

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

Date Thursday 19 January 2017

Time 7.00 pm

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

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

Councillors A. Alexander (Chair), Harkness, Heffernan, Hewitt (Vice-Chair), Hudson, Kirkham, Klonowski, McCann 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 Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 2)

The Minutes of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive held on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016 are attached for approval.

6 Saddleworth and Lees Budget report, Appendix A and Funding application (Pages 3 - 14)

To update Saddleworth and Lees District Executive on budgets and requested funding

7 Petitions

This is a standing item related to Petitions received regarding the Saddleworth and Lees area for consideration by the District Executive in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

There are no petitions to note.

8 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The date and time of the next Saddleworth and Lees District Executive meeting will be Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7.00 p.m.



**Present:** Councillor A. Alexander (Chair)  
Councillors Harkness, Hewitt (Vice-Chair), Hudson, Klonowski,  
McCann and Sheldon

Also in Attendance:

Lori Hughes                                      Constitutional Services  
Lisa MacDonald                                  District Co-ordinator

1                    **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Heffernan and Councillor Kirkham.

2                    **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3                    **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4                    **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5                    **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016 be approved as a correct record.

6                    **SADDLEWORTH AND LEES BUDGET REPORT**

The District Executive gave consideration to a report which advised of the breakdown of expenditure to date and further potential budget commitments for 2016/17.

The District Executive gave consideration to a request following discussion at the Saddleworth and Lees District Partnership meeting for a funding contribution to the zero tolerance to drug use signage. Members agreed £1,000 to support the campaign. Further information would be circulated to elected members. Members requested an update on the impact of the programme at a future meeting.

The District Executive gave consideration to a request for funding to support the refurbishment and top up of the Friezland Arena. Members were informed the facility was used by a number of groups. Members agreed an allocation of £4,000 capital funding be granted toward the scheme.

The District Executive gave consideration to a request to support the Satellite Sport, Youth and Community Association. It was **MOVED** by Councillor Hewitt and **SECONDED** by Councillor McCann that £4,000 capital funding be granted to the scheme. On being put to the vote 6 votes were cast IN

FAVOUR OF APPROVAL and NO VOTES were cast AGAINST with 1 ABSTENTION.



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**RESOLVED that:**

1. The Saddleworth and Lees District Executive budget allocations to date be noted.
2. The allocation of £1,000 revenue expenditure toward the Zero Tolerance to Drugs Police Initiative be approved.
3. The allocation of £4,000 capital expenditure towards support to the refurbishment and top up of the Friezland Arena riding service and new leveller be approved.
4. The allocation of £4,000 capital expenditure towards support to the Satellite Sport, Youth and Community Association be approved.

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**PETITIONS**

There were no petitions to be noted.

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**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the date and time of the next Saddleworth and Lees District Executive to be held on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016 be noted.

The meeting started at 7.38 pm and ended at 8.06 pm

## Saddleworth and Lees District Executive

### Budget Report

#### Report of Maggie Kufeldt – Executive Director, Health and Wellbeing

Portfolio Responsibility: Eddie Moores, Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing

**19 January 2017**

Officer Contact: Lisa Macdonald  
Ext. 5195

#### **Purpose of Report**

1. To advise the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive of the breakdown of expenditure to date and to consider potential budget commitments for 2016/17 presented to this meeting. (Appendix 1)

#### **Recommendations**

1. The District Executive note the budget allocations to date
2. The District Executive considers options for the allocation of the remaining District Executive capital budget
3. The District Executive considers options for the allocation of the remaining District Executive revenue budget
4. The District Executive considers making a commitment (from individual Councillor/DE budgets) to support to the Above and Beyond Awards 2017
5. The District Executive considers making a commitment (from individual Councillor/DE budgets) to support the Thomas Steele Service of Dedication reception at the White Hart.

#### **1. CURRENT POSITION**

##### **1.1 District Executive Budget**

The District Executive has a total allocation of £60,000 (£10,000 revenue and £10,000 capital per ward) which is available to help meet the priorities and actions across the district. (As detailed in the District Plan)  
Decisions on this budget will be made by the District Executive

## 1.2 **Individual Councillor Allowance**

Each Borough Councillor has an allowance of £5,000 on which they may take decisions. Councillors may also decide to pool their individual allowance in order to joint fund projects.

## 1.3 **Saddleworth and Lees District Plan**

Expenditure of District Executive and Councillor allowances should be in accordance with priorities/actions agreed in the district plan.

