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To: COUNCILLOR DOUGLAS MILLS CABINET MEMBER FOR CORPORATE SERVICES

c.c. All Members of the Finance and Corporate Services Select Committee

c.c. Natasha Norton - Place Directorate

c.c. Perry Scott - Corporate Director of Place

c.c. Ward Councillors for Eastcote, Harefield Village,

Hayes Town, Ruislip and South Ruislip

Date: 30 November 2022

Non-Key Decision request

Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Form D

NEW ALLOCATIONS FOR THE WARD BUDGET SCHEME (NOVEMBER 2022)

Dear Cabinet Member

Liz Penny

Attached is a report requesting that a decision be made by you as an individual Cabinet Member. Democratic Services confirm that this is not a key decision, as such, the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice period does not apply.

You should take a decision **on or after Thursday 08 December 2022** in order to meet Constitutional requirements about publication of decisions that are to be made. You may wish to discuss the report with the Corporate Director before it is made. Please indicate your decision on the duplicate memo supplied, and return it to me when you have made your decision. I will then arrange for the formal notice of decision to be published.

Democratic Services Officer
Title of Report: New Allocations for the Ward Budget Scheme (November 2022)
Decision made:
Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)
Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated in report)
Signed Date

NEW ALLOCATIONS FOR THE WARD BUDGET SCHEME (NOVEMBER 2022)

Cabinet Member Councillor Douglas Mills

Cabinet Portfolio Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Officer Contact Natasha Norton – Place Directorate

Papers with report

Appendix A - Details of projects submitted for the Ward Budget
Scheme from 4 October to 4 November 2022

Appendix B - Ward Budget Financial Summary to 4 November 2022

HEADLINES

Summary This report seeks Cabinet Member approval to allocate funds from

the Ward Budget Scheme for proposals submitted by Ward Councillors.

Putting our Residents First

The Ward Budget Initiative supports the adopted Council Strategy commitments to residents of 'Thriving, Healthy Households' and 'A Green and Sustainable' Borough, specifically: Live Active and Healthy Lives and Enjoy Access to Green Space, Leisure activities, Culture and Arts

Financial Cost

The overall funds earmarked for the Ward Budget Scheme since its inception in 2011 total £1,430,000. The aggregate value of proposals to date is £1,161,128. This report seeks Cabinet Member approval to release funds of £10,197 for nine new Ward Budget grants, taking the proposal total to £1,171,325 and leaving a balance of £258,675 available for allocation.

Relevant Select Committee Finance and Corporate Services Select Committee

Relevant Wards

Eastcote, Harefield Village, Hayes Town, Ruislip, and South Ruislip

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member for Corporate Services approves the allocation of £10,197 from the Ward Budget Scheme for the following proposals:

Ward	Grant Recipient	Amount
Eastcote	Deane Park Bowls Club and Bessingby Park Bowls Club defibrillator	£ 1,175
Eastcote	Eastcote House Gardens tree removal and replacement	£ 700
Eastcote	Newnham Infant School outdoor space development	£1,500
Eastcote	Pembroke Park Estate baby and toddler swing	£ 750
Harefield Village	Harefield Bowls Club defibrillator	£ 1,450
Hayes Town	Austin Sewing Club International Women's Day Event	£ 600
Ruislip	Additional bulbs for Howletts Lane residents	£ 62
South Ruislip	12 th Ruislip Scout Group floor repairs in the main hall	£ 3,000
South Ruislip	Away kit for the Middlesex Arms FC	£ 960
	TOTAL	£10,197

Reasons for recommendation

The Ward Budget Scheme enables Councillors, with their local knowledge and insight, to submit proposals for expenditure, supporting local priorities using their specific ward allocation. Each of the proposals submitted complies with the protocol on the use of Ward Budgets.

Alternative options considered / risk management

None.

Select Committee comments

None at this stage.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Between 2011/12 and 2019/20, three tranches of Ward Budget growth funding, totalling £1,430,000, were agreed by Cabinet. The reserve balance remaining at the end of 2021/22 was £283,763. Since its launch, 781 projects with a cumulative value of £1,161,128 have benefitted via the Ward Budget initiative

At its meeting in June 2022, Cabinet agreed a revised Ward Budget allocation of £237,500 (from the reserve balance) based on the area/population density of each of the new 21 wards following

the Local Government Boundary Commission's recommendations and as implemented for the May 2022 Council elections. The 21 new wards were allocated £5,000 plus £2,500k for each elected representative for the ward.

