

Decisions of the Hendon Area Committee

22 March 2022

Members Present:-

Councillor Val Duschinsky (Chairman)

Councillor Saira Don (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Sarah Wardle

Councillor Nizza Fluss

Councillor Elliot Simberg

Councillor Nagus Narenthira

Councillor Ammar Naqvi

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2022 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

None.

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

None.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (IF ANY)

None.

6. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE HENDON AREA RESIDENTS FORUM (IF ANY)

None.

7. PETITIONS (IF ANY)

None.

8. MEMBERS ITEMS' - AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATIONS (IF ANY)

Before the Members Items were introduced, Graeme Clayton informed the Committee that the amount available in the budget was £178,515.

Cllr John Hart - Mill Hill Village Sports Club - Community Cricket Practice Nets facility Project.

The Chairman introduced the item in aid of greenspaces and sport.

The Chairman invited Mr Phil Smith to address queries from the Committee and he spoke about the benefits of the project.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £16,000 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

Cllr Val Duschinsky: NW7Hub-Accessible Playground & Reception Area

The Chairman presented the item and was fully in support of the application as Ward Councillor.

It was noted that the hybrid stations were to be custom built and a time line for completion would be requested from Mr Morley.

Members suggested that usage of hybrid stations be monitored and if successful, the idea could be implemented borough wide so as to encourage and support single parents to return to work.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £21,045.20 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

Cllr Elliot Simberg: Lubavitch Food Bank

Cllr Simberg presented the item.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £11,870 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

Cllr Sara Conway: Park Friends Support Scheme

Cllr Conway presented the item on behalf of residents and other Councillors.

It was noted that the bid put forward on behalf of several community groups was a pilot project for the Hendon Area Committee as outlined in the Member's application.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £7,000 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget

Cllr Lachhya Bahadur Gurung: Stoneyfields Park – Park Furniture

Cllr Simberg presented the item.

The Lead Officer advised that the request would be looked at strategically alongside other facilities to be added to the park including an outdoor gym. Suitable locations would be considered to develop a suitable design, including the observation platform.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £16,540 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

Cllr Sarah Wardle: Lynford Gardens Community Memorial Garden Project

Cllr Wardle presented the item on the community led initiative.

Further to a discussion, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

RESOLVED that the Committee awards funding of £37,987.94 and notes the implications to the Committee's NCIL funding budget.

9. AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING - COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) UPDATE

Graeme Clayton provided an update in relation to the Hendon Area Committee CIL budget and scheme update.

It was noted that the benches for Brookside Walk Play Area would be installed next month.

RESOLVED that the Committee notes:

-the amount available for allocation during 2021/22 in the amount of £68,072. following the approved Member NCIL items.

-the CIL amount or re-allocated underspends & overspends.

-the Road Safety & Parking Fund allocations.

10. CIL FUNDING PRIORITIES – SETTING LOCAL PRIORITIES FOR THE HENDON AREA COMMITTEE

It was noted that the Borough's CCTV system was currently undergoing a transformation and cameras were being upgraded in partnership with other Council services.

Members reiterated the importance of having cross partnership communications to ensure correct expenditure in line with the area committee priorities. The Lead Officer reassured Members that any operational impact would be taken into account to develop requests in line with the Council's strategic approach.

It was noted that future applications that were environmentally focused could make reference to the emerging sustainability strategy, within the current Area Committee priorities.

Members highlighted that in order to achieve the Committee's priorities, a clear definition of infrastructure would be needed. The Chairman said that although the definition is wide, incoming requests have met the definition and have been within the area committee's remit which have also benefitted communities.

RESOLVED that the Committee approves the CIL funding priorities for the financial year 2022/2023.

11. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

The Chairman thanked Officers and the Committee for their support during the year.

The meeting finished at 8.13pm.