## 2. **Projects for consideration – District Executive Capital Budget**

### 2.1 The District Executive has £6,000 remaining in its Capital budget which needs to be allocated by March 2017 (the final DE meeting is 16 March 2017 and spend will need to be achieved by March 2018).

In order to allocate the remaining budget and allow time for the development of projects the District Executive is asked to consider the options set out below. These options are a result of discussions which have taken place to date with Councillors and partners.

There is still opportunity for other ideas to be brought forward and considered.

### 2.2 **Improvements to the external space at the rear of the Satellite Centre**

Initial conversations with Greg Cookson (Dove Stone Youth Rangers Co-ordinator) have taken place with regard to making the unused and unappealing space to the rear of the centre more attractive and usable by clearing, resurfacing where necessary and opening out the pathway into the adjacent woodland. This would improve the setting of the building and create more useable space for groups using the centre.

Volunteers working with Greg would be able to create the space with any funding allocated being used for materials.

Cost approx. £1,500

### 2.3 **Community Flood Resilience Resources**

The Environment Committee have been considering how the community can develop skills and resources to deal with flooding issues in the District. The committee have looked at other areas to see how they have tackled similar issues and one idea for consideration is the provision of equipment such as wheel barrows, shovels, crow bars, drain clearing rods etc to be accessed by the community should the need arise. These would be positioned in hot spot locations – either in an existing accessible building/ dwelling or in a container to be sited in an appropriate location.

Work to identify locations, how the equipment would be accessed and the kind of equipment needed would be undertaken by the Environment Committee in due course.

It is proposed to allocate £1,500 as a contribution towards the development of this project idea.

#### **2.4 Improvements to the skate park at Churchill Playing Fields.**

- A number of conversations have taken place about improving the skate park facilities at Churchill Playing Fields. Whilst it would be difficult to extend it there may be the option to reconfigure and refresh the ramps on the existing footprint.
- There have also been enquiries about reinstating the lighting. The wiring to the lighting columns was stolen and that which remained was unsafe and subsequently removed.

It would be necessary to obtain options and costs for this work and additional funding would be required to implement the improvements. However the remaining DE Capital or a proportion of it could be ring fenced to this project and additional funding sought.

#### **2.5 Creation of footpath from Leisure Centre car park into Uppermill village centre**

The District Executive is asked to consider if it would support the possibility of creating a footpath from the Saddleworth Leisure Centre car park into Uppermill in order to make it easier and more appealing to visitors to park at the long stay parking available at this location.

A feasibility study would be required to look at issues such as cost, lighting, land ownership and any planning implications should the proposal be supported.

### **3. Projects for consideration – District Executive Revenue Budget**

- 3.1 The District Executive has £2,439 remaining in its revenue budget which needs to be allocated by March 2017 and spend will need to be achieved by March 2018.  
(The final DE meeting is 16 March 2017 and spend will need to be achieved by March 2018).

Projects which have come forward for consideration are set out below

#### **3.2 Flood Resilience Leaflets**

The Environment Committee are currently working on a flood resilience project in the District and there have been discussions about developing and producing a leaflet to provide information to residents in identified hotspot

areas. The leaflet would contain useful contact numbers, information about how to prepare for flood conditions and minimise damage and what to do should a flood occur.

It is proposed to allocate £300 for the initial design and print of leaflets

### **3.3 Crime Prevention Materials**

In order to support the work of the Neighbourhood Police Team and Community Safety Officer it is proposed to allocate funding to buy crime prevention materials such as shed alarms and window shock alarms. These have previously been funded by the District Executive and have been a useful resource for the Police when dealing with vulnerable residents when they have been a victim of crime.

It is proposed to allocate up to £1,000 to enable this support to continue.

### **3.4 Community Development Support**

Over recent years the District Executive has made an allocation to support the work of the Community Development Officer to help fund and initiate activity in the community. This could include support for events such as the Dawson's Field Fun day and Health and Wellbeing Initiatives to help tackle isolation and loneliness as well specific projects such as She Sheds.

It is proposed to allocate up to £1,000 to support Community Development work in the District.

## **4.0 Individual Councillor Allowances – Possible joint funded projects**

### **4.1 Above and Beyond Awards**

In October 2016 the Above and Beyond Awards took place at Dobcross Band Club, work is now underway to organise the event for 2017.

Councillors are asked to consider allocating £250 (per Councillor) as a contribution to the cost of the event.

