

	Policy and Resources Committee 28th June 2016
Title	Annual Update on Area Committee Budgets
Report of	Head of Governance Head of Finance
Wards	All
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Urgent	No
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Enclosures	Appendix A – Non-CIL Community funding application guidelines 2016/17 Appendix B – Chipping Barnet Area Committee funding Appendix C – Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee funding Appendix D – Hendon Area Committee funding
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Summary

The report is to inform Members of the budget allocations of Area Committee funding for 2014/15 and 2015/16.

Recommendation

1. That the Policy and Resources Committee are requested to comment on and note the contents of the report including the attached appendices which provide a full analysis of the allocated Area Committee funding.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 On 10th June 2014, the Policy and Resources Committee agreed that £100,000 per year over a four year period should be allocated to each of the Council's three Area Committees, subject to agreement of detailed arrangements for the governance, accountability and prioritisation of these budgets by the Community Leadership Committee.
- 1.2 The Area Committees, Policy & Resources Committee, Environment Committee and Community Leadership Committee were consulted on the arrangements for managing Area Committee funding and each of these committees made resolutions in this regard, the full details of which can be found in the background papers section.
- 1.3 Since the implementation of the Area Committee Budgets arrangements processes have been amended and refined. On 9th July 2015, the Policy & Resources Committee approved that income from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) would be delegated to the Council's Area Committees. Area Committees are treated in the same way as Parish Councils and allocated 15% of the CIL receipts for their local area. This is capped at a total of £150,000 per year per constituency area and ring-fenced for spend on infrastructure schemes. The funding from CIL is in addition to the £100,000 a year that is available to each Area Committee until 2017/18.
- 1.4 Since July 2015, each Area Committee has two funding streams:
 - i. A £100,000 annual discretionary budget that can be used to promote the economic, social or environmental wellbeing of an area (non-CIL funding); and
 - ii. A variable CIL budget (capped at £150,000) that can only be used for the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure.
- 1.5 In relation to the annual discretionary budget, the application for Area Committee funding is a Member-led process, where Members will work with officers, local groups, organisations or individuals to develop proposals that meet a local need. Any Member can sponsor an item, regardless of whether they belong to the relevant Area Committee or not. Once a proposal has been developed, a Member will then sponsor the proposal and bring forward as a Members Item for consideration by the relevant Area Committee.
- 1.6 In relation to the CIL element of the Area Committee Budget, Members should discuss items with the relevant Commissioning Director in advance of meeting enabling an informed proposal to be submitted via an Members Item.
- 1.7 Full guidelines, including criteria and priorities for funding are attached as Appendix A to this report.

- 1.8 When the Area Committee Budget arrangements were introduced in June 2014 there was a commitment that a report would be submitted to the Policy and Resources Committee detailing any expenditure made by Area Committees. This report details expenditure committed across the three Area Committee to date. The tables below show the projects that have been funded by the individual Area Committees, a full breakdown of which is shown in Appendices B, C and D.

Table 1: Chipping Barnet

Year	Project	Allocation £	CIL/Non-CIL funding
2014/15			
	Exposure Organisation Ltd	9,998	Non-CIL
	The Traveller Movement	2,019	Non-CIL
	New Barnet Community Association	4,350	Non-CIL
	Barnet Community Projects	4,947	Non-CIL
	Barnet Elizabeth Rugby Football	4,800	Non-CIL
	Friends of Friary Park	3,675	Non-CIL
	Friern Barnet Community Library	2,500	Non-CIL
	Coopets Wood Conservationists	4,358	Non-CIL
	East Barnet Community Festival	1,300	Non-CIL
	East Barnet Community Festival	850	Non-CIL
	Brunswick Park Primary & Nursery School	9,999	Non-CIL
2015/16	Colney Hatch Lane Parking	10,000	CIL
	Manor Drive	5,000	CIL
	Totteridge & Whetstone CPZ	6,000	CIL
	Holden Road /Station Approach double yellow lines	2,000	CIL
	Great Bushy Drive double yellow	2,000	CIL
	Swan Lane double yellow	2,000	CIL
	Feasibility Study for Improved Safety at Waitrose at Totteridge Lane	5,000	CIL
	Consultation with Residents on Parking Issues Surrounding Barnet Hospital	5,000	CIL
	Kendal Close	200	CIL
	Woodside Park (Osidge) – duplicate of Holden Rd		CIL
	Oxford Avenue/Kinderton close yellow line investigation	1,500	CIL
	The Hollies/Oakleigh Road yellow line investigation	3,000	CIL
	Art Against Knives	9,999	Non-CIL
	Barnet Neighbourhood Watch	9,999	Non-CIL
	Community Barnet - public health social isolation tool	7,022	Non-CIL
	East Barnet festival (circus)	1,600	Non-CIL

