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Southwark

Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council

Thursday 9 April 2015 7.00 pm Ground Floor Meeting Room G02C - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting **Eleanor Kelly** Chief Executive Date: 31 March 2015



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Members to declare any interests and dispensation in respect of any item of business to be considered at this meeting.

4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

The chair to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

5. ALLOCATION OF NEIGHBOURHOODS FUND 2015/16 FOR 1 - 13 CATHEDRALS AND FARADAY WARDS

Date: 31 March 2015

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Item No. 5.	Classification: Open	Date: 9 April 2015	Meeting Name: Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council (Special Meeting)
Report title:		Allocation of Neighbourhoods Fund 2015/16 for Cathedrals and Faraday Wards	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Cathedrals and Far	aday Wards
From:		Stephen Douglass,	Head of Community Engagement

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the earlier decisions announced by the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council on 17 March 2015 for Cathedrals and Faraday wards, outlined in appendix 1 are confirmed.
- 2. That the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council (BB&W) consider the list of additional applications for Cathedrals and Faraday wards that were omitted from the lists submitted to the Community Council of 17 March 2015 as outlined in Appendix 2.
- 3. In the event that the BB&W community council chooses to fund any of the additional groups listed in Appendix 2, the Community Council notes the information set out in the financial implications at paragraph 25 and 26 of this report.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Purpose for calling this special meeting

- 4. The Borough, Bankside and Walworth community council took decisions to award funding from the Neighbourhoods Fund on 17 March 2015. However, after the decisions were announced, it came to light that due to administrative errors, some applications from the Cathedrals and Faraday Wards were not included in the selection process or wrongly attributed to another ward. Members are asked to note that the decisions for Cathedrals and Faraday wards, which were announced at the 17 March 2015 meeting, were not circulated in the decision notice to BB&W members. Therefore the decisions taken on 17 March 2015 need to be ratified at this meeting.
- 5. This special meeting is called to consider those applications listed in Appendix 2.

Neighbourhoods Fund

- 6. The Neighbourhoods Fund is a new funding programme, which was created by the merger of two former revenue programmes known as Cleaner, Greener, Safer (CGS) Revenue and Community Council Fund.
- 7. The CGS Revenue fund was established in February 2012, initially consisting of £210k borough-wide funding budget with an allocation of £10k per ward. In February 2013, council assembly agreed to increase the funding programme to £420k, each ward receiving £20k.

- 8. The purpose of introducing the CGS Revenue fund in 2012 was to give community councils decision making powers over significant amounts of revenue funding, that they could allocate to meet locally determined priorities, and also to enhance and complement the effectiveness of the CGS Capital funding programme.
- 9. Community councils also took decisions on the Community Council Fund (CCF) and awarded revenue grants of between £100 and £1k for community projects. The total fund available borough-wide for projects in 2014/15 amounted to £122k.
- 10. Both the CGS Revenue and CCF will cease on 31 March 2015 as separate funding programmes and will be replaced by a single Neighbourhoods Fund. During the 2015/16 budget setting process, a further £88k was allocated to the Neighbourhoods fund, bringing the allocation per ward to £30k. The criteria for the new fund will, in the main, remain the same as previous programmes but have been streamlined to reflect the new brand.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 11. The Cabinet Member for Communities, Employment and Business authorised the amalgamation of the CGS Revenue fund and CCF, into a single funding programme to create a new Neighbourhoods Fund for the 2015/16 round and onwards. This decision (IDM) was taken on 12 December 2014.
- 12. Each ward will have £30K of revenue grants to allocate. It is proposed that any unallocated funds from both CGS revenue and CCF are to be carried forward from previous rounds (years) and added to the financial year commencing 1 April 2015.
- 13. The community councils will use the criteria set out below for the allocation of this funding.
 - a. Creating opportunities for people from different backgrounds to get on well together; (e.g. community cohesion)
 - b. Establishing projects which treat each other with respect and consideration (e.g. being a good neighbour, inter-generational contacts)
 - c. Encouraging residents to be responsible for their own neighbourhood (e.g. community clean-ups; volunteering initiatives)
 - d. Specific measures to enhance a neighbourhood's environment (e.g. increased cleaning).
- 14. A community council may choose to allocate some of their neighbourhoods fund resources to their CGS capital allocations.
- 15. Subject to the availability of resources, the neighbourhoods fund may be used to 'buy' services from the council.
- 16. As with any executive decision taken by community councils this is subject to the council's existing scrutiny arrangements.

Community Impact Statement

17. The roles and functions of Community Councils include the promotion of involvement of local people in the democratic process. Community Councils take decisions on local matters including environmental improvement and community safety as well as consultation on a wide range of policies and strategies that affect the area.