Details of the proposal are attached at Appendix 2

### **4.2 Thomas Steele – Service of Dedication (reception event at the White Hart)**

As discussed at the District Partnership meeting on the 2 December, a Service of Dedication is currently being organised which will take place at St Annes Church, Lydgate, followed by a reception at the White Hart on 22 February 2017.

(An initial £500 deposit has been paid to the White Hart to secure the Oak Room from the Community Development budget)

Councillors are asked to consider making an allocation for the cost of refreshments at the White Hart following the Church Service.



Buffet costs and options are summarised below and the full menu from the White Hart is attached at appendix 3.

Based on 230 people:

Tea/Coffee and biscuits would be £2.60 per person x 230 = £598.00 plus a room hire fee of £175.00 would apply.

**TOTAL £773**

Tea/ coffee would be £2.20 per person per serving and bacon sandwiches £3.50 per person reduced from £6.50, we would be happy to waiver the room hire.

**TOTAL £1,311**

Buffet

17.50 per person + tea and coffee

**TOTAL £4531**

5. **Cost of room hire for District Partnership/District Executive**

For information, the Parish Council are currently in discussions regarding the cost of room hire for District Partnership/Executive meetings held at the Civic Hall following the withdrawal of grant support from Oldham Council.

There is currently no charge for the meetings held at the Civic Hall but from the 1 April this may change.

In the event that the decision to charge is made, the District Executive would need to allocate revenue budget to cover the cost of the room and tea/coffee. The current cost of the lower hall is £75 for the first 2 hours then £25 per hour/part hour after that. The small (top) hall is £37.50 for the first 2 hours then £12.50 per hour/part hour after that. (Tea and coffee would be extra)

The cost for 6 meetings across the year is likely to be in the region of £600.

There may be options to look at room hire at alternative venues such as the Satellite Centre.

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**Appendix 1**  
**2016/17 Allocations from the Saddleworth & Lees District Executive**

Date of Approval	Project/Initiative	Capital	Revenue
		<b>£30,000.00</b>	<b>£30,000.00</b>
16.06.16	Support existing Christmas lights		£ 2,193.00
16.06.16	Support the provision of district trees		£ 2,823.00
16.06.16	Refilling of additional grit bins		£ 3,585.00
16.06.16	Bagged salt for hand held gritters		£ 380.00
16.06.16	Summer/Winter planting		£ 2,580.00
16.06.16	Whit Friday Band Contest		£ 15,000.00
13.10.16	GMP – Zero tolerance initiative		£ 1,000.00
21.07.16	Dovestone Rangers Environmental Education - Path channeling and gravel at Diggie site	£ 1,000.00	
21.07.16	Cooper Street pedestrian island	£10,000.00	
21.07.16	Saddleworth Rangers - Club House project	£ 5,000.00	
13.10.16	Friezland User Group	£ 4,000.00	
13.10.16	Satellite Sport, Youth and Community	£ 4,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>£24,000.00</b>	<b>£27,561.00</b>
<b>Remaining (2016/17)</b>		<b>£6,000.00</b>	<b>£2,439.00</b>

**2016/17 Allocations from the Saddleworth & Lees individual Councilors Allowance**

<b>Cllr Peter Klonowski</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Cooper Street pedestrian island	1000.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Springlees Court planting project	354.57
Grotton Residents Association	989.26
Wasp nest visit	20.00
Yellow lines at Birks Avenue	833.34
She sheds set up costs	200.00
Christmas in Lees Chronicle advert	210.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,807.16</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£1,192.84</b>

<b>Cllr Adrian Alexander</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Cooper Street pedestrian island	1000.00
OMBBA	350.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Springlees Court planting project	354.57
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Wasp nest visit	20.00
Yellow lines at Birks Avenue	833.34
Heartshead Street gully clean	100.00
She sheds set up costs	200.00
St Annes' Lydgate - Church Wall	250.00
Christmas in Lees Chronicle advert	210.00
IGA – Learning Support	150.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,767.91</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£1,232.09</b>

<b>Cllr Steve Hewitt</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Cooper Street pedestrian island	1000.00
Old Mill House - Residents event	500.00
OMBBA	350.00
Old Mill House - Digital Inclusion	200.00
Old Mill House - Alzheimer sponsorship	50.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Springlees Court planting project	354.57
Planting at rear of Livingston Street	600.00
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Wasp nest visit	20.00
Yellow lines at Birks Avenue	833.34
She sheds set up costs	200.00
Old Mill House - IT Club/Internet access	140.00
Police event in Saddleworth & Lees	107.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,654.90</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£345.10</b>

