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Decision Summary

Committee:

**DISTRICT COMMITTEE - DEWSBURY
AND MIRFIELD**

Date:

THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2017

Committee Clerk:

Jackie Ingham

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Chair

Councillor Nosheen Dad

Councillors Attended

D O'Donovan, M Ahmed, M Bolt, E Firth, M Hussain, V Lees-Hamilton, K Taylor, G Asif and M Pervaiz

Attendees

Approximately 25 members of the public were in attendance

Apologies

P Kane and C Scott

1 Welcomes and Introductions

Agenda The Chair will welcome everyone and introduce members of the Committee to the public.

Decision The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and Councillors introduced themselves.

2 Minutes of previous meeting

Agenda To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 November 2016.

Decision The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 November 2016 were approved as an accurate record. Councillor Bolt advised the meeting he thought there had been an agreement at 29 November meeting for the allocation of a discretionary grant of £500 towards the costs of renovating the old police box on Webster Hill, and that this should have been included in the Minutes. Councillor O'Donovan advised there had been mention of the possibility of a discretionary grant, but not agreement. Councillor O'Donovan had agreed to research the necessary next steps to enable a renovation. He had not been able to get a confirmation on who owns the building.

Agreed that a request should be made to Physical Resources and Procurement for ownership to be confirmed, and if owned by the Council, a request for costs to be calculated for refurbishment.

3 Interests

Agenda The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

Decision No interests were declared.

4 Admission of the public

Agenda Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

Decision It was agreed all items were to be held in public session.

5 Police Update

Agenda Sergeant David Briggs from the Dewsbury and Mirfield police team will give an update on key initiatives and priorities for the police team.

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Decision Sergeant David Briggs from the Dewsbury and Mirfield police team gave an update on key initiatives and priorities for the police team. He advised that across the four wards in the District, the rate of anti-social behaviour had reduced significantly since the same period last year (in the last six weeks). There had also been a significant drop in the numbers of drugs offences. The overall crime statistics had gone up however, although not significantly.

There followed a number of questions from councillors and members of the public

6 Safer Kirklees Partnership Update, including information on the Kirklees Victims Support Service

Agenda An update on the work of the Safer Kirklees Partnership plus details about the Kirklees Victims Support Service.

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Decision Sean Hurry, the Kirklees Victims and Resolution Manager gave an update on the work of the Safer Kirklees Partnership, and informed the meeting about the Kirklees Victims Support Service. He set out the four tier approach to the work of the Partnership; Prevention, Early Resolution, Partnership Problem Solving and High Risk and Intensive Cases. He advised he had developed the a Victims Support pilot involving a victim support hub in the Brian Jackson centre, where victims can drop in for support and advice on two days per week. There are two specialist Victim Support workers in Kirklees and fourteen specialist volunteers.

Anyone wanting more information on the Victims Support Service can contact Sean Hurry; sean.hurry@kirklees.gov.uk or on Tel. 01484 221000.

7 The Green Space Strategy and Natural Kirklees

Agenda Rob Dalby, Parks and Greenspaces Manager, will report on the Service Standards for Dewsbury and Mirfield parks and green spaces. There will also be an overview on the Council's work with Natural Kirklees to support more people to get involved in caring for the natural environment, and creating and maintaining spaces for everyone to enjoy.

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Decision Rob Dalby, the Parks and Greenspaces Manager presented a report on the service standards for parks and greenspaces in 2017-18, setting out which are at gold, silver, bronze or natural. The councillors noted the report.

Simon Pedley, the Parks and Greenspaces Volunteer Coordinator for Dewsbury and Mirfield gave a presentation on his work with Natural Kirklees and also involving groups from across the District.