	Friern Barnet community library	2,500	Non-CIL
	Woodside Park Garden Suburb residents association	9,650	Non-CIL
	Sports & Physical activity - pilot satellite	10,000	Non-CIL
	Sports & Physical activity - our parks	9,270	Non-CIL
	Allocation to Corporate Grants	17,000	Non-CIL

Table 2: Finchley and Golders Green

Year	Project	Allocation £	CIL/Non-CIL funding
2014/15	Cricklewood Town Team/animate to activate	10,000	Non-CIL
	Ezra Youth Movement	4,500	Non-CIL
	Friends of Windsor Open Space	4,500	Non-CIL
	Legadel	9,950	Non-CIL
	East Finchley Community Trust	2,250	Non-CIL
	North Finchley Town Team	9,999	Non-CIL
	Somali Bravanese Welfare Association in Barnet	9,695	Non-CIL
	Long Lane Pasture Trust	5,000	Non-CIL
	Migdal Emunah	4,340	Non-CIL
	45 Clitterhouse Farm, Alistair Lambert/Cricklewood Improvement Programme	9,999	Non-CIL
	Friends of Tiferes	5,000	Non-CIL
	Friends of Childs Hill Park	9,950	Non-CIL
	Cricklewood Millennium Green Trust	180	Non-CIL
2015/16	South Square CPZ		
	Heathgate CPZ & Past this point		
	Golders Green road loading bay	5,000	CIL
	FRS Synagogue parking	2,500	CIL
	Park view road safety	5,000	CIL
	Etchingham Park Road	5,000	CIL
	The vale CPZ extension (Mortimer Close)	7,000	CIL
	Friary way speeding	5,000	CIL
	Friary way parking feasibility	5,000	CIL
	Westbury 20mph	5,000	CIL
	Crescent road	25,000	CIL
	Regents park road	15,000	CIL
	Chessington Avenue	2,500	CIL
	East Finchley CPZ	10,000	CIL
	Oakfield CPZ	20,000	CIL
	Garden suburb CPZ (capped)	5,000	CIL
	Golders Garden CPZ (capped)	10,000	CIL
	Hampstead Way/Asmunds Place CPZ review	5,000	CIL
	Holders Hill Road - feasibility study parking	7,500	CIL

	and traffic flow		
	Leslie Road CPZ feasibility study	10,000	CIL
	Lambert Way - feasibility study parking and traffic	3,000	CIL
	Art Against Knives	9,060	Non-CIL
	TES Youth	9,460	Non-CIL
	Allocation to Corporate Grants	17,000	Non-CIL

Table 3: Hendon

Year	Project	Allocation £	CIL/Non-CIL funding
2014/15	Grahame Park Independent Living	4,000	Non-CIL
	Ambitious about Autism	2,500	Non-CIL
	Love Burnt Oak CReSH (Community Resource & Support Hub)	8,970	Non-CIL
	West Hendon Community Group	7,000	Non-CIL
	Barnet War Memorial Association	1,500	Non-CIL
	Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum	9,999	Non-CIL
	TrainingshipBroadship	9,250	Non-CIL
	Herts Baseball Club – £1,107 but withdrew		Non-CIL
	Barnet Association of Tamil Elders	9,999	Non-CIL
	Nutmeg Community	6,340	Non-CIL
	Home Start Barnet	9,999	Non-CIL
	MigdalEmunah	4,340	Non-CIL
2015/16	Business Parking bays - Cheyne Walk	5,000	CIL
	Edgwarebury Lane - crossing	15,000	CIL
	West Hendon Highway Issue signage	5,000	CIL
	Watford Way/Apex corner parking	20,000	CIL
	Mathilda Marks Zebra crossing (with Bunns lane/hale lane)	15,000	CIL
	Shirehall lane - yellow lines	5,000	CIL
	Abercorn Road Traffic scheme (£10k & £7k)	17,000	CIL
	Pursley Road double mini roundabout	7,000	CIL
	Pursley Road traffic scheme	16,000	CIL
	Bunns Lane zebra crossing	8,500	Non-CIL
	Bunns Lane zebra crossing	23,500	CIL
	Hale Lane Zebra crossing	25,000	CIL
	Pursley/Devonshire Roads - implement traffic scheme	7,500	CIL
	Brookside Walk Play Area	6,207	Non-CIL
	Allocation to Corporate Grants	17,000	Non-CIL