- 18. An explicit objective within community council is that they be used to actively engage as widely as possible with, and bring together, Southwark's diverse local communities on issues of shared mutual interest. The merger of CGS Revenue and CCF will not adversely affect groups who normally apply for these funding streams.
- 19. The allocation of the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Neighbourhoods Fund will, in the main, affect the people living in the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council area. However, in making the area a better place to live and improving life chances for local people, Borough, Bankside and Walworth Neighbourhoods Fund activities will have an impact on the whole of Southwark.
- 20. The Neighbourhoods Fund is an important tool in achieving community participation and cohesion.
- 21. In fulfilling the above objectives that Community Councils have of bringing together and involving Southwark's diverse local communities, consideration has also been given to the council's duty under The Equality Act 2010 which requires the council to have due regard when taking decisions to the need to:
 - a. Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation or other prohibited conduct;
 - b. Advance of equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it
 - c. Foster good relations between those who share a relevant characteristic and those that do not share it.
- 22. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. In this process there are no issues that contravene the Equality Act 2010.
- 23. Having due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity is further defined in s.149 as having due regard to the need of:
 - a. Remove or minimise disadvantages connected with a relevant protected characteristic
 - b. Take steps to meet the different needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic
 - c. Encourage persons who share a relevant protected characteristic participate in public life or any other activity in which they are under- represented
 - d. Due consideration was given to equalities impact assessment during the design of this awards process and no adverse impact was evident.
- 24. Due consideration was given to equalities impact assessment during the design of this awards process and no adverse impact was evident.

Resource implications

- 25. The Borough, Bankside and Walworth Neighbourhoods Fund had been allocated a total of £150k for 2015/16. Cathedrals and Faraday ward had a total of £60k (i.e. £30k per ward) for the 2015/16 round. Up to £5k can be made available to Cathedrals ward and £15k to Faraday ward, should the BB&W community council choose to fund any of the additional groups.
- 26. The additional expected £20k required by this report will be funded from the Community Engagement budget allocation.

- 27. It is recommended that Community Councils set aside some of the unallocated funds from previous years in order to prevent an over allocation of funds, as well as act as a contingency from which urgent or incidental requests can be funded throughout the year.
- 28. Projects that are unlikely to be completed within the year will be reported to the Community Council and available funding may be allocated to other projects or carried over to the following financial year.

Consultation

29. Neighbourhoods Fund projects may require consultation with stakeholders, including the project applicant, local residents and tenants and residents associations where applicable.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Director of Legal Services

- 30. The Local Government Act 2000 ('the 2000 Act') gives the Leader the power to delegate any executive function to whoever lawfully can undertake the function. The allocation of the Neighbourhoods Fund is an executive function.
- 31. Community councils are 'area committees' within the meaning of the 2000 Act and executive functions can be delegated to them by the Leader.
- 32. The Localism Act 2011 gives councils a general power of competence whereby they have power to do anything that individuals generally may do. This power can be used even if legislation already exists that allows a local authority to do the same thing. However the general power of competence does not enable a local authority to do anything which is was restricted or prevented from doing under the previous legislation.
- 33. The general power of competence includes the power to:
 - (a) incur expenditure
 - (b) give financial assistance to any person
 - (c) enter into arrangements or agreements with any person
 - (d) co-operate with or facilitate or co-ordinate the activities of any person
 - (e) exercise on behalf of any person any functions of that person; and
 - (f) provide staff, goods, services or accommodation to any person.
- 34. The provision of funding under the Neighbourhoods Fund falls within the scope of the kind of activities the council can undertake under the general power of competence as this includes the power to give financial assistance to any person.
- 35. In allocating funding under the Neighbourhoods Fund community councils must have regard to the council's equality duties set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. The report author has demonstrated how those duties have been considered in the body of the report at paragraphs 21, 22 and 23 of the report.

Strategic Director of Finance and Corporate Services

36. As stated in the financial implications, the £20k additional cost to be agreed in this report will be funded from the 2015/16 budget allocation of the Community Engagement division.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Neighbourhoods Fund Report IDM	160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Pauline Bonner 0207 525 1019
Cleaner Greener Safer Revenue IDM Report	160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Forid Ahmed 0207 525 5540
Policy and Resources Strategy 2012/13-2014/15 - Revenue budget	http://moderngov.southwa rk.gov.uk/documents/s35 022/Report%20Policy%2 0and%20Resources%20 Strategy%20201314%20- %20201516.pdf	

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Cathedrals and Faraday Wards Neighbourhoods Fund Decisions (17 March 2015)
Appendix 2	Cathedrals and Faraday Additional Neighbourhoods Fund Applications

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Forid Ahmed, Co	ommunity Councils Coord	dinator		
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Date final report s	ent to Constituti	onal Team	26 March 2015		

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Appendix 1

Cathedrals ward:

