MEETING

HENDON AREA COMMITTEE

DATE AND TIME

THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY, 2015

AT 7.00 PM

<u>VENUE</u>

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

TO: MEMBERS OF HENDON AREA COMMITTEE (Quorum 3)

Chairman: Brian Gordon Vice Chairman: Val Duschinsky

Councillors Maureen Braun Tom Davey

Adam Langleben Nagus Narenthira Charlie O-Macauley

Substitute Members Devra Kay

Ammar Naqvi

Zakia Zubairi

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

Andrew Charlwood – Head of Governance

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ASSURANCE GROUP

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Decisions of the Hendon Area Committee

22 October 2014

Members Present:-

AGENDA ITEM 1

Councillor Brian Gordon (Chairman) Councillor Val Duschinsky (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Maureen BraunCouncillor Nagus NarenthiraCouncillor Tom DaveyCouncillor Charlie O-MacauleyCouncillor Adam LanglebenCouncillor Charlie O-Macauley

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2014 be approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

None

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

None

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None

6. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

None

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

The Sub-Committee received the items below, which had been referred to the Sub-Committee by the Chairman of the Hendon Residents Forum, Councillor Sury Khatri.

Issue	Response
Petition concerning the parking	Officers look forward to discussing
situation in the slip road, Watford	the areas of concern in more detail at
Way, Apex Corner	the Forum to try to fully understand
	the issues that are occurring.
The petition highlights residents'	5

concerns relating to the parking conditions within the road and gave suggestions to the Council of how this can be improved.	Highways and Development
We have a problem with parking in our parade at Watford way, Apex Corner and we intend to petition the Council to ask for restrictions in parking and possibly to improve the provision and the number of spaces available.	
71 signatures	
Peter Manning	

The Sub-Committee noted this issue and considered the impact which residents encountered, therefore the Committee:

Resolved:

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The Committee instructed Officers to carry out investigations to conclude what options are available.

That the Committee request officers consult with Committee Members to inform of the developments and to do so before the next meeting, 15 January 2015.

Issue	Response
Mowbray Road – CPZ- Petition The petition details a request to the Council to include all of Mowbray Road in the CPZ as a matter of	Officers look forward to discussing the areas of concern in more detail at the Forum to try to fully understand the issues that are occurring.
urgency.	Highways and Development
28 signatures	
Mr Wolman Paul Newman	

The Sub-Committee noted this issue and considered the impact which residents encountered, therefore the Committee:

Resolved:

The Committee instructed Officers to carry out investigations to conclude what options are available.

8. TOWN CENTRES IN THE HENDON CONSTITUENCY

The Strategic Director for Growth and Environment introduced the report and requested that the Committee give a recommendation as to how to identify areas within the constituency as highlighted in section 1.6 of the report.

Following the consideration of the item the Committee:

Resolved

- That the Committee note the specific proposals relating to town centres set out in Appendix B which are subject to public consultation.
- That the Committee recommends the identification of areas within the constituency as follows:

Area	Classification
Burnt Oak	Main
Brent Street	District
Colindale	District
Edgware	Main
Hendon Central	District
Mill Hill	Main

• .That The Committee note all other areas listed in appendix A be identified as 'neighbourhood' or 'local'.

9. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

The Chairman, Councillor Brian Gordon noted an urgent item titled Montagu Road Area Parking and Traffic Improvement Measures which had been circulated to Members.

The Committee were supportive of the Officers recommendations but noted that a local residents meeting was taking place on 23 October to consider proposals which the report highlighted.

Having considered the report the Committee therefore:

Resolved

- That the Committee approve recommendations 1 and 2 subject to the outcome of the local residents meeting taking that on 23 October 2014.
- That Strategic Director for Growth and Environment be instructed to discharge recommendation 1 and 2 if the outcome of the local residents meeting endorses the officers report.

The meeting finished at 21:23

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	AGENDA ITEM 8
	Hendon Area Committee
A CONTRACTOR OF A CONTRACTOR O	15 January 2015
Title	Area Committee Budget Allocations
Report of	Stephen Evans, Director of Strategy
	Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance
Wards	Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill, West Hendon
Status	Public
Enclosures	Annex 1 – Area Committee Budgets Guidance Annex 2 – Barnet Safeguarding Checklist Annex 3 – Conditions of Grant
	Appendix 1 – Applications for funding made to the Hendon Area Committee
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Summary

On 10 June 2014 the Policy and Resources Committee agreed that £100,000 per year over the next four years should be allocated to each of the Council's three Area Committees, subject to agreement of detailed arrangements for the governance, accountability and prioritisation of these budgets by the Community Leadership Committee.

On 11 September 2014 the Community Leadership Committee approved proposals for the Area Committee Budgets scheme, to be returned to the Policy & Resources Committee for final agreement.

On 14 October 2014 the Policy & Resources Committee noted the proposals approved by the Community Leadership Committee and agreed the proposed process for allocating the Area Committee budgets during 2014/15.

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

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

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

Recommendations

- 1. That the Committee consider the 13 applications for funding from the Area Committee Budget for Hendon, as set out in Appendix 1.
- 2. That the Committee decide whether it wishes to fund each of the applications which comply with the Conditions of Grant and the criteria set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance.
- 3. That the Committee review the 2 applications to the Hendon Area Committee which are not compliant with the conditions for funding, and which officers therefore recommend are not allocated funding as they are considered to fall outside the scope of the Area Committee budgets and, in certain cases, the decision of the Policy and Resources Committee relating to the conditions of the scheme.
- 4. That the Committee consider the procedure followed for the first round of Area Committee Budgets and make recommendations on any refinements to the process to the Community Leadership Committee/Policy & Resources Committee.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

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

- 1.3 The first round of applications closed on 15 December 2014 and the applications have been assessed by officers. Following the assessment process, the Committee are authorised to approve applications which meet the relevant conditions and which the Committee considers meet local priorities, subject to sufficient budget being available.
- 1.4 A total of 48 applications have been received across the three Area Committees (Chipping Barnet, Finchley & Golders Green and Hendon). 13 were received for funding from the Hendon Area Committee and further information on these is set out in sections 1.20-1.25 below. Detailed information on all of the applications received which relate to the Hendon area is provided in Appendix 1. This appendix presents the information submitted by applicants about their proposed projects, with comments, where relevant, from officers who contributed to the due diligence process.
- 1.5 As set out in the reports to the Community Leadership and Policy & Resources Committees, applicants will be invited to present their projects at each Area Committee on January 15 2015 and the Ward Councillor with whom they have discussed their application will also be invited to comment on the project.

Assessment Process

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

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

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

Release of Funds

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

Overview of applications received

- 1.20 Thirteen applications were received in total for funding from the Hendon Area Committee. Eleven were for Hendon only, and two applied for funding for more than one Committee, which included Hendon. One of the latter was transferred to Finchley and Golders Green for consideration as the sponsor Councillor sits on that Committee. One other application (for a baseball club) was initially aimed at a site in Finchley & Golders Green and made to that Area Committee. For this application, discussions with the Council's Green Spaces team identified an alternative and more suitable site in Hendon and the application has therefore been passed to the Hendon Area Committee for consideration.
- 1.21 Most applications to this Committee aimed to promote family and community wellbeing and community safety and cohesion. The table below shows the number of projects which applicants presented as supporting each of the priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan. After family and community wellbeing, the largest number related to life chances for children and young people, followed by projects aimed at making the Borough a more attractive place. Five projects targeted the needs of older people and four focused on partnership with the NHS, the highest number of any Committee for both priorities.

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

To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place,	3
with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local	3
economy.	0
To create better life chances for children and young people	7
across the borough.	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that	4
families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical	
and mental health	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55	5
population in the borough to encourage and support our	
residents to age well.	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage	10
engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	10

1.22 Two projects dealt with environmental improvements, one to improve a war memorial and one to carry out improvements to a cricket ground. Other funding bids were predominantly to run workshops or activities for local people. Three projects were aimed at particular communities; one at Jewish children, one at autistic young people and one at elderly Tamil people.

