Report to Saddleworth and Lees District Executive

Saddleworth and Lees Budget Report

Portfolio Holder:

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Purpose of Report

To advise the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive of the breakdown of expenditure to date and proposals for expenditure from it's revenue and capital budgets for 2015/16 and to consider the potential budget commitments to be considered at this meeting.

Recommendations

- 1. That the District Executive notes the funding allocations made during 2015/16. (The breakdown is attached for information in appendix 1)
- 2. That the District Executive considers how it may wish to support Funky Fitness and Fun
- 3. That the District Executive considers making a contribution to support Greenfield Cricket Club. (Application attached at appendix 2)

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.

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.

2. Projects for Consideration – District Executive Revenue Budget

2.1 Funky Fitness and Fun

The District Executive is asked to consider how it may wish to allocate funding to support Funky Fitness and Fun who are based in the District.

Funky Fitness and Fun in Greenfield is a small Community Interest Company promoting fitness, healthy eating, self-esteem, independence and self-expression for adults aged 18+ with additional needs. Funky, Fitness and Fun aims are to enhance the quality of life of their members through numerous activities and programmes which are differentiated to suit individual needs and abilities.

The District Team have been working with Funky, Fitness and Fun to look into work experience/Apprenticeships to help with day to day running and linking them in with the Get Oldham Working Team

They have also been fundraising for a minibus and Saddleworth WI chose them as their community group for their fundraising in 2015. They have reached their target and will soon be getting their minibus.

In addition, the group are in need of updated IT equipment (multimedia capable laptop and projector) which will enable them to produce videos of activities and events for their users and to develop their social media. This will cost up to £1,500.

The DE may wish to allocate funding from its revenue budget or from contributions from individual Councillor allowances should it decide to support the request.

2.2 Greenfield Cricket Club

The District Executive is asked to consider making a contribution towards equipment needed at Greenfield Cricket Club. (The full application is attached at appendix 2 for information).

The applicants are aware that it would not be possible to support the full request and they are currently looking at obtaining larger amounts of funding through the Inspired Facilities Grant for work to the changing rooms.

They are currently working with National Governing Bodies and looking at accessing other sources of funding and have stated that any contribution would be gratefully received.

- 4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS
- 5. HUMAN RESOURCES COMMENTS
 N/A
- 6. RISK ASSESSMENTS N/A
- 7. IT IMPLICATIONS N/A N/A
- 8. PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS N/A
- 9. PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS N/A
- 10. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS N/A
- 11. COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 17 OF THE ACT) AND EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

 N/A
- **12. FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE** N/A
- 13. KEY DECISION N/A
- 14. BACKGROUND PAPERS NONE
- 15. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Budget breakdown 2015/16 Appendix 2 – Budget application – Greenfield Cricket Club