Name of Group:	Name of Project:	Funding awarded [£]
1 WayForward	'l'MPossible'	Nil
Bankside Open Spaces Trust	Celebrating Crossbones	£2,000
Bankside Open Spaces Trust	In memory of Octavia Hill	Nil
Bankside Open Spaces Trust	Music And Memories	£3,770
Bankside Residents' Forum	Bankside Residents' Forum (BRF) Community Development Worker	£10,000
Blackfriars Estate Tenants & Resident Association	Brogdale Beano	£1,989.32
Borough Music School	Borough Music School	Nil
British School Of Osteopathy	Healthcare For People With Significant needs	Nil
GHARWEG Advice, Training & Careers Centre	Reaching Out To Us	£3,000
Millwall Community Trust	Multi-Sports Central	£2,838.68
Mint Street Music Festival	Mint Street Music Festival	£3,000
Sports Mints	After School Sports Activities	£3,102
Stones End Day	Better Together	Nil
Year & St. Julies Group	Notre Dame School Garden	£300

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Appendix 1

Faraday ward:

Name of Group:	Name of Project:	Funding awarded [£]
Artic (ART In Communities)	Making a difference	£8,500
From THAT to THIS	Skills for Life	£6,000
InSpire at St. Peter's	InSpire Running Costs (Revenue request)	£3,500
Millwall Community Trust	Multi-Sports Central	Nil
Nelson Tenants & Resident Association	Re-cycle and compost clean up	Nil
Pempeople	Walworth and Pempeople collaboration summer programme	£5,000
Tykes Corner	Funding final year of Tykes Corner	£7,000

Cathedrals ward – additional applications

Reference:	Name of Group:	Name of Project:	What the project is trying to achieve.	Funding applied for [£]:
413943/BB W-CA/15/15	Gateway Foyer	Resident President	 We are a supported accommodation for 116 young homeless people (aged 18-25). We are trying to get as many young people engaged in politics and are running a voter registration drive and have a number of political events planned in the run up to the Election in May. Alongside this, I would like to run the 'Resident President' Project. This would entail is allocating the grant to a group of young people – which they could use on a project for the community/hostel. The project must be positive and beneficial to the Gateway or Wider community. For instance they may choose to use the funds on our communal area or to run an event at the hostel for each other. 	£500
			We would allow the young people to propose their idea, support them to budget and help them create campaign materials such as posters and badges. We would then have a campaign that runs alongside the general election campaign to elect the winner i.e. The Resident President. This would include debates amongst each candidate. By doing this I hope to link in awareness to the General Election. By holding our election on May 6th (with pollings cards and mock ballot boxes) we hope to then take our young people down to vote in the General Election. The winner would then be able to implement their project (with other residents).	
414935/BB W-N/15/16	Southwark Cathedral	Restoration of the Memorial Garden Within The South Churchyard	Southwark Cathedral would like to restore the Memorial Garden, an area of the South Churchyard of the Cathedral in which cremated remains are interred, and which has as its centrepiece the Mohegan Memorial sculpture, through alterations to the landscape and planting, in order to provide a beautiful and maintainable garden for the benefit of all who enter the Churchyard and	£11,005

Appendix 2

Reference:	Name of Group:	Name of Project:	including the relatives of those whose ashes are interred there. The Churchyard is open from 7.30am until 6.30pm every day of the year except Christmas Day, and is an important public amenity space adjacent to the busy Borough Market. What the project is trying to achieve.	Funding applied for [£]:
			The Cathedral Architect and landscape architects J & L Gibbons have developed proposals for the area in consultation with the Cathedral Archaeologist, and it is anticipated that the works would begin within 90 days of the funds for the project being raised. The remedial landscaping scheme would re-instate low planting around the Memorial, and would include de- compaction of the soil, composting and planting. This work would be Phase I of a longer term project to re-design the landscape of the Churchyard.	
414846/BB W-N/15/17	Southwark Cathedral Education Centre	Southwark Cathedral Education Centre – 80 Trails For Southwark Schools	We provide high-quality, out-of-the-classroom learning experiences that support the National Curriculum for primary and secondary students of all abilities and backgrounds. Programmes are built on hands-on and experiential learning – stimulating engagement and learning through doing. On our history trails, this might mean primary school students learning about the Reformation by acting out – in costume – the work of monks in the Priory of St Mary Overie or on our maths trail using the architecture of the Cathedral itself to try new calculations and measurements. On our RE trails it might mean using objects, music, pictures and textiles to explore a range of concepts – laying a table for the Eucharist, lighting candles and breaking bread. Across the curriculum, our programmes help to consolidate children's learning and bring subjects alive. We are asking the Neighbourhoods Fund to help support the trails we run for Southwark schools, which reach 2719 children in the Borough. Core funding for the Centre comes from the Cathedral itself and other donors. We are asking the Fund to make a £4,350 award to cover our delivery costs	£4,350