Overview of funding applied for

- 1.23 The total funding applied for, including applications made jointly to another Committee, is £97,167.
- 1.24 Two applications did not pass the Council's due diligence tests. One was for targeted support for a single individual, which meant it did not have the focus on a particularly local issue which these Budgets are intended to support. Another would have made up a budget shortfall from a Council service and was therefore ineligible for funding according to the conditions set out in the Area Committee Budgets Guidance. If the non-compliant and joint applications are excluded the total amount applied for from the Committee is £72,488.
- 1.25 One application was jointly sent to both this Committee and the one in Finchley & Golders Green. This application has been put forward to the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee as the Member sponsoring it is from this constituency. One of the applications which failed due diligence was sent to all three Committees.
- 1.26 The Committee has the discretion to support the total project cost (up to the recommended maximum of £9,999), support only some elements of an application, or propose a smaller grant offer where the applicant would then need to seek match funding to allow the project to go ahead. This can be beneficial in creating buy-in from the individual or organisation. Match funding must not come from another Council funding stream. The Council must show

that it has paid due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty when making recommendations or decisions as to the size of awards.

1.27 Area Committees may also decide to give collective support to a larger application providing it is of benefit to the wider community across a number of Wards. The Area Committees have the discretion to decide when this should be the case.

Measuring Impact

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

Timeline for Allocations

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

Unallocated Funds

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

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

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

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 None.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

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

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 **Corporate Priorities and Performance**

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

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

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

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

- 5.2.1 The budget allocated to each Area Sub-Committee is £100,000 per annum and is funded from Council reserves for four years.
- 5.2.2 Officer support for the Area Committee budget allocation is required but has so far been managed within existing workloads.
- 5.2.3 Support has come from the Governance Service, Policy Unit and Finance, with support from Legal and Delivery Units as appropriate. Some transactional finance support will also be required post-decision to provide audit and due diligence and arrange for funds to be released.
- 5.2.4 However, support arrangements will be reviewed after the round of applications and we cannot rule out the need for additional administrative support in the future around the time when applications are being processed. If this turns out to be the case, additional administrative resources may need to be made available at these times.
- 5.2.5 The upper and lower thresholds for awards have been proposed to ensure that Committee time is used effectively, avoiding time being spent administering small sums of money, and so that more complex procurement rules are not required.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A the terms of reference of the Policy and Resources Committee includes "to allocate a budget, as appropriate, for Area Committees, and agree a framework for how that money may be spent."
- 5.3.2 Council Constitution, Responsibility for Functions, Annex A the terms of reference of the Area Committees includes "Administer any local budget delegated from Policy and Resources Committee for these committees in accordance with the framework set by the Policy and Resources Committee."
- 5.3.3 The Council has power to make the grant awards under section 1 of the Localism Act 2011.

5.4 Risk Management

- 5.4.1 If the Council did not carry out due diligence on applications for any funding stream, there would be a risk that resources would not be used effectively or that inappropriate projects could be funded. The process set out for allocation of these budgets is designed to mitigate that risk.
- 5.4.2 Any applications which do not meet the agreed criteria are recommended for refusal.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

- 5.5.1 The due diligence carried out for the Area Committee budget allocations and the proposed regular review of the process will allow the Council to comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty placed on it under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010; specifically to:
 - Check that project proposals are inclusive and consider any equality implications they may raise
 - Identify any equality considerations relevant to the broader allocation of resources more effectively than it can at present
 - Gain a more comprehensive understanding of the needs of different groups in the community through the additional insight gained by reviewing the projects proposed.
- 5.5.2 Overall, applications for Area Committee funding were strongly focused on projects aimed at children and young people (28 projects targeting this Council priority), with limited numbers for older people in comparison (11 projects targeting this priority).
- 5.5.3 The applications to the Hendon Area Committee likewise focused on projects and services aimed at children and young people, though admittedly less disproportionately than elsewhere. In future funding rounds Members may wish to consider encouraging applications aimed at a more diverse range of groups to ensure that provision is matched as effectively as possible to local need.

5.6 **Consultation and Engagement**

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

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 <u>Area Environment Sub-Committees Draft Funding Arrangements</u> (Policy & Resources Committee, 10 June 2014).
- 6.2 <u>Area Sub-Committees Budget Allocation Draft Framework</u> (Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014).
- 6.3 <u>Developing a Community Participation Strategy for Barnet</u> (Community Leadership Committee, 25 June 2014).
- 6.4 <u>Community Participation Strategy: Area Committee Budget Arrangements and</u> <u>Wider Community Funding</u> (Community Leadership Committee, 11 September 2014).
- 6.5 <u>Area Committee Budget Allocations Proposals</u> (Policy & Resources Committee, 14 October 2014)



AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING GUIDANCE 2014-15

1. What are the Area Committee Budgets?

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

2. Who can apply for funding?

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

3. What kind of projects will be successful?

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

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

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

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

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

http://www.barnet.gov.uk/info/725/corporate plan and performance/270/corporate plan and performance

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6. What are the conditions of funding?

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. When do I need a sponsor organisation?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The final decision will be taken by the Area Committee.

10. What is the role of Councillors?

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

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

Councillors cannot themselves bring projects forward for funding.

11. What happens next?

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

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

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

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

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

12. So, how do I apply?

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

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

By email:

areacommitteebudgets@barnet.gov.uk

By post:

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

APPENDIX A - BARNET SAFEGUARDING CHECKLIST

PROTECTING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS FROM HARM

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

This is done through:

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

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APPENDIX B - STANDARD CONDITIONS OF GRANT

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

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

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

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

*Note on Condition 2 – Political activities

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

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

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

Appendix 1

Barnet Council

Applications for funding made to the Hendon Area Committee

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December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS PUT FORWARD FOR DECISION

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

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15 DETAILS OF APPLICATION

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Grahame Park Independent Living
Member sponsor:	Councillor Gill Sargeant Councillor Zakia Zubairi Councillor Nagus Narenthira
Amount applied for:	£4,000
Total cost of project:	£4,000

What is the project?

This is a well-established group of people over the age of 50. We meet every Monday at the Community Centre on Grahame Park Concourse. We have a registered cardio rehabilitation keep-fit instructor and have an hour long session of exercises designed for our age group. After this we serve tea and biscuits, followed by a social group with a structured programme of different activities. We have speakers, a monthly trip out to places of interest, a monthly craft session, games, and in-house entertainment devised from amongst our own members. We actively promote health and wellbeing and have had speakers from the London Ambulance Service and are awaiting a talk about first aid.

The group has 40 members, of whom 25-30 regularly attend keep-fit classes. Around 20 people stay on for the social group and activities which follow the classes.

How will it benefit the local area?

We are based at Grahame Park and take our members from the estate and the surrounding area. We promote ourselves via the local library and the One Stop Shop, which are located on the main Concourse at Grahame Park.

Our group is a welcome lifeline to older people from Colindale and nearby areas, most which live alone. Through belonging to our group they are no longer isolated and many have forged strong friendships.

We have group outings to our local RAF Museum and they have visited us to give talks on the early days of flying in Hendon.

We are provided with a hot meal every Monday at the Living Ways Cafe on the Concourse, where we have strong links with Pastor Hope.

Through workshops held by Genesis we have forged links with other groups on the Estate and some of our members have attended ceramics classes at the nearby Flightways Centre, also situated on the Estate.

Which corporate priority does it meet?	
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable	\square
infrastructure across the borough.	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and	\square
individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in	\square
the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	25

To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive	\square
and safe communities.	
How does it meet that priority?	

We promote fitness by our well-attended and affordable keep-fit sessions.

We promote wellbeing with our social sessions; we learn crafts, knitting, and crochet.

We promote learning by visiting places of interest. We recently visited the Tower of London to see the poppies commemorating WW1.

We promote information for older people, for example, college students coming to demonstrate how to use modern technology. Some of our members also attend computer classes at the local St. James School on Grahame Park. We have talks by local police on safety for the elderly, also singers and musicians to get everyone singing together.

