

MEETING

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

DATE AND TIME

WEDNESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2016

AT 7.00 PM

VENUE

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

TO: MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE (Quorum 3)

Chairman: Councillor David Longstaff

Vice Chairman: Councillor Graham Old

Councillor Brian Gordon

Councillor Lisa Rutter

Councillor Charlie O-Macauley

Councillor Eva Greenspan

Councillor Jess Brayne

Councillor Hugh Rayner

Councillor Kath McGuirk

Councillor Nagus Narenthira

Councillor Agnes Slocombe

Substitute Members

Councillor Adam Langleben

Councillor Alison Moore

Councillor Wendy Prentice

Councillor Brian Salinger

Councillor Alan Schneiderman

Councillor Peter Zinkin

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Decisions of the Community Leadership Committee

9 March 2016

Members Present:-

AGENDA ITEM 1

Councillor David Longstaff (Chairman)
Councillor Graham Old (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Brian Gordon
Councillor Eva Greenspan
Councillor Kath McGuirk
Councillor Alon Or-bach
Councillor Hugh Rayner
Councillor Lisa Rutter
Councillor Agnes Slocombe

Also in attendance
Councillor Alan Schneiderman
Councillor Adam Langleben

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Nagus Narenthira Councillor Charlie O-Macauley

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Councillor David Longstaff, Chairman of the Community Leadership Committee welcomed all attendants to the meeting.

RESOLVED-that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 November 2016 be agreed as a correct record.

The Chairman also welcomed the students attending the Committee as part of the Democratic Engagement Programme.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Nagus Narenthira who was substituted by Councillor Alan Schneiderman and Councillor Charlie O-Macauley who was substituted by Councillor Adam Langleben.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS (IF ANY)

Councillor	Agenda Item	Interest Declared
Councillor Graham Old	13	Non-pecuniary interest as a Trustee of the Edward Harvist Trust
Councillor Kath McGuirk	15,16	Non-pecuniary interest as a member of CAMRA.

Councillor Alon Or-Bach	15,16	Non-pecuniary interest as a member of CAMRA.
Councillor Alan Schneiderman	15,16	Non-pecuniary interest as a member of CAMRA

4. **REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)**

None.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (IF ANY)**

None.

6. **MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)**

a) MEMBER'S ITEM - COUNCILLOR MCGUIRK

Councillor McGuirk introduced her Member's item which related to a request for an update on action taken to tackle domestic violence and violence against women and girls so that the committee can contribute to the refresh of the council's strategy.

The Chairman responded to this request by stating that there is a Barnet partnership plan which falls under the remit of Safer Communities Partnership Board and an update can be submitted to the next Community Leadership Committee. In addition, when the domestic violence plan is refreshed it can also be submitted to CLC for comments.

The Committee unanimously agreed on Member's item.

RESOLVED- an update on the Barnet partnership plan will be submitted to the Community Leadership Committee and when the refresh of the plan takes place at the Safer Communities Partnership Board it will also be submitted to CLC for comments.

b) MEMBER'S ITEM - COUNCILLOR OR-BACH

Councillor Or-bach introduced his Member's item which related to an update on proposed cuts to the fire service impacting Barnet, including the potential loss of 13 appliances in London.

The Chairman expressed his support towards the request of this item. Councillor McGuirk moved a motion to have a discussion and give the opportunity to Steve Leader to answer questions. The motion was duly seconded.

The vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

For 5
Against 6
Abstain 0

Following votes, the motion was declared **LOST**.

The committee moved to the vote for the Member's item request.

RESOLVED unanimously that the Committee requested to receive an update on this item at their next meeting.

c) MEMBER'S ITEM - COUNCILLOR SLOCOMBE

Councillor Slocombe introduced the item which related to an update as to how many prosecutions have occurred in the last two years regarding fly tipping and an impact statement on future prosecutions if the service is cut or/and taken over by the police who themselves have suffered savage cuts and have other priorities on their time.

RESOLVED that:

The Committee unanimously agreed that an update would be provided to Members in two weeks' time.

d) MEMBER'S ITEM - COUNCILLOR NARENTHIRA

Councillor Schneiderman presented this item in Councillor Narenthira's absence. The Chairman stated that there is a regeneration report going to the next Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee which can cover this item so following the ARG meeting the item can be brought back to CLC if needed.

Councillor Schneiderman moved a motion to refer this item to the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee. The motion was duly seconded. The vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

For	5
Against	6
Abstain	0

Following votes, the motion was declared **LOST**.

It was **RESOLVED that this item would come back to the next CLC meeting if it was not discussed during the next Asset, Regeneration and Growth Committee.**

e) MEMBER'S ITEM - COUNCILLOR O-MACAULEY

Councillor Langleben presented the item in Councillor O-Macauley's absence. Councillor Langleben moved a motion to send a letter to the Mayor that would state the following:

'This committee request the loss of police officers and PCSOs from cuts to police budget that are affecting Barnet and seek assurance that we do not want to see any further cuts and we want to see effective neighbourhood policing in this borough'.

The motion was duly seconded.

The votes on the motion were recorded as follows:

For	5
Against	5
Abstain	0

The Chairman used his casting vote and casted his vote against and therefore, the motion was declared **LOST**.

The Committee unanimously agreed the request as set out in the Member's item.

To ask for an update on cuts to police officers and budgets impacting Barnet, including the number of police officers cut since 2010 and in the budget going forward.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

7. **AN UPDATE ON POLICING: NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM AND PERFORMANCE (PRESENTATION)**

The Chairman welcomed Superintendent Paula Light (Barnet Police). Paula Light provided a briefing and updated the Committee on Neighbourhood Policing and Performance.

8. **BUILDING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FOR EMERGENCIES**

The Chairman welcomed Kate Solomon and Steve Leader (Borough Commander, London Fire Brigade).

Following discussion of the item, the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Committee noted the work completed to date to support the building of community resilience
2. That the Committee noted planned future actions to raise awareness of emergencies and encourage preparedness amongst individuals and communities to reduce long term dependence on the council
3. That the Committee commented on ways in which officers can support Members in advocating community resilience within their respective wards.

9. **ANNUAL UPDATE ON THE 2016 COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT**

The Chairman introduced the report which related to the annual update on the 2016 Community Safety Strategic Assessment.

Following discussion the committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

1. The Community Leadership Committee noted and commented on the findings of the Community Safety Strategic Crime Needs Assessment.
2. That the Community Leadership Committee noted the progress made by the Safer Communities Partnership on delivering the 2015/16 Community Safety Strategy Action Plan.
3. That the Community Leadership Committee noted that the final Community Safety Strategy update will be agreed at the Safer Communities Partnership Board on 22nd April 2016.

4. That the Community Leadership Committee noted and commented on the role of the Council delivering on the Community Safety Strategy through the Council's Community Safety Team.

***Following votes, Councillor Gordon left the meeting due to prior commitments.**

10. REVIEW OF BARNET'S DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE ORDER (DPPO) AND THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER (PSPO)

The Chairman introduced the report which related to the review of Barnet's Designated Public Place Order (DPPO) and the introduction of the Public Space Protection Order. The Chairman moved a motion to change recommendation 7 to read as:

'That the Committee retain approval for those PSPOs that would impact more than 3 bordering wards or 2 or more separate wards and delegate the operational decision in relation to authorising a PSPO for up to 3 wards to the Commissioning Director for Environment in line with scheme of delegation for officers and in consultation with the ward members and Chairman of SCPB'.

The Committee unanimously agreed and the motion was declared **CARRIED**.

The Chairman moved to the vote of the recommendations as set out in the report and recommendation 7 as amended.

- 1. The Committee noted and comment on the contents of the report, specifically the new council power to implement and enforce a Public Space Protection Order.**
- 2. That the Committee approved the DPPO remaining in place until 18 October 2017 and that the PSPO is implemented in areas where there is persistent ASB which includes street drinking and related anti-social behaviour and nuisance.**
- 3. That the Committee supported the approach of implementing a PSPO as part of a package of interventions that considers engagement with vulnerable offenders, the local community and partners where enforcement is considered against the most persistent offenders.**
- 4. That the Committee approved that a PSPO longer than 6 months will be reviewed by the Community Safety MARAC every 6 months. This review will include consultation with the local community, members and a review of the evidence.**
- 5. That the Committee approved that where, following the review as stated in recommendation 4 above, the ASB problems have been resolved the council and/or the Community Leadership Committee (depending on who initially authorised the PSPO) can revoke the PSPO.**
- 6. That the Committee noted that if a PSPO is authorised the Council will need to carry out a statutory consultation before making the order.**
- 7. That the Committee retain approval for those PSPOs that would impact more than 3 bordering wards or 2 or more separate wards and delegate the operational decision in relation to authorising a PSPO for up to 3 wards to the Commissioning Director for Environment in line with scheme of delegation for officers and in consultation with the ward members and Chairman of SCPB**

***Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item**

11. **COMMISSIONING PLAN - 2016/17 ADDENDUM**

The Director of Strategy and Communications, Stephen Evans, introduced the report that related to the Commissioning Plan for 2016/17.

Following discussion the Chairman moved to the recommendations as set out in the report. The votes were recorded as follows:

For	5
Against	0
Abstain	5

It was **RESOLVED:**

That the Committee review and approve the addendum to Community Leadership Committee Commissioning Plan for 2016/17 (Appendix A), which includes the Q3 position against 2015/16 targets and presents updated targets for 2016/17.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

12. **AREA COMMITTEE NON-COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY FUNDING CRITERIA AND PROCESS**

The Chairman introduced the report which related to Area Committee non-Community Infrastructure Levy funding: Criteria and Process.

Following discussion the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee:

- 1. Approved the eligibility criteria for non-CIL community funding from 2016/17(see 1.16-1.19)**
- 2. Noted the agreement made during the 2015 review of the routes for Members to bring CIL and non-CIL community funding proposals for Area Committee for consideration (see 1.20–1.29)**
- 3. Approved the process for making decisions on proposals and the information that Members are required to provide to allow Area Committees to make a decision based on evidence (see 1.31-1.35)**
- 4. Noted the process of financial and safeguarding due diligence that is carried out by officers before any payments are made (see 1.37-1.38)**
- 5. Noted the difference between the Corporate Grants Fund and Area Committee funding, including both CIL and non-CIL funding which, Area Committees have available (see 1.39-1.41)**
- 6. Noted the restrictions on Members' Items as detailed in section 6.1 of the Council's Constitution and agrees the recommendation to submit a proposed amendment to 17 March Constitution, Ethics and Probity Committee recommending the exemption of Area Committees to section 6.5 of the Council's Constitution. (see 1.27-1.29) Changes will be effective from July Area Committee.**
- 7. Approved the Application and Guidance document in Appendix A**

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

13. **CORPORATE GRANTS PROGRAMME - UPDATE REPORT**

Ken Argent (Grants Manager) introduced the report which related to the progress report on the Corporate Grants Programme-start up grants.

The Committee unanimously noted the recommendation.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee noted the progress report on projects supported with a start-up grant from the corporate grants programme.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

14. **COMMUNITY FOCUS - EXTENSION OF FUNDING AGREEMENT, 2016/17**

Ken Argent introduced the report which related to the Extension of Funding Agreement for Community Focus.

Following discussion of the report the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

(1) That, subject to the council's Standard Conditions of Grant Aid, the existing funding agreement with Community Focus, subsidising places on its courses for older and disabled people to improve their resilience and capacity to live independently, be extended for a further twelve months beyond 2015/16 to 31 March 2017.

(2) That a grant of £47,300 to Community Focus be approved for 2016/17.

(3) That the Director of Resources be authorised to finalise terms and conditions in relation to the grant.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

15. **NOMINATION OF THE GRIFFIN PUB AS AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

Mr Evans introduced the report which related to the Community Right to Bid nomination: the Griffin Pub, 1262 High Road, London, N20 9HH.

Following discussion of the item, the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the listing of the Griffin Pub as an Asset of Community Value, based on the statutory criteria set out in the Localism Act 2011, and the evidence provided in the nomination.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

16. **NOMINATION OF THE SEBRIGHT ARMS AS AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

Mr Evans introduced the report which related to the Community Right to Bid nomination: the Sebright Arms, 9 Alston Road, High Barnet, EN5 4ET.

Following discussion, the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the listing of the Sebright Arms as an Asset of Community Value, based on the statutory criteria set out in the Localism Act 2011, and the evidence provided in the nomination.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

17. CORPORATE GRANTS PROGRAMME, 2015/16 - THE AXIS EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Ken Argent introduced the report which related to the Corporate Grants Programme-the Axis Educational Trust.

