



SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL East Community Assembly Report

Report of: East Community Assembly Manager

Date: 13th December 2012

Subject: East Community Assembly Discretionary Budget
2012/13

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Summary:

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Allocations of the remaining £58,600 of funding to local projects were made between October and December 2012, and are now reported back to the Assembly meeting for information as requested.

Reasons for Recommendations:

At its meeting on 27th September 2012 the East Community Assembly requested the Assembly Manager to report back to the Assembly's December meeting with details of all allocations of funding made under the delegation of authority conferred on her at that meeting.

Recommendations:

That the East Community Assembly notes the decisions made by the East Community Assembly Manager, in consultation with the Chair, under powers

delegated to her by the Assembly at its meeting on 27th September 2012, as set out in Section 4 of this report.

Background Papers: **ECA 29th March, 21st June and 27th September
2012 Budget Papers**

Category of Report: OPEN

Statutory and Council Policy Checklist

Financial Implications
YES Cleared by:
Legal Implications
YES Cleared by: Andrew Bullock
Equality of Opportunity Implications
YES (East Community Plan EIA) Cleared by: Phil Reid
Tackling Health Inequalities Implications
YES
Human rights Implications
NO
Environmental and Sustainability implications
YES
Economic impact
NO
Community safety implications
YES
Human resources implications
NO
Property implications
NO
Area(s) affected
East Community Assembly area of Sheffield
Relevant Scrutiny Committee if decision called in
Safer and Stronger Communities
Is the item a matter which is reserved for approval by the City Council?
NO
Press release
NO

1. Summary

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2. What does this mean for people within the East Community Assembly Area?

These latest allocations of East Assembly Discretionary Funding ensure activity takes place in the East of Sheffield to address the following priorities in the East Community Assembly Plan, specifically:

- Tackling unemployment and increasing skills
- Stronger communities
- Safer communities
- Improving the environment
- Better health

Educational attainment is seen as the overarching priority that, where appropriate, use of the discretionary budget would contribute to the over all outcome.

At the 29th March 2012 East public meeting, members agreed to have the East budget split into ward budgets based on a formula using the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD).

3. Outcomes and Sustainability

The funding allocations detailed in this report contribute to the delivery of the priorities in the East Community Assembly Plan, thus benefiting residents in the East Assembly Area.

The projects and activity supported contribute to all five of the key ambitions as indicated in the Sheffield City Strategy 2010-2020 (Sheffield 2020 – Where People Shape the Future) –

- **Distinctive**; using the immense sense of pride local people have in the city and the East Assembly area to bring local projects forward for funding.
- **Successful**; working with partners at a local level with joint employment and community projects, and strategically through our formal partnerships.
- **Inclusive**; support projects that enable all sections of our community to benefit and join in new activities and activities that bring people together.
- **Vibrant**; support the community and voluntary sector in the East by working with them to achieve the priorities for the area.
- **Sustainable**; ensure that projects are owned by the community where possible and that the Assembly plays a key role in enhancing the local environment.

The funding also supports the City Council's priorities, values and outcomes as set out in the Corporate Plan 'Standing Up For Sheffield'. In particular:

Priorities

- Supporting and protecting communities

Values

- Spend public money wisely
- Long term view
- Enable individuals and communities

Outcomes

- Better Health and Wellbeing
- Safe and Secure Communities
- An Environmentally Responsible City

4. The Funding Allocations

Unallocated 2012/13 Budget: £58,600

There was £58,600 of unallocated funding for 12/13 on 27th Sept 2012. The decision of this was delegated to the Assembly Manager, in consultation with the Assembly Chair, to fund local projects that made a difference locally and worked to the Assembly priorities.

All projects have been looked at across the Assembly to ensure that those projects needing funding more urgently still met the Assembly priorities.

The top three projects for the Assembly in November were seen as:

- Arbourthorne Community Primary School Caretaker's House
- Arbourthorne Fields playground
- New Arrivals work in Darnall ward

Arbourthorne Primary School's Head-teacher contacted their ward Councillors with a new project meeting educational attainment priority to convert the old Caretaker's House into a Learning Resource. Working with the school, and the Property and Facilities Management Team within the Council, this empty property can be converted into school and community use, using funding from the Assembly and other sources.

Arbourthorne Fields has a new playground planned for spring 2013 and the Assembly was approached by the User Group for financial assistance to ensure the scheme can be delivered in full as planned, including seating and landscaping around the new play equipment.

New Arrivals work in Darnall Ward was agreed as a priority, although the Assembly Manager has agreed that Central Refugee Organisation's bid to the Assembly must be tied into existing and potential work with new arrivals in the East CA area and the work SCC and partners are doing in Page Hall. The agreement with the CRO will ensure this work adds to current work and the partner meetings just started in the East for new arrivals.

