

Name of meeting: District Committee –Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Devolved Budgets - Projects and Proposals for Expenditure

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	N/A
Is it in the Council’s Forward Plan?	N/A
Is it eligible for “call in” by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by <u>Director</u> & name	Kimiyo Rickett – Assistant Director, Communities and Leisure
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	
Cabinet member portfolio	Community Development, Councillor Involvement In New Council

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Denby Dale, Kirkburton, Colne Valley, Golcar, Holme Valley North, Holme Valley South

Ward councillors consulted: All

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

The report outlines the budget balances and the funding proposals for decision.

2. Key points

2.1 The devolved budgets enable the District Committee to develop activities and interventions tailored to the needs of the district under agreed priority themes.

2.2 Priority Themes

The District Committee has agreed the following priority themes:

Early Intervention and Prevention - tackling issues early to delay or prevent bigger problems from occurring.

Economic Resilience - building resilient communities where people are skilled and have economic opportunities.

2.3 Delegated Budgets

District Committee budget balances are as follows:

• Capital	-	£25,388.18
• Revenue	-	£79,162.37
• New Homes Bonus	-	£111,284.00

Appendix 1 – project summaries
Reports 1 – 7 detailed project reports
Appendix 2 – budget breakdown

2.4 Fast Track Commissions and Discretionary Grants

Any urgent grants under £500 and commissions under £1,000 supported by councillors, the Chair of the district committee and approved by the Head of Safe and Cohesive Communities since the last district committee meeting to be noted on the decision summary: None

2.5 Underspends to be returned to Revenue Budget 2015-2016

2.6 Underspends to be returned 2015-2016 Capital Budget.

3. Implications for the Council

Implications are as detailed in the attached reports.

4. Consultees and their opinions

Consultees are as detailed in the attached reports.

5. Next steps

Relevant services and organisations and the public will be informed of the committee decisions. If funding is approved projects will be progressed as outlined in the attached reports.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

As detailed in the attached reports.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder recommendation

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie Mcdowell, Area and Neighbourhood Action Co-ordinator
Communities and Leisure; Tel: 01484 221000
Julie.McDowell@kirklees.gov.uk

Carol Gilchrist, Engagement and Cohesion Manager
Communities and Leisure; Tel: 01484 221000
carol.gilchrist@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant Director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Assistant Director
Communities and Leisure; Tel: 01484 221000

kimiyo.rickett@kirklees.gov.uk

<u>Summary of projects for consideration</u>	
Report: 1 (1 of 8)	
Project: Streetscene Road Improvements	
Where: Various locations	
Ward: Kirkburton	
Who: Streetscene and Housing	
Why: Residents concerns about the condition of roads	
Priority: Place, improving the environment	
Total overall cost of project: £12,380.61 Capital; £3,000 Revenue	
Capital Amount Requested	£12,380.61
Revenue Amount Requested	£3,000.00

<u>Summary of projects for consideration</u>	
Report: 2 (2 of 8)	
Project: CAB Outreach Advice Provision 2016 – 2017	
Where: Skelmanthorpe Library	
Ward: Denby Dale	
Who: Kirklees Citizens Advice Bureau	
Why: Inequality of access to advice for people living in the ward compared to the average in Kirklees	
Priority: Social action, supporting people to help themselves	
Total overall cost of project: £4,475.00	
Revenue Amount Requested	£4,475.00

Summary of projects for consideration**Report:** 3 (3 of 8)**Project:** Shepley Spring Festival**Where:** Shepley Village**Ward:** Kirkburton**Who:** Shepley Spring Festival Limited**Why:** Local audience development project**Priority:** Supporting communities to do more for themselves, positive impact on local economy**Total overall cost of project:** £4,400.00

Revenue Amount Requested	£2,250.00
---------------------------------	------------------

Summary of projects for consideration**Report:** 4 (4 of 8)**Project:** Hanging Baskets**Where:** Farnley Tyas, Flockton, Grange Moor, Highburton, Kirkburton, Shelley, Shepley, Stocksmoor and Thurstonland**Ward:** Kirkburton**Who:** Kirkburton Parish Council**Why:** To make up for a shortfall in the Parish Council budget set aside for Baskets as a result of an unforeseen price increase**Priority:** Communities supporting each other, improving the environment**Total overall cost of project:** £5,684.00

Revenue Amount Requested	£1,392.00
---------------------------------	------------------