The Committee unanimously agreed the recommendation.

RESOLVED:

'That a start-up grant of £10,000 be awarded to The Axis Educational Trust, subject to the council's Standard Conditions of Grant Aid and the special conditions shown in the grant assessment enclosed'

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

18. GRANT 2016/17, LOVE BURNT OAK

Sara Elias-Bassett, Community Engagement Participation and Engagement Lead introduced the report which related to the Love Burnt Oak Grant.

Following discussion of the item, the Committee unanimously agreed the recommendation.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Committee approved the following recommendation of an award of £54,858 to Love Burnt Oak, funded from the Burnt Oak Opportunity Support Team budget.

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

19. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Chairman introduced the work programme.

The committee noted the work programme and agreed:

- **To submit the organisational update report on London Community Rehabilitation Company in September's Forward Work Programme.**
- **Bring Members' items from today's meeting to the September Committee.**

*Councillor Gordon was absent during voting on this item

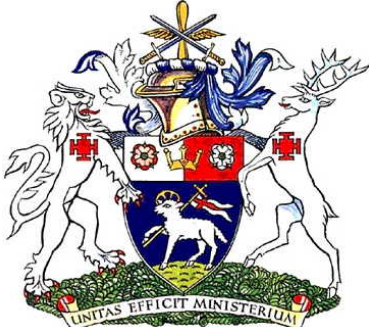
20. ANY ITEM(S) THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

None.

The meeting finished at 9.14 pm

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AGENDA ITEM 7

	<p align="center">Community Leadership Committee</p> <p align="center">7 September 2016</p>
<p>Title</p>	<p>Member’s Item – Regeneration and Community Cohesion - Councillor Nagus Narenthira</p>
<p>Report of</p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p>Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p>Enclosures</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Officer Contact Details</p>	<p>Iphigenia Christophoridou, Assurance Officer Email: Iphigenia.Christophoridou@Barnet.gov.uk Tel: 020 8359 3822</p>

<p>Summary</p> <p>The report informs the Community Leadership Committee of a Member’s Item and requests instructions from the Committee.</p>

<p>Recommendations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Community Leadership Committee’s instructions in relation to this Member’s item are requested.
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1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Councillor Nagus Narenthira has requested that a Member's Item be considered on the following matter:

"In the last Community Leadership Committee on 9 March 2016 it was requested that a report be submitted on the impact of regeneration schemes in the borough on community cohesion, particularly in relation to settled and well established communities that are subject to upheaval as a result of regeneration. It was resolved that that this item would come back to the next Community Leadership Committee meeting if it was not discussed during the Asset, Regeneration and Growth Committee which took place on 17 March 2016.

This request was not sufficiently discussed during the ARG Committee in March, thus the Community Leadership Committee is requested to provide with instructions in regards to this issue."

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 No recommendations have been made. The Committee are therefore requested to give consideration and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 As and when issues raised through a Member's Item are progressed, they will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies.

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

- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 The Council's Constitution (Meeting Procedure Rules, Section 6) states that a Member, including appointed substitute Members of a Committee may have

one item only on an agenda that he/she serves. Members' items must be within the term of reference of the decision making body which will consider the item.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 Members' Items allow Members of a Committee to bring a wide range of issues to the attention of a Committee in accordance with the Council's Constitution. All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None.

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	<p align="center">Community Leadership Committee 7 September 2016</p>
<p align="center">Title</p>	<p>Community Right to Bid: Nomination of the Bull Theatre, 68 High Street, High Barnet, EN5 5SJ</p>
<p align="center">Report of</p>	<p>Susie Kemp, Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services</p>
<p align="center">Wards</p>	<p>High Barnet</p>
<p align="center">Status</p>	<p>Public</p>
<p align="center">Urgent</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>This decision is urgent because there is an 8 week statutory timescale to respond to Community Right to Bid nominations, starting from the date the council receives the nomination. This nomination for the Bull Theatre was accepted on 15 August 2016, making the deadline for a decision 10 October 2016.</p>
<p align="center">Key</p>	<p>No</p>
<p align="center">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix A: Plan of nominated asset</p>
<p align="center">Officer Contact Details</p>	<p>Hannah Chillingworth, Strategy Officer (hannah.chillingworth@barnet.gov.uk, 020 8359 3598)</p>

<h2>Summary</h2>	
<p>The Localism Act 2011 (“the Act”) (as supplemented by the Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”) introduced the Community Right to Bid (“the Right”), a new right for qualifying local bodies to nominate buildings or pieces of land that they believe contribute to the social wellbeing or social interests of their local communities, to be listed as an Asset of Community Value (an “ACV”) on a register of Assets of Community Value (“the Register”) managed by the local authority.</p>	
<p>Where land is listed as an ACV, if the owner subsequently wishes to make a ‘relevant disposal’ (to sell the freehold estate in the asset with vacant possession or the grant or</p>	

assignment of a qualifying lease, being one originally granted for a minimum 25 year term) they must notify the local authority in writing. This triggers an interim moratorium period of six weeks, during which time the nominating body, or any other qualifying community interest group can register interest in putting together a bid for the asset. If a community group registers interest within this interim period, this triggers a full moratorium period of six months, during which time the owner may not make a relevant disposal of the asset, except to a community group. The moratorium allows community groups the time to develop a proposal and raise the required capital to enable it to bid for the asset when it comes onto the open market at the end of that period. The owner is under no obligation to accept a bid from a community group and can sell the property on whatever terms and to whomsoever they wish once the six month moratorium is over. No further moratorium will apply for the remainder of a protected period lasting 18 months (running from the same start date of when the owner notified the local authority of its wishing to sell).

In order to decide whether to list an asset as an ACV, the Regulations provide that the council must consider whether the nominator has supplied evidence that the nomination comes from a body eligible to make the community nomination, as defined in the legislation; and if that is established whether the nomination demonstrates that the current main use of the nominated asset contributes to the social wellbeing and 'cultural, recreational or sporting interests' of the local community, and it is realistic to think it will continue to do so. Alternatively, if in the opinion of the council, there was a time in the recent past that the main use of the nominated asset furthered the social wellbeing or interests of the local community, and that it is realistic to think that during the next five years there could be a main use of the nominated asset (whether or not the same community use as before) that will further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community, the council must list the asset.

A nomination has been received to list the Bull Theatre, 68 High Street, High Barnet, EN5 5SJ, (High Barnet ward) as an ACV. **This report recommends that the asset is listed as an Asset of Community Value and is added to the council's Register of Assets of Community Value.**

The Localism Act 2011 provides that in order to be eligible, the nomination must be made by a community organisation or group which qualifies under the Act to make the nomination. The nomination for the Bull Theatre came from an unincorporated group consisting of 21 residents living in the High Barnet area. In order for an unincorporated body to be eligible, it must consist of at least 21 members on the electoral roll in Barnet or a neighbouring borough and not distribute any surplus to its members.

A list of the 21 members of the nominating body and their addresses was provided with this application and it was stated in the application that the group does not engage in financial activity or generate any income, therefore there is no surplus that could be distributed to members and that statutory criterion is not therefore, engaged. The list of members has been confirmed by Electoral Services as registered to vote in the borough. **Therefore, the nomination comes from an eligible nominating body.**

Eligible nominating bodies must be able to satisfy the mandatory local connection criteria. In the case of an unincorporated group, these criteria are: that the group's activities are concerned with the local area; and any surplus is applied wholly or partly for the benefit of Barnet or a neighbouring borough. The nominating body's members are all resident in the High Barnet area and have come together for the purpose of listing a well-used asset in

High Barnet that they believe benefits the local community therefore, as a newly formed group, it is reasonable to say that the group's activities are concerned with the London Borough of Barnet. As before, the surplus criterion does not apply as it is stated in the nomination form that this group does not make a surplus. **The mandatory local connection test is therefore satisfied. The nomination therefore meets the criteria of a community nomination and falls to be considered against the statutory criteria for listing.**

The nomination describes a range of activities that currently take place at the Bull Theatre, supported by a brochure of events and a link to the Bull Theatre's web page. Such activities include dance and drama classes which can be said to contribute to the 'cultural, recreational, and sporting' interests of the local community. The Bull Theatre can therefore be said to **further the social interests and social wellbeing of the local community.** The nomination outlines that the asset provides activities that cannot be readily replicated elsewhere in the local area and that the current occupier is keen for the facility to be maintained, however, if the asset were to be sold, the nomination outlines intent to seek to continue this community provision in the facility under alternative management. There are no known plans to dispose of the asset and Estates and Finance colleagues have been consulted in relation to this nomination with the result that **it is realistic to think that the asset will continue to further the social interests and social wellbeing of the local community.**

The nomination therefore comes from an eligible nominating body with a valid local connection and satisfies the statutory criteria set out in the Localism Act 2011 for a building or land to be listed as an Asset of Community Value.

Recommendations

That the Committee decide to list the Bull Theatre as an Asset of Community value and that it is added to the council's Register of Assets of Community Value based on the statutory tests and eligibility criteria outlined in the Localism Act 2011 and the evidence provided with the nomination.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

The Community Right to Bid

- 1.1 The Localism Act 2011 ("the Act") introduced a new right for groups of local people to nominate buildings or pieces of land which contribute to the 'social wellbeing or social interests' of their local communities to be listed as an asset of community value ("ACV") on a register of Assets of Community Value ("the Register"), which the local authority is required to maintain.
- 1.2 Nominations can apply to public or private assets, although certain kinds of asset (such as residential homes) are exempt.

- 1.3 The Act defines social interests as ‘including cultural, recreational, and sporting interests’.
- 1.4 The Act provides that land in a local authority's area which is of community value may be included by a local authority in its Register only:
 - (a) in response to a community nomination, or
 - (b) where permitted by regulations made by the appropriate authority.
- 1.5 In England a community nomination can be made by a parish council or by a voluntary or community body with a local connection as defined in the Assets of Community Value Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”).
- 1.6 The statutory tests which the council must apply when assessing a nomination are:
 - a) That the nomination is a community nomination made by a community or voluntary organisation or group which qualifies under the Act to make the nomination
 - b) (i) the actual current use of the building or land that is a non-ancillary use furthers the social wellbeing or cultural, recreational or sporting interests of the local community; and it is realistic to think that there can continue to be a non-ancillary use of the building or other land which will continue to further the social wellbeing or cultural, recreational or sporting interests of the local community; **OR**
(ii) where the main use does not currently have such a community benefit, in the “recent past” it did have and the council considers it realistic that it would be able to have such a use in the next 5 years.
- 1.7 Where criterion (a) and (b) of the above is met, the council must list the land or building on its Register.
- 1.8 If the council lists the nominated land, a restriction is placed on the title to the land if the land is registered. If the owner wishes to make a relevant disposal the owner is legally obliged to notify the council (if the asset is not owned by the council). The council will then inform the nominating group which signals the start of an interim moratorium period of six weeks where the nominating group or any other eligible community group may register an interest in bidding for the asset and the asset can only be sold during the interim moratorium period to a community group. If during the six weeks a local community group expresses an interest in acquiring the asset, then a full moratorium is triggered and any relevant disposal is delayed for a six month period. This is designed to give the community group the opportunity to make a bid for the asset.

- 1.9 The owner is under no obligation to accept the community group's bid over any other bid. There is no 'right of first refusal' for the community group, only the right to trigger the moratorium. The owner is free to work with other potential buyers and stimulate the wider market during the moratorium and at the end of the moratorium period can sell to any party.
- 1.10 If an asset is listed as an ACV, the asset owner has the right to appeal against this, initially through the council's internal review process and subsequently through an appeal to the First Tier Tribunal.
- 1.11 If an asset is not listed, the council must communicate its reasoning to the nominating group but the nominating group has no right to appeal against the decision. However, a nominating group can apply for a judicial review of the local authority's decision.