We promote diversity. Our group must be the most multicultural in the area; our core group alone has people from 16 different countries spanning the globe. We have "Who am I?" sessions where we learn about our different cultural and multi-faith backgrounds.

We are promoting our group and our activities via our Facebook page "Grahame Park Independent Living". This also enables those of our members who are temporarily overseas to follow our activities.

Other relevant comments or information from the application: N/A

SAFEGUARDING

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

Yes – the project involves working with older adults who might be vulnerable.

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project supports the needs of older people.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?	
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	\square
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	
Comments:	
Members may wish to note that this is an existing project previously funded by Genesis Homes and through a smaller grant from the Milly Apthorpe Fund. They may also wish to note that this application covers project funding for one year and will not ensure sustainability.	

Date: 19 December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15 DETAILS OF APPLICATION

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Ambitious about Autism
Member sponsor:	Councillor Narenthira
Amount applied for:	£2,500
Total cost of project:	£4,000
What is the preject?	

What is the project?

Our project is a specialist college for adults with learning difficulties and complex autism, which opened in September 2014, and is uniquely located within an established FE college (Barnet and Southgate College) at their Colindale campus. This approach means that young people with autism are able to have the specific specialist provision they need, whilst also being supported to access the wide range of courses and activities available in the mainstream college. To enable this to happen, each learner follows their own curriculum, individualised to meet their needs, but also covering key areas of independent living, good health and friends, employment, relationships and community inclusion. Our college incorporates space where students can take time on their own, away from the busy college environment, if and whenever needed. This application is for multi-sensory equipment, which would be used to support young people's learning, and help to provide a relaxing and calming atmosphere. As many of our learners display challenging behaviour, this will help them to better adapt to the college environment. It will also assist our learners to communicate with teaching staff and will be used as a teaching aid. We currently have 15 learners in the college, and expect to have 25 by the end of the year.

How will it benefit the local area?

Ambitious College is open to young people with autism and complex needs. By being colocated with a general further education college (Barnet and Southgate College), we are able to make the wider college environment more autism-friendly and autism-confident. Our young people will interact with the wider community through their independence and employment pathways, which will help to make the local community, amenities and employers more autismconfident.

which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable		
infrastructure across the borough.		
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.		
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.		
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and		
individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health		
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in		
the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.		
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive		
and safe communities.		
How does it meet that priority?		
CDF promotes equality and diversity as an employer and a service provider and seeks to		
ensure that equality and diversity principles underpin all areas of its work and service		

provisions. The project's delivery strategy and outcomes are consistent with the strategic

agendas of the Borough and contributes to its equalities objectives by committing to ensuring services are accessible to all young people so as to improve their life chances, prosperity and equality.

The project also addresses the reluctance of many people in low income communities to take part in formal financial literacy training, and promotes the involvement and commitment of intermediary organisations to financial literacy training and the developmental skills to engage the wider community in such training. The project will develop and sustain partnerships with schools and colleges to provide structured and systematic financial literacy education to students, develop partnerships with local business to build networks that help young people to identify relevant employment opportunities, help them to perform better at school and navigate the school-to-work transition with more confidence, as well as engaging mentors to support the groups established during the 5 day workshop, and provide motivation as well as careers and education advice.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

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

Yes – the project involves working with young people and vulnerable adults.

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project promotes equal access to further education for young people aged 16-25 with autism and/or learning disabilities.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding? Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

This project is provided by a separate organisation to the college, which hosts it, so does not contravene the conditions for funding. It is part of an existing partnership between Barnet & Southgate College and Ambitious about Autism.

A full budget breakdown has been provided for the equipment required for this project.

Adults and Communities have advised that this project fits with the Council's plans to develop community resources and presences for people with autism. However, Family Services advise that the particular approach Ambitious About Autism takes to supporting service users conflicts with the practice they would recommend.

The Committee could also consider recommending that this resource is not limited to college students but could be made available to other people with autism in Barnet, potentially purchasing time in it, using direct payments. This could make the project more sustainable as well as ensuring the facility is used to its full potential.

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15 DETAILS OF APPLICATION

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Loveburntoak CReSH (Community Resource & Support Hub)
Member sponsor:	Councillor Ammar Naqvi Councillor Claire Farrier Councillor Charlie O-Macauley
Amount applied for:	£8,970.00
Total cost of project:	£13,970
What is the project?	

What is the project?

The LBO H.E.A.R.T Project aims to recruit and train ten local residents as Volunteer Community Health Champions, enabling them to encourage and influence their friends, family and neighbours in the local community into the benefits of physical activity, health checks, signposting and promoting a range of health interventions and wellbeing activities and services in and around Burnt Oak.

Despite being the smallest of Barnet's wards, Burnt Oak suffers the highest levels of inequality in the borough; nowhere is this more acutely felt than in the area of health inequality. Male residents in Burnt Oak have a seven year lower life expectancy than that of their counterpart in Hampstead Garden Suburb.

Burnt Oak is home to a disproportionate number of the borough's low income families. These families are those that are more likely to have life limiting chronic illness including asthma, diabetes, and at greater risk of mental illness.

Working closely with one of its founding partners, Watling Medical Centre, we will build on our existing joint work by joining up some important dots.

H.E.A.R.T aims to enable and empower local people in community that are 'seldom heard' or experience high levels of ill-health, drawing on a long tradition of community engagement health. Empowerment concerns individuals increasing control over their lives and their health and also communities becoming more organised and ultimately taking action to create social change. Involving members of the public in supporting other people to make positive changes in their lives is based on a sound understanding of the value of life experiences and the support systems that can exist within neighbourhoods. In many other countries, both from the developed and developing world, the involvement of community members in promoting health and delivering health services is well established in practice.

The recruitment of local residents will be carried out by LBO's Community Coordinator using leverage within our existing network of 25 organisations, including the Burnt Oak Jobs Team initiative, Job Centre Plus/DWP and Barnet Homes to deliver a range of community based health related activities. Local residents will be recruited as volunteer Community Health Champions with a minimum commitment of 12 months. Volunteers will be trained to provide advice, information, and guidance on how and where to access health and wellbeing related services, including promoting community based health activities similar to those that have been delivered in the past through local health authorities, such as smoking cessations and expert patient programs. In summary we aim to:

- Coordinate and promote a range of holistic health and wellbeing activities;
- Increase knowledge and awareness of health issues in the community;

- Help people access health services including increasing the uptake of preventive measures such as immunisation and health checks;
- Support positive behaviour changes, particularly when working with disadvantaged, low income or minority ethnic communities;

• Improve local people's health status including better mental health and improved disease management;

• Support the appropriate use of health care services.

How will it benefit the local area?

We see Community Health Champions as individuals willing to gain experience and new skills who are enthusiastic about encouraging and supporting other individuals in the community to improve their health.

They will also ensure that the health issues facing communities remain high on the agenda of organisations that can effect change. Community Health Champions will offer the Council and community partnerships short-term support as 'consultants', encourage them to share good practice, and help them develop activities to improve the health of local people.

We see an activity that involves spending time, unpaid, doing something that aims to benefit the local area, individuals, or groups as a project that will benefit everyone in the community.

Our Community Health Champions will work to improve the health of those they come into contact with in their homes, workplace and the community. At the same time making a contribution in this way will have a positive impact on their own health and social circumstances. Volunteers want to do things that are rewarding more than simply rewarded. This programme offers precisely that as it directly benefits everyone in the community.

We envisage many social benefits form this project, including improved family functioning and social support of champions themselves and those having access to the project. The health and wellbeing of individuals recruited as Health Champions will also improve as their involvement provides a way for people to contribute.

As well as improving health outcomes, volunteering will also provide a platform to support getting people back into education, employment, or just into becoming more involved in the community. It can be a virtuous circle, leading to more cohesive communities, higher levels of well-being, and better use of "people's potential".

Which corporate priority does it meet?		
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable		
infrastructure across the borough.		
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.		
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.		
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health		
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.		
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive	\square	
and safe communities.		30

How does it meet that priority?