Summary of projects for consideration**Report:** 5 (5 of 8)**Project:** Hanging Baskets**Where:** New Mill, Brockholes, Honley and Meltham**Ward:** Holme Valley North and Holme Valley South**Who:** Supplier First Impressions**Why:** Provision of floral decorations in villages**Priority:** Improving the environment**Total overall cost of project:** £1,440.00**Revenue Amount Requested****£1,440.00****Summary of projects for consideration****Report:** 6 (6 of 8)**Project:** Rebuild of Dry Stone Wall**Where:** Churchfield**Ward:** Denby Dale**Who:** Friends of Churchfield**Why:** Grant application to rebuild section of stone wall**Priority:** Communities supporting each other, local environment**Total overall cost of project:** £1,500.00**Revenue Amount Requested****£1,000.00**

Summary of projects for consideration**Report:** 7 (7 of 8)**Project:** Speed Indicator Device**Where:** Colne Valley Locations**Ward:** Colne Valley**Who:** Streetscene and Housing**Why:** To continue Speed Indicator Device provision for 2016 – 2017**Priority:** Improving safety and the environment**Total overall cost of project:** £3,200.00**Capital Amount Requested****£3,200.00****Summary of projects for consideration****Report:** 8 (8 of 8)**Project:** Her Majesty the Queen's Birthday Celebrations**Where:** Huddersfield Town Hall**Ward:** All**Who:** The Mayor**Why:** To celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday**Priority:** Supporting Local Communities**Total overall cost of project:** £1,000.00**Revenue Amount Requested****£250.00**



Name of meeting: District Committee - Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Kirkburton Ward Streetscene improvements for various roads

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Is it in the Councils Forward Plan?	No
Is it eligible for “call in” by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by Director & name	Joanne Bartholomew Assistant Director Place
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No
Cabinet Member Portfolio	Cllr S Hall Place (Planning, Highways & Open Spaces)

Electoral Wards affected: Kirkburton
Ward councillors consulted: Councillors Bill Armer, Robert Barraclough and John Taylor

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To advise councillors of the funding arrangements for these proposals. For the District Committee to consider funding from District Committee budgets.

2. Key points

- Kirkburton Ward Councillors, residents, and businesses have raised their concerns about carriageway conditions on a number of streets in the ward.

- Officers from Streetscene and Housing have visited various sites, consulted with Ward Councillors and will reassess these sites after the winter period.
- To maintain a greater degree of flexibility and to be able to address these sites in a logical and deliverable way we will need to discuss further with Ward Councillors the other planned programmes of works for the ward.
- Councillors Bill Armer, Robert Barraclough and John Taylor have asked that officers prepare a quotation for these works.
- Officers propose that the necessary works can be carried out using available district committee funding of £12,380 capital and £3,000 revenue and that these works be carried out after the end of the winter period.
- The works will be funded from the Kirkburton Ward allocation of District Committee budgets
- Kirkburton Ward Councillors previously agreed for similar works to be funded from their devolved area committee and ward budgets.

3. Implications for the Council

There will be a future maintenance liability to the Council.

4. Consultees and their opinions

Kirkburton Ward Councillors have been consulted on these proposals and are all in support. Local residents & businesses agree that these works will improve the condition of the roads concerned.

5. Next steps

Once funding has been agreed, officers will implement the proposals, subject to carrying out the necessary consultation and report back to the committee.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

Officers recommend that by funding these proposals the Kirklees Rural District Committee would demonstrate its continuing commitment to improving the environment and the quality of life for businesses & residents in the Kirkburton Ward.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder recommendation

N/A

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Aidan Hopson – Principal Technical Officer Area Working & Safety:
01484 221000

aidan.hopson@kirklees.gov.uk

Andy Foulger - Reactive Works Manager Highways Construction:
01484 221000

andy.foulger@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Joanne Bartholomew – Assistant Director Place



Name of meeting: District Committee – Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Outreach Advice Provision in 2016/17

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	not applicable
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	not applicable
Date signed off by Director and name	Kimiyo Rickett, 14/03/16
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No financial implications
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No legal implications
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Cabinet member portfolio	NA

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Denby Dale

Ward councillors consulted: Jim Dodds, Graham Turner, Michael Watson

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To consider an extension to the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) outreach service in the Denby Dale ward for a 12 month period, 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017.