Nomination of the Bull Theatre

- 1.12 The Bull Theatre, 68 High Street, High Barnet, EN5 5SJ, has been nominated as an ACV by an unincorporated group of 21 residents living in the High Barnet area.
- 1.13 The asset is currently owned by the council and is occupied by 'Dare to Dream Performers'. The lawful occupier has been notified that this nomination is under consideration.
- 1.14 The nominating group considers that the main current non-ancillary use of the asset furthers social wellbeing and social interests of the community and has community value on the grounds that:
- The asset is used as a theatre school in the daytime
 - There are a range of activities in the evenings and weekends which are attended by considerable numbers, including:
 - Professional performances
 - Dance classes
 - Amateur drama
 - Drama classes for adults with learning difficulties
 - Local radio broadcasts
 - Community meetings, including the Barnet Borough Arts Council, the Police, Barnet Residents' Association, and the organising committee for Barnet Christmas Fayre.
 - Local schools also use the venue for their events
 - The 'Dare to Dream Performers' charity manages the building which runs outreach activities for children and schools.
 - It is available for use for any community group wishing to use it and is socially inclusive, with activities for the elderly, the disabled, and children.
- 1.15 Alongside this anecdotal evidence, a link to the Bull Theatre's community web page and a brochure of activities was provided.

Application of statutory tests as set out in the Localism Act 2011

Eligibility of nominating group

- 1.16 The nomination has been made by an unincorporated body; a status which qualifies to make nominations under the Act provided that a number of conditions are met:
- An unincorporated group must comprise of at least 21 local members who appear on the electoral register in either Barnet or a neighbouring borough;
 - Any surplus that is made must not be distributed to any members of the group;
 - The nominating group must demonstrate its “local connection”:
 - the body’s activities must be wholly or partly concerned with the local authority’s area or with a neighbouring authority’s area; and
 - any surplus made must be wholly or partly applied for the benefit of the local authority’s area or a neighbouring authority’s area
- 1.17 The nominating group provided with their nomination a list of 21 members and their addresses, which has been verified by the Electoral Team as 21 members registered to vote in Barnet.
- 1.18 The nominating body does not engage in financial activities or generate income; therefore the prohibition of distributing a surplus to members is not engaged.
- 1.19 The nominating body is composed of a group of people who live in the High Barnet area who came together for the purpose of this nomination. Given that this is a new group, and this is their only current activity, this is deemed sufficient evidence that the nominating body’s activities are concerned with the London Borough of Barnet,, satisfying the first criterion of the mandatory local connection.
- 1.20 As the nominating body does not make a surplus, the second criterion of the local connection test is not engaged. Considering this, the local connection criteria have been fulfilled.
- 1.21 Criterion (a) of the statutory tests set out in paragraph 1.6 above has therefore been met.

Main use of asset furthers social wellbeing or social interests of community

- 1.22 The activities listed at 1.14 can be considered to be part of the non-ancillary use, because the building consists of a theatre and studio, therefore activities

relating to drama and dance are the core uses of the building. These activities fall within the scope of 'cultural, recreational, and sporting interests', and a link to the community web page on the Bull Theatre's web site and a copy of a brochure of activities held at the Bull Theatre is deemed sufficient evidence to support this.

1.23 The nomination form asks the nominating body to describe why they believe that it is realistic that the main use of the nominated asset will continue to further social wellbeing and interests in the future. The nomination describes that the nominating body and current occupier are keen for the facility to be maintained and that should the building cease to operate as a theatre they would seek for it to be used as a community-run arts centre, thus maintaining this provision. The nomination also outlines that there is little provision elsewhere in the local area for the activities held at the Bull Theatre. Estates and Finance colleagues have been consulted regarding this nomination and there are no known plans to dispose of the asset or to suggest the asset will cease operating in its current form. Taking this into account and considering that it is filling a gap in the market and that the current occupier intends to continue this provision, it is realistic to think that the main use of the asset will continue to further the social interests and social wellbeing of the local community in the future.

1.24 Taken together, paragraphs 1.22 and 1.23 demonstrate that criterion (b) of the statutory tests outlined in paragraph 1.6 above have been met.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The nomination of the Bull Theatre meets the statutory tests established by the Localism Act 2011 and the Regulations to be considered an Asset of Community Value. The recommendation is, therefore, that the Committee list the Bull Theatre as an Asset of Community Value and that it be added to the council's Register of Assets of Community Value.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 The Community Leadership Committee could decide not to list the Bull Theatre as an ACV, but based on the evidence supplied with the nomination and the statutory criteria set out in the Localism Act 2011, it is judged that the nomination satisfies the criteria to be listed as an ACV. If the Committee is in agreement with this opinion as to the fulfilment of the statutory criteria, the council must list the nominated asset as an ACV.

3.2 An owner has the right to appeal if they feel that their asset has been wrongly listed.

3.3 Unsuccessful nominations are eligible for re-nomination.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 The Bull Theatre will be recorded on the Register of Assets of Community Value for a maximum period of five years. Both the nominating group and the lawful occupier of the property will be informed, in writing, of the outcome.

4.2 A restriction will be entered on the Land Registry and the asset will be added to the Local Land Charges Register.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 The Community Right to Bid process contributes to the 2015-2020 Corporate Plan's objective to develop a new relationship with residents that enables them to be independent and resilient and to take on greater responsibility for their local areas by fulfilling one of the rights granted to local communities under the Localism Act 2011.

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

5.2.1 There are no resource implications associated with this decision.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 There are no social value considerations as this decision does not relate to a service contract.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 The Localism Act 2011 obligates the council to list assets nominated by local community groups as Assets of Community Value if these are deemed to pass the statutory tests set out in the Act.

5.4.2 Under the council's Constitution (Responsibility for Functions – Annex A) the responsibilities of the Community Leadership Committee include:

- To receive nominations and determine applications for buildings / land to be listed as an Asset of Community Value (Community Right to Bid) when there is no scheduled meeting of the full Committee which falls within the eight week statutory deadline for determining applications.

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 There are no risks associated with the decision to list the Bull Theatre as an ACV.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 No negative differential impact on people with any characteristic protected under the Equality Act 2010 has been identified with regard to this nomination.

5.7 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 A draft amendment to the council's Community Right to Bid policy was carried out between 11 February and 24 March 2014. The results of that consultation were set out in a report taken to the Community Leadership Committee on 25 June 2014 and the council's guidance on the Community Right to Bid amended following agreement of that report.

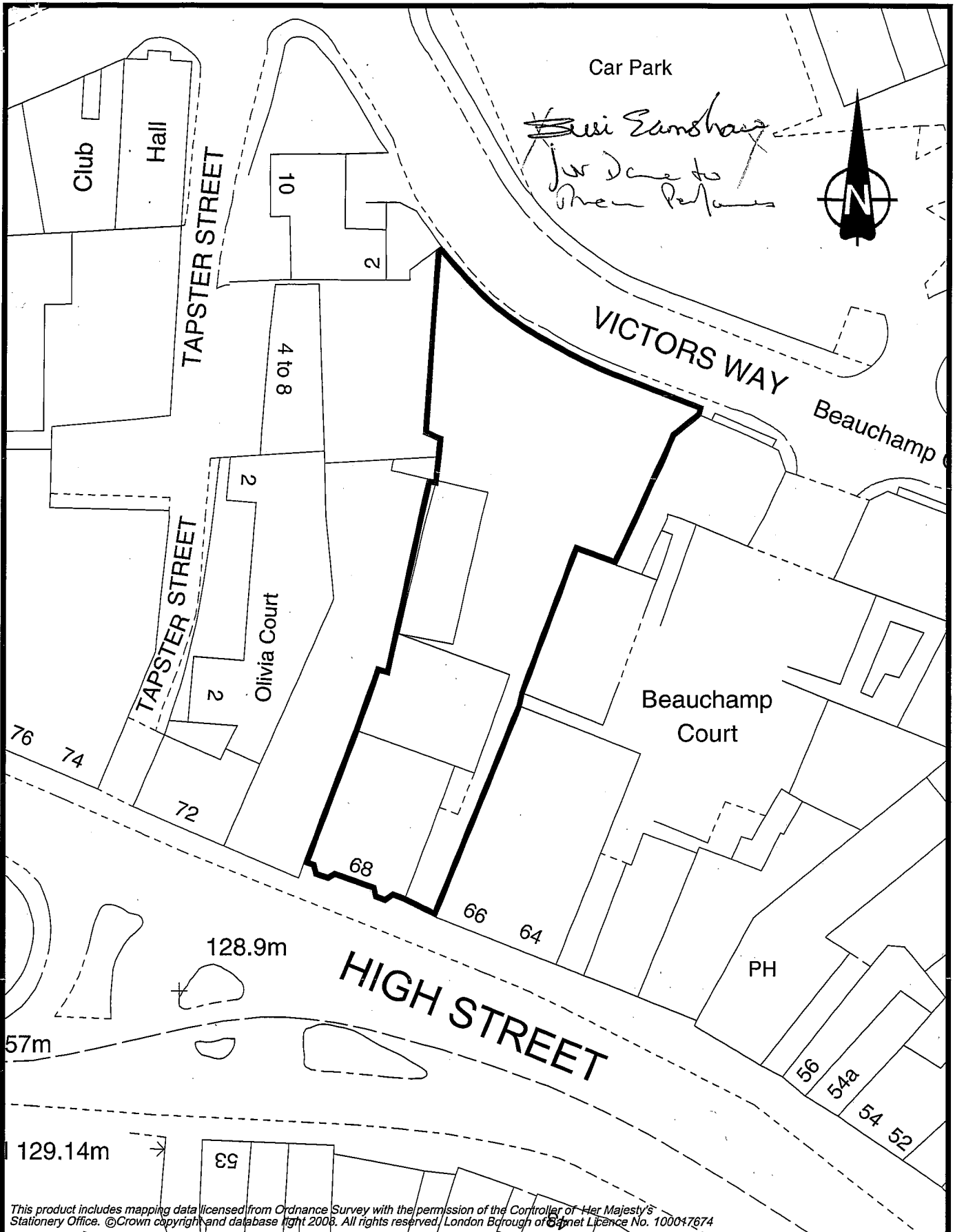
5.8 **Insight**

5.8.1 No specific insight data has been used to inform the decision required.

6. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

6.1 Community Right to Bid: Consultation and recent developments (Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014)
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s15687/Community%20Right%20to%20Bid%20Report.pdf>.

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Summary

This cover report presents the second annual report of Barnet’s Communities Together Network (CTN). CTN was formally set up in October 2013 as part of the Council’s continuing commitment and refreshed approach to equalities as a borough wide forum to support community cohesion and resilience in Barnet. CTN promotes community cohesion through good relationships and monitoring, understanding, reducing and preventing any community tensions so that, as Barnet grows and changes, relationships between our diverse communities remain strong.

The annual report outlines refreshed CTN Aims and Terms of Reference (which, following consultation and feedback from CTN steering group and network members, were endorsed at the CTN meeting on 22nd March 2016) to reflect its broadened role. CTN has evolved as a strategic forum with the Voluntary, Charity and Faith Sectors in response to an expressed

need for a Borough strategic forum to help the Borough to maintain strong community links and partnerships and foster excellent community relationships and community spirit.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Committee note The Communities Together Network Annual Report 2015/16 and approve its publication on the Council's website.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1** An Annual CTN Report is required under the arrangements agreed at Cabinet on 24 September 2013 which gave authority to set up CTN under the 'Communities Together' Action Plan and the approach for promoting community cohesion and monitoring community tensions which included an annual report to Community Leadership Committee.
<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g7464/Printed%20minutes%2024th-Sep-2013%2019.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=1>.
- 1.2** CTN is supported by Barnet's strategic lead for community participation and equalities and works alongside the Community Participation Strategy. CTN is an important communication channel for the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) and faith sectors drawing membership from a partnership of council officers, statutory partners (police fire, education and health) and voluntary, faith and community sector organisations. It includes council representatives from Emergency Planning, Community Safety, Community Participation, Consultation and Engagement, and other strategic and community partners including Police, Fire, CommUNITY Barnet, Barnet Multi-Faith Forum, Barnet Homes, Re, Middlesex University, Barnet and Southgate College, NHS and faith and community groups. It is jointly chaired with CommUNITY Barnet and is open to all statutory, faith, voluntary, charity and community organisations in the borough, of all faiths and none. Councillors are also welcome to attend.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1** The recommendation to note the report and approve its publication on the Council's website is for reasons of transparency -- to give clear information to residents and partner organisations. The recommendation will also advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups; and foster good relations between different communities in Barnet as required under statutory obligations of the Equality Act 2010 - and in particular s149 which sets out the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) - which came into force on 5 April 2011.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 No alternative reporting option is required. Not publishing the report would run counter to the arrangements agreed for CTN and the Council's commitment to Transparency to give clear information to residents and partner organisations.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Following CLC approval of the report, it will be published on the Council's Website and action will be taken to develop a future work programme and to support the key events outlined in the report.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 This is the second CTN Annual Report produced by Barnet Council under the refreshed approach to equalities following the 2010 Equality Act, and it is part of our approach to strengthening how we take account of equalities in decision making and engagement and implementation of our community participation and volunteering strategies.