One of LBO's core aims is to work with a cross sector of partners to be able to contribute to reducing the gap in life expectancy between other wards in Barnet which presently can be up to ten years. We believe this project complements the ageing well agenda and can be a catalyst for developing a community based approach to improving physical and mental health of local people delivered by local people.

To support our application we have spoken to Jeffrey Lake in Barnet Council's Public Health Team who is encouraged and supportive of our application and sees this project as supporting similar aims to improve the mental health of individuals, develop peer support mechanisms, and develop community based holistic activities which can increase awareness of existing health provision.

In October 2014 LBO worked with one of its core partners Sanjiv Ahlumalia GP, from Watling Medical Centre and facilitated a health and wellbeing focus group with local people who expressed views on existing services and activities in Burnt Oak. A number of new initiatives were suggested that they felt could improve the health and lifestyle of local people, who may be unaware of existing services or for whatever reason chose not to access them.

Burnt Oak is a one of the most ethnically diverse communities in Barnet, which brings a sense of pride, although a concern over the health and wellbeing of some of these communities who are more prone to specific illnesses such as diabetes, coronary heart disease, mental health, and cancer compared to others.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily? No safeguarding issues identified.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project identifies benefits for specific communities with particular health issues in Burnt Oak, including health inequalities between particular ethnic groups and between men and women.

DUE DILIGENCE				
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?				
Passed – project can be considered	l by Comr	nittee:	\square	
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional infor	mation ne	eded:		
Not passed – project should not be considered	l by Comr	nittee:		
Comments:				
The model appears sustainable and the project well-designed and	d scoped.			
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Date: 19 December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING APPLICATION 2014/15 DETAILS OF APPLICATION

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	West Hendon Community Group
Member sponsor:	Cllr Adam Langleben, Cllr Agnes Slocombe, Cllr Devra Kay
Amount applied for:	£7,000
Total cost of project:	£7,000

What is the project?

The West Hendon Community Fair (WHCF) will be held on the August Bank Holiday 2015 on the West Hendon estate. It will provide an important focus for the West Hendon community and its residents where Voluntary and Statutory sector organisations who seek to support individuals and the communities that are represented on the estate can come and inform the residents on the estate of their work and support. This will in turn provide an important opportunity for local residents to empower themselves and develop their resilience in a time of change and promote family and community wellbeing.

It will provide the platform to showcase an important piece of community artwork that will have brought together members of the community, young and old, new residents and long standing residents, over the preceding 12 weeks.

The Art Project will seek though the creation of mosaics, that will be incorporated in the design of the new estate, and through the production of a book promoting the identity, story, history and hopes of the local community over the last 100 years. This will encourage engagement from residents of the estate and contribute to a more cohesive and a safer community.

How will it benefit the local area?

The estate is identified as an area of deprivation and in need of considerable investment. This is being driven by the regeneration, an ambitious project that will double the density of homes within the existing estate. The WHCG seeks to work with residents to assist them to improve the quality of their lives, to develop social capital and make sure that along with physical improvements brought about by regeneration there will be social, emotional, and community improvements for the residents.

• The idea of the WHCF is that it will provide a much needed focus for the community to work together to make a success. The day itself will serve to strengthen a sense of community and identity at a time of considerable change that could lead to further isolation and fragmentation of the estate.

• By bringing to the estate a number of voluntary and statutory organisations that seek to support and strengthen individuals, families, and communities, the residents will gain a greater understanding of the support networks that exist within the borough for them.

• The two art projects will be open to all residents regardless of age, gender, religious adherence, sexual orientation. It will create a series of intergenerational workshops leading up to the August Bank Holiday WHCF where residents can meet together and create a series of quality mosaics that can be incorporated in the public spaces of the new estate, and celebrate and record the history of the local community through reminiscence and intergenerational practices, thereby integrating new incoming residents and existing residents.

• The project will seek to get a number of groups working on the estate to work together; The West Hendon Youth Club, Our West Hendon, and the West Hendon Partnership Board, along with the support of Barnet Homes and West Hendon Residents' Association. Through the use of a community artist, the project will produce quality products in the form of a series of mosaics and a quality publication celebrating the history and identity of the West Hendon Estate.

Which corporate priority does it meet?	
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable infrastructure across the borough.	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.	
To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in	
the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.	
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.	\square
How does it meet that priority?	
 The use of intergenerational techniques and reminiscence tools is an esser component in ensuring that there is wide level of involvement in the arts protten 12 weeks new relationships and understanding will be fostered by the e of young people and elders on the estate, developing a greater respect of b and thereby creating a more supportive, safer and cohesive community. Bo projects will provide quality community art that will reflect the ethnic and cul of the West Hendon community and as the estate is knocked down and reb invaluable sense of place that is essential for a cohesive and sustainable community and existing resident will be able to meet with one another and build unders relationships that will ensure that the new estate is not divided along lines or social tenants, existing residents and incoming residents due to the doublin existing housing stock. The project will seek to be a vehicle where feelings of mistrust, powerlessne anger can be channelled in a positive way. The regeneration process on the Hendon estate has caused a high level of mistrust in the intuitions of local g and anger over the allocation of the new homes that if not addressed now n fragmented and divided estate. 	jects. Over ngagement oth groups th arts tural diversity uilt an ommunity. er residents tanding and f private and g of the ess and e West overnment
Other relevant comments or information from the application:	
N/A	
SAFEGUARDING	
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily	<i>?</i>
Yes – the project involves working with young people and vulnerable adults.	
Satisfactory supporting information/ relevant safeguarding policies have been provapplication.	vided with the
EQUALITIES	
Are there any equality issues associated with the project?	
The project has an intergenerational focus which should provide identified benefit and older people in West Hendon.	s for children
DUE DILIGENCE	
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for fun	ding?
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:	
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:	
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:	33

Comments:

A clear budget breakdown has been provided for the project.

Members may wish to make the funding conditional on permission being obtained from the developer responsible for the West Hendon estate.

Date: 19 December 2014

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Area Committee:	Hendon	
Applicant/organisation:	Mrs Catherine I.P.L. Loveday, Barnet War Memorials	Association
Member sponsor:	Not provided	
Amount applied for:	£1,500	
Total cost of project:	£5,000	
What is the project?		
To add a plaque of the names of 227 armed service personnel who fell in WW2 to the Hendon War Memorial. To honour and remember for posterity Hendon's War Heroes. To be installed in 2015 marking the 70th Anniversary of the end of WW2. To benefit families of their lost loved ones who have no final resting place and have had no funeral to be able to say farewells. There was no repatriation in WW2.		
How will it benefit the loc		
It will provide historical and educational heritage to the Area. Reminding residents of the sacrifices made. Will provide part of the curriculum for the local schools. Encourage visits to the area for information and reflection.		
Which corporate priority	does it meet?	
To maintain a well-designed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable		
infrastructure across the bo	·	
I o maintain the right enviro	nment for a strong and diverse local economy.	
To create better life chance	s for children and young people across the borough.	
To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and		
individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health		
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.		
To promote family and com and safe communities.	munity well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive	
How does it meet that price	ority?	
By its presence and information to educate and make aware of personal sacrifice for the greater good for and to encourage altruism for all ages and groups.		
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		
N/A		
SAFEGUARDING		
Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily?		
No safeguarding issues.		
EQUALITIES		
Are there any equality iss	ues associated with the project?	

Are there any equality issues associated with the project? No equality issues identified.

DUE DILIGENCE		
Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?		
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:		
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:		
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:		
Comments:		
No further comments.		
Date: 19 Dec	cember 2014	

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS WITH OUTSTANDING QUERIES

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

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum
Member sponsor:	Cllr Sury Khatri Cllr Val Duschinsky
Amount applied for:	£9,999
Total cost of project:	£12,500

What is the project?

The project will replace the metal containers that have formed a "temporary" pavilion for cricket in Mill Hill Park, since the old pavilion was burnt down in 2006. These metal containers are wholly out of place in a Green Space (green belt) park. The cricket team that had previously used the field could not get any fixtures as the facilities were so poor. No one is attracted to use this potentially great pitch because of what is currently on offer.