8 Devolved Budget Report

Agenda An overview of the Committee budgets and consideration of applications for funding:

- (i) TEETH Project - £7,060.00 - revenue
- (ii) Try It, Like It - £15,000.00 – New Homes Bonus

- (iii) Dewsbury West and South Environmental Improvement Project - £41,325.00 – New Homes Bonus
- (iv) Raising Attainment in Dewsbury South - £5,400.00 – revenue
- (v) Savile Town Recreation Ground Changing Rooms - £2,500.00 – capital
- (vi) You and Your Community – Dewsbury South - £4,000 – update on outcomes from approval on 30.06.2016
- (vii) St Paulinus Homework Club - £1,430.00 – revenue
- (viii) Mirfield Step by Step Provision - £4,000.00 – revenue
- (ix) Upper Hopton Cricket Club Facilities Improvement - £1,925.00 – revenue

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Decision That the District Committee devolved budget balances be noted and agreed to allocate the following funding:

- (i) £7,060 revenue to Dentaid for the TEETH project. It was agreed that the detail of the spread of target outcomes across the four wards would be included in the funding agreement.
- (ii) £15,000 New Homes Bonus to Sports Development Team to develop and deliver the Try It, Like It initiative across the four wards.
- (iii) £41,325 New Homes Bonus to Ravensthorpe Community Centre for the Dewsbury West and South Environmental Improvement Pilot project. Councillors Dad, Ahmed, Asif, M Hussain, O'Donovan, Pervaiz and E Firth voted for the allocation and Councillors Bolt, K Taylor and Lees-Hamilton voted against.
- (iv) £5,400 revenue to the Learning Community Interest Company to pay for two homework clubs ; one in Overthorpe Academy and the other in Headfield Junior School.
- (v) £ 2,500 capital to Physical Resources and Procurement towards the costs of essential repairs to the changing facilities at Savile Town Recreation Ground.
- (vi) £ 1,430 to St Paulinus Parent's Group towards the costs of a homework club in St Paulinus School.
- (vii) £4,000 revenue to Paddock Trust to set up weekly neighbourhood employment support sessions in Mirfield.
- (viii) £1,925 revenue to Upper Hopton Cricket Club towards the costs of a new batting cage and coaching equipment.

To note the following discretionary grants:

- (i) £100 to Overthorpe Tenants and Residents Association towards the costs of a Christmas meal for those in sheltered accommodation.
- (ii) £500 to Longcauseway Church towards the costs of a Christmas Meal provision.
- (iii) £250 to Chickenley Community Centre for an Older Peoples' Christmas Lunch.

To note the following allocations of grant totalling £4,000 from the Dewsbury South You and Your Community event on 8th December 2016:

- (a) £500 – Raza Hiking Group - Walking for Fitness
 - (b) £250 – Dads for Sure – Family Football Tournament
 - (c) £250 – Savile Stars Cricket Club – Getting into Cricket
 - (d) £500 – Prevent Women’s Group – Swimming lessons
 - (e) £250 – Local Women’s Association – Emotional Wellbeing
 - (f) £400 – Thornhill Trojans Junior Rugby Club – Junior Rugby Team Kit and Equipment
 - (g) £250 – Whitley Older People’s Welfare – Over 60’s Activities
 - (h) £500 – Lees Moor TRA – Junior Football Team Equipment
 - (i) £400 – Thornhill Cricket Club - Club House Repairs
 - (j) £250 – Whitley Community Association – Heating system upgrade
 - (k) £150 – Deaf Children’s Society – Activities for hard of hearing young People
 - (l) £100 – Overthorpe TRA – Tackling Social Isolation
 - (m) £100 – Nicola Kilkenny – Toddler Group Equipment
 - (n) £100 – Yasmin Musa – Family Trips
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9 Deputations / Petitions

Agenda The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

Decision No deputations or petitions were received.

10 Public Question Time

Agenda The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

Questions submitted in advance of the meeting may enable a fuller response to be given at the meeting. If you wish to give notice of a question please contact, Jackie.ingham@kirklees.gov.uk – Tel: 01484 221000 on behalf of the Chair, Councillor Nosheen Dad.

Decision Members of the public asked a number of questions, and the Councillors responded. Where not in a position to do so at the meeting, the questions were to be passed to the relevant officer in the Council or elsewhere for a response.

11 Dates of future meetings

Agenda Meeting details are as follows:-

Tuesday 11 April 2017 - 7pm – 9pm – Dewsbury Town Hall

Dates may be subject to change. Please check the Kirklees website, Dewsbury and Mirfield District Committee on Facebook, or local press for updates.

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Decision The next meeting of the Dewsbury and Mirfield Committee will take place on Thursday 11 April 2017 at 7 pm in Dewsbury Town Hall.

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