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

- 5.2.1 There are no resource implications for this report.

5.3 Social Value

- 5.3.1 There are no direct social value considerations as this paper does not relate to a service contract. However, the purpose of CTN is to build an understanding of what really matters to Barnet's communities and share information so that Barnet's diverse communities feel informed, included and safe. It also facilitates joint working in the borough, fostering the potential for people to take on more responsibility for their local areas and deliver better outcomes for residents and communities in the years ahead.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 The Council has statutory obligations under the Equality Act 2010 - and in particular s149 which sets out the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) - which came into force on 5 April 2011.

- 5.4.2 The Council's Constitution (Responsibility for Functions) contains the terms of reference for the Council's Committees. The Community Leadership Committee's responsibilities include:

- To oversee arrangements for cross partner co-operation
- To maintain good community relations with Barnet's diverse communities ensuring that all communities have the opportunity to Participate fully in the Borough's affairs.

5.5 General Public Sector Equality Duties

5.5.1 The PSED consists of a general duty, with three main aims. The general duty requires public bodies to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010;
- Advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups; and
- Foster good relations between people from different groups.

5.6 Risk Management

5.6.1 The CTN developed following civil disturbances in 2011 (which were noticeably less pronounced in Barnet than neighbouring boroughs) to promote good relationships between different communities in Barnet. In May 2013, CTN membership increased further in response to the arson attack at Coppetts Road Community Centre (which was home to Somali Bravanese Welfare Association) when multi faith community relationships became an important element in community cohesion.

5.6.2 CTN acts to mitigate the risk of community tension by promoting good relationships between Barnet's diverse communities and building an understanding of what really matters to Barnet's communities, facilitating joint working in the borough and sharing information to foster the potential for people to take on more responsibility for their local areas. It also acts as the community communication arm in the event of any emergency. In both proactive and reactive processes CTN aims to help members to feel involved, informed and safe.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity

5.7.1 CTN is part of Barnet's approach to equalities and forms part of the council's response to the third aim of General Public Sector Equalities Duty PSED (set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) - To foster good relations between people from different groups. The annual report includes up to data demographic information on equalities and community cohesion.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 It was not considered necessary to undertake a formal consultation exercise for this report. All members of CTN steering group have been given the opportunity to comment on the report and where comments have been made these have been incorporated.

5.9 Insight

5.9.1 A full Equalities and Cohesion Data Summary was used in the development of this annual report. It was updated in January 2016 and is published on the equality page of the council's website at

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/dam/jcr:926a6a16-9a19-4cae-b689-40ada234bb0f/Equalities%20and%20Cohesion%20data%20summary.pdf>

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 At their meeting on 24 September 2013 Cabinet gave authority for setting up CTN under the 'Communities Together' Action Plan and to the approach for promoting community cohesion and monitoring community tensions <http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g7464/Printed%20minutes%2024th-Sep-2013%2019.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=1>
- 6.12 At their meeting on 24th June 2015 Community Leadership Committee noted the First Communities Together Network Annual report 2015/16 and agreed its publication on the council Website.
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=694&MId=8367&Ver=4>
- 6.13 At their meeting on 24th June 2015 Community Leadership Committee noted the report on Faith Covenant and Charter with the Voluntary Sector and the Covenant and Charter attached to the report at Appendix A and Appendix B. The Committee RESOLVED that: 1. The Committee, on behalf of the Council, adopts the All Parliamentary Party Covenant for Engagement between Faith Communities and Local Authorities, endorses its principles and authorises officers to carry out the planned actions under the five commitments, set out in paragraphs 1.10 to 1.14 of this report.
- 6.14 The Committee noted and endorsed the planned actions to further develop and mainstream use of the Council's Charter with the Voluntary Sector, as set out in paragraph 1.17 of the report.
- 6.15 The Committee supported a referral of the decision to Full Council, in line with the provisions of the Council's Constitution.
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=694&MId=8367&Ver=4>
- 6.16 At their meeting on 28th July 2015 Council adopted the All Parliamentary Party Covenant for Engagement between Faith Communities and Local Authorities, endorsed its principles and authorised officers to carry out the planned actions under the five commitments, set out in paragraphs 1.10 to 1.14 of the report.
- 6.17 Council noted and endorsed the planned actions to further develop and mainstream use of the Council's Charter with the Voluntary Sector, as set out in paragraph 1.17 of the report.
<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/g8339/Public%20minutes%2028th-Jul-2015%2019.00%20Council.pdf?T=11>

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Appendix One

Communities Together Network (CTN) 2015/16 Annual Report to Community Leadership Committee 7th September

1. Introduction

This report is the second annual report on the Communities Together Network (CTN). The CTN is a borough-wide network of local partners, community and faith organisations and businesses which come together to discuss issues that are important to local residents.

This annual report tells the story of our year; it covers how the CTN's aims and purpose have been broadened in 2016 and outlines the subsequent changes in structure and membership. The report also provides examples of how CTN strives to drive change by encouraging good relations between Barnet's diverse Communities, and different areas within the council. Finally, the report looks at next steps for CTN and provides links to equalities and community cohesion data.

2. Background: Why CTN was established

CTN was set up as a borough-wide forum to support community cohesion and resilience so that, as Barnet grows and changes, relationships between our diverse communities remain strong.

Working alongside the Community Participation Strategy and The All Party Political Group Covenant on Faith Action, CTN helps Barnet to build strong community links and partnerships and foster excellent community relationships and community spirit. CTN is designed to operate at a proactive and reactive level in response to any emergency incidents, so that emergency services and the community can work together

In particular, CTN forms part of the council's response to the third aim of General Public Sector Equalities Duty PSED (set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) - to foster good relations between people from different groups. CTN promotes community cohesion through providing a space to develop good relationships and by monitoring, understanding, reducing and preventing any community tensions.

CTN was formally established by Cabinet decision in October 2013 and linked to the Council's broader approach to equalities as set out in the Equalities Policy January 2014. Cabinet agreed that CTN would provide an annual report to Community Leadership Committee. The Network is co-chaired by Barnet Council and CommUnity Barnet, with support provided by Barnet's strategic lead for Community Participation and the Equalities lead.

3. Our expanding remit in 2016

The 1st Annual CTN Report detailed the intention to review the work of the CTN. The review took place during October 2015 - December 2015. The review was held as a result of the evolving needs of the council and local communities. These included:

- Feedback from community groups on the need for a Borough strategic forum with the voluntary, community and faith sector;
- Changes in voluntary sector funding;
- The council's Corporate Plan 2016 -2020;
- Implementation of the Council's Community Participation Strategy; and
- The adoption in November 2015 of the All Party Political Group Covenant on Faith Action for the implementation of a strategic partnership with the Barnet Multi Faith Forum (BMFF)¹.

The review sought feedback from the membership on the operation of CTN and suggestions for change. These were considered at the CTN Steering Group meeting in December 2015. The Steering Group made proposals on the future operation of CTN, together with proposed changes to CTN Terms of Reference. Further consultation on the draft proposals and Terms of Reference took place at the March 2016 open forum meeting.

CTN maintains a community cohesion focus and also aims to be more inclusive and sustainable by encouraging greater participation of the voluntary, community and faith sectors together with the business sector, public sector and resilience partners.

CTN continues to build an understanding of what really matters to Barnet's communities and share information so that Barnet's diverse communities feel informed, included and safe. It also facilitates joint working in the borough, fostering the potential for people to take on more responsibility for their local areas and deliver better outcomes for residents and communities in the years ahead.

The refreshed Communities Together Network operates at three levels:

- CTN Steering Group: a core membership of strategic partners which will meet annually to review how CTN operates and set the strategic direction of the future work plan.
- CTN Open Forum: an open forum to facilitate joint working and networking.
- Emergency Response: an emergency response function linked to the Borough Resilience Forum.

4. Refreshed CTN Terms of Reference and Meeting Format

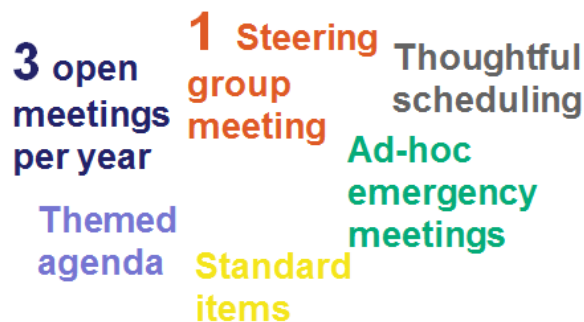
To reflect its broader purpose, CTN terms of reference were refreshed in consultation with Borough partners and VCS and faith sectors and adopted at the open meeting in March 2016 as follows:

¹ This recognised BMFF as the borough strategic partner for faith and identified CTN as the principal vehicle for engagement with them. The covenant was approved by Community Leadership Committee and Full Council and was signed by the Mayor in November 2015 in recognition of this strategic arrangement.

- To promote community wellbeing and encourage cohesive and safe communities by sharing information and talking about what matters to communities and residents
- To operate at a proactive and reactive level in response to emergency incidents, so that emergency services and the voluntary, faith and community sector can work together to monitor, understand, reduce and prevent community tension
- To allow Borough strategic partners to have early sight of strategic issues affecting the voluntary, faith and community sector
- To facilitate and promote joint working between the voluntary, faith and community sector and the statutory and business sector
- To act as a consultative forum to discuss, identify and raise issues of concern

The diagram below shows the model of CTN engagement. The CTN steering group will meet annually in December to review CTN operation and plan the programme of work for three open meetings each year which will follow a standard format. Smaller emergency meetings will be convened as necessary selecting representatives from all parts of the membership as necessary, according to the particular circumstances.

Communities Together Network



The illustrated agenda below shows how CTN now operates as a broader strategic forum, by showcasing best practice in the voluntary sector, providing an opportunity for participants to raise any burning issues and, where the Council and other public sector partners can seek input into some of the major decisions which impact on the borough. For example, the June 2016 meeting was attended by officers leading on the Family Friendly Barnet Strategy.

Standard Items

Welcome, news and quiz	
Item on community safety, resilience and prevention	An opportunity to present safety, resilience and prevention challenges and identify cross-cutting themes
Project Showcase	An opportunity for local services to showcase their initiatives to other groups and decision-makers
Item on strategic and commissioning updates	An opportunity for the Council or CCG to provide information on upcoming strategic priorities
Item on representation	An opportunity for the voluntary, faith and community organisations to provide input to decision-makers
Open session	An opportunity for participants to pitch a session and for attendees to break into working groups to discuss 'burning issues'.
Thank you, evaluation and close	

A key CTN objective is to share information and talk about what matters to communities so that CTN members feel informed and can influence relevant decision making processes. For example, at the open meetings, officers can make a brief presentation and promote the consultation exercise where the Council is developing key strategies which link to the theme of CTN meeting, This has been done at open meetings in relation to Children's and Young People Plan, Adults Alternative Delivery model and the Libraries Strategy.

Outside the open meetings other opportunities for CTN membership to get involved in consultation, strategies and events are brought to the attention of the membership through regular e mail contact. For example VCS have been informed of focus groups on, for example, Shisha campaign, West Hendon Fun Day, opportunities for involvement with Barnet Multi Faith Festival and the Borough's celebration of Silver Sunday for over 55's. Commissioning and Strategy leads are also encouraged to involve the network in strategy development and the Sports and Physical activity strategy have involved faith contacts to feed into cultural and religious needs into that strategy.

5. CTN Membership

CTN membership remains open to all Voluntary, Charity, Faith, Education and Business sector organisations in Barnet in partnership with council officers and the borough strategic partners (police fire and health). Councillors are also welcome to attend and to refer issues to CTN.

CTN membership has developed from the list of organisations who first came together in 2011 to respond to the civil disturbances. In May 2013 CTN membership developed further in response to the arson attack at Coppetts Road Community Centre (which was home to Somali Bravanese Welfare Association) when multi faith community relationships became an important element in community cohesion.

The Network is keen to involve all our diverse faith communities and are working together (and with BMFF) to promote wider involvement in CTN from Barnet's Muslim communities.

In line with the new CTN Terms of Reference, there has been a drive to improve VCS engagement and attendance at the open meetings. CTN membership list currently includes approx. 230 individuals from approx. 170 organisations (including 160 from Voluntary, Charity and Faith Sectors).

