will work in established groups to implement agreed projects and meet weekly to review progress, share experiences and observations; and discuss ways in which lessons learned can be incorporated into their own work/lives. They will also deliver training in financial literacy to other youths within their own schools/ localities. Mentoring, advice and guidance will be provided throughout this period.

How will it benefit the local area?

The need to combine financial education with education and employment has become a necessity. A Financial Services Authority research concludes that if an individual moves from low to average levels of financial capability, psychological well being increases by 5.6%, anxiety and depression decreases by 15%, and the individual experiences 12 times more satisfaction in life than earning an extra income.

The proposed programme recognizes that many adults manage money without ever receiving advice on maximizing savings, and seeks to minimize this occurrence by educating youths on basic principles of personal financial management. The broad range of financial products; rapid technological advances; and complex arrangements for conducting near faceless financial transactions, also speak to a need for enhanced guidance. This programme seeks to expand young people's understanding of financial terms and language; enhance their ability to assess the benefits and risks associated with products; and foster both capability and confidence in making financial decisions suitable to needs. The project will therefore add value by: a) building financial capability among youths in Barnet; b) training up young people who can act as trainers and volunteers in the delivery of Financial Literacy training to young people; and c) developing a body of knowledge techniques that helps minimize financial exclusion.

The programme will increase the aspirations of disadvantaged youths by raising awareness of various savings and investment opportunities; encourage reduced consumer spending; promote setting of savings goals and enhancing savings towards goals which improve education and augment career opportunities. Participants would learn how investing in small business opportunities can help increase gains and provide employment for themselves and others. Additionally, as they work to develop similar programs for other youths, they would realize their own creative potential; be empowered to take a more active role in the community; and be well positioned to contribute to improving the lives of others.

Transmitting financial knowledge to other youths will assist participants' financial capability to better cope with worsening existing social disparities and increase their ability to make informed choices; particularly as public policies shift greater burden of long-term financial decision-making to individuals and the demand for financial literacy skills by youths who are disproportionately vulnerable, increases. The project will build young people's financial knowledge and is designed to build participants' money management skills and confidence, whilst at the same time establishing a stronger savings culture in the local community. Other benefits include developing the individual's confidence in using the financial system through a greater understanding of their rights as consumers and knowledge about the financial products they choose.

Overall, the project will help break down barriers by bringing together young people from diverse communities together and provide a safe environment for them to enjoy themselves with their peers, learn from each other, be encouraged and supported. It will provide opportunities for participants to demonstrate the positive roles many young people can play as peer educators by participants using their newly acquired financial literacy skills and artistic talents to spread positive messages to other young people. It will also contribute to strengthening Barnet's social capital by improving the knowledge, skills, confidence, motivation, networks and resources that individual participants and their peer groups have.

Which corporate priority does it meet?

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>
How does it meet that priority?	
<p>CDF promotes equality and diversity as an employer and a service provider and seeks to ensure that equality and diversity principles underpin all areas of its work and service provisions. The project's delivery strategy and outcomes are consistent with the strategic agendas of the Borough and contributes to its Equalities objectives by committing to ensuring services are accessible to all young people so as to improve their life chances, prosperity and equality.</p> <p>The project also addresses the reluctance of many people in low income communities to take part in formal financial literacy training and promotes the involvement and commitment of intermediary organizations to financial literacy training and the developmental skills to engage the wider community in such training. The project will develop and sustain partnerships with schools and colleges to provide structured and systematic financial literacy education to students, and develop partnerships with local business to build networks that help young people to identify relevant employment opportunities, help them to perform better at school and navigate the school-to-work transition with more confidence, as well as engaging mentors to support the groups established during the 5 days workshop, and provide motivation as well as careers and education advice.</p>	
Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
N/A	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
<p>Yes – the project involves working with children and young people and potentially vulnerable adults</p> <p>Satisfactory supporting information/ relevant safeguarding policies have been provided with the application.</p>	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
<p>The project involves work with children and young people and participants are likely to benefit. It's not currently clear exactly how 'at risk' young people will be identified and recruited to the project, or whether the project is targeted at a particular community in the Borough.</p>	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
<p>While a budget and a breakdown of the proposed sessions has been provided, it is not yet clear exactly how the project will be implemented. It is recommended that if Members decide to fund this project they make the award conditional on a full implementation plan.</p> <p>The costs supplied for trainers (£4,800 for two trainers), volunteers (£320 for two volunteers)</p>	

mentors (£960 for two mentors), and management (15% or £1318.50) are all relatively high. Members may wish to ask for more detail about these and about whether either volunteers or mentors might give their time for free.