The proposal is to replace the containers with a concrete pavilion which will offer the vital facilities required to provide a great place to play cricket in the summer evenings and weekends (and possibly softball or rounders). This application is supported by the Friends of Mill Hill Park (copy letter supplied in support). The Totteridge and MillHillians cricket team www.totteridgemillhillians.com , intend to use such a new facility for mid-week cricket training and for weekend matches, mainly for their junior and ladies teams. Coaching will also be available through Revolution Coaching (www.revolutioncoaching.co.uk). Copy e-mail and costings have been provided in support of this application.

It is hoped to attract other young people to form cricket teams, either from local schools or as local community groups. Cricket is also a great spectator sport and we hope to get people of all ages watching the games and enjoying the fresh air.

Barnet Council will still maintain the pitch, but the cricketers will give a "fine" cut to the actual pitch they will use for matches, roll the square, and white line where necessary. Barnet Council have not received rental revenue for the pitch recently and could reasonably expect to charge £50 for evenings and £100 for a weekend afternoon hire of the pitch. Accepting that the cricket season is really from end of May to mid September, the council could expect to receive income equating to 2 mid-week evening hires and 1 weekend afternoon hire (allowing for the English summer) or £200 per week conservatively for perhaps 15 weeks, totalling £3000 once the pitch is fully operational. Hire of the pitch for softball or rounders could provide some additional revenue, when not being used for cricket.

Apart from the requested grant from the Council, local people will help to improve the cricket offering, building a net for practicing and renewing the artificial pitch such that it can be played on when the weather is not so dry. Although the replacement pavilion accounts for most of the cost in this proposal, other monies will need to be spent on a lawn mower, roller, tables, chairs, coat racks, lockable storage, a scoreboard, solar lighting and security locks/alarms, and these items could be considered for "match-funding".

Additionally John Gillett (the applicant) is Chairman of the Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum and has been a member of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) for more than 40 years. He will provide project management to procure the new pavilion (following further detailed agreement on requirements with Totteridge and Millhillians Cricket club, who would be principal users

thereof) once funding is confirmed. He will also arrange delivery, erection, weatherproofing and procure the ancillary equipment to specification. We would hope that the Council's Park Keeper would keep a watchful eye over the facility and we have assumed that the Council will have an easy process for making bookings and collecting the hire fees. Should the proposed plan to establish a Community Hub at 80 Daws Lane come to fruition then the operational support for this pavilion could be absorbed within its functions if the Council so desires. For further details of this application, please see attachments.

How will it benefit the local area?

The belief is that local people will enjoy playing cricket which importantly is a team sport and if made available to them, at a modest cost, they will make it a regular pursuit and one which many people of all ages will enjoy watching. It could particularly provide a strong engagement with young people in the community, as Mill Hill has little to offer them currently. The local medical practice is actively encouraging greater use of the Park for exercise and will advertise this initiative to their patients.

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How does it meet that priority?

This application calls for the replacement of containers that are very unattractive. The new facility will be designed to be most appropriate in its situation in Mill Hill park, and available to book by all members of the local community. Revolution will provide coaching for young children who will be encouraged to take up cricket as a great team sport to improve their social skills and overall health. People are playing cricket (in its various forms) into their 60s and those who cannot play enjoy it as a spectator sport in the open park. We believe that cricket is a sport for all ages to participate in either by being in the team or watching other family members and friends playing. As such it allows people from many generations to mix, thus building a strong community spirit. We hope that Canada Villa may also use the facility. The Saracens Foundation has expressed an interest as part of their community based activities for summer schools etc.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

The application was originally for a wooden pavilion – this has been changed to a concrete pavilion to reflect some concerns raised around whether such a structure would be at risk of damage or vandalism.

SAFEGUARDING

Are there any safeguarding issues? Have they been addressed satisfactorily? Yes – the project involves working with children and young people.

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project? No equality issues identified.

DUE DILIGENCE

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

Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

Members are advised that replacing the steel containers used for storage for the cricket teams would be likely to enhance the park, but that the replacement needs to be fit for purpose and aligned to other facilities and uses of the existing infrastructure.

Members may wish to make any funding given for the unit conditional on its primary function being storage, and agree the project in principle subject to approval of a more worked-up proposal by the Green Spaces team.

> Date: 19 December 2014

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Trainingship Broadsword
Member sponsor:	Councillor Hugh Rayner
Amount applied for:	£9,250
Total cost of project:	£10,000
	210,000

What is the project?

Training Ship Broadsword has its own purpose-built facility in Cool Oak Lane, Hendon. The cadet unit use the facility almost exclusively in the evenings and at weekends. Consequently, the facility sits empty throughout the week during the daytimes. This is a crying shame and we want to rectify this with this project. Our project will take place at our base in Cool Oak Lane, Hendon and will run on Wednesday lunch times throughout the year. It will benefit older people who reside locally and younger people who will be involved in running the lunch club and the various classes associated with it. We would use a grant to fund a lunchtime club for older members of the community for a one year period. We believe once established, we could make this a permanent feature of our weekly programme. We would provide a hot meal and various workshops such as computer training, gardening classes, keep-fit classes and cookery classes as part of this project.

We have the capacity to provide a pick-up service from key locations in the Borough, as we have our own minibuses based onsite. Therefore, transportation to and from the venue need not be an issue for those individuals that have no means of transport.

How will it benefit the local area?

We have frequently been asked if the facility could be used during the daytime for the benefit of other community groups. This project would be a good way of using the facility and at the same time bring a vulnerable group of older people together once a week for a hot meal, a variety of workshops, and social interaction. We have a number of elderly volunteers who currently help out at the unit and they have suggested how a lunch club could directly benefit not only themselves but their elderly friends and relatives who reside in Hendon.

We will contact the Alzheimers Society and Age UK to publicise the lunch club as we have been told that there is a real lack of support mechanismns for older people who are suffering from dementia in the Borough.

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How does it meet that priority?	41	

1. This project will directly benefit older people and make them feel more included within the community.

2. It will aid social interaction for a group of people that can often find these opportunities difficult to come by.

3. The workshops will provide the target group with new skills and interests which they may not otherwise be able to access.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

The applicants have provided their safeguarding children policy but do not yet have a policy for vulnerable adults in place. They have committed to producing and agreeing such a policy and hope to have this in place by the time the Committee meets to consider the application.

SAFEGUARDING

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

Potential safeguarding issues as the project deals with young people and potentially vulnerable adults.

The applicants have stated that volunteers are DBS checked and have submitted their child safeguarding policy, but will look to put a safeguarding adults policy in place before the project takes place should Members support it.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project aims to support older people and to promote good relations between the different participant age groups. Members may wish to see promotion of the project to people with limited mobility, and commitments around accessibility for all, including the accessibility of the premises.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding? Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

Members may wish to make funding conditional on receipt of a final policy for safeguarding vulnerable adults, particularly if targeting older people with dementia.

Members may wish to note that other lunch clubs are already available in the area (at Algernon Road Community Centre, via the Chinese Elders and the Farsophone at the Meritage Centre) and to ask the applicants how they can be sure of getting sufficient interest for the new group.

The intergenerational lunch club premise is a benefit – the Council does not know of another such facility in Barnet. The promise of transport is likewise a benefit and might make the club accessible to older people whose mobility is limited and who cannot access other groups. Members may wish to ask the applicants to target their project towards these people and to consider the accessibility of the Cool Oak Lane premises for people with disabilities.

Date: 19 December 2014

Application made to Finchley and Golders Green but an alternative site for the project has been identified in Hendon and the proposal has therefore been submitted to the Hendon Area Committee.
Herts Baseball Club
Councillor Reuben Thompstone
£2,859.48
£16,150.50

What is the project?

The project aims to establish a new baseball programme in North West London covering all age groups (youth and adult teams).