2. Key points

2.0 In addition to the current Advice Contract funded by Kirklees Council the district committee has funded outreach sessions in the Denby Dale ward for the last 5 years. The Council's contract provides for an advice service across Kirklees via the telephone advice line and for face to face appointments in Dewsbury and Huddersfield centres.

2.1 An outreach service in Denby Dale ward provides for an adviser being available once a fortnight, on Wednesdays 10 am to 1 pm for appointments with clients at Skelmanthorpe library.

2.2 Clients contact the telephone advice line service and receive an initial assessment. If an appointment is required and the client is based in the Denby Dale area they are offered the next appointment at the library. Clients usually have a 45 minute appointment slot although double appointments can be booked for form filling etc.

2.3 Quarterly reports on progress are made to the Denby Dale ward councillors on the numbers using the service and outcomes.

2.4 Monitoring information 2015/16

For the period April to December 2015:-

- 19 outreach sessions have been delivered
- 41 people have been helped

The main enquiry area tends to be benefits but other issues CAB has offered advice on include; housing, debt, consumer, employment and health.

From April 2013 to February 2016 (just less than 3 years) CAB has helped over 126 clients in the Denby Dale area at a cost of £11,188. This amounts to £89 per clients. The amount of income gains for those clients averages at £683 per client per annum.

2.5 Costs

One session per fortnight held at Skelmanthorpe Library will cost £4,475 in 2016/17. This is the same cost as 2015/16.

3. Implications for the Council

The proposal meets the Council priority of social action, supporting people to take actions for themselves. There is inequality of access to advice for people living in the Denby Dale ward compared to the average across Kirklees.

4. Consultees and their opinions

The Denby Dale ward councillors are proposing to continue funding this provision in 2016/17 on the same basis as in previous years.

Kirklees Revenues and Benefits Service has been informed of the proposals.

5. Next steps

Subject to a decision to fund this the outreach sessions will be booked at the library and staffing allocated.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

To agree funding of £4,475 revenue to continue to deliver the outreach advice provision at Skelmanthorpe Library 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie McDowell, Area & Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Tel 01484 221000

email julie.mcdowell@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Communities and Leisure



Name of meeting: District Committee – Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Grant Application - Shepley Spring Festival 2016

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	not applicable
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	not applicable
Date signed off by Director and name	Kimiyo Rickett, 14/03/16
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No financial implications
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No legal implications
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Cabinet member portfolio	Community Development (Councillor Jean Calvert)

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Kirkburton

Ward councillors consulted: Bill Armer, Robert Barraclough, John Taylor

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To consider a grant application for £2,250 from Shepley Spring Festival Ltd towards its audience development project for the 2016 Festival.

2. Key points

2.0 The Shepley Spring Festival is an annual event of traditional music, song and dance which attracts over 3,000 people. Since its inception in 2007 the numbers of local people involved with the event has continued to increase.

2.1 This year the audience development project aims to appeal to a broad audience to engage local visitors who otherwise might not attend the festival in particular older people and teenage/ young adults. Four acts are being invited aimed at these groups as well as planning advertising to these groups and selling tickets at a low price. The project will offer local residents social events to participate in within easy reach at reasonable cost. Tickets will cost from £5 each. Concession tickets are available to disadvantaged adults and all accompanied under 16s go free.

2.2 The acts are A Day's Work, a folk opera commemorating the centenary of the Battle of the Somme in 1916, Skelmanthorpe Brass Band, Elephant Sessions and the Sam Kelly Band (Sam was a finalist on Britain's Got Talent).

2.3 Local people are involved in the festival's community choir, take responsibility for litter collection, organise fund raising stalls, help as volunteer stewards, host festival artists, advertise the event, sell tickets and make refreshments. Parents of younger children are involved in children's activities. The Festival Committee is working with a number of other groups in the area to increase their involvement and ownership of the event.

2.4 The audience development project will be advertised locally in particular in villages in the Denby Dale and Kirkburton area.

2.5 Timescales

The festival will start on Friday, 20th May and run for 3 days.

