

***SADDLEWORTH & LEES DISTRICT EXECUTIVE
Agenda***

Date Thursday 27 March 2014

Time 7.30 pm

Venue Uppermill Civic Hall, Lee Street, Uppermill, OL3 6AE

- Notes
1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote he/she is advised to contact Paul Entwistle or Steve Garratt at least 24 hours before the meeting.
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 3. DISTRICT CO-ORDINATOR is Lisa MacDonald, tel. 0161 770 5195 or email Lisa.macdonald@oldham.gov.uk
 4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS - Any member of the public wishing to ask a question at the above meeting can do so only if a written copy of the question is submitted to the contact officer no later than 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP OF THE SADDLEWORTH & LEES DISTRICT EXECUTIVE
IS AS FOLLOWS:**

Councillors Alexander, Beeley (Chair), Harkness, Heffernan, Hudson, McCann, Roughley, Sedgwick (Vice-Chair) and Sheldon

Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

3 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.

4 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.



5 Minutes of the Previous meeting (Pages 1 - 4)

6 Petitions

This is a standing item relating to Petitions received relating to the Saddleworth & Lees area for consideration by the District Executive in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme. No petitions have been received.

7 Saddleworth & Lees District Executive Budget Report and Appendix 1 (Pages 5 - 12)

To advise the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive of its available budget for 2013/14, commitments to date and potential budget allocations to be considered at this meeting.

8 Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Saddleworth & Lees District Executive will take place on Thursday 19th June 2014, commencing at 7.30pm.



Present: Councillor Beeley (Chair)
 Councillors Harkness, Heffernan, McCann, Roughley, Sedgwick
 (Vice-Chair) and Sheldon

Also in Attendance:

Christine Chester	Constitutional Services
Michael Jameson	Executive Director Commissioning
Lisa MacDonald	District Co-ordinator

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alexander and Hudson and Michele Carr, Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

3 URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair introduced the following two items of urgent business:

1. A recommendation had been received from the District Partnership in relation to the parking issues in Uppermill requesting that parking restrictions should be implemented now that all the signs had been put in place.
2. A Ward Councillor made reference to the closure of Church Road due to sewer works and asked that discussions should take place with officers and local residents relating to arrangements to be put in place. He suggested that parking passes be introduced for residents for the duration of the works.

RESOLVED that:

1. Discussions take place with the appropriate officers regarding the parking restrictions in Uppermill.
2. Discussions take place with the appropriate officers regarding the proposed arrangements for parking for local residents for the duration of the works.

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public questions had been received.

5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2013 be approved as a correct record.

6 PETITIONS

No petitions had been received.

7 DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BUDGET REPORT AND APPENDIX 1 - 5

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning which advised

the District Executive of its available budget for 2013/14, commitments to date and potential budget allocations to be considered at the meeting. The Chair reminded Members of the need to give consideration to the remaining allocation of funds. Members gave consideration to the applications for funding and the following issues were discussed:

1. Fencing Improvements at Saddleworth Rangers – Members considered that the cost of the fencing - £4,600, appeared to be excessive and queried whether the directive that had come from the RFL was mandatory. The District Co-ordinator offered to speak with a representative from the Rugby Club to clarify the situation.
2. Castleshaw Roman Fort – Support for Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Bid
Consideration was given to a request from the Friends of Castleshaw Roman Fort, for £1,512, to support the preparation of the Heritage Lottery Fund bid for further archaeological excavations at Castleshaw Roman Fort.
3. Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phase 1 - Members asked how the risks would be managed and expressed concern at a number of aspects of the breakdown of costs. It was suggested that further quotes be sought for certain aspects of the work.
4. Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phase 2 – Consideration was given to a request from the Oldham and District Riding Club on behalf of the Friezland user Group for a contribution towards the cost of the replacement of fencing around the picnic area site.

RESOLVED that:

1. The budget available for 2013/14 be noted.
2. The budget commitments made be noted.
3. A sum of £4,600 be provisionally allocated as a contribution towards replacement fencing at Saddleworth Rangers Rugby Club, subject to the outcome of clarification of the RFL's request by the District Co-ordinator.
4. That, subject to satisfactory quotes being received, the requests for funding in relation to Friezland Horse Riding Arena Site – Phases 1 and 2, be approved in principle.

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive will take place on Thursday 27th March 2014 at 7.30pm.