Our club launched a similar project in Hemel Hempstead in 2007. At that time the club had only 2 adult league teams with 32 adult members. Our Hemel Hempstead branch now has 4 adult and 4 youth league teams with a total of 131 adult and youth members. The growth of that youth programme has also resulted in a large number of youth players continuing to play for our adult league teams when they reach adult age. The Club has now reached the stage where it is ready to expand into a neighbouring region and North West London is the natural progression for us. We receive a large number of enquiries from new players based in North West London. Some have a car and are able to travel to Hemel Hempstead to play at our existing baseball venue, however many do not and they are not able to play in Hemel Hempstead because the public transport links between London and the baseball venue in Hemel Hempstead are very expensive and transit time is around 1hr40min involving 1 train, 2 bus journeys and quite a lot of walking. At the moment there is only one London baseball club North of the river Thames. That baseball club is located at Finsbury Park which serves mainly people in North or North East London. For residents of the North West guadrant of London the nearest baseball club is our existing baseball venue in Hemel Hempstead on the outskirts of London. There are no adult and youth baseball clubs in the whole of the North West quadrant of London, representing approximately 25% of the London population. Our project aims to repeat the successful project in Hemel Hempstead and create a similar baseball programme in North West London which is a much larger market place and demand is expected to be even higher than that which we have in Hemel Hempstead. Baseball is proving to be an attractive sport. Our club has grown by 309% between 2006 and 2013 which is growth of 44% per annum. 14 to 25 year-olds, in particular, appear to find baseball very enjoyable and we have noticed that the majority of male and female participants who try it for the first time express interest in joining the club to play on a regular basis. The baseball club which is based at Finsbury Park has grown even faster than we have, providing further evidence that demand is even higher in London. Residents in the North West guadrant of London have no local baseball club to go to. Our club wants to give them the opportunity to play baseball.

Another factor to bear in mind when analysing the anticipated level of demand for baseball is the effect of Major League Baseball's (MLB) international expansion. At our national governing body's AGM last month, baseball clubs were given notice to be ready for 2016 when MLB is expected to stage official league games in London. This project is similar to the very successful NFL (American football) international series played at Wembley stadium over the last few years. Staging of MLB games in London is likely to have the same effect on baseball participation as the London 2012 Olympics had on Olympic and Paralympic sports.

We have already put some of the foundations in place with the launch of an after-school baseball club for the students of Whitefield School. This started in June 2014 with support from London Sport as part of their "Satellite Club" initiative where sports clubs team up with schools to increase participation in sport. In the 8 after-school sessions staged so far we have had 56 different boys and girls take part and average attendance was 19 players per session.

The next step is to launch the North West London branch of our baseball club, which is planned for 2015. We have submitted an application for a Sport England Small Grant in order to fund part of the start-up cost. The remaining start-up costs will be covered by our club using its existing cash reserves which are in our bank account, ready to be invested. If our Sport England Small Grant application is not successful, we plan to execute a scaled-down project which will have the same objectives, but is obviously expected to grow at a much slower pace.

We have identified Clitterhouse Playing Fields in the Golders Green ward as a suitable venue for us to establish our club's North West London branch, particularly due to the proximity to Whitefield School as we hope to build on the progress made during this summer's after-school programme.

In discussions with the Barnet Council's Parks and Green Spaces Department, we received confirmation that Clitterhouse Playing Fields is available for our club to hire in 2015. The biggest issue with Clitterhouse Playing Fields in its present state, and perhaps this is the reason why it is underutilised, is that there are no toilet facilities and no storage room for team equipment. As a solution for this we have obtained some quotes for hiring portable toilets and buying a second-hand 20ft steel container which is used by many sports clubs in public parks around the UK as a team and field equipment storage solution.

This Area Committee Funding grant application aims to cover only the costs of making Clitterhouse Playing Fields usable for sports. The total grant amount being applied for is £2,859.48 and this can be divided into two parts. £2,102.04 for the purchase and delivery of the second-hand 20ft storage container as well as purchase of Heras fencing to be used as a baseball backstop and 4 folding benches for the teams. The remaining £757.44 is for baseballspecific field equipment such as bases, protective L-screen, rolls of plastic netting for the home run boundary etc.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The baseball-specific field items amounting to £757.44 are also included in our Sport England Small Grant application and if it is awarded and if it covers those items, we will remove them from this Area Committee Funding grant application.

How will it benefit the local area?

Clitterhouse Playing Fields is an underutilised sports facility and it is expected that the addition of a baseball programme will bring it back to life and will see the local community involved in a healthy sports activity. Baseball is a sport which encourages the whole family to participate regardless of gender, age or level of ability or previous experience. The programme will offer baseball to boys and girls aged 6 to 16 (youth baseball) and men and women aged 14 to 55+ (adult baseball).

Our club will aim to establish the programme in North West London initially offering baseball to boys and girls aged 14 to 16 and later add the younger age groups and adult league teams. The target is to create 3 or more teams in the U17 and U15 age groups. In the first year our target is to recruit around 60 players which is sufficient for a 3-team regional league minimizing the need for travel to out-of-region venues. This is in line with the announcement made by our national governing body, British Baseball Federation (BBF) and Baseball Softball UK (BSUK). They announced a change in direction with the aim of increasing the number of male and female players playing baseball through the creation of regional baseball leagues. The

research by the BSUK Youth Baseball Review Group showed that this has proven to be the most successful structure for sustainable growth and reduction in the drop off at ages 16, 18, and above. This approach is also in line with BSUK's "Played in every Park" concept under BSUK's Whole Sport Plan. The boys and girls who will be part of this regional league will also want to compete at national level and they will be able to do so as we plan to enter teams in the British Baseball Federation national championships. Our youth teams in Hemel Hempstead have produced a large number of elite athletes over the last 6 years. Currently 13 of those players are members of the Great Britain U19 and U17 National Teams. We would be able to provide a similar path to represent Great Britain for those new players in this new branch in North West London who are looking to compete at the highest level.

The main goal of this project is to increase participation and grow the programme for many years to come. Baseball is a sport where men, women, boys and girls with different physical capabilities are able to compete and play side-by-side. Unlike other mainstream sports, people with very different skills are able to fit and excel in different aspects of the game of baseball. This also includes people with disabilities. This combined with future plans to regenerate Clitterhouse Playing Fields in the coming years gives this project enormous potential for growth.

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and safe communities.

How does it meet that priority?

This project aims to start what we hope will be a baseball programme which will develop and grow for many years to come. Our existing baseball programme in Hemel Hempstead has managed to achieve 309% growth between 2006 and 2013 and we hope to achieve similar results with this new programme in North West London. Most of the youngsters who first started playing baseball when the baseball programme was started in Hemel Hempstead in 2007 continue to play for our Herts teams in the U17 and adult leagues today. For these young players (and for their parents) our club has become an important part of their lives. Their brothers and sisters have also joined the club playing in the various age groups.

Many of the youngsters who started playing baseball a few years ago are now taking on coaching roles, executive board positions and developing not only as baseball players, but as leaders in the community. Baseball has a unique family atmosphere and families which didn't know each other in 2007 are now close friends. By establishing this new branch of our club we hope that, in time, the size of our club will double. After the first year, the programme will be funded through membership fees in the same way as our programme in Hemel Hempstead. Our business model has been successful for many years and we have managed to grow and develop while maintaining financial stability throughout.

The model not only keeps the players playing the game but we have also been able to raise additional funding which we have invested into doubling the capacity of our existing venue in Hemel Hempstead and upgrading it significantly. We hope to do the same in North West London. Baseball venues are very attractive and we feel they will add value to the borough. F

example, Central Park in New York, USA features 26 baseball and softball fields and they add to the value of one of the best known public parks in the world.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

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

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

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project identifies benefits in terms of inclusion for men and women, children and adults, and people with disabilities.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding? Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

It has been identified that the preferred site for the project (Clitterhouse Playing Fields) is not suitable for the proposed purpose and advised that the container and toilet facilities should not be sited there. An alternative site at West Hendon has been identified, which already has storage and toilet facilities, and it is recommended that if Members wish to support this project the applicants are directed towards the alternative site. The project costs may be adjusted to reflect this but the applicants do not anticipate that costs will be any greater than they have originally applied for.

Date: 19 December 2014

Area Committee:	Hendon
Applicant/organisation:	Barnet Association of Tamil Elders (BATE)
Member sponsor:	Councillor Nagus Narenthira
Amount applied for:	£10,000
Total cost of project:	£15,000
What is the project?	