Final Allocations

The remaining funding in the Assembly's discretionary budget has now been allocated by the Assembly Manager, in consultation with the Chair, as set out in the following final list. This allocation exercise has been based on ensuring all final spend is balanced between the money available, ability to spend before March 13, ward need, making a difference locally and tackling Assembly priorities.

Ward	project	Priorities	detail	amount	notes
A D R	Locality C Schools Reading for pleasure project for Y3	Educational attainment	Contribution to a book project working with Locality family of schools for every 7 year old Jan-Mar 13	£2,000	Over three wards
A	Arbourthorne Community Primary caretaker's house learning resource	Educational attainment Tackling poverty Stronger communities	School led project to part fund building works to convert the old caretaker's house into a learning resource centre for the school	£15,399	Another £4k from Arb SIP pot to total £19,399 for this project
A D MC	Locality C Learning event Ponds Forge	Educational attainment Cohesion (stronger communities)	Contribution towards the Locality C school event at Ponds Forge in Nov 12	£2,000	Over three wards
A	Arbourthorne Fields playground landscaping and seating	Stronger communities, safer communities,	Contribution towards funding of the new playground scheme so all planned landscaping	£7,500	£2,500 to be sought from community first by FO

		improving the env	and seating can be created		group
D	Central Refugee Organisation	Cohesion (stronger communities) Safer communities	Funding of work by CRO to create a voice for new arrivals in Darnall and Tinsley	£3,000	To link with work by SCC and health in the ward
D	Station Road Gennel Mocam	Safer communities Stronger communities, Env	Closure of the gennel at Staniforth rd end and movable Mocam camera to reduce Anti Social Behaviour down the side of Birs Beers and on the car park in Darnall	£5,377	
D	Small grant top up	Stronger communities	Darnall small grants top up to fund round 2	£9,000	
D	After Dark tickets	Safer communities	Funding of 165 tickets @£6 young people from the area	£990	
D	Shirland Lane/ Bramham Close env. improvements	Improving the env	Joint project with Places for People for a new bin on the estate	£410	
MC	Manor Library Xmas lights	Stronger communities	Xmas light display on the library	£424	
MC	Manor Castle ward newsletter	Stronger communities	Assembly led ward newsletter to promote community work in the area	£2500	
MC	Manor Deep Pits Allotment	Safer communities	New lock and key system for community allotments to reduce vandalism	£2000	
MC	Salvation Army	Reducing poverty Employment and skills	Funding to help the growing volunteer base, assist the food parcels and clothing banks in operation	£8,000	
	TOTAL ALLOCATED			£58,600.00	
	LEFT TO ALLOCATE			0	

Changes to Original Ward Allocations

It is noted that the final allocations set out above result in a change to the original ward allocations, as shown below.

Ward	Original allocation March 12	Revised allocation Nov 12	Change
Arbourthorne	£79,899	£88,733	+£8,834
Darnall	£91,841	£87,444	-£4,397
Manor Castle	£98,860	£92,666	-£6,194
Richmond	£60,357	£60,357	0
Total	£330,957.00	£330,655.00	

Total Projects

A total of 46 different larger projects will be funded during 12/13. This assumes the SIP pot and small grants of £44k are one project each, so the total numbers of groups and projects assisted will be much higher. (All the allocations for 2012/13 are listed in the Appendix to this report.)

5. Financial Implications

The East Assembly was given a £336,958 Discretionary Budget to allocate in 2012/13, to help fulfil the priorities identified in the East Assembly Plan. These funds have now been fully allocated to support area or ward based activity, but the budget has not been exceeded.

6. Legal Implications

In implementing the decisions of the Assembly Manager set out in section 4 of this report reliance can be placed on the power conferred on the Council by Section 1(1) of the Localism Act 2011 (the 'general power of competence').

The procurement of any goods, works or services must be undertaken in accordance with all relevant provisions of Sheffield City Council's Constitution including the Council's Contracts Standing Orders and all applicable procurement rules.

7. Equality of Opportunity Implications

The East Community Assembly Discretionary budget has been allocated to help address a range of needs in the area, as dictated by the East Community Assembly Plan (which is supported by the Assembly Plan Equality Impact Assessment). In formulating the funding decisions set out above, the Assembly Manager was mindful of the Council's public sector equality duty.

8. Human Resource Implications

None for Sheffield City Council.

9. Environmental and Sustainability Implications

A number of the projects to be funded positively promote the environmental and sustainability agenda. Where appropriate advice has been taken to ensure that activities to be funded provide a positive impact.