2.6 Cost breakdown

Item	Amount requested from District Committee	Amount requested from other sources	Total Cost
A Days' Work performance (Older new audience)	£600	£650	£1,250
Skelmanthorpe Band & Kimber's Men performance (Older new audience)	£600	£600	£1,200
Sam Kelly Band performance	£350	£350	£700
Accommodation for 5 (Youth/ new audience)		£150	£150
Elephant sessions performance	£250	£250	£500
Accommodation for 5 (Youth/ new audience)		£150	£150
Advertising flyers/ publications	£450		£450
Steward training	Volunteer led		£0
Totals	£2,250	£2,150	£4,400

In addition at least 20 volunteers will be volunteering for 4-8 hours each
Overall costs based on 2015 are £56,000 including the audience development
Expected income is £54,000 from ticket sales, traders, private sponsorship
and beer sales

Other grants - £8,000 from the Council's Creative Economy Team towards the running of the festival as a whole, bridging the gap between income and expenditure.

2.7 Benefits

The event generates extra income for local businesses over the week-end including campsites and B&Bs, shops and pubs. Local suppliers provide £20k of goods and services including marquees, showers, toilets, fencing, skips, sound and lighting. Previous evaluations of the festival have shown that some visitors use the event as a base for an extended holiday in the area. Links to local attractions are provided at the festival and via the festival website. Local businesses advertise the souvenir programme and several home based businesses bring stalls to the Craft Fayre.

3. Implications for the Council

The group is registered with the Council's Grant Access Point. The application meets the Council's priority of supporting communities to do more for themselves and each other and has a positive impact on the local economy.

The district committee/ former area committee has funded elements of the festival in previous years 2013, 2011 and 2010. The festival is also funded by the Council's Creative Economy Team community events grants. The festival is monitored by the Team which carried out an evaluation of the 2015 event.

4. Consultees and their opinions

The festival is held in a marquee on land off Marsh Lane, Shepley. The permission of the landowner and Shepley Church has been given.

The Council's Creative Economy Team has commented that, for an audience development project, they would expect to see some specifics on how the target audiences will be reached, has any work been done with these audiences? Programming a range of acts does not necessarily lead to future sustainability. The applicants have provided a plan of development work which will be done with local communities.

Councillor John Taylor is supportive, "the festival has grown over the 10 years it has been going and is well established both locally and nationally and there is a wonderful atmosphere when the festival is here".

5. Next steps

Subject to approval of the application the group will be asked to provide monitoring and evaluation of the event.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

The Committee is asked to consider the grant application.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie McDowell, Area & Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Tel 01484 221000 email:

julie.mcdowell@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Communities and Leisure



Name of meeting: District Committee – Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Grant application –Hanging Baskets Kirkburton Parish Council

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	not applicable
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	not applicable
Date signed off by Director and name	Kimiyo Rickett, 14/03/16
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No financial implications
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No legal implications
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Cabinet member portfolio	Community Development (Cllr Jean Calvert)

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Kirkburton

Ward councillors consulted: Bill Armer, Robert Barraclough and John Taylor

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

The Committee is asked to consider a grant application for £1,392 revenue towards the cost of hanging baskets in Kirkburton Ward in Summer 2016.

2. Key points

2.0 Hanging baskets have been provided by Kirkburton Parish Council for a number of years. The baskets were purchased from Kirklees Council. Due to a significant price increase this year there is a shortfall of one third in the budget set aside by the parish council for hanging baskets in Summer 2016. This was not known at the time the budget was set by the parish council.

One off funding is therefore sought to enable the existing provision to be maintained this Summer. The parish council has decided to purchase the baskets from Premier One as it considers them to be value for money and the deadline to place orders can be met.

2.1 The hanging baskets are always greeted with enthusiasm by the residents and contribute to a feeling that the villages are well looked after and nice places to be for both residents and visitors. They contribute to village enhancement and encourage feelings of well being among residents. The villages are also visited by tourists. Any reduction in the number of baskets would be met with disappointment.

2.2 The baskets are provided in the villages across the parish; Farnely Tyas, Flockton, Grange Moor, Highburton, Kirkburton, Shelley, Shepley, Stocksmoor and Thurstonland.

2.3 The order needs to be placed by the end of March and the project will take place between June and October 2016.

2.4 Costs

Item	Amount requested from District Committee	Amount funded from other sources	Total Cost
Purchase of hanging baskets including delivery, collection, watering & addressing any problems which may arise while in situ	£1,392	£4,292	£5,684
Totals	£1,392	£4,292	£5,684

The parish council will contribute £3,944 to the overall cost and it is applying to the Huddersfield District Committee to cover the cost of the shortfall in Lepton village.

3. Implications for the Council

The grant application meets the Council's priority of communities supporting each other. This is a one off application, the parish council will consider making provision for future years.