Introducing computer skills to elders in our community. We are exploring suitable venues for this project. It will most likely be in the borough of Barnet, preferably in Colindale, Edgware, or Burnt Oak. Our members will familiarise with modern computer skills to enable them to do online banking, internet, emails etc. An initial set up fund is required along with on-going expenditure such as rent, tutoring, personal computer purchase etc.

We plan to introduce physical exercises such as Yoga, Pilates etc. and hand crafts for the better co-ordination of the elders.

In parallel we like to run jewellery making and cake icing with sugar flower courses.

How will it benefit the local area?

The community will improve their skills and hence it is beneficial for the area they live in.

The quality of life will improve by meeting the demand required by modern computer knowledge.

The elder community will increase their physical fitness so that they can become a healthy society.

We also plan to provide services to disabled people who are not old but cannot carry out their daily life as an able person.

Community will find ways to seek self-employment.

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How does it meet that priority?	
Mainly Barnet Association of Elders (BATE) have many members who like to get involved in physical and co-ordinated activities. The association believes in "prevention better than cure" to promote a healthier life to elders. BATE believe that their theme will bring down the cost of	

health care in the borough.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

Initial discussion including setting up computer learning as elders in our group are lagging behind in terms of these skills. Elders must be able to use internet, emails, online banking etc. Funds are required for initial set-up and then for ongoing expenditure like teaching staff who are at least bilingual so that our community can easily understand.

It would be beneficial for our elders to increase their hand co-ordination. Consequently, we need to start up jewelry making, cake icing and sugar craft courses.

Both projects will be of a two year duration.

SAFEGUARDING

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

Yes – the project potentially involves work with vulnerable adults.

The organization is currently seeking further advice and drafting a safeguarding policy. **EQUALITIES**

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project serves the needs of older people from a specific ethnic community but may be duplicating services provided elsewhere (see comments below).

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding? Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

BATE serves the same community of older people as CROFTE, the Cultural and Recreational Organisation for Tamil Elders, in much the same way and at the same location. This means that a grant to BATE may duplicate services already provided by CROFTE. In the past, the Council has taken the line that rather than funding BATE separately, it will explore with both groups ways in which their work may be re-unified. Members may wish to continue this line rather than making a direct grant to BATE at this time.

The application does not identify a venue nor provide a final version of the organisation's safeguarding policy. If Members wish to support the application they may wish to make funding conditional on receipt of the final version of the safeguarding policy.

Members may also wish to seek assurances about a target for the number of individuals attending the classes and further information about the costings for activities and workshops, which seem relatively high.

Date:19 December 2014

Area Committee:	Hendon Area Committee
Applicant/organisation:	Nutmeg Community
Member sponsor:	Cllr Val Duschinsky, Cllr Charlie O-Macauley, Cllr Nagus Narenthira
Amount applied for:	£6,340
Total cost of project:	£6,340
What is the project?	

What is the project?

Nutmeg Community is a Barnet based youth organisation that aims to empower young people aged 11-24, especially disengaged young people, to equip for a prosperous future and reach their full potential. Though we aim to cater to the Borough of Barnet, our focus areas are Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware and Hendon. Our idea is to recruit and train a group of 10 young people to form a youth community reporters team. The young reporters will highlight positive stories within their communities to empower locals and raise aspirations. Community reporting is nationally recognised as an effective community engagement method. We will focus on engaging with people from marginalised areas and give them a platform to share their experiences. The project will be delivered via a 3 phases:

Phase 1: A team of 10 young people aged 16-24 will be recruited to be community reporters and attend a 2 day community reporters training course accredited by the Community Reporters Institute. The training will equip young people to be community reporters by covering how to use digital media devices, such as mobile phones, video cameras and voice recorders, to convey inspiring stories. Timescale: Apr - May 2015.

Phase 2: The group of young people, supported by youth workers, will be tasked with gathering stories and the group will meet twice a month to discuss and compile their community reporting activities. Young people will lead on producing reports/stories to highlight the amazing work organisations and individuals in Burnt Oak, Colindale, Edgware and Hendon do. These areas have been selected because they are the communities we mainly serve and we know that there is a need for the project. The youth community reporters will identify local unsung heroes/ organisations that are making a huge difference in the community. Over the course of 4 months, several stories will be published in different mediums. We aim to conduct over 30 interviews, write more than 30 blogs, upload 10 short videos clips onto YouTube and produce a 5-8 minute documentary. Our impact will be measured by monitoring the number of YouTube views, Facebook likes and Twitter followers, as well as face-to face feedback. Youth reporters' activities conducted between May - September 2015.

Phase 3: To conclude the project, a celebratory event will be organised to showcase our youth community reporters' documentary, raise awareness of the positives in the communities we serve and promote cohesion. We aim to engage 100 people at the event and stimulate discussions on what we can do together to better our communities. During the discussion, people will be encouraged to share what they like about their area, what could be better and what they can do to make a difference. We envision the event taking place at the Sangam Centre in Burnt Oak. Timescale: September/ October 2015.

How will it benefit the local area?

For over 5 years we have championed community cohesion by campaigning for support services and promoting provisions that improve people's life chances. As a grassroots community led organisation we have an in-depth understanding of the problems in the areas we work in and strong relationships with local people and groups. We research with residents, including online discussions using Facebook, Twitter, blogs and YouTube films. Over the years we have met with many inspirational people within the communities we serve, unfortunately these positive stories rarely make the headlines. From experience we have found that the

biggest problem is not that people in deprived areas are disadvantaged, instead a bigger problem is that many are disengaged from services/opportunities that will improve their lives. Thus this project will bring huge benefits to the community because it will challenge the inferior perception that is often associated with deprived areas. The youth community reporters will showcase stories of local people who are dedicated, inspirational, thriving, and engaged in the community. This reinforces the message that no matter who are you or where you live, you can achieve! Also, the fact that it is a youth-led project will appeal to locals and thus facilitate engagement. In addition, our good connection with Barnet Council, Barnet Homes, Genesis Housing, CommUNITY Barnet and local voluntary groups will help us gather a wide range of stories to report on. Another benefit of the project is that it will bridge the gap between the younger and older generation. While conducting reports, young people will find out about the amazing opportunities, organisations, services, and individuals within their communities. Also, people will view young people in a positive light and this will help bring a sense of community. Finally, having a positive project will encourage people to think about solutions and what they can do, rather than focusing on negativity and being apathetic. Producing a documentary creates a resource that can be shared with individual and organisations such as Barnet Council, MET police and local groups.

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How does it meet that priority?

To create better life chances for children and young people: Research shows that people from disadvantaged backgrounds need to be highly engaged in constructive activities in order to develop the skills needed to compete with those people from more affluent backgrounds. Our project provides opportunities for young people in disadvantaged areas to develop life skills by engaging in social action which better equips them for the world of work. The youth community reporters aged 16-24 will gain a range of skills such as team work, leadership, organisation, communication, and problem solving. As the western sector of the borough has the highest youth population, especially those deemed to come from disadvantaged backgrounds, providing opportunities for them to be positive peer influencers is key. Young people involved in the project will get accredited community reporters training, engage with the community and be supported to organise a celebratory event. Furthermore, being part of a positive, friendly and supportive group will encourage the young people to strive towards reaching their full potential. The youth community reporters will act as positive role models for their peers and inspire others to engage in constructive activities.

To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities: In 2006 the BBC reported on a study which interviewed 10,000 people in 20 areas, it found that a sense of community is the strongest indicator of crime rates, even more than deprivation levels. Our project creates a sense of community by raising awareness of the positives within the communities we serve and encourages locals to take pride in where they live. We believe that this is a holistic approach to building a more self-reliant community because it involves people from different ages and backgrounds. Essentially the message will be that we all have a lot to be thank for, there are things that can be improved and we want dependent of the second seco

our bit to make things better. Lastly, organising an event to conclude the project will create another opportunity to bring people together and build friendships. Young people will be supported to take lead on organising and hosting the event. Footage that young people conducted will be compiled into a short documentary which will be shown at the event.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

N/A

SAFEGUARDING

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

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

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project identifies benefits for the children and young people involved.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding? Passed – project can be considered by Committee:

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

Members may wish to note that this application asks for revenue funding for a project without guaranteeing its future sustainability. If Members wish to support this application they may wish to seek assurances of the future sustainability of this project.