The table below illustrates the membership to different elements of the of the CTN function.

	CTN Steering Group	CTN Open Forum	CTN Emergency Response
Membershi p	Director of Strategy, LBB Children & Young People, LBB Adults & Social Care, LBB Community Engagement Equalities, LBB Resilience and emergency planning, LBB Community Safety, LBB CommUnity Barnet Groundwork Barnet Multi-Faith Forum Barnet Homes RE: Barnet Police London Fire Brigade CCG Barnet and Southgate College Middlesex University Department of Work & Pensions Cllr Longstaff, Chair of CLC Cllr Barry Rawlings	Steering Group Open invite to all voluntary, faith and community groups operating within Barnet	As required by the Borough Resilience Forum, but usually via e-mail correspondence

6. 2016 Open meetings

Invitations to attend the new themed open network meetings are now sent out on social media (Eventbrite). Between October 2013 and June 2015 VCS and Faith attendance at CTN averaged 4 organisations at each meeting. There is evidence that VCS engagement and attendance have increased in 2016. Details of the open network meetings held in 2016 are given in the table below:

Date	Venue	Theme	Agenda	Attendees
22.03.16	The Greek Community Centre	Adults and social care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The future of the Communities Together Network, LBB Project Showcase: HomeShare Barnet Project Showcase: Ague Barnet's Inter-generational programmes Barnet Integrated Locality Team (BILT): Pilot feedback and next steps Open Session 	28
22.06.16	Hendon Town Hall	Children and Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The role of young people in building community resilience, LBB Project Showcase: The Young Barnet Foundation Consultation: Family Friendly Barnet An Introduction to Local and National Data and Insight 	27
22.09.22	TBC	Regeneration	TBC	TBC

The March CTN open forum was attended by 28 individual and the breakdown between VCS and the public sector was nearly equal. In June, there was a decrease in the number of VCS sector organisations present, but an increase in the number and variety of strategic partners.

Sector	March	June
VCS	14	9
London Borough of Barnet	10	10
MPS	1	1
London Fire Brigade	0	1

Education	1	1
Barnet Homes	1	2
Business	0	1
Capita	0	1
Total	28	27

After the March CTN open forum attendees were asked to complete feedback forms. Ten out of the 28 attendees completed the evaluation form. The results of the feedback are summarised below:

- All 10 attendees reported that they would recommend the CTN to colleagues or other VCS organisations
- 5 attendees reported that the meeting was useful, whilst a further 5 reported that it was very useful

Initial feedback at two open sessions in 2016 indicates a positive VCS and strategic partner reception to the changes; that the format allows more participation and dialogue and it is more relevant to the voluntary, community and faith sectors. A number of attendees reported that they liked the pace of the presentations: “Short and informative. Good to see a combination of service providers”. Others also highlighted that they liked the networking opportunities and the interactive nature of the event. Further feedback was also received after the June event highlighting the positive aspects of a themed approach, enabling individuals to prioritise and ensure the right people were at the event and enabling a variety of VCS organisations to showcase their work.

Areas where attendees reported room for improvement included the number of VCS organisations present and having clearer aims and objectives.

As a result of the feedback and the information highlighted in the breakdown of attendees, work to diversify and increase CTN membership will remain a key objective going forward. Action is continuing to promote CTN to VCS and to encourage and diversify VCS attendance. For example, prior to each themed agenda officer practice is to identify and target relevant VCS groups with an interest in the specific agenda topic and make direct contact with them. This helps to grow CTN membership, improve VCS attendance and strengthen the sustainability of CTN. In addition VCS organisations listed on Barnet data base of VCS organisations (which is expected to be available from late September 2016) will be encouraged to sign up to CTN.

An information leaflet was also produced for the June meeting which stated the aims and objectives for the CTN open forum, and was distributed with the agenda for the day.

7. Responding to emergency issues

There has been little change to the CTN Reactive/Emergency Response Function. In any incident, the CTN responds alongside the Barnet Resilience Forum. CTN works as the community arm of the Barnet Resilience Forum to provide a communication link, monitor, understand, and reduce any community tension and may also on request, circulate information from strategic partners such as the Metropolitan Police or the Borough Resilience Forum.

The current *threat* level (since August 2014) for international terrorism attack in the *UK* is SEVERE. Two emergency response sessions of CTN were organised in November 2015 and January 2016 in response to terrorist attacks in Paris. According to the CTN Terms of Reference representation was sought from the steering group and Voluntary, Faith and Community sectors.as appropriate.

Seven emergency communications have been sent out to the CTN as follows:

Date	Incident	Message
November 2015	Terrorist attack in Paris	Condemnation of the attack
December 2015	Attack on North Finchley Mosque	Condemnation of the attack
January 2016	Terrorist attack in Paris	Condemnation of the attack
March 2016	Terrorist Attack in Brussels	Condemnation of the attack
July 2016	Terrorist Attack in Nice	Condemnation of the attack
July 2016	Murder of Father Jacques Hamel	Condemnation of the murder and information for security funding available to places of worship
July 2016	N/A	Communication of the Council resolution condemning hate crime to underline the borough's commitment to oppose all forms of religious hatred, intolerance and Hate Crime

8. Measuring social cohesion and good relations between Barnet's diverse communities

Barnet is a growing and diverse borough. Demographic data about Barnet can be found in Barnet's Equalities and Cohesion data summary and links are available at Appendix 2 to this paper.

Barnet's strategic equalities objective measures perceptions about community cohesion through analysis of the Residents' Perception Survey (RPS). The Spring 2016 RPS shows that satisfaction with Barnet remains high - 89% of residents are satisfied with their local area as a place to live (1 percentage point improvement from Spring 2015). This is 6 percentage points above the national average.

We are proud of our cohesive communities. A large majority (85%) of residents agree that people from different backgrounds get on well together in Barnet (an improvement of one percentage point from 84% in Spring 2015). 81% of residents feel there is not a problem or not a very big problem with people not treating each other with respect and consideration (an improvement of 2 percentage points from 79% in Spring 2015).

Feeling safe and included are important features of a cohesive community and RPS data suggests that the majority of people in Barnet feel safe in their local area: 94% of residents reported that they feel safe in their local community during the day (Spring 2015 most recent data); and 73% of residents feel safe in their local area after dark (Spring 2016 – an improvement of 2 percentage points from 71% in Spring 2015).

9. Collaboration between Council Teams

During the CTN review it was noted that there was potential for more joint working between the teams involved with CTN - Community Participation and Equalities who support CTN, Community Safety and Emergency Planning. To be successful CTN must work across these teams to be kept informed of any issues anticipated by those teams which could have a bearing on community tension and also to feedback to them and strategic partners as necessary.

A regular meeting has been set up between these four council teams to establish close working relationships, discuss items of common interest, share information, and plan coordinated action. For example, this joint working approach has led to the current implementation of a complementary approach to engaging Barnet's Muslim communities, who are under-represented on CTN.

Emergency Planning and Community Safety teams have an opportunity on each CTN open meeting to link their area of specialism to the themed agenda. Both teams are also engaged in the CTN emergency response and can request emergency communication to the CTN network from other Borough partners. All four teams are members of Borough Resilience Forum.

10. CTN support for the Barnet Multi Faith Forum - Celebrating Our Differences

To celebrate cultural diversity and to demonstrate what can be achieved when diverse religious groups in the borough work together in harmony, peace and understanding, the Barnet Multi Faith Forum (BMFF) are planning and organising 'Celebration Barnet', the Barnet Unity of Faiths Festival.

The Barnet Unity of Faiths Festival will have at its heart music, drama, dance, sport, food, entertainment, exhibitions and discussions all aimed to promote the excellent cohesive nature and character of the Borough. The event will celebrate different groups in the borough and the rich diversity of cultural and religious traditions and beliefs to build trust and community cohesion by working together. The Festival aims to attract all ages, abilities, genders and those of faith and of none.

BMFF are working with a multi-agency partnership that brings together the Council, Capita, CommUnity Barnet, Groundwork and the voluntary sector, Public Health Barnet, The Unity of Faiths Foundation, The Emergency Services, Saracens (other sports organisations) and the business sector.

To date they have attracted Big Lottery funding and Barnet Council corporate grant support of £15,000 in total. A fundraising event for the business sector is being held on 7th September 2016 at Allianz Park and the festival will be held on 29th May 2017.

11. Next Steps for CTN

At the December 2016 meeting, CTN Steering Group will have an opportunity to review how the refreshed CTN has operated over the past year and how CTN activities are meeting the refreshed terms of reference. Areas for potential discussion and improvement could include;

- How to better involve local businesses
- How to increase membership of the VCS
- How to increase membership of faith leaders

The Steering Group will also set a future work plan, which will identify community issues and how CTN can share practical solutions and be involved in delivering the priorities of Barnet's Corporate Plan.

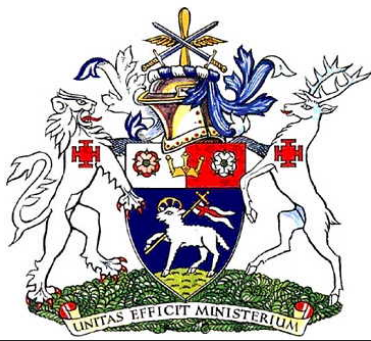
Appendix Two Barnet Equalities and Cohesion Data Summary

A full Equalities and Cohesion Data Summary was updated in January 2016 and is published on the equality page of the council's website at <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/dam/jcr:926a6a16-9a19-4cae-b689-40ada234bb0f/Equalities%20and%20Cohesion%20data%20summary.pdf>

The Equalities and Cohesion Data Summary shows that Barnet is now the most populous London Borough with a growing number of children; young and older people from our diverse communities as well as new residents, especially in the Regeneration areas in the West of the Borough.

Barnet's population is projected to become proportionally older because the over 65's age group is growing at a faster rate than the 0-15 and 16-64 age bands. Barnet is becoming increasingly diverse and the borough's white population is projected to reduce by 3% to 58% by 2021 with a corresponding 3% increase in ethnic minority groups. Barnet reflects the major religious groups in the UK and is home to the largest Jewish population in the UK who make up 15% of Barnet Residents and 0.5 % of the population of England and Wales (Census 2011).

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Community Leadership Committee
7 September 2016

Title	Corporate Grants Programme, 2016/17 – grant applications
Report of	Director of Resources
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key	No
Enclosures	<p>Grant assessments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix A – Action on Hearing Loss • Appendix B – Caritas St Joseph’s Centre • Appendix C – Friends of Mill Hill Park • Appendix D – St Peter’s Bourne Management Company
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Summary

This report attaches assessments of grant applications by four not-for-profit organisations.

Recommendations

- (1) That, subject to the council’s Standard Conditions of Grant and the special conditions shown in the respective grant assessments enclosed:**
- (i) a one-year start-up grant of £9,600 be awarded to Action on Hearing Loss;**
 - (ii) a one-year start-up grant of £10,000 be awarded to Caritas St Joseph’s Centre;**
 - (iii) a one-year start-up grant of £10,000 be awarded to St Peter’s Bourne Management Company.**
- (2) That, for the reasons set out in the relevant assessment, the application for a grant by Friends of Mill Hill Park is not supported.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Voluntary and community organisations may apply for a one-year start-up grant of up to £10,000 or a one-off grant of up to £5,000 from the corporate grants programme.
- 1.2 The power to award grants of more than £5,000 to voluntary and community groups is vested in this committee in accordance with the terms of reference of theme committees in the council’s constitution - annexe A of Responsibilities for Functions.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The grant assessments herewith explain the rationale for awarding the grants in question.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 None.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 The applicants will be formally notified of the decisions and the grants, if approved, will be paid following compliance with the special conditions shown in the relevant appendices.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 The Corporate Plan, 2015-2020, identifies a set of strategic objectives which frame the council's approach to achieving its vision of making local services more integrated, intuitive and efficient by 2020, aimed at ensuring that Barnet is a place:

- of opportunity, where people can further their quality of life
- where people are helped to help themselves, recognising that prevention is better than cure
- where responsibility is shared, fairly
- where services are delivered efficiently to get value for money for the taxpayer

5.1.2 The outcomes around which these objectives are prioritised having regard to the applications presented include:

- To empower local residents and the community at large to play a more active role in improving their lives, local communities and public services
- To promote self-care through access to information, resources and community networks
- To support people and families who need help, such as to maintain their independence and lead active lives, including older people and people with disabilities and complex needs
- To strengthen individuals' resilience in challenging times and build more resilient communities
- To reduce unemployment and support vulnerable and hard to reach people into work
- To identify and address at an early stage any issues that may impede a successful childhood and progression to adulthood
- To develop more innovative ways of maintaining parks and green spaces, including through greater partnerships with community groups
- To focus on using parks to achieve wider public health priorities for the borough, including increasing access to sport and physical activity for young people

5.1.3 The voluntary and community sector has a significant role to play in the delivery of public services having regard to the reduction in government funding, not only by increasing choice, accessibility and value for money but also by developing innovative solutions to problems and improving customers' perception of public services.