4. Consultees and their opinions

Approval has been received from Kirklees Highways Services to put up the hanging basket brackets on lamp posts. The ward councillors have been consulted and are supportive of the application.

5. Next steps

Subject to approval the funding will be paid to the parish council and feedback sought on the provision.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

The Committee is asked to consider the grant application for £1,392 revenue.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie McDowell, Area & Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Tel 01484 221000 email julie.mcdowell@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Communities and Leisure



Name of meeting: District Committee - Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Provision of Town and Village Floral Decorations 2016

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	Not applicable
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	No
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by <u>Director</u> & name	15/03/2016 Joanne Bartholomew
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director - Legal & Governance?	No
Cabinet member portfolio	Cllr Steve Hall – Place (Planning, Highways and Open Spaces)

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Holme Valley North and Home Valley South

Ward councillors consulted: Yes

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

For members to consider funding hanging baskets in in the Rural District Committee area and approve the commissioning of First Impressions to supply and maintain the baskets.

2. Key points

Historically the hanging baskets have been supplied by Kirklees Bradley Nurseries and due to a market testing and best value exercise that has been undertaken, First Impressions will be supplying and maintaining the baskets in 2016.

Kirklees community groups, Parish Councils and District Committees can purchase baskets from First Impressions under the same framework of providing for the green space Gold standard requirements.

The baskets are £60 each which includes the planted basket, delivery, installation, maintenance, watering throughout the season and taking down. Watering will be carried out at a minimum of weekly intervals and additional watering may be required during periods of hot dry weather. The hanging basket containers hold a reservoir of water and the compost also contains a water retaining medium to reduce the risk of drying out.

In this economic climate it is important to retain the floral decorations that help to create welcoming and colourful Kirklees towns and villages which builds the confidence of businesses as well as continuing to attract visitors and shoppers.

Holme Valley North

Brockholes

Location	Decoration	Number	Cost
These will be in existing locations through the village	Hanging Baskets (£60 each)	4	£240
Brockholes Total cost			£240

Honley

Location	Decoration	Number	Cost
These will be in existing locations through the village	Hanging Baskets (£60 each)	8	£480
Total cost			£480

Meltham

Location	Decoration	Number	Cost
These will be in existing locations through the village	Hanging Baskets (£60 each)	8	£480
Total cost			£480

**The total funding requested for Holme Valley North Ward
£1,200**

Holme Valley South

Holmfirth will be provided under the Greenspace Gold Standards

Location	Decoration	Number	Cost
Existing lamp post brackets through the town centre	Hanging baskets	40	-
Victoria St Bridge & Hollowgate shelter	Flower towers	2	-
Town Centre	Half Barrels	10	-

New Mill

Location	Decoration	Number	Cost
Existing lamp post brackets	Hanging baskets (£60 each)	4	£240
New Mill Total cost			£240

The total funding requested for Holme Valley South	£240
---	-------------

The grand total funding request for the Kirklees Rural District Committee is £1,440.

3. Implications for the Council

These initiatives will improve the wellbeing and attractiveness of the external environment.

4. Consultees and their opinions

Local Members and Officers of Streetscene and Housing support the proposals.

5. Next steps

If approved, the hanging baskets will be installed in early June when all risk of frost has passed and then removed at the end of September when the displays are starting to fade. Funding will be transferred directly to First Impressions upon receipt of invoice.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

It is recommended that members approve these proposals to enhance the village in 2016.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Nigel Hancock, Parks Development officer - Operational, Streetscene and Housing
Tel: 860 5064
email: nigel.hancock@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible – Joanne Bartholomew



Name of meeting: District Committee – Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Grant application – Friends of Churchfield stone wall rebuild

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	not applicable
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	not applicable
Date signed off by Director and name	Kimiyo Rickett, 14/03/16
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No financial implications
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No legal implications
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Cabinet member portfolio	Community Development (Cllr Jean Calvert)

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Denby Dale

Ward councillors consulted: Councillors Jim Dodds, Graham Turner and Michael Watson

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To consider a grant application from the Friends of Churchfield for £1,000 revenue towards rebuilding a section of a stone wall at the corner of Barnsley Road and Bank Lane, Denby Dale.

2. Key points

2.1 The Friends of Churchfield is a group of volunteers who work with the Denby Dale Parish Council Countryside project to maintain a hectare of scenic open space in Denby Dale. The group has a Heritage Lottery Fund grant to improve the habitat for native species of birds, animals and plants, and to make the space accessible for community use. A corner section of the perimeter wall on to Barnsley Road has collapsed.