It is not clear how the costs break down between the workshops and the project follow-up and Members may wish to have more detail on this.

It should also be noted that the application crosses more than one constituency area: while the application has been made to the Chipping Barnet Area Committee, the participants will also be drawn from Hendon.

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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee	
Applicant/organisation:	Friern Barnet Community Library	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Reema Patel	
Amount applied for:	£5,000	
Total cost of project:	£5,000	
What is the project?		
The objective of the project is to run two types of courses from the library. The first would be English as a second language, aimed in particular at parents of children in local schools - but open to all interested users of the library. The second would be for an ongoing regular fortnightly computer class that took interested people through IT training.		
How will it benefit the local area?		
The project would tackle two key issues - inclusion and community engagement, as well as enabling and empowering those to connect and communicate with diverse groups. It would facilitate cross-community engagement and understanding. It would also support training, skills and digital inclusion for a range of excluded groups and people.		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
There are opportunities for running intergenerational digital skills classes. Digital inclusion and technological training allows for greater access to communication, better and well informed residents, as well as in addition access to skills and a wider pool of learning. Teaching English as a second language promotes and supports better communication between schools, teachers, children and parents, and bridges divides across diverse communities. The library is an obvious and vital focus point from which those bridges could be built.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		

SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – project potentially involves working with children, young people and vulnerable adults. Satisfactory supporting information/ relevant safeguarding policies have been provided with the application.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
ESOL classes are likely to have a positive impact on parents and children who participate. It is not clear whether a particular community would be likely to benefit. Intergenerational computer classes would be likely to have a positive impact on the particular age groups who participate as well as promoting good relations between different groups.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
Members will wish to see a budget breakdown for the project as well as more information on the proposed outputs: how many sessions are planned for each course and a target number of attendees for each. Members will also wish to see the full safeguarding policy for the library.	
Date:	19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee
Applicant/organisation:	Advocacy in Barnet
Member sponsor:	Cllr Longstaff
Amount applied for:	£9,499
Total cost of project:	£9,499

What is the project?

"Community Matters" aims to promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the Chipping Barnet and High Barnet areas. The project is designed to support residents to age well, combat isolation and vulnerability that leads to instances of depression and increased hospital admissions. Adopting a proactive approach, Community Matters will deliver "knowledge surgeries" in the community informing people of various ways to keep healthy and active; raise awareness of and link people in with local services, leisure, exercise, social groups, events and activities; understand how to keep safe and maintain independence; and undertake educational work to prevent financial scams, fraud, exploitation and debt. This project will reduce social isolation by increasing opportunities for population over 55 to engage socially whilst improving the physical, financial and emotional wellbeing of fellow residents. This project will enable people over 55 to find ways of accessing free and independent help in a timely manner within their locality and support them to:

- access practical help (shopping schemes, cleaning services)
- feel confident in accessing services and ensure they are legitimate and safe;
- address financial matters such as debt issues, incorrect charges by utility companies/care fees
- be properly prepared with required documentation to receive specialist help from other agencies such as Barnet CAB (jointly evidenced gap in preventing successful outcomes)
- complete self-assessments, care plans and receive financial re-assessments with regards to fairer charging policies
- have increased knowledge of services that are available in the community
- plan for their future care including treatment decisions and planning funeral arrangements
- receive information on lasting power of attorney and wills.

The funding requested will enable us to recruit, train, maintain and support a pool of 15 DBS checked local 55+ volunteers including 5 trained Future Care Planners from Chipping Barnet and High Barnet areas (High Barnet being the third largest ward in Barnet). The project will attract retired solicitors and accountants to host "surgeries" and provide information and support to people over 55 living in their community in areas that they might find confusing or challenging so reducing feelings of stress and isolation and increase their independence. Commencing within four weeks of funding confirmation, Community Matters aim to deliver 70 knowledge surgeries over 12 months and to undertake educational work with at least 250 55+ people to:

- Prevent social isolation
- Increase social inclusion and equality
- Increase awareness around social and health care services
- Increase awareness on the importance of future care planning
- Increase awareness of scam mail; be aware of benefit entitlements and how to access

all available support.