Ward Budget funding is used for proposals that make a difference in a local area and to give residents a chance to influence how their local priorities are met. Primarily, the funds are intended for one-off expenditure on physical works, events or activities that have a positive impact within the ward. Proposals are submitted with the agreement of all relevant ward councillors.

A further nine proposals, covering five wards and totalling £10,197, have been received; the details of these are set out in Appendix A of this report.

Financial Year	Cabinet Member Approval	No. of Proposals	No. of Wards	Total Proposal Value	Growth Funding	Balance Remaining
	Aggregate earmarked funding to date					£1,430,000
2011/12 to 2021/22		769		£1,146,237		£283,763
2022/23	August	6	5	£6,524		£277,239
2022/23	October	6	5	£8,367		£268,872
2022/23	November	9	5	£10,197		£258,675
	•	790		£1,171,325	£1,430,000	£258,675

The updated balance of funds for each ward under the Ward Budget Scheme is set out in Appendix B.

Financial Implications

The total growth allocation to date for the Ward Budget Scheme is £1,430,000. Between 2011/12 and 2021/22, proposals with an aggregate value of £1,146,237, covering all the 22 former wards, were approved. At the end of 2021/22, the reserve balance available for distribution was £283,763.

As referenced above, at its June 2022 meeting, Cabinet agreed a revised Ward Budget allocation of £237,500, across the 21 new wards.

The nine grants totalling £10,197 recommended within this report for November 2022 will take the aggregate value of proposals approved to £1,171,325 leaving an unallocated balance of £258,675 on the reserve available for distribution.

RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities

Ward Budgets help Councillors to make a difference in their Ward. They address specific local priorities by delivering proposals to benefit residents and local organisations.

Consultation carried out or required

Consultation with the lead Councillor from each Ward and officers internally has taken place, where appropriate. Where other services are involved, such as Residents' Associations, and community organisations, the views of these groups have helped to shape the nature of the proposals.

CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and concurs with the financial implications set out above. If the schemes set out in this report are approved, £259k will remain available to support future initiatives.

Legal Implications

The Borough Solicitor confirms that the projects being funded comply with the protocol on the use of Ward Budgets and there are no legal impediments to prevent the Cabinet Member from authorising this expenditure.

Infrastructure / Asset Management

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.

APPENDIX A: DETAILS OF PROJECTS SUBMITTED FOR THE WARD BUDGET SCHEME

Ward	Ref No	Proposal	Cost	Councillor Approval Received	Balance remaining
Eastcote	WB6EA02	Deane Park Bowls Club and Bessingby Park Bowls Club defibrillator	£1,175	Clirs Denys & Edwards	£8,325
		 Supporting Information Deane Park Bowls Club was a Club in 1991 both located at season is from April through members across the clubs ar and 90 years of age In addition to bowling, many throughout the year by both games and meals for members are supported by the club of the club	Bessingby n to Septe nd an avera social ever clubs, ince rs and frien the used to leart Foun to access. Ined first a l organise proposal ha ards priority particular to	Playing Fields. Tember, with some age age range of the sare held at the cluding quizzes, inds. The purchase a fully dation which will detect a training in the second as been approved the second achieve 'Thrive training in the detect achieve training tra	The bowling a 100 active between 65 e clubhouse bingo, whist automated be stored in singby Park use of the craft Council ring healthy

Ward	Ref No	Proposal	Cost	Councillor Approval Received	Balance remaining
Eastcote	WB6EA03	Eastcote House Gardens tree removal and replacement	£700	Cllrs Denys & Edwards	£7,625
		 Supporting Information Eastcote House Gardens is space with a Tudor dovecowhich are Grade II listed. Since 2008, the gardens has group of some 50 members Gardens, who will be match continual voluntary care, and the second of the	te, stable eve been ers, the Infunding d mainter regularly or uniform wards the the Wild orks will In thin the Londan	maintained by the Friends of East £500 for these hance of the tree hance of the tree hance for committee groups and the emoval of old Orchard which the arranged and condon Borough the Green Space he within the distribution achieve a	arden, all of the voluntary cote House works, plus es. unity events other young d trees and was planted d carried out of Hillingdon es team once liraft Council 'Green and