Before closing the meeting the Chair thanked Michael Jameson, Executive Director Commissioning, for all his help and support to the District Executive and wished him all the best in his new post at Bradford Council. **Page 2**

The meeting started at 7.30 pm and ended at 8.10 pm



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Saddleworth and Lees District Executive

Budget Report

Report of Michele Carr, Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning

Portfolio Responsibility: Neighbourhoods

27 March 2013

Officer Contact: Lisa Macdonald
Ext. 5195

Purpose of Report

To advise the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive of its available budget for 2013/14, commitments to date and potential budget allocations to be considered at this meeting.

Recommendations

1. That the District Executive notes the budget available for 2013/14
2. That the District Executive notes budget commitments to date
3. That the District Executive considers allocating £1,320 towards community development and engagement activity across Saddleworth and Lees
4. That the District Executive considers provisionally allocating 1,320 towards Saddleworth Village Olympics 2014
5. That the District Executive considers ring fencing £10,000 to support the refurbishment of Delph Methodist Church Car Park

1. CURRENT POSITION

1.1 District Executive Budget

The District Executive has a total allocation of £105,000 (£25,000 revenue and £10,000 capital per ward) which is available to help meet the priorities and actions across the district

Decisions on this budget will be made by the District Executive

1.2 **Individual Councillor Allowance**
Each Borough Councillor has an allowance of £3,000 on which they may take decisions. Councillors may also decide to pool their individual allowance in order joint fund projects.

1.3 Existing budget allocations are presented in appendix 1.

2. PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION

2.1 **Community Development and Engagement Activity in Saddleworth and Lees**

The District Executive is asked to consider allocating £1,320 to support community development and engagement across Saddleworth and Lees.

Earlier in the financial year the District Executive allocated £2,000 to support community engagement and development across the district. This mainly contributed towards the Dawsons Field event and the launch event for Churchill Playing Fields during 2013. It is proposed to continue to support this kind of activity during summer 2014.

The District Executive is therefore asked to consider allocating £1,320 to support this work.

2.2 **Support for Saddleworth Village Olympics**

The District Executive is asked to consider making a provisional allocation of £1,320 to support Saddleworth Village Olympics 2014.

Planning for the event is currently underway and the District Team will be working with the organisers in due course.

It is proposed to make this provisional allocation to allow the committee to plan ahead with the event.

2.3 **Delph Methodist Church Car Park**

The car park adjacent to Delph Methodist Church has been closed for public use over recent months due to the deterioration of its surface. The Methodist Church took the decision to close the car park following advice from their insurers but are keen to reopen the car park for public use as soon as possible.

They are working positively with Oldham Council via the Saddleworth North Ward Councillors and the Saddleworth and Lees District Team along with Saddleworth Parish Council and the local community, including local businesses in order to secure lease arrangements and fund raise for the cost of bringing the car park up to a useable standard.

The car park provided much needed off street parking in Delph and its closure has caused problems for residents and businesses across the village.

It is proposed that the District Executive considers ring fencing £10,000 from its 2014/15 budget as a contribution to the cost of resurfacing the car park in order for it to be reopened to public use. (Works are estimated to be in the region of £30,000).

Further details of the costs and specification for the works will be presented to members in due course and the funding allocation would need to be ratified by the District Executive at its first meeting of the new financial year in June.

3. OPTIONS/ ALTERNATIVES

3.1 N/A

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 N/A

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 To follow

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 To follow

7. HUMAN RESOURCES COMMENTS

7.1 N/A

8. RISK ASSESSMENTS

8.1 N/A

9. IT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 N/A

10. PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

10.1 N/A

11. PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS

11.1 N/A

12. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

12.1 N/A

13. COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE ACT) AND EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