Knowledge surgeries will be delivered at banks, supermarkets, cafes, religious institutions, lunch clubs, pensioner groups and community venues. Volunteers will undertake further outreach work to target people over 55 in the community, hospitals, care homes, social groups, lunch clubs and day centres to help give them the tools to remain safe whilst maintaining independence.

How will it benefit the local area?

Community Matters aims to effect change by creating an inclusive community that will improve the financial, physical and emotional well-being of vulnerable and isolated people over 55. High Barnet and Chipping Barnet areas will benefit from having a skilled and committed volunteer local work force able to assist vulnerable members of their community. 55+ residents who traditionally find it hard to access support due to family members living far away or without family or friends or those facing barriers due to language differences will especially benefit. The locality will benefit from having a vibrant approach to combating isolation and residents in the area will benefit from gaining skills to protect themselves, know where to go to for help and having the support and confidence to ask for this. The project will produce and distribute 'Information Guides' detailing information on services in High Barnet and Chipping Barnet areas that will endure after the funding end. Through Community Matters Chipping Barnet and High Barnet areas will have a more aware and alert community to crime prevention.

The project is designed to create an enduring legacy by further equipping volunteers to have the skills and confidence to themselves recruit new volunteers and cascade knowledge in order to expand the community. The funding period will be used to refine a model that can be replicated in other localities, so benefiting people across the Borough.

Which corporate priority does it meet?

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>

How does it meet that priority?

As a result of this work, older people will benefit from;

- Increased knowledge and awareness of the local services including health related services.
- Increased knowledge and confidence in relation to financial matters.
- Increased access to advice and information in managing their finances and access to benefits entitlements.
- Increase access to rapid advocacy services.
- Peace of mind in knowing they have made plans for their future welfare by being supported to write living wills.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
N/A	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – the project involves working with potentially vulnerable adults.	
The application mentions a strong policy and proposes training for volunteers will be given by Barnet’s Safeguarding Adults team. The policy has not yet been shared with officers.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project targets the over-55s and is likely to benefit volunteers and participants. Care would need to be taken to ensure the project would be accessible to all members of the community – for example, the delivery method references religious institutions but does not specify which ones.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
<p>Members will need to be aware that the Council is currently tendering for a Borough-wide information, advice and advocacy service from which it is seeking similar outcomes to those set out in this proposal. If the project is funded (for example, if Members feel additional provision for the over-55s is needed in this area), officers recommend that Members require Advocacy in Barnet to work closely with the Borough-wide provider to ensure work is not duplicated and that there is consistency in the type and quality of information offered.</p> <p>The volunteer costs for this project are relatively high at £2000 for expenses and travel. The group has advised that these include the costs of DBS checks, regular supervision to maintain quality and standards, an element of room hire for volunteer support and travel reimbursement for volunteers unable to use public transport and who use their own vehicle. Members may wish to ask how costs break down within the £2000 across the areas identified. The applicant has offered to work with the Council to reduce this area of expenditure as much as possible. The volunteer base is to be made up of retired professional people and Members may also wish to ask whether this group could potentially cover some of its own expenses.</p> <p>Members will wish to see a copy of the organisation’s Safeguarding Policy before proceeding with funding for this project and may wish to make it conditional on receipt of this policy.</p>	
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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee	
Applicant/organisation:	Linden Groves	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Barry Rawlings	
Amount applied for:	£2,750	
Total cost of project:	£2,750	
What is the project?		
<p>Our project is a series of outdoor street play sessions for local children and their families in the summer of 2015. These are based on similar successful events run for us a few years ago, and having seen the significant benefits they brought, the local community would now like to set up a repeat.</p> <p>Subject to discussion with the community, we envisage 2 events in the Easter holidays, 1 in May half term, and 3 in the summer holidays. Probable host roads are Alma, Newton, Parkhurst, Hillside, Ramsden and Ferncroft.</p> <p>Each event will involve closing the host road for 3 hours in order to accommodate a 2 hour session where local children can play without danger on the street. It is anticipated that the events will be organised by local people with support from Fair Play Barnet's play workers, or similar play providers.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>Our project will benefit the local area by bringing local families and their children together to help them enjoy their own communal environment for play, showing them that they can enjoy their street as a shared resource for healthy, physically active children's play together.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
<p>These play days will give better life chances to children and young people by giving them an opportunity to meet and play with each other in their own communal environment, thus helping them to build crucial informal community support networks. It is also key that the play sessions will take place outdoors, to instill in children an enthusiasm for basic outdoor play, showing them the potential of a simple, healthy and more physically active approach to entertainment in the untapped resource of their own street. Although we intend to use professional play workers,</p>		

they will be focusing on encouraging the children to develop their own approaches to play, which is a crucial stepping stone to building confidence and independence, thus strengthening their resilience in the challenging times in which they are growing up.