Ward	Ref No	Proposal	Cost	Councillor Approval Received	Balance remaining	
Eastcote	WB6EA04	Newnham Infant School outdoor space development	£1,500	Cllrs Denys & Edwards	£6,125	
		Supporting Information				
		 Newnham Infant School was opened in 1952 and is located clot to Eastcote station. It has classes from Nursery to Year accommodating children of ages three to seven years old. It school currently has 302 students on its roll who all have access the outdoor spaces, which are used for playtimes, lunchtimes, a learning. The school has an Improvement Plan that is targeting mental hea and well-being. It would like to focus on zoning the playground provide more 'calm/quiet zones' to enable children to develop the self-regulations. 				
		Staff professional developmed developing a range of strateginal areas of the curriculum.			•	
		4. The grant will be used as a contribution towards the confidence purchasing additional equipment to be used by the children to playtimes to enhance their physical and social skills. The swill also be redeveloping the nature area for the children to and look after plants and produce.				
		Target Delivery Date The grant will be paid once the pro-	oposal ha	s been approve	d.	
		Expected Outcome The grant will contribute towards priorities within the draft Cou Strategy 2022-2026 and in particular to achieve 'Thriving heal households.'				
	Recipient of funding A BACS transfer will be arranged for the recipient once the propbeen approved.					

Ward	Ref No	Proposal	Cost	Councillor Approval Received	Balance remaining		
Eastcote	WB6EA05	Pembroke Park Estate baby and toddler swing	£750	Cllrs Denys & Edwards	£5,375		
		Supporting Information					
		 Pembroke Park Estate community park is located in the centre of Coleridge Drive and Wren Lane, a development built just over 10 years ago. Since being formed in March 2011, Pembroke Park Estate Residents Association has been representing and supporting the majority of residents whilst also ensuring that facilities are well maintained. There are c.120 toddlers and babies within the development, along with those who visit residents within the vicinity. The grant will be used to help fund the cost of a new toddler/baby swing to accommodate the younger children aged from nine months to four years within the Pembroke Park Estate. The Residents Association itself has raised £200 through crowd funding. Target Delivery Date Early approval has been given at the discretion of the Cabinet Member as the price of the swing has been negotiated for a fixed time. 					
		Expected Outcome The grant will contribute towards priorities within the draft Cour Strategy 2022-2026 and in particular to achieve 'Thriving healthouseholds.'					
	Recipient of funding A BACS transfer has been arranged in-line with the early ap request.						

Ward	Ref No	Prop	oosal	Cost	Councillor Approval Received	Balance remaining
Harefield Village	WB6HV01		efield Hospital Bowls Club orillator	£1,450	Cllr Palmer	£6,050
		Sup	porting Information			
		1.	 Harefield Hospital Bowls Club originated within the hosp grounds in 1947, making it one of the oldest Bowls Clubs Middlesex. In 1972 the Club transferred to Taylor Meadow but ke the name. The Club is open to members of all ages with different categor available, from junior member, under 18s, to full member, 60 a over. As well as bowling fixtures, the social side is also well suppor via BBQs, bowls drives and other fun days during the summ season. In winter the Club arranges indoor matches p Christmas celebrations, quiz nights, bingo etc. 			
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Hayes Town	WB6HT02	Austin Sewing Club International Women's Day Event	£600	Cllrs Gardner & Curling	£9,400	
		Supporting Information				
		1. The Austin Sewing Club, based at the Austin Road estate, had been successfully running since 2014 with c. 25-35 participant aged from 25 to 85 years of age attending regularly. The overa aim of the Club is to bring communities together within the local area.				
		 In addition to sewing, the group organises classes as varied a mirror work embroidery, yoga sessions, knitting and crochet. also works in partnership with Hillingdon Adult Learning providing IT training and professional dressmaking courses. 				
		3. The grant will be used towards an event celebrating International Women's Day in March 2023 to which local women are eligible to attend				
		4. The event will include indecorations.	refreshme	ents, a Henna	artist, and	
		Target Delivery Date The grant will be paid once the proposal has been approved				
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Ruislip	WB6RU01	Additional bulbs for Howletts Lane Residents	£62	Cllrs Corthorne & Smallwood	£12,344
		 Supporting Information Building on the success residents of Howletts Lander further uplift the area. Ward Budget funding planting carried out themselves, who take environment and wish benefit all local residen A selection of bulbs daffodils) will aesthetic winter and increase bioded. The additional bulb pharness the goodwill Howletts Lane. Target Delivery Date Early approval has been goodwill Howletts Lane. Expected Outcome The grant will contribute tow Strategy 2022-2026 and in sustainable borough.' Recipient of funding A BACS transfer has been a request. 	has been by the rote a kee to improve ts. including cally improvediversity. lanting we and civic iven at the chase and civic iven at the cha	requested addition proposed to facesidents of Horen interest in we this local greater that are a durated at the area durated a	ecilitate bulb wletts Lane their living en space to warf variety ring the late oportunity to residents of the Cabinet bulbs during draft Council 'Green and