Date: 19 December 2014

Area Committee:	Hendon Area Committee
Applicant/organisation:	Home-Start Barnet
Member sponsor:	Cllr Agnes Slocombe
Amount applied for:	£9,999
Total cost of project:	£9,999
What is the project?	

What is the project?

We propose to employ a part-time Project Co-ordinator, trained in the award winning 'Made of Money' programme, for one day a week to support families on low income to be 'money smart', thereby avoiding debt and financial distress. With the help of trained local volunteers, the Project Co-ordinator will assist local families on low income to take control of their financial situations and build financial resilience.

The Project Co-ordinator will up-skill and train up to 10 volunteers in the 7-week 'Made of Money' programme to support low income families living on the west side of the borough, including Hendon, West Hendon, Hale, Edgware, Burnt Oak, Colindale, and Mill Hill. This training will enable the volunteers to progress to supporting families on a one-to-one basis in the family home, or another venue of their choice.

The Project Co-ordinator will also offer the same training over 7 weeks, but adapted for families, to those attending our family group at the Grahame Park estate. The sessions will help families to develop vital life skills and strategies, enabling them to make better financial decisions and become more confident about managing their money.

When will the project take place? The project will be delivered one day a week over 12 months, starting from 1st April 2015.

Where will the project take place?

- 1. The project will take place at the Grahame Park Community Centre for 2 hour sessions for 7 weeks, for up to 10 families who live on the estate who have children under the age of 5 and are experiencing money issues.
- 2. The project will take place at Barnet and Southgate College Grahame Park Campus (or another venue) for 2 hour sessions for 7 weeks to up-skill 10 volunteers in the 'Made of Money' programme, equipping them to support families with money issues on a one-to-one basis.
- 3. The Project Co-ordinator and trained volunteers will offer one-to-one support to 20 families experiencing financial distress across the above listed wards, either in their home or in another suitable place.

Who will benefit from the project?

Families living on low incomes who find it difficult to manage money and are experiencing financial distress as a result. As a consequence there is a negative impact on the whole family, frequently leading to increased disadvantages for both the children and the parents. From our experience we have found little things, such as children being unable to participate in trips or extracurricular activities due to the parents' financial constraints, have a hugely negative impact on the child's emotional and physical health and wellbeing. Equally, parents who do not eat properly or cannot keep the home warm due to low income lead to health issues with a knock-on effect on local health services.

How will it benefit the local area?

We believe our project will make a positive difference to the area by:

- Up-skilling 10 local volunteers from a diverse range of backgrounds, including age, gender, ethnicity, and socio-economic groups in the 'Made of Money' programme, leading to greater community cohesion and better employment opportunities.
- Improving the lives of at least 30 low income families, with up to 75 children, who are experiencing financial hardship by being able to talk, listen, and learn about money and its impact on their lives in a safe one-to-one or group space.
- Improve life opportunities for up to 75 children by equipping parents with the tools to be financially independent, so that children can access activities and experiences that enable them to be school-ready and require less intensive, costly support when entering the education system later in life.
- Building a strong community network of support for both the families and volunteers by connecting them to services that previously were not being accessed.

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

- 1. Our project, the Home-Start Money-Smart Made of Money programme supports local residents in gaining new, transferable skills in money management, budgeting, looking at making choices and consequences, exploring different kinds of debt, i.e. priority and non-priority, communication skills, teaching, researching etc. These skills can all be used to move into education, employment, or further training, thus strengthening and supporting local economic growth.
- 2. Our project, the Home-Start Money-Smart Made of Money programme will enable children and young people to have better life chances by narrowing the gap of disadvantage between the well-off and those on low incomes in the borough by improving financial resilience in the latter group. Parents will learn how to source low-cost alternatives, consolidate debt, reduce outgoings, and access other income streams thereby freeing up income to fully support their children.
- 3. Our Project Co-ordinator and volunteers will help upgrade the budgeting skills of supported families, enabling them to make better choices e.g. that buying fresh fruit and vegetables and moving away from the psychology of buying ready meals can stretch your food budget. They will help families explore cheaper alternatives whilst maintaining good health, thus reducing the need for expensive healthcare. Equally, if a family manage their finances better they will feel less stressed and more emotionally resilient to better support their children.
- 4. Our volunteers and the families we support come from all walks of life, reflecting the diversity of the borough. This promotes tolerance and community cohesion.

Other relevant comments or information from the application:

The number of people supported by the project as a minimum would be 115 broken down as:

- 10 volunteers, some of whom will have experienced financial distress themselves. Hence the project will not only support them but also build capacity for them to offer volunteer support to families in need.
- 10 families to be supported through a 7 week group programme as they may not be comfortable in accessing one-to-one support.
- 20 families to be offered one-to-one "Made of Money" model-based support.
- Based on a minimum of 30 families supported the applicants have calculated an average of 2.5 children per family hence a figure of 75 children benefiting from the service.

The applicants have provided a budget breakdown and have been asked for further information about their full cost recovery model.

SAFEGUARDING

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

Yes – potentially working with young people and vulnerable adults.

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

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

The project is designed to benefit children and families.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?		
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:		
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:		
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:		
Commenter		

Comments:

Members may want to see further detail around the full cost recovery model which underpins the budget breakdown provided, particularly around the 15% management and administration cost cited in the application.

Date: 19 December 2014

AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING

APPLICATIONS NOT PUT FORWARD FOR CONSIDERATION

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

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

SAFEGUARDING

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

Yes – project involves working with children and young people.

The applicant states that safeguarding issues arising during specified activities would be notified to the Local Authority Designated Officer .

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project? None identified.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?		
Passed – project can be considered by Committee:		
Not yet confirmed – some issues with application/additional information needed:		
Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:		
Comments:		
This project does not fit with the purpose of the Area Committee Budgets, which projects which improve the social and economic wellbeing of the local area ra support for individuals, and has not therefore been put forward for consider Committees.	ather than on	

Date: 19 December 2014

Area Committee:	Hendon	
Applicant/organisation:	31 Mill Hill Free Parking, Mr Elliot Simberg	
Member sponsor:	Cllr Val Duschinsky	
Amount applied for:	6000	
Total cost of project:	6000	
What is the project?		
	of parking income by offering free parking on Saturday ark, NW7 to both residents and shoppers to support sm Broadway, NW7.	
How will it benefit the loc	al area?	
Residents and shoppers will be encouraged to shop in Mill Hill Broadway in the certain knowledge that there will be car parking spaces available for them to use thus increasing Mill Hill Broadway's footfall.		
Which corporate priority	does it meet?	
	ed, attractive and accessible place, with sustainable	
To maintain the right environment for a strong and diverse local economy.		
To create better life chance	To create better life chances for children and young people across the borough.	
01	To sustain a strong partnership with the local NHS, so that families and individuals can maintain and improve their physical and mental health	
To promote a healthy, active, independent and informed over 55 population in the borough to encourage and support our residents to age well.		
To promote family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.		
How does it meet that priv		
	and shoppers to the Mill Hill Broadway through certain turday, local, small businesses located on Mill Hill E fall.	•
Other relevant comments or information from the application:		

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

No safeguarding issues.

EQUALITIES

Are there any equality issues associated with the project?

No equality issues identified.

DUE DILIGENCE

Does the application pass due diligence tests and fulfil all the criteria for funding?		
Passed – project can be considered by Committe	ə:	

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

Not passed – project should not be considered by Committee:

Comments:

This project asks for funding to make up a shortfall in revenue from the parking service, which contravenes the conditions of funding set out in section 4 of the Area Committee Budgets Guidance. The guidance states that funding 'must not be used to meet a budget deficit in a specific area... or to cover a shortfall in a service which would normally be provided by the Council or another public sector organisation.'

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