By bringing local people together to enjoy themselves in a shared environment, we will be promoting their wellbeing but also that of their community. The intention is to encourage key people in each street to take a lead on setting up the days, thus laying the foundation for their being a proactive engaged community in future.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

Yes – the project involves working with children and young people.

The project commits to using play workers who can demonstrate a safeguarding policy.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project is likely to benefit the children and young people who participate. Members may wish to seek assurances that the play sessions will be accessible to all.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Members may wish to secure additional commitments around use of play workers with suitable safeguarding policies before funding this project.

Members may wish to see a signature from Fair Play, the sponsor organisation, before awarding funding.

Members will wish to be assured that a full budget breakdown for the project has been provided.

Members will need to advise applicants that all road closures require prior statutory consultation to be carried out and there is a fee associated with this. Applicants will need to work with the Highways team to manage this.

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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee	
Applicant/organisation:	Parkhurst Road Residents' Association	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Barry Rawlings	
Amount applied for:	£9000	
Total cost of project:	£9000	
What is the project?		
Our project will be entitled 'School of Life'. The focus will be incorporating various workshops targeted to all age groups. Some of the topics will be self-defence, fitness, gardening, art, music and community focused events.		
How will it benefit the local area?		
All the residences and local businesses will benefit from the project.		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
By introducing to the local community new skills in a fun interactive environment.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
Parkhurst Road Residents' Association have advised that they will contact CommUNITY Barnet with regards to becoming a constituted group.		
The Residents' Association are proposing to close off Parkhurst Rd on the weekend of the 27th and 28th of June.		
The Residents' Association haven't secured all the vendors as of yet, but have a budget of £5,000 to run a series of 12 events. The listing of events for 'School of Life' is as follows:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - poetry corner (will involve Friern Barnet Community Library) - drumming workshop - guitar skills workshop - art workshop - DJ skills workshop - circus skills workshop (including climbing wall) - fitness classes (Pilates/yoga) 		

- children's ballet
- self defense martial arts workshop
- gardening/flower arranging workshop
- science club
- drama workshop (run by local company Barebones)
- scouts club

The Residents' Association are thinking most activities would run from 12 to 4. The day would finish with a community BBQ, Rum Shack and live band. Part of the decor would be having a beach theme with importing some sand for an imported beach like the one on the South Bank.

They would be able to provide in kind parent volunteers up to carry out 4 days' work (2 planning days and 2 days in the event) which would be up to 40 days work at a project developer rate up to £120 per day so total contribution would be up to £4800 in kind.

That would be the structure for the first day on the 27th and they would host a play street on the 2nd day so the local children can play un-prohibited on the day.

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

There may be safeguarding issues as the project may involve working with children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Additional information is required on how and where the sessions will be run and relevant measures to address any safeguarding issues. At the moment the project commits to DBS checks for activity leaders and the presence of parents and carers for children and vulnerable adults.

Additional information was received from the applicant to clarify that with regard to safeguarding issues the policy would be that their carers are responsible for all children and vulnerable adults. The Residents Association would ensure all activity leaders have had a DBS check.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The event is open to all with particular benefits identified for children and young people.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Members will wish to see further information if they are to approve this application, including more information on how safeguarding issues will be addressed (including relevant policies for volunteers at events), a budget breakdown for the activities linked more closely to the costs of the different elements of the event, and assurances from Highways that road closures will not be an issue. The Residents' Association seem to have much energy for community projects and it may be that Members wish to signpost them towards more support and information about running these kinds of community events in the future.