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 On 10th June 2014 it was agreed that annual updates would be provided to the Committee detailing any expenditure and decisions made by the Area Committees. The report is therefore to inform Members of the budget allocations for 2014/15 and 2015/16.
- 2.2 No decision is being requested of the Committee. The appendices provide Members with information and the opportunity to comment on the allocations of Area Committee funding.
- 2.3 The breakdown of funding as seen in the appendices highlights the benefit that Area Committee funding has had on local communities, including community projects such as support and activities for vulnerable, at risk and disadvantaged young people, projects to increase community cohesion and reduce social isolation and adult computing courses, as well as infrastructure schemes such as implementing yellow lines, various parking projects, pedestrian traffic islands and traffic management improvements.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 No alternative options were considered.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Although no decision is requested of the Committee, the Committee should note that there are existing measures in place to continue to fund the Area Committee budget allocations until 2017/18 and the arrangements as documented in section 1 and the background information section will be ongoing until that time.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 The funding enables the Area Committee Budgets to contribute to the Corporate Plan's objectives of: promoting family and community wellbeing; and supporting engaged, cohesive and safe communities, by helping them to access the support they need to become and remain independent and resilient.

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

- 5.2.1 Area Committees are able to allocate £100,00 each of non-CIL funding as well as CIL funding capped to a total of £150,000 (to be used on infrastructure projects only) to support projects in their local communities.
- 5.2.2 This is subject to detailed arrangements for the governance, accountability

and prioritisation of these budgets, the processes of which have been agreed and amended as seen in the reports included in the background documents.

5.2.3 The full breakdown of the budget spend for each Area Committee is found in the appendices. However, a brief summary is shown in the tables below:

Table 4: Non-CIL funding

Non-CIL Funding allocations	2014/15	2015/16
Chipping Barnet	£48,796	£77,040
Finchley and Golders Green	£85,363	£35,520
Hendon	£73,897	£31,707

2016/17	Budget carried forward	2016/17 Budget	Allocated to corporate grants	Amount Available
Chipping Barnet	£69,164	£100,000	(£17,000)	£152,164
Finchley and Golders Green	£79,117	100,000	(£17,000)	£162,117
Hendon	£94,396	100,000	(£17,000)	£177,396

Table 5: CIL Funding*

CIL Funding allocations	2015/16
Chipping Barnet	£41,700
Finchley and Golders Green	£152,500
Hendon	£161,000

2016/17	Budget carried forward	2016/17 Budget	Amount Available
Chipping Barnet	£108,300	£150,000	£256,300
Finchley and Golders Green **	(£2,500)	£150,000	£147,500
Hendon **	(£11,000)	£150,000	£139,000

**Note: CIL funding has only been available to Area Committees from the 2015/16 financial year onwards*

*** Finchley & Golders Green and Hendon allocated from 2016/17 budget in March 2016*

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Not applicable to this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A - the terms of reference of the Policy and Resources Committee include allocating a budget, as appropriate, for Area Committees and agreeing a framework for governing how that budget may be spent.
- 5.4.2 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A – the terms of reference of the Environment Committee includes “Determining applications to the Area Committee budget referred by Area Committees.”
- 5.4.3 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A – the terms of reference of the Area Committees include “Administer any local budget delegated from Policy and Resources Committee for these committees in accordance with the framework set by the Policy and Resources Committee.”

1.1 Risk Management

- 5.5.1 There are no risks to the Council as a direct result of this report.

1.2 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.6.1 The due diligence carried out for the Area Committee budget allocations and the regular review of the process has allowed the Council to comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty placed on it under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 specifically to:
- Check that project proposals are inclusive and consider any equality implications they may raise
 - Identify any equality considerations relevant to the broader allocation of resources more effectively than it can at present
 - Gain a more comprehensive understanding of the needs of different groups in the community through the additional insight gained by reviewing the projects proposed.

1.3 Consultation and Engagement

- 5.7.1 N/A

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 Policy & Resources Committee, 10 June 2014
[Area Sub-Committees – Budget Arrangements](#)
- 6.2 Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014
[Area Sub-Committees – Budget Allocation Draft Framework](#)
- 6.3 Community Leadership Committee, 11 September 2014
[Area Committee budget arrangements and wider community funding](#)
- 6.4 Policy & Resources Committee, 14 October 2014

Area Committee budget allocation proposals

- 6.5 Environment Committee, 11 June 2015
[Review of Area Committees & their relationship with the Environment Committee](#)
- 6.6 Community Leadership Committee, 24 June 2015
[Review of Area Committees – operations and delegated budgets](#)
- 6.7 Policy & Resources Committee, 9 July 2015
[Delegating a proportion of Community Infrastructure Levy \(CIL\) Income to the Council's Area Committees](#)
- 6.8 Community Leadership Committee, 9 March 2016
[Area Committee non-Community Infrastructure Levy funding: Criteria and Process](#)
- 6.9 Individual Area Committee budget decisions can be accessed [here](#).