10. Mitigation of Risk

The risks relating to funding allocations reported above have been considered by the East Community Assembly Team. These risks will be regularly reviewed and monitored.

Projects funded may not lead to noticeable improvement in the priority issue. The Assembly Team (and the Accountable Bodies Team which administers funding) will monitor the impact of activity, to assess whether projects have been effective.

The Accountable Bodies Team will administer the distribution of funding and ensure agreed targets and outcomes are being met. They will do this through the receipt of monitoring forms from providers and by visiting projects / activity on the ground.

The Assembly Manager will ensure payments are made as per the project proposal form and are released on time as per Council rules. The projects need to be aware that all funding must be spent by 31st March 2013 and no carry forward or extension is likely.

11. Alternative Options

The priorities of the Assembly were agreed in September 2011. The Assembly Manager has regular discussions with partners and the community about ideas for possible projects. Those that meet the priorities of the Assembly are worked up into a project proposal. All the worked up proposals have been approved for funding.

Other projects may be considered in the future if additional, funds become available and they meet the priorities of the Assembly.

12. Reasons for Recommendations

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13. Recommendations

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Angela Greenwood
East Community Assembly Manager
27th November 2012

APPENDIX: 2012/13 Assembly funding agreed to date

Assembly wide

Consultation/engagement budget £6000

Ward projects

Arbourthorne Ward

Final agreed allocations:

	Arbourthorne	Detail	Priority	Amount
1	Horticulture Apprenticeship Scheme by Green Estate	£5k per ward as agreed at public meeting in March 12	Employment and skills	£5,000
2	Small grants	Small grants scheme up to £1k, all allocated in round 1.	Tackling poverty	£5,000
3	SIP pot	Pot for small projects that can be implemented quickly to make a difference, eg Residents only parking signs Guildford Rise, Scoop Aid family support work	Stronger communities	£10,000
4	Centre in the Park	Physical improvements to the café area of the Centre to : -allow café users to see their children in the playground -make the café more visible -to encourage more use of the café and increase footfall in the Centre	Stronger communities	£10,000
5	Community Bonfire	Match Manor Castle ward to offer part funding of the Green Estate led Manor fields bonfire event held Nov 5 th	Safer communities	£2,000
6	Community development worker	Part funding of worker Oct-Mar to continue the community development work in the ward bringing groups together, supporting groups, funding advice, ensuring local services meet needs and start up activity where needed.	Stronger communities	£7,500
7	Community tree Project	Parks project to continue the tree planting and educational project in the ward with schools and community groups	Educational attainment	£5,000

8	Newsletter	Winter and spring editions of a ward wide newsletter to be produced by the Arbourthorne Centre on behalf of the community	Stronger communities	£5,000
9	Arbourthorne Centre	One off grant for running costs of the Community Centre on Edenhall Road Oct 12-March 13	Stronger communities	£10,000
10	Small grants	2 nd round of small grants for community groups	Tacking poverty	£5,000
	allocated after Sept 12			
	New projects			
11	Arbourthorne Community Primary caretakers house learning resource	Funding of building works to convert the old caretakers house into a learning resource centre for the school	Educational attainment Tackling poverty Stronger communities	£15,399
12	Locality C Learning Event at Ponds Forge	Split over 3 wards, contribution to the Locality C school event at Ponds Forge in Nov 12	Educational attainment Stronger communities	£667
13	Locality C Reading for Pleasure school book project	Books for every 7 year old through local schools	Educational attainment	£667
14	Arbourthorne Fields playground landscaping and seating	Contribution towards funding of the new playground scheme so all planned landscaping and seating can be created	Stronger communities, safer communities, improving the env	£7,500
	Revised spend			£88,733

Darnall Ward

Final agreed allocations:

	Darnall	Detail	Priority	Amount
1	Small grants	Small grants scheme for community activity in the ward	Stronger Communities	£10,000
2	Horticulture Apprenticeship	£5k per ward as agreed at public meeting in March 12	Employment and skills	£5,000
3	Darnall Family Development Project	Part funding as a one off grant to enable their continuation and allow time to apply for other funding.	Improving Health	£10,000