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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	East Barnet Community Festival	
Member sponsor	Cllr Pauline Coakley Webb	
Amount applied for:	£1,300	
Total cost of project:	£1,300	
What is the project?		
<p>Theatre in the Park takes place on summer Sunday afternoons in the green woodland arena in Oak Hill Park as part of East Barnet Festival. While we usually have 100 to 200 in audience, splitting the box office there is the capacity for 500. The proposal is to hire one better quality production at the beginning of the programme to attract many more people through a marketing campaign. We are offered "Robin Hood" by Cambridge Touring Theatre at special price of £1100 + VAT (reduced from £1600) (see www.cambridgetouringtheatre.co.uk video of last year's show).</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>The green area was built as a bandstand in WW2 but used rarely until EBF began TITP in 2007 Last year Bodens Theatre School added a week's performance in May and hope to do so again, and we are actively campaigning to encourage music groups to perform on the basis of splitting the box office. Surveys indicate that audience would like to see these.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
By bringing this beautiful arena area into public use.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
We apply regularly for funding for East Barnet main Festival towards expenses of performers, mainly music, but have not received funding since the first 3 years when Milly Apthorp Trust contributed.		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		
Yes – the project involves interaction with children and young people.		
A safeguarding policy has been provided with the application and further information is being sought from the applicant.		

EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The event is open to all and is not apparently targeted at any particular group. Members may wish to find out if the arena is accessible to all including those with mobility issues or disabilities.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
<p>A safeguarding policy has been provided with the East Barnet Community Festival applications but it does not follow a standard format or set a clear reporting line. Officers would recommend that funding is made conditional on the applicant group working with a support organisation to make sure its safeguarding policy covers all relevant areas for this project.</p> <p>Members may also wish to clarify whether this is a free event or whether an entry fee is being charged; if so, what the latter will be used to cover.</p>	
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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	East Barnet Community Festival	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Pauline Coakley Webb	
Amount applied for:	£850	
Total cost of project:	£850	
What is the project?		
In response to surveys we receive comments that there is not much at our main East Barnet Festival for young children. We would like to book Kazzum on Sunday 5th July, as they specialise in dynamic work that bridges the gap between entertainment and education. See www.kazzum.org.uk .		
How will it benefit the local area?		
"Paper People" creates an opportunity for disabled artists and young people to view disability and diversity in a positive way as the entertainers move through the crowd (estimated at 10,000).		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
It will extend the experience of young people and their families at the Festival, where the majority of entertainment is for adults.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
Applicants have said that the total fee is £850 plus VAT and including travel, and that they expect to raise funding to meet half of the bill of £1020.		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		
Yes – the project involves working with children and young people.		
A safeguarding policy has been provided with the application and further information is being sought from the applicant.		
EQUALITIES		
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?		

The project is designed to benefit children and young people and particularly children with disabilities.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

A safeguarding policy has been provided with the East Barnet Community Festival applications but it does not follow a standard format or set a clear reporting line. Officers would recommend that funding is made conditional on the applicant group working with a support organisation to make sure its safeguarding policy covers all relevant areas for this project.

The applicants have stated that the total cost of the hired production including VAT will be £1020 and that they expect to fundraise to cover half of that total cost. Members may wish to take this into account when considering the size of the grant to this project.

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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	East Barnet Town Centre Improvement	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Philip Cohen	
Amount applied for:	£3,000	
Total cost of project:	£3,000	
What is the project?		
Security measures to protect the neighbourhood and businesses, for example a camera in the car park of Church Hill Road at the rear of shops and other ways to improve the village to attract shoppers. For example, trees, better Christmas lights, plants, hanging baskets, and other improvements.		
How will it benefit the local area?		
Will help local businesses feel safe. Will encourage more people to shop and boost morale and economy.		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
Making the village more attractive and providing a market for traders and local people.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		
No safeguarding issues.		
EQUALITIES		
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?		
No specific equality issues identified.		
DUE DILIGENCE		
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?		
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:		<input type="checkbox"/>

Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
Not much detail has been provided with the application – it is recommended that the applicant is supported to make a more detailed proposal for the next round of Area Committee funding.	
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**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	Dr Oliver Natelson, Coppetts Wood Conservationists	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Reema Patel	
Amount applied for:	£4,858	
Total cost of project:	£4,358	
What is the project?		
<p>A conservation project. Coppetts Wood Conservationists (CWC) manage two Local Nature Reserves (LNR): Coppetts Wood LNR and Glebelands LNR, where they actively maintain the woodlands which have a high biodiversity of insect pollinators and wild flowers.</p> <p>The organisation is seeking funding to purchase a large steel container for use as a tool storage unit on the Coppetts Wood LNR and the production of a database for two reserves. With the funding extensive wildlife survey records that have been held for the past forty years will be digitised.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>By managing and maintaining the reserves:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The insect pollinators on the reserves serve the surrounding areas by enabling gardens and allotments produce their fruit and vegetables. 2) The trees and flowers on the reserve assist local honey producers. 3) There is a reduction of downstream flooding from surface runoff water. <p><u>Digitising the wildlife survey records for Coppetts Wood site and Glebelands site</u> Once the first step of the digitising project is completed they intend to take the database online as a website by converting the Access data into MySQL and running a site, presenting this via PHP interface (one team member has extensive experience of MySQL/PHP). This development will allow the public to inspect data and also, the management plan will allow registered users to log in with a password. We also intend to make links to a gallery of images – many being photographs of species present as well as views of habitats and scenery – and interactive maps.</p> <p>Green Spaces have also commissioned the organisation to write a management plan, requiring additional technical skills.</p> <p><u>The Tool Shed</u> We are trying to serve the wider community – especially schools, scout groups, young adults and provide training for them. The tool shed will provide desperately need space for the extra tools and other equipment that we need to develop our work.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
How does it meet that priority?	
<p>Priority 1: The Council's Green Spaces Team has commissioned us to write a management plan for both nature reserves.</p> <p>Priority 2: We develop, regenerate and maintain habitats for pollinating insects.</p> <p>Priority 3: In the past two years we have hosted well over 250 young people who came to the sites to gain experience. We train our volunteers, mostly young adults, to use tools, work safely, to work as a team, and to encourage individual ideas.</p> <p>Priority 4: Our work is essentially physical in nature, giving our volunteers physical exercise that stimulates the cardio-vascular system and assists muscle development and bone strengthening. These are activities that reduce heart attacks, stroke, and osteoporosis in later life. Benefits for mental health: The calming and exhilarating effect on the mind of close encounters with colourful butterflies, shimmering beetles or cocky robins is immense and astonishingly beneficial to people's emotional state.</p> <p>Priority 5: the core of our group has always included a number of locals aged 40 – 85, who work on different tasks depending on their physical abilities and weaknesses. These people form friendships that extend to their families, and have enabled support in times of crises and celebration.</p> <p>Priority 6: We encourage Forest schools to use the woodlands. Children have brought parents to see where they have been schooled. For example, we have brought children from Finchley mosque, synagogue, and church to plant olive trees together for peace.</p>	
Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
CWC is the only group holding a festival for the entire community in the Coppetts and Woodhouse wards. At the annual festival, local groups inform the community about their work and invite participation. Our Chipping Barnet MP always attends, as well as local councillors from all political parties and several wards.	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – the project involves children and young people visiting the reserve.	
Further information about safeguarding policy has been sought.	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
No specific issues identified.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Additional information has been sought on safeguarding policy.

Advice has been sought from the Council's Green Spaces team, who recommend that the toolshed section of the project should not be taken forward for this nature reserve. It is recommended that if Members wish to support the project, they provide funding for the digitization project but not for the toolshed.

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AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS NOT PUT FORWARD FOR CONSIDERATION

The following applications are included **for information only** and **are not being put forward to the Area Committee for consideration** as they have either failed the Council's due diligence tests or contravene the conditions for funding set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance in some other way. These issues are indicated in the comments box at the end of each assessment form.

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Hendon, Finchley and Golders Green, Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	AOPM - Communities for Youth Justice	
Member sponsor:	None	
Amount applied for:	9,999	
Total cost of project:	9,999	
What is the project?		
<p>Barnet's children and young people in trouble with the law, with undiagnosed Special Education Needs and those in the care of the Council will benefit. The project will involve working alongside an identified family, or a specified child in Social Care , and with Education, Health and Social Care professionals, and those in the Youth Offending Service, Schools or PRU. The prime beneficiary will be the child(ren) and family nominated by the Youth Offending Service. The outcome will map a clear route to preparation of a combined Education, Health and Care plan to enable compliance with the Council's statutory requirements for youth offenders as of April 2015.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>The child(ren) identified will be enabled to access the necessary services to achieve their potential.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
<p>Children in contact with the YOT are often in the care of the Council, have undiagnosed learning disabilities and/or come from families in deprived circumstances who are unable to engage with the Council's bureaucratic procedures. Children therefore cannot readily access resources available within the Borough to secure their to meet their health, emotional well-being and welfare needs. A pathway for developing a holistic Education, Health and Care plan for young offenders will channel resources more effectively in delivering cross-agency support</p>		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		

SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – project involves working with children and young people. The applicant states that safeguarding issues arising during specified activities would be notified to the Local Authority Designated Officer .	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
None identified.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
This project does not fit with the purpose of the Area Committee Budgets, which is to focus on projects which improve the social and economic wellbeing of the local area rather than on support for individuals, and has not therefore been put forward for consideration for the Committees.	
Date:	19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet	
Applicant/organisation:	Barnet Arts Council	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Pauline Coakley Webb	
Amount applied for:	£5,000	
Total cost of project:	£5,000	
What is the project?		
<p>Since Spike Milligan's memorial was unveiled in September, sculptor John Somerville has received many enquiries as to whether the "Victory" sculpture can now be sited in Barnet. It stood in the window of McDonalds for several years in the 1990s, having been commissioned by the Borough Council as a war memorial for Ravenscroft Park. A maquette was exhibited in a Summer Exhibition at the Royal Academy in the 1980s. Suggested sites for the sculpture are at the top of Barnet Hill outside the Church or in the courtyard of the new Barnet College, or could be in The Spires or on Hadley Green. The sculpture encapsulates some of the history of the town linked to horses by the Battle, the Horse Fair, and the stage coach era. The application is for exploration of other sites suitable to place visual and artistic work to commemorate local history. Dickens' use of Barnet in his stories is another source to draw on, and also the march of General Monk from Scotland to London gathering support for the restoration of Charles II.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>A visual representation of history attracts tourists, as is being seen by the rise in visitors to Stephen House & Garden to visit Spike Milligan's bench, and it could be part of a Heritage Trail from High Barnet tube through the town. For instance, the ironwork in The Spires is based on the Sun in Splendour motif of Edward IV and wall plaques could explain this connection.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
<p>A visual representation of history attracts tourists, as is being seen by the rise in visitors to Stephen House & Garden to visit Spike Milligan's bench, and it could be part of a Heritage Trail from High Barnet tube through the town.</p>		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
<p>Further information on the project method states:</p> <p>We propose to approach the owners of possible sites, such as Barnet Church, Barnet College, The Spires, and some of the local pubs and restaurants, to assess their interest in having</p>		

sculpture or plaques on their premises, some of which could be out of doors, and some inside premises. Approaches should also be made to the Borough Council for sites on Hadley Green and other open land.

Barnet has a wealth of history to provide ideas of subjects that would appeal, but the site owners would need reassurance from their surveyors, architects and those responsible for their buildings as to the practicality of installing, displaying and maintaining public art of a good standard, and this would require them to offer fees to their professional advisers, which would be part of our budget.

Once the site owners are agreeable to public discussion on the possibilities, the role of Barnet Borough Arts Council would also be to attract interest from artists and from the general public on subjects and sites, to commission them for outline proposals and advise on costings. It would be necessary to offer fees to professional artists.

There is also the level of consultation necessary to work with Barnet Town team, The Bull Theatre and others in aiming for an overall scheme that would be felt to enhance the Town Centre, and in particular with Barnet Museum to ensure its historical authenticity and relevance. Public meetings and consultations should take place, involving expenses, though much of this work could be undertaken by volunteers.

The cost of creating and installing the work would be a separate exercise, and we would assume that these would have to be financed by public subscription and applications to trusts. The aim of this exercise is to establish the outline and aims of the overall scheme, to ensure that sites are available and homework completed on any limitations on the size, the foundations that would be required, insurance issues and access by the public and that these are settled. The group would then commission artists to provide outline ideas and costings.

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

No safeguarding issues identified.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

No equality issues identified.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

Section 4 of the Guidance for the Area Committee Budgets states that funding will not be given to assist with the administration and/or research costs of preparing an application, and as this project is primarily about researching future applications it would therefore not be applicable for funding.

