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| Item No. 15. | Classification: Open | Date: 24 September 2012 | Meeting Name: Peckham & Nunhead Community Council |
| Report title: | | Cleaner Greener Safer Funding Reallocation | |
| Ward(s) or groups affected: | | Nunhead, Peckham Rye, The Lane | |
| From: | | Head of Public Realm | |

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Peckham and Nunhead Community Council:
 - Notes there is available funding of £17,410 within the Cleaner Greener Safer programme.
 - Approves allocation of £3,300 to 14-19 Mortlock Close, Cossall Estate, SE15 railings to eradicate anti social behaviour.
 - Approves allocation of £10,000 to add to existing award of £29,000 for Trent Frome and Welland carpark resurfacing, a 2012-13 CGS project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Cleaner Greener, Safer (CGS) is part of the London Borough of Southwark's capital programme. Between 2003 and 2010 £3.25m has been made available each year for local residents to apply for awards to make their local area a better place to live. The programme attracts hundreds of proposals ranging from a few hundred pounds for bulb planting to brighten up open spaces to tens of thousands of pounds to create community gardens. These projects often introduce new ideas such as outdoor gyms in public spaces, community gardens, public art and energy saving projects which not only make the borough cleaner, greener and safer but greatly contribute to a sustainable public realm by involving residents in the funding process and in the delivery of projects.
3. It is noted that as a condition of the CGS programme, incomplete projects are reviewed two years after award of funding and if the project is unlikely to progress or complete within a reasonable amount of time, officers will recommend that the project will be completed or cancelled and any underspends reported back to Community Council for reallocation of funding.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

4. As part of 2012-13 CGS programme, a grant of £5,400 was awarded to Peckham Mosque, Choumert Grove SE17 as a contribution to replace the railings fronting the building. After award, the Mosque Trustees wrote to say they did not wish to accept the grant.

5. As part of 2009-10 CGS programme, on 10 June 2009, an award of £10,000 was made to Food For Health (now Growing Southwark) to establish a vegetable garden on Cossall estate, SE17. The first bed was built before March 2010 and cost £5,350. Since then the applicant has been reminded to agree how the remaining funding of £4650 will be spent. The applicant has not responded to email reminders. Due to the time that has elapsed since the award was made the project has been treated as complete and the remaining funding of £4,650 is now available for reallocation.
6. As part of 2010-11 CGS programme, on 16 March 2010, an award of £7,920 was made to Growing Southwark to provide signage for the new raised bed built with CGS funding for the vegetable garden on Cossall estate, SE17. Sign type was agreed with the group and the graphics company has been paid to produce and install signs. The graphics company has been waiting since February 2010, for the applicant to provide the artwork for the signs. The costs to date are £560. The applicant has not responded to email reminders on how the remainder of the award would be spent. Due to the time that has elapsed since the award was made the project has been treated as complete and the remaining funding of £7,360 is now available for reallocation.
7. There is a total of £17,410 available to reallocate within the CGS programme.
8. As part of the 2012-13 CGS programme, an award of £29,000 was made to resurface the car park between Frome, Trent and Welland Houses on Rye Hill estate, SE15. The highway engineer has carried out a survey of the site and noted the existing gullies are too small to allow adequate drainage. An additional £10,000 is required for underground works, new concrete gullies and to cover the highway engineer's fees.
9. In April 2012, a report was received from SASBU and the local police SNT of serious harassment of residents by a group of youth who were sitting on the wall leading to 14-19 Mortlock Close. A solution was suggested of installing railings along the wall. Local ward councillors were consulted and supported the works. Due to the urgency of the need to resolve the problem residents were experiencing and (at the time) the date of the next Community Council meeting was unknown the works were carried out. The new railings have eradicated the nuisance. The railings cost £3,300.
10. The financial position is summarised in Appendix 1 of the report.
11. It is recommended that £10,000 from available funding be allocated to Frome, Trent and Welland Houses car park resurfacing and drainage remedial works.
12. It is recommended that £3,300 from available funding be allocated to 14-19 Mortlock Close railings.
13. It is noted that £4,110 is available for reallocation or to add to the 2013-14 CGS funding.

Policy implications

14. N/A

Community impact statement

15. The reallocation of funding to 14-19 Mortlock Close railings will have a positive impact on the community and improve the security of residents on Cossall estate.
16. The addition of £10,000 to Frome, Trent and Welland Houses car park resurfacing and improved drainage will be beneficial to residents living on Rye Hill estate.

Resource implications

17. The funding is available within the existing unallocated CGS funding. CGS funding is devolved to Community Councils to spend on suitable projects. Management of the reallocation of the funding will be contained within existing budgets.

Consultation

18. All Cleaner Greener Safer projects require consultation with stakeholders, including the project applicant, local residents and Tenants and Residents Associations where appropriate. This consultation has already taken place.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

| Background Papers | Held At | Contact |
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| Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council minutes - 10 June 2009, 16 March 2010, 15 March 2012 | Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ | Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860 |

APPENDICES

| No. | Title |
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| Appendix 1 | Cleaner Greener Safer Financial Summary |

AUDIT TRAIL

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| Director of Legal Services | No | No |
| Strategic Director of Finance and Corporate Services | No | No |
| Cabinet Member | No | No |
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