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South Ruislip	WB6SR02	12 th Ruislip Scout Group floor repairs in the main hall.	£3,000	Cllrs Mills & Makwana	£9,000
		 Supporting Information The 12th Ruislip Scout Grobeen a focal point for young Key to this is the range of acto young adults, making a person a team of volunteer leader community connections with The grant will contribute to to the main hall. Target Delivery Date The grant will be paid once the Expected Outcome The grant will contribute towar Strategy 2022-2026 and in part households.' Recipient of funding A BACS transfer will be arranged has been approved. 	ctivities a ositive im hip is age rs and ar haround wards the proposal	vailable for child pact on the local address to 25 nexecutive cor 120-130 families cost of major has been appropriate within the cachieve a 'Thrivalle to 25 nexecutive cor 120-130 families cost of major has been appropriate within the cachieve a 'Thrivalle cost of the cachieve a 'Thrivalle cachieve a 'Thriv	ar history. Iren through I community years, with mittee and as floor repairs oved Iraft Council ving, healthy

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South Ruislip	WB6SR03	Away Arms	kit for the Middlesex FC	£960	Cllrs Mills, Makwana, & Tuckwell	£11,040
		Suppo	orting Information			
		5	 The Middlesex Arms is a public house/restaurant that serves to South Ruislip Community. In 2021, a football team we established which has gone from strength to strength. 			team was
		h	 There are 26 registered players who participate in matches a home and away venues each week. These players are from the South Ruislip community and have the support of their family member and patrons of the Middlesex Arms. The team, with players ranging from 18 and 30 years old participates in an organised league that is regulated by the Football Association. 			
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APPENDIX B: WARD BUDGET SUMMARY (NOVEMBER 2022 CABINET MEMBER REPORT)

Appendix B
WARD BUDGET SUMMARY (New Wards from November 2022 Cabinet Member report)

WARD BUDGET SUMMART	(New Wards from November 2022 Cabinet Member report)								
	Total Ward		Balance			Total	New		
	Budgets since	Committed to	remaining	Budget £	Approved	Committed	Projects	Estimate	Balance
Ward	Oct 2011	Mar 2022	Mar 2022	(May 2022)	Projects	to date £	received	cost £	Remaining £
Belmore				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
Charville				£10,000	0	0	0	0	£10,000
Colham & Cowley				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
Eastcote				£12,500	1	£3,000	4	£4,125	£5,375
Harefield Village				£7,500	0	0	1	£1,450	£6,050
Hayes Town				£12,500	1	£2,500	1	£600	£9,400
Heathrow Villages				£10,000	2	£1,000	0	0	£9,000
Hillingdon East				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
Hillingdon West				£10,000	0	0	0	0	£10,000
Ickenham & South Harefield				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
Northwood				£10,000	0	0	0	0	£10,000
Northwood Hills				£10,000	0	0	0	0	£10,000
Pinkwell				£12,500	1	£1,500	0	0	£11,000
Ruislip				£12,500	1	£94	1	£62	£12,344
Ruislip Manor				£10,000	0	0	0	0	£10,000
South Ruislip				£12,500	1	£500	2	£3,960	£8,040
Uxbridge				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
West Drayton				£12,500	1	£1,024	0	0	£11,476
Wood End				£12,500	0	0	0	0	£12,500
Yeading				£10,000	3	£3,773	0	0	£6,227
Yiewsley				£10,000	1	£1,500	0	0	£8,500
Unallocated Balance				£46,263	0	0	0	0	£46,263
Total	£1,430,000	£1,146,237	£283,763	283,763.00	12	£14,891	9	£10,197	£258,675