5.1.4 A Third Sector Commissioning Framework, approved by the former Cabinet Resources Committee in 2008, has brought:

- consistency to the council's financial arrangements with the voluntary and community sector; and

- procurement from, and grants to, the sector into a single framework consistent with the council's procurement rules

5.1.5 The grants programme offers help to voluntary and community organisations (a) to develop sustainable new services and activities and (b) to run community events or meet certain non-recurring items of expenditure.

5.1.6 All applications are assessed on their individual merits against the council's policy objectives; the benefits to the local community; the effectiveness of the organisation in its service delivery; its overall value for money; its financial needs; and the budget for making awards each year. In the case of start-up grants, the apparent or likely viability of a proposal in the years following the council's twelve-month funding is a critical factor.

5.1.7 The applications recommended for an award fulfil these criteria.

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

5.2.1 The provision for making start-up and one-off grants in 2016/17 is comprised of funds deriving to the authority from the Edward Harvist Charity; a small annual allocation from the former Borough Lottery Scheme; and a sum of £51,000 collectively allocated to the corporate grants programme by the area committees with the approval of the Community Leadership Committee.

5.2.2 The current position on the funding available in 2016/17, which includes the sum that has been allocated to the corporate grants programme from the council's share of income from the Edward Harvist Charity, to be supplemented as further income from the charity is received, is as follows:

Budget item	Funding available, 2016/17	Approvals to date	Balance remaining	Recommended herewith
Edward Harvist Charity	£67,050	£5,000	£62,050	£29,600
Former Borough Lottery Fund	£15,000	£12,250	£2,750	0
Allocation by area committees	£51,000	0	£51,000	0
TOTAL	£133,050	£17,250	£115,800	£29,600

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Not relevant in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 The council has general power of competence to make grants under section 1 of the Localism Act 2011.

5.4.2 Under the council's constitution, Responsibility for Functions, (annex A), the terms of reference of the Community Leadership Committee includes specific responsibility for

- grants to the voluntary sector
- to maintain good relations with Barnet's diverse communities ensuring that all communities have the opportunity to participate in the borough's affairs

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 All grants are made subject to the council's Standard Conditions of Grant Aid, with which applicants are required to signify their compliance by signing a written undertaking. Amongst other things, the conditions cover how awards are spent, allowing council officers a right of access to proof thereof, and requiring notification of any change in an organisation's circumstances which significantly affect its finances, operations or grant entitlement. The council reserves the right to withhold payment of any approved grant, or to demand full or partial repayment, if it appears that an organisation has failed to comply with any of the conditions attached to the award.

5.5.2 The shift towards greater community involvement in the delivery of services has involved some relaxation in the attitude traditionally taken to compliance with eligibility criteria before an award is recommended. Whilst all applicants are expected to satisfy basic governance requirements, it is accepted that community-led and self-help groups may initially require the support of a parent organisation or other agency.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the council and all other organisations exercising public functions must have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by or under the Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it

The relevant protected characteristics are age; disability; gender reassignment; pregnancy and maternity; race, religion or belief; and sex and sexual orientation. The broad purpose of this duty is to integrate considerations of equality into daily business and keep them under review in decision making; the design of policies; and the delivery of services.

5.6.2 All voluntary and community organisations grant-aided by the council are required to demonstrate that they have an equal opportunities policy covering users, staff and volunteers, which promotes equal treatment for all irrespective of their age, disability, gender, sexuality, ethnic background, faith, health, language or social and economic background. Scrutiny of compliance with these considerations and how they contribute to promoting good relations between people and communities forms part of the standard procedure for assessing all applications.

5.6.3 Awards from the corporate grants programme fund projects and activities in support of people from all communities and focus particularly on those who may be regarded as vulnerable, as in the case of the grants recommended.

5.7 Consultation and Engagement

5.7.1 The applications in question have been assessed in conjunction with commissioning managers and leads and service delivery units as appropriate.

5.8 Insight

5.8.1 The applicants have presented evidence in support of the need for their proposals.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Cabinet Resources Committee, 22 July 2008 (decision item 11): approval of a Third Sector Commissioning Framework
(<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/CeListDocuments.aspx?Committeed=151&MeetingId=424&DF=22%2f07%2f2008&Ver=2>)

6.2 Community Leadership Committee, 24 June 2015 (decision item 11): endorsement of decision by each area committee to allocate £17,000 of its available budget in 2015/16 through the corporate grants programme
(<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=694&MId=8367&Ver=4>)

6.3 Council, 1 March 2016: approval of corporate grants budget for 2016/17
(<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=162&MId=8343&Ver=4>)

GRANT APPLICATION 2016/17 – ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

Priority Corporate Outcomes	To support people who need help to maintain their independence and lead active lives, including older people and people with disabilities and complex needs To reduce health inequalities To promote self-care through access to information, resources and community networks			
Organisation	ACTION ON HEARING LOSS	<table border="1"> <tr> <td style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">ref</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6/S/PSD</td> </tr> </table>	ref	6/S/PSD
ref				
6/S/PSD				
Address	Julius Newman House, Woodside Park Road, N12			
Relevant policy, aims and objectives				
<p>The council is committed to helping people to be independent and live active lives, recognizing that some people need more support than others to achieve this. The transformation of adult health and social care set out in the Care Act 2014 and Department of Health publications ‘Our Health, Our Care, Our Say’ and ‘A Vision for Social Care, Capable Communities and Active Citizens’ places growing emphasis on preventative services; delivering targeted information and advice; and ensuring people have the right support at the right time.</p> <p>Corporate priorities reflect the national disabilities agenda of moving away from specialist service provision to facilitating access to mainstream services with a focus on addressing inequalities. Help with adaptations, assistive technologies and the provision of support services form part of the strategy to facilitate independent living. The development of a unified information and advice portal is aimed at supporting better awareness, prevention and early intervention. The strategy recognizes that gaps exist in the provision for people with sensory impairment, including hearing loss, to maintain an independent life.</p>				
Activities / proposal				
<p>Formerly known as the Royal National Institute for the Deaf, Action on Hearing Loss (AHL) is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee which provides services for deaf and hard of hearing people across the UK, including hearing aid maintenance and support for wearers of NHS hearing aids and deaf people with additional or complex needs; befriending and support services; and advice and information on issues relating to hearing loss. It also supports medical research and is a campaigning organization, raising awareness of deafness and hearing loss.</p> <p>AHL’s work in Barnet (and adjoining parts of north-west London) has grown significantly since 2010, when it took on delivery of hearing aid support services in the locality after funding for similar work by the Jewish Deaf Association expired. A part-time member of staff and eight trained volunteers, working in conjunction with the audiology departments at Barnet, Chase Farm and the Royal Free Hospitals (which supply batteries, other hearing aid consumables and training), general practitioners and Age UK Barnet, support clients mainly at four drop-in clinics in N2, N20, NW4 and NW11, minimizing the need for them to visit main hospital sites. The charity also runs four befriending groups in libraries or community venues for local residents who have become isolated due to hearing loss in similar parts of the borough.</p> <p>It is estimated that up to 800 people in Barnet have a profound hearing impairment and another 16,000 some form of hearing loss. 230 local residents are registered with AHL and regularly attend its clinics or befriending groups. In 2015/16, it delivered 134 drop-in sessions and 1,051 hearing aid support, befriending and information interventions. 89% of respondents to a users’ survey in 2015 stated that AHL had helped them benefit more from their hearing aid. 79% said that it had made a big improvement to their daily life.</p>				

This application seeks help to develop and expand AHL's activities in Barnet by way of:

- * ensuring that the 'Accessible Information Standard' published by the NHS in July 2015, applicable to all NHS England and adult social care services, is fully implemented in all health and social care settings in Barnet;
- * improving the reach of the existing hearing aid support service by introducing new drop-in clinics in the north-west of the borough and expanding upon the limited capacity at present to make home visits to less mobile people and their families.

The Accessible Information Standard (AIS) places an obligation on general practitioner surgeries, hospitals, nursing and care homes and adult social care services to ensure that people with a disability or sensory loss know their rights; how to ask for them; and receive information in formats that they can understand and appropriate support to help them communicate. A survey by AHL found that 28% of patients with hearing loss seen by their general practitioner do not understand the diagnosis and 19% are unclear about their medication. In practice, the new standard means that services must, for example, provide a working loop system or British Sign Language video translation to help people with hearing loss.

AHL will disseminate guidelines on compliance with the new rules in relation to people with hearing loss, commencing with all local GP surgeries, and its team of volunteers will work with health and social care professionals to implement the changes that are necessary, to be informed by the outcome of focus groups with local deaf and hard of hearing people to establish local needs, which AHS will convene. It will also institute regular training in care homes, residential settings and independent supportive living projects, where the turnover of staff is traditionally high, in pursuit of maintaining standards of communication and support.

The proposed expansion of the hearing aid support service seeks to improve accessibility across the borough, especially in wards such as Hale, Mill Hill and Underhill where AHL currently has no presence, and by addressing the needs of local people with hearing loss who are housebound and/or cannot get to one of the drop-in clinics. Collaboration with community groups, especially those supporting minority ethnic communities, will help roll out the project.

A work plan accompanying the application shows that AHL will double its team of local volunteers (to sixteen) to deliver these proposals, to include people with hearing loss in recognition of the value of peer to peer support. In addition to the publication of AIS guidelines for surgeries and other health and social care settings, people with hearing loss will also receive a leaflet on what they may in future expect from primary care providers. As regards the hearing aid support service, the target is to increase the number of clinics to eight each month.

It is acknowledged that acquired hearing loss later in life causes frustration, low self-esteem, withdrawal from society and, in some cases, a decline in mental health. The Joint Commissioning Unit supports the proposals as complementary to the strategy for working with the client group, making support services more accessible and ensuring that statutory providers comply with the new accessibility standards.

Cost and financial need

In 2014/15, AHL incurred expenditure of £38,279,000 on its nationwide operation, reflecting its work not only in directly supporting people with hearing loss but also its parallel roles as a medical research charity and as the leading national campaigner for the needs of its client group and on issues such as damaging noise levels. The bulk of income is generated from contracts and grants for the delivery of specialist care and support for people with hearing loss and donations, gifts and legacies. Funds also derive from the sale of products and training, and

from commercial sponsorship partnerships. Net current assets at 31/5/2015 were £10,495,000, of which £2,305,000 were restricted funds, leaving an uncommitted balance of £8,190,000 (19.7% of estimated 2016/17 expenditure), in line with the level of reserves recommended by the Charity Commission for an organisation of this size.

Localized projects, such as the one in Barnet, which are mainly free of charge, operate on the basis of the proceeds of local or general fundraising. The existing Barnet operation has a budget of £21,718 in 2016/17, of which the main cost is the part-time worker.

In 2011/12, AHL was awarded a corporate grant of £8,000 to launch the befriending groups.

The cost of rolling out the work on the AIS and expanding the reach of the hearing aid support service is shown as £9,872, of which £6,972 (70%) is to add another ten hours a week to the part-time worker's paid employment (with on-costs) to co-ordinate delivery. The balance of the budget comprises promotion and marketing (including production of leaflets) (£500); communication support (£600); room/venue hire (£300); staff and volunteer travel/subsistence (£700); and general running costs (£800). The request is for a grant of £10,000.

Most of the proactive work on implementation of the AIS will take place over the next twelve months. Thereafter, activities around the standard will be more reactive, reducing any future funding requirement. The additional drop-in clinics, once set up, will be run, and home visiting delivered, by volunteers. Future running costs will be defrayed by ALS through its national fundraising strategy.

The grant recommended slightly reduces the allowance for some elements of the budget, based on the estimates presented.