4	Community support for Forums	Part funding of two Forums for community support activity including issue based consultation, running a post office, and hosting public meetings.	Stronger Communities	£40,000
5	Morrisons community bus	Half funding of a weekly Friday community bus from Darnall Poole Rd and Greenlands area to and from Catcliffe Morrisons, Morrisons to provide the other half of funding.	Tackling Poverty	£1,000
6	Darnall Well Being (DWB)	administration costs to create and support a stakeholder group for the community for the new health Centre on Main Road, Darnall	Improving health	£2,000
	Allocated after Sept 12			
	New projects			
7	Learning Event at Ponds Forge	Split over 3 wards, contribution to the Locality C school event at Ponds Forge in Nov 12	Educational attainment Stronger	£667
8	Central Refugee Organisation	work by to create a new voice for new arrivals in Darnall and Tinsley, focused on the new Roma Slovak community	Stronger communities	£3,000
9	Station Rd Gennel Mocam and closure	Part closure of the gennel and movable camera to stop ASB and criminal activity	Safer communities	£5,377
10	Small Grant top up	Darnall small grants round 2 top up to fund agreed grants	Tackling poverty	£9,000
11	After Dark Tickets	Funding of 165 tickets @£6 for youth groups in the ward	Safer communities	£990
12	Bin for Shirland Close	As part of Darnall Clean up week, new bin working with Places for People	Improving the environment	£410
	Revised spend			£87,444

Manor Castle Ward

Final Agreed allocations:

	Manor Castle	Detail	Priority	Amount
1	Small grants	Small grants scheme for community activity in the ward	Tackling poverty	£10,000
2	Horticulture Apprenticeship Scheme	£5k per ward	Employment and skills	£5,000

3	Community Development Worker (CDW)	Continuation of the part funding of post under Manor Castle Development Trust (MCDT). For 12/13 this post to focus on: - Support for the three Forums in the ward - Community First	Stronger Communities	£9,000
4	Manor After School Kids Klub (MASKK)	Continuation of funding from 11/12 to retain their current provision	Educational attainment	£5,000
5	Manor Over 50s Project	Continuation of project into 12/13, part funding a salary post with other partners	Improving health	£8000
6	Community Bonfire on Manor Fields	Part Funding for 12/13	Safer communities	£2000
7	Wybourn youth project	Funding for a partnership youth project for Wybourn to be led by Manor Castle Development Trust and working with Great Places Housing Association, Safer Neighbourhood Team, Community Youth Team, Sheffield Futures, Wybourn Youth Trust and other local partners.	Safer communities	£20,000
8	Manor Rights and Advice Service	To enable the transfer of the building to another charity	Reducing poverty	£3,000
9	Signpost	To fund continued intensive work with young people on the Manor from the Signpost project based on Harborough Avenue, Manor	Employment and skills	£2,500
10	Wybourn Leg Up	Intensive work by Manor Castle Development Trust (MCDT) on young people on Wybourn furthest away from employment opportunities	Employment and skills	£5,000
11	Pipworth Road old Gym (Manor Boys and Girls Club)	Investment in the building currently occupied by Manor Boxing Club and known as Manor Boys Club	Stronger communities	£10,000
	Allocated after Sept 12		£19,360	
	New projects			
12	Learning Event at Ponds Forge	Split over 3 wards, contribution to the Locality C school event at Ponds Forge in Nov 12	Educational attainment Stronger communities	£666
13	Manor Castle ward newsletter	Assembly led ward newsletter to promote community work in the ward	Stronger communities	£2500

14	Manor Deep Pits Allotments	New lock and key system for community allotments to reduce vandalism	Safer communities	£2000
15	Salvation Army Duke Street	Funding to help the growing volunteer base, assist the food parcels and clothing banks in operation	Reducing Poverty	£8000
	Revised spend			£92,666

Richmond Ward

Agreed allocations:

	Richmond	Detail	Priority	Amount
1	School grants	School council small grants scheme for schools in the ward. Projects recommended by the School Councils of local junior schools.	Employment and skills	£10,000
2	Horticulture Apprenticeship Scheme	£5k per ward as agreed at public meeting in March 12	Employment and skills	£5,000
3	Small grants	Small grants scheme for up to £500 for community groups in the ward	Stronger communities	£5,000
4	Stradbroke Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) hotspot	Stradbroke Tenants and Community Association led project to move a mobile camera to the latest ASB hotpost	Safer communities	£3,000
5	Community centre works (1)	New boiler for Stradbroke Community Centre	Stronger communities	£2,000
6	Community Centre works (2)	Richmond Park Bowling Pavilion New internal toilet and works	Stronger Communities	£4,000
7	Woodthorpe 20 mph Zone	Top up of the Assembly's recommended 20mph scheme for 12/13	Safer communities	£6,500
8	Community Development Worker (CDW)	Trainee CDW post to recruit a local person host to be Stradbroke and District Community Association.	Employment and skills Stronger communities	£20,000
9	Small highways/small grants	Pot of funding for small highways or small improvements for the Richmond ward	Safer communities	£4,857
	total for year		£60,357	
	Left to allocate		£0	

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