

WIRRAL COUNCIL

WALLASEY CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEE

25 JUNE 2015

SUBJECT:	COMMUNITY CLEAN UPS
WARD/S AFFECTED:	LEASOWE & MORETON EAST; LISCARD; MORETON WEST & SAUGHALL MASSIE; NEW BRIGHTON; SEACOMBE AND WALLASEY.
REPORT OF:	CONSTITUENCY MANAGER
RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO HOLDER:	COUNCILLOR GEORGE DAVIES NEIGHBOURHOODS, HOUSING & ENGAGEMENT
KEY DECISION?	NO

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 This report gives consideration to the new budget devolved by the Council to the Constituency Committee for community clean ups and proposed a way forward in determining that spend.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND CURRENT POSITION

2.1 As outlined in Item 8 of this Committee's agenda (Constituency and Spend), Budget Council on 24 February 2015 (minute 112 refers) devolved £10,000 to each Constituency Committee to support communities to help clean up their neighbourhoods.

2.2 This funding may be used for any activity which encourages waste prevention, increases recycling and/or encourages behaviour change (such as reducing littering).

2.3 As a guide, indicative prices for various options that the Committee may wish to choose from are outlined in Appendix 1. This list is not exclusive and there may be other options that the Committee wishes to be explored and costed, such as bespoke projects led by the local community.

2.4 It is proposed that the Constituency Manager supports members to identify and cost options for further consideration and decision at a future Constituency Committee/Working Group meeting.

3.0 RELEVANT RISKS

3.1 Failure to agree the distribution of funding may result in a loss of funding allocation.

4.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 The budget has been devolved to the Constituency Committee by Council, ring-fenced for the purpose set out.

5.0 CONSULTATION

5.1 Elected members and community representatives have the opportunity to participate in all Constituency Committees and Working Group meetings dealing with budget and spend.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

6.1 The neighbourhood working model strengthens the Council's relationship with the voluntary, community and faith sector.

6.2 The spend of this devolved budget will benefit communities directly.

7.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: FINANCIAL; IT; STAFFING; AND ASSETS

7.1 Finance resource for this item has been identified in the 'Budget Book and Forecasts 2015/18'. Regular budget monitoring with the finance department will take place to ensure that the expenditure incurred is accurate and complies with what has been agreed by the Committee.

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The arrangements will help the Council to deliver on the Localism Act 2011 and Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012.

9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Has the potential impact of your proposal(s) been reviewed with regard to equality?
Yes and impact review can be found at the link below (Progressing Neighbourhood Working).
<http://www.wirral.gov.uk/my-services/community-and-living/equality-diversity-cohesion/equality-impact-assessments/eias-2010/chief-executives>

10.0 CARBON REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 None.

11.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

11.1 Littering is considered to be anti-social and negatively affects quality of life. Tackling such neighbourhood issues can increase perceptions of community safety and sense of place.

12.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- 12.1 The Constituency Manager supports members to identify and cost options for further consideration and decision at a future Constituency Committee/Working Group meeting.

13.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 13.1 To enable the full spend of the budget devolved by Council.

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REFERENCE PAPERS:

None.

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Cabinet – Neighbourhood Working	24 January 2013
Council – Neighbourhood Working	11 February 2013
Cabinet – Neighbourhood Working – Proposed Operating Model	23 May 2013