13.1 N/A

14. FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE

14.1 N/A

15. KEY DECISION

15.1 N/A

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

16.1 NONE

17. APPENDICES

17.1 Appendix 1 – Budget allocations

Appendix 1
2013/14 Allocations from the Saddleworth & Lees District Partnership

Date of Approval	Project/Initiative	Cost
	Christmas Lights	
13.06.13	Support existing Christmas lights commitments	£3,500.00
	Support the provision of district trees in Lees and Uppermill	£3,500.00
	Sub Total	£7,000.00
	Winter Maintenance	
	Refilling of additional grit bins - 1300 + 67(Hand Grit C/F) + 1837.70 (Summer Planting C/F)	£3,204.70
	Bagged salt for hand held gritters	£850.00
	Summer planting	£5,000.00
	Whit Friday Band Contest	£15,000.00
	Sub Total	£24,054.70
13.06.13	St Thomas Leesfield Development Project	£4,500.00
	Community Engagement	£1,000.00
	Crime reduction project Ivy Green Drive	£1,887.50
	Community Engagement - Dawsons Field 01.08.13 Swift Solutions, Hand held fund raising tins x6 =£55.20	£1,000.00
	Sub Total	£8,387.50
25.07.13	Uppermill Methodist Church	£3,000.00
	ANPR Camera	£10,000
	Drainage solution at Mills Recreation Group	£20,000
	Signage Improvement scheme in Uppermill	£2,000
	Implementation of amendments to parking restrictions	£1,200
	Sub Total	£36,200.00
03.10.13	Security Improvement at Churchill - Changing rooms	£5,453.00
	Crime reduction scheme Thomas Street/Leesway	£2,203.00
	Saddleworth Musical Society - Storage cabinet	£450.00
	Training opportunities for young people in sport	£1,800.00
	Sub Total	£9,906.00
14.11.13	Diggle Blues Festival	£1,000.00
	Refurbishment of Churchill Tennis Courts	£5,000.00
	Sub Total	£6,000.00
21.01.14	Saddleworth Rangers Rugby Club	£4,600.00
	Castleshaw Roman Fort	£1,512.00
	Friezland Horse riding arena - Phase 1	£3,000.00
	Friezland Horse riding arena - Phase 2	£1,700.00

	Sub Total		£10,812.00
		£105,000	
Total			£102,360.20
Remaining			£2,639.80

2013/14 Allocations from the Saddleworth & Lees individual Councilors Allowance

Cllr Garth Harkness	Allocated: £3,000
Diggle Blues Festival 2013	£200
Whit Walks	£150
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Diggle Blues Festival 2014	£200
Delph Band Club	£300
Diggle Band Club	£200
3D Dynamos	£300
Defibrillator Contribution	£430
Total	£2,280
Remaining	£720
Cllr Alan Roughley	Allocated: £3,000
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Football Posts and Nets (incl £170 for fitting JT)	£820
Delph Methodists Car Park	£1,680
Total	£3,000
Remaining	£0.00
Cllr John McCann	Allocated: £3,000
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Peace Gardens St Annes	£250
Royal George Mills Footpath	£2,000
Footpath connecting Oldham Road & Burnfold	£250
Total	£3,000
Remaining	£0.00
Cllr Adrian Alexander	Allocated: £3,000
Lees Village Fair	£364.63
Greenfield Whit Walks	£420

Cllr Derek Heffernan	Allocated: £3,000
Diggle Blues Festival 2013	£200
Whit Walks	£150
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Diggle Blues Festival 2014	£200
Total	£1,050
Remaining	£1,950
Cllr John Hudson	Allocated: £3,000
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Peace Gardens St Annes	£250
Grit bin at Chew Brook Drive	£327.69
GGRA Streetscene Planter	£250
Total	£1,327.69
Remaining	£1,672.31
Cllr Graham Sheldon	Allocated: £3,000
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Peace Gardens St Annes	£250
Yanks Weekend – Classic cars	£100
Landscape land at Hare & Hounds	£881.74
Grit bin at Chew Brook Drive	£327.69
GGRA Streetscene Planter	£250
Footpath works to rear of Bridge Street/Spring Street	£690.57
Total	£3,000
Remaining	£0.00
Cllr Barbara Beeley	Allocated: £3,000
Lees Village Fair	£364.62
Old Mill Residents Fund	£200

Lees Field Church toilet fund	£590
Old Mill Residents Fund	£200
OMBBA	£350
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Lido House	£50
Springhead AFC	£228.33
Old Mill House	£200
Hood Square – Planters & Flowers	£84.00
Total	£2,986.96
Remaining	£13.04
Cllr Val Sedgwick	
	Allocated: £3,000
Isla Jean - Alarm	£590
Lees Village Fair	£364.63
Old Mill Residents Fund	£200
Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Leesfield Scout Group	£150.25
Springhead AFC	£228.33
Hood Square – Planters & Flowers	£83
Springhead Extra Funds	£50
Pedestrian Crossing	£224.45
Lees Village Car	£220
Lights for Lees Christmas Tree	£180
Total	£2,790.66
Remaining	£209.34

Saddleworth Village Olympics	£500
Leesfield Scout Group	£150.25
Springhead AFC	£228.34
Hood Square – Planters & Flowers	£83
Springhead Extra Funds	£50
Pedestrian Crossing	£224.45
Talking Point buffet	£500
Total	£2,300.66
Remaining	£699.34

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