<b>Cllr Nikki Kirkham</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Diggle Community Association	500.00
Saddleworth Environment Education	300.00
New Delph flower & Vegetable show	100.00
Scouthead & Austerlands Comm Group	500.00
Saddleworth Parish Council - Work at Dawsons Field	200.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Christ Church Denshaw PCC	512.00
Thorpe Road signs	126.84
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Dobcross Lunch Club	250.00
Diggle Community Association - Christmas tree and decorations	300.00
Light Up Denshaw	200.00
Police project at Diggle School	106.00
Friarmere Cricket Club	150.00
Repairs to picnic area at the new orchard in Diggle	50.00
APM marking in Delph	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,744.84</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£1,255.16</b>

<b>Cllr Garth Harkness</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Saddleworth Parish Council – Work at Dawsons Field	200.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Thorpe Road signs	126.85
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Delph Youth Band	250.00
Saddleworth Literary Festival	300.00
Diggle Blues Festival	350.00
Light Up Denshaw	200.00
Diggle Community Association – Christmas tree and decorations	200.00
Tameside and Glossop MIND	200.00

St Annes' Lydgate – Church Wall	50.00
Friarmere Cricket Club	150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,326.85</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£2,673.15</b>

<b>Cllr Derek Heffernan</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Saddleworth Parish Council – Work at Dawsons Field	200.00
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Thorpe Road signs	126.85
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Diggie Blues Festival	500.00
Light Up Denshaw	200.00
Diggie Community Association – Christmas tree and decorations	250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,576.85</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£3,423.15</b>

<b>Cllr John McCann</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Saddleworth Literary Festival	500.00
Parish of St Chad – Clock repair	200.00
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Greenfield Street Scene Group	500.00
Saddleworth Museum information leaflet	500.00
A6050 Stockport Road, Lydgate – Wall repair	450.00
Friezland Arena (FUG)	1000.00
Saddleworth Musical Society	500.00
Parking enforcement at Uppermill	720.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,470.00</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£530.00</b>

<b>Cllr John Hudson</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
Parish of St Chad - Clock repair	200.00
Saddleworth Literary Festival	200.00
Saddleworth Museum information leaflet	250.00
Satellite garden (SEE)	100.00
St Annes' Lydgate - Church Wall	250.00
Facet (Pass Inc.) Sensory Tent	74.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,274.43</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£3,725.57</b>

<b>Cllr Graham Sheldon</b>	<b>Allocated: £5,000</b>
Above and Beyond awards	200.00
American Auto Club North West	100.00
Parish of St Chad - Clock repair	250.00
Dovestone Memorial	100.00
Saddleworth Literary Festival	300.00
Saddleworth Museum information leaflet	250.00
Satellite garden (SEE)	100.00
St Annes' Lydgate - Church Wall	250.00
Facet (Pass Inc.) Sensory Tent	74.43

Oldham Community Radio	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,674.43</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>£3,325.57</b>

## **ABOVE & BEYOND COMMUNITY AWARDS 2017.**

**The Above and Beyond awards are a unique scheme which recognise Saddleworth villagers who go the extra mile for neighbours or their community.**

**Launched at the beginning of 2016, the Awards sought to celebrate men and women nominated by village community, resident associations and groups, and received widespread approval from councillors and communities alike.**

**In advance of the awards presentation, the publicity seeking potential candidates received impressive media coverage as did the awards themselves (see cuttings).**

**In the aftermath, the awards were praised as "prestigious..." and "a positive way of recognising villagers whose community works may have otherwise gone unnoticed."**

**And in a bid to encourage nominations for 2017, villagers are being urged to contact their own community's committee. Each committee taking part will make a financial contribution to the event.**

**There is no set criteria for nominations. The final choice of winner is entirely the choice of each community group's committee. There will be no supreme overall winner.**

**I originated, promoted and staged the event myself with invaluable financial support of Saddleworth and Lees District Partnership Ward councillors.**

**I am again seeking that support for the 2017 awards which will be staged in Autumn 2017 (date to be arranged).**

**I would be seeking a contribution of £250 per councillor to build on the initial scheme.**

**Thank you for your time and I am more than happy to attend any meeting or add any additional information you and your team may require,**

**Kind regards,**

**Ken Bennett  
Above & Beyond Awards Coordinator.  
Monday, December 19, 2016.**