Grant recommendation, type and conditions

£9,600 (from Edward Harvist Charity)

Start-up grant
One-off grant

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Special conditions:

Payment of the award should be made subject to the receipt of quarterly progress reports demonstrating the achievement of milestones, targets and outcomes set out in the work plan accompanying the application and an undertaking to provide an evaluation of the two projects at the end of twelve months.

Target grant outcomes

To improve the quality of life, health and well-being of people with hearing loss, enabling them to live independently and as active members of the community.

Date: August 2016

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GRANT APPLICATION 2016/17 – ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

Priority Corporate Outcomes	To support families and individuals that need help, such as to maintain their independence and lead active lives To increase resilience amongst people with disabilities and complex needs and help them to achieve their potential To reduce unemployment and support vulnerable and hard to reach people into work	
Organisation	CARITAS ST JOSEPH’S CENTRE	ref 360/S/LGD
Address	St Joseph’s Grove, NW4	

Corporate policy, aims and objectives

The council is committed to helping people to be independent and live active lives, recognizing that some people need more support than others to achieve this. The transformation of adult health and social care set out in the Care Act 2014 and Department of Health publications ‘Our Health, Our Care, Our Say’ and ‘A Vision for Social Care, Capable Communities and Active Citizens’ places growing emphasis on preventative services; delivering targeted information and advice; and ensuring people have the right support at the right time.

The Commissioning Plan for Adults & Communities, 2015-20, focuses on the development of preventative services; the removal of inequalities; and the wider well-being agenda. It reflects the national learning disabilities priority of moving away from specialist service provision to facilitating access to mainstream services with a focus on addressing inequalities. The aim is to support adults with learning disabilities to have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else to live a full life and realise their ambitions, using a wide range of resources; different approaches; and increasing the use of social networks.

Activities / proposal

Caritas St Joseph’s Centre (CSJC) is a locally managed project of Caritas Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster, a registered charity which seeks to provide pastoral care and support to vulnerable and marginalised people through a range of local schemes.

Set up in 1977, CSJC provides learning opportunities and therapies for adults with learning disabilities to help them fulfil their potential. Accredited by Oxford, Cambridge & RSA Examinations, it runs 35 vocational, leisure and therapeutic courses in a safe and sensitive environment, which throughout 2015 were fully subscribed. Of 215 clients, many with autism, 125 lived in Barnet. The council is one of several sources of referrals. The courses range from ceramics, cooking and horticulture to singing and music-making. The centre also offers supporting facilities such as a sensory room and social activities where people of all abilities can mix, reducing social isolation that is common amongst people with learning disabilities.

This application seeks help to launch a social enterprise, ‘A Place to Grow’, created from a now dissolved small local carpentry business set up (in 2012) by the family of a young man with autism at their home to provide meaningful employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities, which was gifted to CSJC in 2015 when the demand for places outstripped what they could offer. The business produced garden furniture from recycled timber, sold through a retail outlet and exhibitions at garden shows. All necessary action has been taken to enable CSJC to take on and expand the activity as a social enterprise.

It has started to operate the enterprise on one morning a week in a workshop created in

renovated basement space at the centre with five participants, inherited from the former business. The aim is to scale it up to five full days a week and to increase capacity to 25, offering training in the production of bespoke garden chairs, planter boxes and garden furniture and exposure to all aspects of the enterprise, including customer service, marketing and sales, in an environment tailored to the needs of people with learning disabilities. For people with severe disabilities and little chance of finding paid employment, it will create an environment where they can make a valued contribution to their community and receive recognition. For others, it will offer a genuine work situation; the opportunity to gain transferable workplace skills; and help to develop leadership skills and independence.

The time spent by participants with the enterprise will vary according to their ability. The expectation is that the majority will progress into other work opportunities within twelve months, creating scope for a largely new cohort of students each year. The 2016/17 work plan anticipates retaining, employing and paying five students.

Living with a disability is a recognised barrier to employment and financial independence. Research by the National Autistic Society reveals that only 15% of people on the autistic spectrum are in full-time employment despite 79% who are in receipt of work-related benefits wanting to work. Helping and supporting people with a learning disability into a job that matches their capabilities, interests and ambitions is acknowledged to be the most effective solution to sustainable employment. Good jobs, aligned with in-work support, can also act to prevent the acquisition of further impairments.

Adults & Communities and the Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group value the work of CSJC and its flexible approach to addressing the needs of people with learning disabilities, operating, as it does, a modular system which enables those in receipt of personal budgets, for example, to make good use of them. 'A Place to Grow' is endorsed as complementary to the developing strategy of increasing local training and employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities and autism. The application is supported, subject to SCJC strengthening its links with 'Bright Futures', a service commissioned from Barnet Mencap to support the client group, including into employment.

Cost and financial need

In 2014, CSJC incurred expenditure of £500,295, of which 70% was on staffing. The centre has a full-time salaried manager and 30 or more tutors and learning support assistants engaged on a sessional basis. The diocese subsidises overheads, including the rental liability on the premises occupied, which it owns, and utility costs. The balance of recurrent annual expenditure is mainly on materials and equipment linked to the delivery of activities; publicity; and administration. CSJC's courses are self-financing through the imposition of charges (in many cases defrayed through direct payments) which constitute 70% of income. The balance mainly comprises the proceeds of local fundraising, including grants, which support specific elements of the service provision; additional summer holiday activities; and developments, most recently the creation of a sensory roof-top garden.

At 31/3/2014, CSJC had net current liabilities of £50,413, a deficit that was made good in 2015, the accounts for which have yet to be published pending the completion of an audit.

Three-year projections for operating and developing the new social enterprise show expenditure of £50,585 in year one rising to £69,119 in year three. It is expected to be scaled up to full capacity within nine months. £30,399 (79%) of revenue costs of £38,335 in year one are the costs of a part-time manager, a part-time tutor and a part-time learning support assistant, plus central managerial supervision. The budget includes the procurement of

materials; advertising / marketing; and administration. There will be a charge (of £28 for a full day) for all trainees. Income in year one is shown to be generated in roughly equal measure from student fees / trading and charitable grants.

The business plan identifies that marketing and sales are crucial to the success of the enterprise, reducing the dependence on income from fundraising. A marketing and communications strategy, combining complementary on-line, print, media and advertising options, focuses on the need to create a range of distinctive products to gain foothold within a competitive marketplace and on developing reach and sales within the Westminster Diocese before the general marketplace is tackled. The business plan projects that the enterprise will be self-supporting through income from sales and fees by year three.

The request is for a one-off grant of £10,000 to buy tools and equipment for the workshop costing £10,213 on the basis of the cheaper of two sets of quotations submitted, capital expenditure, which, with workbenches, totals £12,250 and forms part of the year one budget, to facilitate scaling up and expansion of the operation. The requirements include a dust extractor (£2,610) and carpentry equipment such as a lathe, a table saw, a band saw and sanders.

The council is investing up to £363,000 a year in the 'Bright Futures' service commissioned from Barnet Mencap, including payment by results and innovation funding.

Grant recommendation, type and conditions

£10,000 (from Edward Harvist Charity)

Start-up grant
One-off grant

Special conditions:

Payment of the award should be made subject to (a) agreement of a strategy for collaboration with the 'Bright Futures' service in discussion with Barnet Mencap and Adults & Communities and (b) the receipt of an undertaking to provide quarterly progress reports linking implementation to key milestones in the work plan and an evaluation of the project in twelve months' time.

Target grant outcomes

To develop the personal and workplace skills of adults with learning disabilities, increasing their independence and capacity to participate in the community, and to support them into employment.

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GRANT APPLICATION 2016/17 – ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

Priority Corporate Outcomes	<p>To empower local residents and the community at large to play a more active role in improving their lives, local communities and public services</p> <p>To develop more innovative ways of maintaining parks and green spaces, including through greater partnerships with community groups</p> <p>To focus on using parks to achieve wider public health priorities for the borough, including increasing access to sport and physical activity for young people</p>	
Organisation	FRIENDS OF MILL HILL PARK	ref 159/G/ENV
Address	c/o 30 Sunnyfield, NW7	
Relevant policy, aims and objectives		
<p>The council is committed to maintaining Barnet as a place where people want to live and in which an active community can thrive. This includes protecting and enhancing the natural environment, recognising that parks and green spaces are amongst the borough's biggest assets. Strategic objectives include empowering residents to take on more personal and community responsibility for keeping Barnet a successful borough, including improving the local environment, and to look after their health and well-being through improvement in lifestyle. Making parks and green spaces more attractive places for physical activity, entertainment and play is one of the ways in which this may be achieved.</p> <p>The Corporate Plan and the Children and Young People Plan, 2016-20, reflect a commitment to ensure a great start in life for every child and to improve outcomes for Barnet's younger population. Strategic objectives of the Youth & Family Support Service include increasing access to regular sport and physical activity as part of leading a healthy lifestyle.</p>		
Activities / proposal		
<p>The Friends of Mill Hill Park (FMHP) is an unincorporated association formed in 1997 to support the council in protecting, conserving and improving Mill Hill Park, maintaining its community asset value and quickly remedying problems. Including regular users such as dog walkers, tennis players and bowlers, it helps to ensure that the park is kept clean and safe, alerting the council of issues such as fallen trees, damaged equipment or the presence of dangerous dogs. It also leads on raising funds to develop the park and its facilities, especially in support of its use for sports activities such as football (games and coaching), cricket, tennis and bowling, and by children, young people and people with restricted mobility.</p> <p>Recent projects supported by FMHP, either through fundraising or voluntary help, include redevelopment of the children's playground; the creation of an outdoor gym and a basketball court; re-opening of the park's café; and improvements to the toilets.</p> <p>This application concerns a proposal to install a skateboarding facility in Mill Hill Park in response to popular demand, both amongst young people, who currently improvise in creating inherently unsafe ramped surfaces for skateboarding on the concourse areas in the park, and other park users, who consider these arrangements to be intrusive and dangerous. The need for a designated skateboarding ramp area has been an issue raised consistently with FMHP since 2013 and one that has received support from all sections of the community at each annual general meeting since that time. The only existing skateboarding park in Barnet is in Friary Park, which is on the other side of the borough.</p> <p>Skateboarding is typically a peer exercise that promotes agility; the development of new skills;</p>		

and social integration amongst young people, critical facets in the progression to adulthood. The proposed new ramped area will be modelled on the Friary Park facility. To be located in an accessible area of the park, to be agreed with the council, without detracting from its general aspect, its size will take account of proposals to create a much larger free-formed skate park at Copthall as part of that site's future redevelopment. All but one of 73 respondents to a recent survey of the local community signified their support of the proposal.

Street Scene's Green Spaces & Streets Team endorses the work of friends of parks groups like FMHP as an effective way of harnessing the talents and energy of local people in maintaining and improving parks and green spaces and securing external funding for those purposes. It supports the proposal in principle, subject to agreement to implement the project in consultation with the council and in accordance with all necessary consents and quality standards.

Cost and financial need

In 2014/15, FMHP incurred expenditure of £130, mainly on stationery, printing and postage. Income is from subscriptions and donations. At 31/3/2015, it had reserves of £855.88.

In 2012, FMHP was awarded £50,000 from the Big Lottery towards the redevelopment of the children's playground in Mill Hill Park, the biggest grant that it has obtained to date.

The request is for a grant of £10,000 towards project costs for the skateboarding facility originally shown as £54,000 (inclusive of VAT), based on estimates obtained by FMHP using materials considered by the Green Spaces & Streets Team to be inappropriate. The use of recommended materials and compliance with the council's procurement procedures will result in estimated costs of £90,000.

The council's traditional approach to funding projects of this nature is to contribute once achievement of a fundraising target is close. Consideration of this application has been deferred until now pending news of FMHP's fundraising efforts. Its stated intention is to apply once again to the Big Lottery, but no such bid has yet been made and no other funds have yet been secured, rendering any council grant at this stage (likely to be subject to the usual ceiling on one-off grants of £5,000) premature. The application is not therefore supported.

FMHP states that some professional help may be needed to drive the fundraising process forward, expenditure that does not qualify for a corporate grant. Given the localised nature of the project, it may be more appropriate for the group to re-apply to the Hendon Area Committee for a grant as and when its fundraising has started in earnest.

