

Saddleworth and Lees District Executive

Budget Report

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

Portfolio Responsibility: Neighbourhoods

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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 a provisional amount of £5,000
4. to support applications for the refurbishment of the tennis courts at Churchill Playing Fields.
5. That the District Executive considers allocating £1,000 to support the Diggle Blues Festival 2014

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 Churchill Tennis Courts Refurbishment

As discussed at the District Executive meeting on the 3 October 2013, the District Team are actively seeking funding opportunities to refurbish the tennis courts at Churchill Playing Fields with a view to creating a multi use games area at the site. The District Executive is now asked to provisionally allocate £5,000 to support any future funding applications.

2.2 Diggle Blues Festival

The District Executive is asked to consider allocating £1,000 to support the Diggle Blues Festival which is due to take place over the weekend of 5 - 8 June 2014. This is an event previously supported by the District Partnership and the organisers are slowly building up additional sources of funding to make the event viable year on year.

Cllrs Harkness and Heffernan have agreed to use £200 each of their Councillor allocation to support the event.

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 Breakdown 2012/13