Date: 19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet Area Committee	
Applicant/organisation:	Brunswick Park Primary and Nursery School	
Member sponsor:	Councillor Rutter	
Amount applied for:	£9,999	
Total cost of project:	£9,999	
What is the project?		
<p>Barnet Council have installed some excellent play equipment in an area of Brunswick Park close to the Osidge Lane entrance to the park. This summer the play area has been utilised by a large number of children who have derived a great deal of pleasure and exercise from using the equipment. Unfortunately the council will not fence in the equipment to protect the area from dogs and enabling parents to keep better control of their children.</p>		
How will it benefit the local area?		
<p>The benefits of fencing in the play equipment are twofold. It will discourage dogs from entering the area thus preventing them from defecating and urinating near the play equipment. Apart from the nasty smelly mess it causes, dog faeces can spread Toxocariasis through roundworm parasites.</p> <p>Dogs can become very excited and boisterous around young children and can easily scare children not used to dogs.</p> <p>Pymmes Brook runs adjacent to the play equipment, at this point the banks are quite high, about twenty feet. Bushes have grown up along the bank hiding the brook. At various points holes have been made in the bushes that lead to the steep banks. Parents have grave concerns that children could easily wander away and find their way to the high banks and maybe fall into the brook.</p> <p>A petition has been handed in to the authority containing over 130 signatures from concerned parents.</p>		
Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How does it meet that priority?		
<p>It will discourage inappropriate behaviour from dogs and encourage owners to keep them under control. For the dog owner it means that dogs can be free without the fear of dogs interfering with playing children.</p>		

Once parents realise their children are able to play in a safe area they can encourage their children to make more use of the excellent facilities.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?

No safeguarding issues identified.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project aims to benefit parents with young children.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

The project proposes installing fencing which will require future maintenance. The applicants have been asked how this can be resourced and have proposed doing so from grants or funding available to Brunswick Park Primary and Nursery School. This is a maintained school and the proposed method of funding the maintenance of the fence would therefore result in an ongoing cost to the local authority.

Section 4 of the guidance for the Area Committee Budgets states that projects ‘must not require maintenance from the Council, or future expenditure’.

This project does not, therefore, fulfill the criteria for funding and should not be supported by the Committee in its current format.

Date: 19 December 2014

**AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15
DETAILS OF APPLICATION**

Area Committee:	Chipping Barnet
Applicant/organisation:	Hampden Way Nursery School
Member sponsor:	Councillor Levine
Amount applied for:	£9,999
Total cost of project:	£9,999

What is the project?

I am a local resident, and a parent governor at Hampden Way Nursery school. I would like to apply for a grant from Barnet Community Fund, for £9999 toward a minibus for the nursery school children. Background Three OFSTED 'Outstanding' Barnet nursery schools are amalgamating to form the Barnet Early Years Alliance, under the name Hampden Way Nursery School. This is an exciting time for nursery schools in Barnet, as this school will both provide quality teaching to early years students, whilst providing exceptional provisions for its children. Across the three sites, the nursery will create 98 places for 2 year olds and 400 places for 3 year olds, and valuable extended provisions with holiday clubs and extended sessions. I have researched some options for a school mini bus, ideally we will raise enough funds (c£30k) to buy a new minibus with wheelchair access, but we will also consider, depending on funds raised, a 3-5 year lease or perhaps a good quality second hand minibus.

How will it benefit the local area?

Hampden Way has already pioneered offsite learning through the forest school provision, which children and families thoroughly enjoy. Children will benefit greatly from having a school minibus which is to be used by the new amalgamated school. The minibus will be used to enable the school to take children and families on regular outings, which will particularly be of benefit to disadvantaged families, to enhance their life experiences. It will also be transporting children to and from the three sites to allow the school to provide valuable holiday clubs and extended provisions which will be an enhancement to existing provisions offered by the three standalone sites. These provisions will benefit disadvantaged and working families whilst enabling the school, in some cases, to generate additional income. The minibus will also be able to be used by other groups within the LA when not in use at the Alliance.

Which corporate priority does it meet?

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	<input type="checkbox"/>
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	<input type="checkbox"/>

How does it meet that priority?	
The option of safe, convenient travel to the nursery will open a door to many exciting opportunities for the children at the nursery, and their families. I hope you will help equip Hampden Way, by approving the proposed grant, to support the nursery school children.	
Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
We are looking to other sources to provide additional funds to help toward the utopian objective of a new school mini bus with wheelchair access. Depending on the support available we will investigate a 3 year lease or a good quality second hand minibus. Currently appealing to RBS Corporate giving, through an employee application.	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?	
Yes – the project involves interaction with children.	
If the project were not ineligible for funding, additional information would be required on measures to support safeguarding issues	
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project is designed to benefit parents and children.	
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	
Section 4 of the Guidance for the Area Committee Budgets states that projects should not be initiated by a public sector body (e.g. a school or GP surgery). This project directly and solely benefits a school and therefore does not fulfill the conditions for funding through the Area Committee Budgets.	
Date:	19 December 2014

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