Grant recommendation, type and conditions

NIL

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GRANT APPLICATION 2016/17 – ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

Priority Corporate Outcomes	To strengthen individuals’ resilience in challenging times and help change behaviour To build more resilient communities where people do more to help themselves and their neighbours To identify and address at an early stage any issues that may impede a successful childhood and progression to adulthood	
Organisation	ST PETER’S BOURNE MANAGEMENT COMPANY (in partnership with Home-Start Barnet)	ref 339/C/CTY
Address	40 Oakleigh Park South, N20	

Corporate policy, aims and objectives

The council is committed to helping people to be independent and live active lives, focusing on preventative services; the delivery of targeted information and advice; and ensuring people have the right support at the right time. Strategic priorities include supporting the resilience of families in the greatest need and on the cusp of becoming vulnerable, recognizing that some people, such as those handicapped by low income, unemployment or other forms of social exclusion, may need additional help in a crisis; promoting the health and well-being of disadvantaged local residents and encouraging them to adopt healthier lifestyles; and creating the conditions for children and young people to make the best possible start in life.

The Children and Young People Plan, 2016-20, sets out a vision of making Barnet the most family-friendly borough by 2020. The theme of resilience underpins the Children’s Service’s ambition for strong communities in which people bounce back from stress and adversity and take on new challenges and children and young people can thrive and achieve.

Activities / proposal

St Peter’s Bourne Management Company (SPBMC) is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee formed in 2003 to advance the Christian religion, including through the provision of facilities for study and learning. It is a popular retreat and conference centre which hosts community events such as family fun days, educational courses and a film club, delivered with the support of a large volunteer network or in partnership with other local churches. It also helps promote and support the work of local voluntary groups like Homeless Action in Barnet and is about to launch new volunteer-led outreach activities in the community.

Home-Start Barnet (HSB), set up in 1996, is a well-established local voluntary group and registered charity affiliated to the national Home-Start organization which offers support, friendship and practical help to families with children under the age of five in Barnet and Harrow through weekly visits by volunteers; a twice-weekly family drop-in session on the Grahame Park Estate; and parenting courses.

This application concerns a proposal by SPBMC to institute a new life coaching and support service, ‘Seed Barnet’, in partnership with HSB and experienced independent practitioners for parents/families with teenage children who may not be able to afford traditional counselling services or other support methods. It will support parents in need of practical and emotional advice through weekly courses lasting between six and ten weeks aimed at empowering them to better understand, deal with and/or manage a specific concern in their lives. SPBMC in tandem with qualified practitioners will lead on delivering courses on relationships, stress and anxiety. HSB will lead on delivering courses on families and parenting.

The service will be publicized through local networks including Churches Together in Friern Barnet and Whetstone, schools and medical centres, with which referral mechanisms will also be developed, supplementing HSB's considerable existing reach within the community. The courses will initially be targeted at parents/families living in Friern Barnet, Oakleigh Park and Whetstone. They will take place at St Peter's Bourne and have capacity for up to sixteen people at a time, whose eligibility will be determined at a confidential preliminary assessment. People in a critical or threatened position, for whom the service is not designed, will be signposted to other more suitable agencies.

Most other counselling services work on the basis of individual or couple counselling or one-to-one psychological support. Only Relate, the national counselling service, which closed its East Barnet branch in 2015, runs group workshops (with a charge), but not on a regular basis.

HSB brings to the project experience of working with parents with teenagers, which it has piloted in the form of a programme designed to enhance parents' self-sufficiency in managing their teenage children's behaviour, especially where emotional disorders may result. The incorporation of this work into the Seed Barnet project will minimize the risk of duplication between HSB and SPBMC. A service level agreement will consolidate policy and procedures covering the delivery of courses, including issues such as safeguarding and data protection, embracing also independent practitioners engaged to deliver courses on SPBMC's behalf.

An outline implementation plan anticipates that courses will start within six months of the launch of the service and that at least 50 parents will be supported in year one, rising to 175 by year three as it is scaled up and the catchment area extended. It is planned to hold up to ten courses each year, supplemented by a series of one-day workshops addressing particular issues.

The proposal has been drawn up in consultation with the Children's Service's Youth & Family Support Team to reconcile with two new health-related community coaching services which it is commissioning from HSB, replacing a previous contract with the organization that expired in March 2016. One focuses on the needs of families affected by mental health problems, domestic violence and substance misuse. The other provides low intensity emotional well-being support for women with, or at risk of, developing perinatal mental health problems.

The Youth & Family Support Service endorses the Seed Barnet project as complementary to the strategy of early intervention to prevent problems degenerating into crises, delivered, as it will be, by non-statutory providers, with which some clients are more likely to engage.

Cost and financial need

In 2014/15, SPBMC incurred expenditure of £78,801, of which £20,834 was one-off capital expenditure. Nearly 50% of recurrent revenue expenditure is the cost of employing a warden, who co-ordinates the work of 30-40 volunteers, including a small group of tenants who live as a Christian community on site, in helping deliver activities. The premises, formerly a large private residence, are owned by St Peter's Bourne Trust, set up by a group of nuns who occupied it up to 1995. The running costs of the building, which the trust supports, other overheads and administration make up the balance of annual expenditure. Income is generated from charges for community usage of the building and the tenancies. Net current assets at 30/4/2015 were £19,926, of which £1,698 were restricted funds, leaving an uncommitted balance of £18,228 (22% of turnover in 2015/16, the accounts for which remain subject to auditing).

HSB largely operates on the basis of funding through contracts and grants, which in 2014/15 amounted to £397,778, defraying 86% of annual expenditure of £459,252. The two new

health-related community coaching services which the Children's Service is commissioning from HSB are each on the basis of two-year contracts valued at £50,000 per year with an optional one-year extension.

The cost of setting up the Seed Barnet project and delivering five courses in year one is shown as £11,985, of which £1,580 is on course design; publicity / promotion (including the creation of a website); and materials. Individual course delivery costs range from £1,110 to £2,845 depending on the length and nature of each course and include the cost of a trainer / facilitator, administration and room hire. SPBMC will subsidise overheads such as utilities. Participation will be free of charge on the basis that the service is targeted at parents with a limited income. The grant request is for £10,000.

Recurrent costs in year two are projected to increase to £17,406 on the assumption of delivery of a minimum of nine courses. The application states that the service will be sustained primarily through grants, a number of potential future funders with a focus on supporting work of this type having been identified, bids to which will be strengthened by the council's initial endorsement of the project and the ability to demonstrate outcomes from the pilot first year

The grant recommended assumes that £930 of room hire costs shown in year one will be absorbed by SPBMC as part of its overall subsidy, reducing the need for a grant to £11,055.

Grant recommendation, type and conditions

£10,000 (from Edward Harvist Charity)

Start-up grant

One-off grant

Special conditions:

Payment of the award should be made subject to (a) agreement of an implementation plan, to include a strategy for targeting and selecting clients and the creation of a referral procedure; (b) agreement of targets and milestones in year one for monitoring purposes; (c) compliance with all necessary due diligence requirements; (d) elaboration of the sustainability strategy; and (e) the receipt of quarterly progress reports and an undertaking to provide an evaluation of the project at the end of twelve months.

Target grant outcomes

(a) To improve the resilience of vulnerable parents with teenage children, including their parenting skills and their capacity to change damaging behaviour and adopt a healthier lifestyle and (b) to enhance the progression of young people into adulthood.

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	<p align="center">Community Leadership Committee 7 September 2016</p>
<p align="center">Title</p>	<p align="center">Community Leadership Committee Work Programme</p>
<p align="center">Report of</p>	<p>Head of Governance</p>
<p align="center">Wards</p>	<p>All</p>
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<p align="center">Enclosures</p>	<p>Appendix A - Committee Work Programme- September 2016 – March 2017</p>
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Summary	
The Committee is requested to consider and comment on the items included in the 2016 work programme	

Recommendations	
1. That the Committee consider and comment on the items included in the 2016 work programme	

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Community Leadership Committee Work Programme 2016 indicates forthcoming items of business.
- 1.2 The work programme of this Committee is intended to be a responsive tool, which will be updated on a rolling basis following each meeting, for the inclusion of areas which may arise through the course of the year.
- 1.3 The Committee is empowered to agree its priorities and determine its own schedule of work within the programme.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 There are no specific recommendations in the report. The Committee is empowered to agree its priorities and determine its own schedule of work within the programme.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Any alterations made by the Committee to its Work Programme will be published on the Council's website.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 The Committee Work Programme is in accordance with the Council's strategic objectives and priorities as stated in the Corporate Plan 2015-2020.

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

- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 The Terms of Reference of the Community Leadership Committee is included in the Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A.

5.4 Risk Management

- 5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None.

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Community Leadership
Committee Work Programme
2016/2017**

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Subject	Decision required	Report of	Contributing Officer(s)
7 September 2016			
Communities Together Network Annual Report 2015/16	To provide an update report on Communities Together Network	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Equalities Policy Officer Community Participation
Community Safety Strategy – Annual Review and Refresh / Crime and Disorder Scrutiny	That the Community Leadership Committee note and comment on the proposed updates to the 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy and to note that updates will be agreed at the Safer Communities Partnership Board on 28 October 2016. Finally, that the Committee determines whether it wishes to make any comments and/or recommendations to the local authority or other statutory agencies in respect of crime and disorder matters affecting Barnet.	Commissioning Director Environment	Strategic Lead, Safer Communities
Update on Barnet Police resources and the partnership response to Hate Crime	This report provides an update on the police resources for Barnet in response to the following members item raised by Cllr Macauley at the Community Leadership Committee (CLC) on 9th March 2016. This report also responds to the motion agreed at full council meeting on 26 July 2016 Condemning Hate Crime	Commissioning Director Environment	Strategic Lead, Safer Communities
Nomination for Assets of Community Value (if any)	That the Committee make a determination on (any) received nomination.	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Strategy Officer Community Participation and Engagement

Subject	Decision required	Report of	Contributing Officer(s)
Grants (standing item)	To consider applications made to the Corporate Grants Programme for funding of between £5,000 and £9,999	Head of Finance	Grants Manager
Forward Work Programme	To note the items on the Forward Work Programme and make suggestions for any additions as appropriate.	Head of Governance	Governance Officer
23 November 2016			
Business Planning 2017/18	Committee to receive a report on Business Planning 2017/18	Commissioning Director, Environment	
Community Participation Strategy	To update on the work done to develop the Council's Community Participation Strategy, including plans for the new database of voluntary and community organisations	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Strategy Officer Community Participation and Engagement
Update on Barnet Partnership Plan to respond to Domestic Value (minutes, 9 March 2016, Item 6a) -	To note the Report. The Committee at its meeting on 9 March 2016 requested to receive an update report on the issues raised under Member's Item – Councillor McGuirk - an update on action taken to tackle domestic violence and violence against women and girls so that the committee can contribute to the refresh of the council's strategy.	Commissioning Director Environment	Strategic Lead, Safer Communities
Update on Commissioning Plan – progress on performance 2016/17	That the Committee note the progress update report on 2016/17 performance – Commissioning Plan	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services, Commissioning Director – Environment,	Community Participation, Engagement and Strategy Lead

Subject	Decision required	Report of	Contributing Officer(s)
London Community Rehabilitation Company – Offender Management review	To update the Committee on identification and implementation of patterns of improvements for management of offenders.	Commissioning Director Environment	Strategic Lead, Safer Communities
Nomination for Assets of Community Value (if any)	That the Committee make a determination on (any) received nomination.	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Strategy Officer Community Participation and Engagement
Grants (standing item)	To consider applications made to the Corporate Grants Programme for funding of between £5,000 and £9,999	Head of Finance	Grants Manager
Forward Work Programme	To note the items on the Forward Work Programme and make suggestions for any additions as appropriate.	Head of Governance	Governance Officer
8 March 2017			
Outcome of annual strategic crime needs assessment	To note the emerging priorities on crime and anti-social behaviour and agree the priorities the council will focus on in 2017/18.	Commissioning Director, Environment	Strategic Lead, Safer Communities
Nomination for Assets of Community Value (if any)	That the Committee make a determination on (any) received nomination.	Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Strategy Officer Community Participation and Engagement
Grants (standing item)	To consider applications made to the Corporate Grants Programme for funding of between £5,000 and £9,999	Head of Finance	Grants Manager
Forward Work Programme	To note the items on the Forward Work Programme and make suggestions for any additions as appropriate.	Head of Governance	Governance Officer

Subject	Decision required	Report of	Contributing Officer(s)
Items to be allocated			
Community Leadership Annual Performance Report	To note the progress made during 2015/16 and agree to use the information provided to help in future decision making.	Commissioning Director, Environment Director of Strategy, Innovation and Customer Services	Community Safety Manager, Strategy Officer: Participation & Engagement Manager, Emergency Planning Manager

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