2.2 The lottery grant is being used to plant a coppice, fruiting trees, wild flowers and to erect bird and bat boxes. Gates and picnic tables are being installed for disabled and pushchair access. Plans include a professionally designed website and interpretation boards about the biodiversity and history of Churchfield with a view to encouraging more community use.

2.3 The lottery grant provides for professionals to run walling courses for local people to undertake general maintenance but does not support the work involved in rebuilding the collapsed wall.

2.4 The work to rebuild the stone wall will involve volunteers who regularly work on the land. They will assist the local professionals and add to their skill set for maintenance of the field and its walls in future to ensure that they do not need to be rebuilt.

2.5 The wall rebuilding is part of a year long project to improve local wildlife habitat and actively involve local residents. The group has 70+ members of which 12 are actively involved in planning and delivering the project. The rebuilt wall will enhance the appearance of this entrance into Denby Dale on the Barnsley Road and increase pedestrian safety (drop of levels into field) on a busy junction.

2.6 Cost breakdown

Item	Amount requested from District Committee	Amount funded from other sources	Total Cost
Labour & materials including 2 tons of stone, and advanced wallers registered with the National Association of Dry Stone Walling	£1,000	£500 from Denby Dale Environment Trust (grant pot for environment projects funded by Denby Dale Parish Council)	£1,500
Totals	£1,000	£500	£1,500

Six volunteers from the group will help with the rebuild by sorting, grading and stacking stones as well as prepping the foundation mixes. They will observe and learn aspects of building. This will be 6 hours of planning and 24 hours+ of work.

2.7 Timescale

The work will be done in May 2016. Once repaired the wall should stand for another 100 years.

3. Implications for the Council

The application meets the Council's priority of supporting communities to do more for themselves and each other. The group is currently going through the Grant Application Registration process with the Council. The district committee contributed funding of £5k in February 2015 to the resurface of a footpath at Churchfield.

4. Consultees and their opinions

The work has been planned in conjunction with the Denby Dale Parish Council Countryside Officer and Denby Dale Parish Council which manages the land on behalf of Kirklees Council.

The Countryside Officer has confirmed that the wall is owned by Kirklees Council but a lease agreement is close to being signed which will mean that the management of the site will rest with the parish council for the next 25 years. The agreement is that the parish council will have responsibility for the site and the Friends of Churchfield will manage the majority of the site for public access.

Ward councillors have been informed of the application.

Kirklees Highways has been informed of the application as the wall is adjacent to the highway.

5. Next steps

Subject to the approval of the grant the group will be asked to provide feedback on the work.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

The district committee is asked to consider the application which if approved would be subject to the group completing the GAP registration process with the Council.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie McDowell, Area & Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Tel 01484 221000 email: julie.mcdowell@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Communities and Leisure



Name of meeting: District Committee - Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Colne Valley Speed Indicator Device

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	No
Is it in the Council's Forward Plan?	No
Is it eligible for "call in" by Scrutiny?	Yes
Date signed off by Director & name Is it signed off by the Director of Resources? Is it signed off by the Acting Assistant Director - Legal & Governance?	Joanne Bartholomew Assistant Director Place No No
Cabinet member portfolio	Councillor S Hall Place (Planning, Highways & Open Spaces)

Electoral wards affected: Colne Valley

Ward Councillors consulted: Councillors Donna Bellamy, David Ridgway & Nicola Turner

Public or Private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To agree to commit funding of £3,200 for further SID moves in the Colne Valley ward.

2. Key points

Colne Valley ward Councillors previously funded 2 SID's in their ward from their devolved ward budget.

The funding for the SID from this budget has come to an end and Councillors would like the opportunity to fund these SID's for four moves each.

Colne Valley ward Councillors have requested that the funding come from New Homes Bonus budget allocation.

3. Implications for the Council

There will be a future maintenance liability to the council.

4. Consultees and their opinions

Colne Valley Councillors are in support of the proposals.

5. Next steps

The SID's will be installed at the first of the agreed location sites and will be moved after 3 months of operation.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

Officers recommend that by funding this proposal the Kirklees Rural District Committee would demonstrate its' continuing commitment to improving the safety & environment for residents in the Colne Valley Ward.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable.