	and educational supplies for the 80 Southwark school visits planned for 2015- 16 – a grant from the fund of just of \pounds 1.60 per Southwark pupil who visits us.	
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Reference:	Name of Group:	Name of Project:	What the project is trying to achieve.	Funding applied for [£]:
414780/BB W-F/15/8	Actionplus Foundation	Take Action Now	Reduce the negative impact HIV has on local African people.We are proposing to deliver our 'Take Action Now' project which is a HIV leadership and advocacy programme specifically for Africans living with or affected by HIV. The leadership programme trains African people to become HIV advocates through a 2 day training course, they then educate the rest of the African community through outreach sessions in churches and community settings.	£2,549
414272/BB W-F/15/9	Aylesbury Every Woman's Centre	Aylesbury Every Woman's Project	 The advancement of education and training with a view of enhancing the capacities and skills of women so that they actively participate and meet their own needs in society To provide a supportive network for women living in Southwark regardless of their race or cultural background To provide provision for marginalised and isolated women who cannot speak English or hold refugee status Promoting cultural diversity in the area and ensuring community cohesion is achieved The relief of unemployment The promotion of good health 	£5,000
413546/BB W-F/15/10	Community Cycleworks	Young people bikefix and build a bike courses	Providing regular DIY bike maintenance sessions and build a recycled bike courses for young people, providing a focal point for cycling activity in the area.	£4,979
414922/BB W-F/15/11	Divine Rescue	Community Learning	The aim is to help anyone who has little knowledge of ICT. The project would provide IT training and support to those looking for work or anyone who requires assistance going on the internet. The courses would be relevant to the needs of the clients and the sessions would be adapted to the individual needs.	£4,480

Faraday ward – additional applications

Appendix 2

Reference:	Name of Group:	Name of Project:	What the project is trying to achieve.	Funding applied for [£]:
414872/BB W-F/15/12	FLY Consortium	Fly Southwark	 Our 'FLY Southwark' project will engage with unemployed and disengaged youth between 18-24 including those suffering from mental health who are not in employment, education or training and through creative media help them to progress into outcomes such as employment and full-time education. Through our media-led workshops we will help change current ways of thinking of individuals where they become more productive to themselves and their community. The workshops are broken down into Media, Personal Development and Employability and through these young people are able to express themselves and gain the necessary skills to improve their chances of progressing into one of our outcomes. We also additionally offer a mentoring service to assist in addressing any barriers that exist. We have been running this programme in Southwark for the past 3 years with support from the Department for Work and Pensions helping over 100 young people within the Borough and last year were recognised by the Worshipful Mayor of Southwark (Sunil Chopra). We aim to help the following groups with this 13-week programme: 1. Young people 18-24 unemployed with a criminal record or has had contact with the criminal justice system 2. Young people 18-24 who are or have suffered from mental health 3. Young people 18-24 who are currently NEET and reside within the borough of Southwark 	£10,000

Reference:	Name of Group:	Name of Project:	What the project is trying to achieve.	Funding applied for [£]:
414899/BB W-F/15/15	St Peter's Church, Walworth	Party In The Park	This will be the 4th year of gathering a wide cross-section of the community together for a fun day of celebrating our community, meeting old/new friends and people of all faiths and none. We also want to point people to council and other local services to give greater access among our community.	£4,874
414596/BB W-F/15/13	The Nelson Tenants & Resident Association	Sports World - At The Nelson	To meet the needs of the community, by providing various sports related activities in the local area. To encourage community togetherness for all, using existing amenities within the nelson area to provide active sports such as basketball, football, dance, boxing and urban and biking walks to local parks and other areas of interest.	£3,795
414542/BB W-F/15/14	The Nelson Tenants & Resident Association	Come Dine with us	Delivering healthy cookery classes comprising of nutritional meals sourced from local shops within Walworth, Borough and Bankside.	£4,900
414975/BB W-F/15/15	The Nelsons Tenants and Residents Association	A Space To Grow - At The Nelson	We want to pilot a waste disposal project, which is open to approaching traders and suggest that they join a compost/re-cycle scheme or another alternative waste bin large enough for contain waste overnight.	£4,750
414983//BB W-F/15/16	XLP	XLP Aylesbury Weekend Away	XLP is creating positive futures for young people living in inner London and making a serious and sustainable impact on poverty and educational failure. The proposed project will contribute towards this aim by taking a group of 20 young people from the Aylesbury Estate on a weekend away from the city. They will stay in rooms together, cook and eat together, and participate in a range of teambuilding activities, as well as discussion sessions to help them begin to communicate and address the issues and challenges in their lives. They will have the opportunity to develop life skills such as working together with others from different backgrounds and developing a greater respect and consideration for their fellow residents, as well as the following positive impacts.	£2,243

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