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Jamie Turner – Senior Engineer Area Working & Safety: 01484 221000
phillip.waddington@kirklees.gov.uk

Elizabeth Twitchett – Operations Manager Area Working & Safety:
01484 221000
elizabeth.twitchett@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Joanne Bartholomew – Assistant Director Place



Name of meeting: District Committee – Kirklees Rural Public Meeting

Date: 24th March 2016

Title of report: Her Majesty the Queen’s 90th Birthday Celebrations

Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?	not applicable
Is it in the Council’s Forward Plan?	not applicable
Date signed off by Director and name	Kimiyo Rickett, 15/03/16
Is it signed off by the Director of Resources?	No
Is it signed off by the Assistant Director – Legal, Governance & Monitoring?	No
Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?	Yes
Cabinet member portfolio	Community Development (Cllr Jean Calvert)

Electoral [wards](#) affected: Colne Valley, Denby Dale, Golcar, Holme Valley North, Holme Valley South, Kirkburton

Ward councillors consulted: Councillors Bellamy, Ridgway, N Turner, Dodds, G Turner, Watson, Iredale, Marchington, Richards, Greaves, Holroyd-Doveton, Lyons, D Firth, Patrick, Sims, Armer, Barraclough and Taylor

Public or private: Public

1. Purpose of report

To consider a request from the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jim Dodds for a contribution of £250 from the district committee towards a public celebration event for Her Majesty the Queen’s 90th Birthday.

2. Key points

2.0 The nation will be joining together on Friday, 10th June 2016 to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday. On this day the Mayor of Kirklees will be hosting a civic celebration at Huddersfield Town Hall. Those in the borough who are celebrating their 90th birthday this year will be invited to the event and to take refreshments with the Mayor. Plans are being made for a simultaneous event to take place at Dewsbury Town Hall which will be hosted by the Deputy Mayor. This part of the day's celebrations is Civic, and will be funded from the Civic Office budget.

2.1 In terms of an open public celebration of the day the Council is looking to organise events on the morning of 10th June in both Dewsbury and Huddersfield Town Centres which will involve local musicians, school children and members of the public.

2.2 An amount of £250 is sought from each district committee towards the cost of staging the public side of the day to assist in covering some of the technical and musician costs which will be incurred.

2.3 Cost breakdown

Item	Amount requested from District Committees	Amount funded from other sources	Total Cost
Expected costs and actual breakdown of costs will be finalised once numbers taking part are known	£250 from Kirklees Rural District Committee (£250 x 4 district committee)	Kirklees Music School and Kirklees Schools will be supporting the events	
Totals	£1,000		£1,000

3. Implications for the Council

The request meets the Council's priority of supporting communities to do more for themselves and each other.

4. Consultees and their opinions

The Civic part of the event is being planned by the Mayor's Office. The public side of the event is being planned by the Deputy Mayor in conjunction with Communications Team and Kirklees Music School, with support from the Civic Office.

5. Next steps

Subject to approval of the funding feedback on numbers of participants and breakdown of costs for the event will be provided to the committee, as well as feedback from the event.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

The district committee is asked to consider the request.

7. Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations

Not applicable

8. Contact officer and relevant papers

Julie McDowell, Area & Neighbourhood Co-ordinator,
Tel 01484 221000 email: julie.mcdowell@kirklees.gov.uk

9. Assistant director responsible

Kimiyo Rickett, Communities and Leisure

Kirklees Rural District Committee Delegated Budgets:

Revenue

	Carried forward from 2014-2015	Allocation 2015-2016	Total Budget 2015-2016
Colne Valley	£9,600.61	£12,759.00	£15,931.69
Denby Dale	£2,581.49	£12,759.00	£11,075.16
Golcar	£3,204.09	£12,759.00	£ 7,263.76
Holme Valley North	£2,622.55	£12,759.00	£ 8,110.78
Holme Valley South	£16,358.78	£12,759.00	£29,008.44
Kirkburton	-£151.13	£12,759.00	£ 7,772.54
Total	£34,216.39	£76,554.00	£79,162.37

Capital

	Total Budget 2015-2016
Colne Valley	£5,813.75
Denby Dale	-£34.28
Golcar	£1,540.00
Holme Valley North	£0.00
Holme Valley South	£5,688.10
Kirkburton	£12,380.61
Total	£25,388.18

New Homes Bonus

	Total Budget 2015-2016
Kirklees Rural District Committee	£111,284.00