

<b>Item No.</b> 12.	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 16 November 2013	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Borough Bankside and Walworth Community Council
<b>Report title:</b>		Cleaner Greener Safer: Funding Allocation	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Cathedrals, Chaucer, East Walworth	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Public Realm	

## RECOMMENDATION

1. That Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council:
  - Notes there is available funding of £74,509 within the Cleaner Greener Safer programme.
  - Approves allocation of £3,000 of available funding to existing project 106048 Perronet House TRA works.
  - Approves allocation of £10,000 of available funding to 106199 – Tower Bridge Road clean up phase 2.
  - Approves allocation of £15,000 of available funding to new scheme – Comus House playground.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Cleaner Greener, Safer (CGS) is part of the London Borough of Southwark's capital programme. The decision on allocation to individual projects is delegated to the community councils.
3. In the first 10 years of the CGS programme £26,630,000 has been allocated to community councils leading to 1467 projects being approved and 1240 being implemented. 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.
4. 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**

5. There is a total of £74,509 available to allocate within the CGS programme.
6. Borough Bankside and Walworth community council have decided to apportion annual CGS capital funding on a ward basis. Other funding available from cancelled or completed schemes is added to the appropriate ward budgets. Ward councillors are able to propose schemes to be funded and the community council members present approve awards at public meetings.
7. Ward members have considered proposals for potential schemes within the area and on the basis of additional information available have agreed in principle to fund various proposals.
8. The financial position is summarised in Appendix 1 of the report.
9. It is recommended that £3,000 from available funding is awarded to 106048 Perronet House TRA works. The 2013 – 14 project was awarded £5,000 to improve the area around the entrance to Perronet House to deter non residents urinating and causing a nuisance to residents. Lighting has been improved in this area but repaving and improved drainage works are required. These works will cost another £3,000.
10. It is recommended that £10,000 from available funding be allocated to 06199 – Tower Bridge Road clean up phase 2. The 2013-14 project 105928 The Big TBR Clean Up to improve the shop fronts and decorate shutters completed with full spend and has greatly improved many of the shops along Tower Bridge Road, The success of the first phase prompted more traders to request to have their premises improved and additional funding is needed to do this.
11. Tower Bridge Road is split between Chaucer and Grange wards. Grange ward is in the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe community council area and the local members have indicated their agreement to add match funding of £10,000 to phase 2.
12. Comus House playground is in need to refurbishment and allocation of £15,000 will achieve much needed improvements.
13. It is noted that £46,509 is available for future allocation.

### **Policy implications**

14. None.

### **Community impact statement**

15. The addition of £3,000 to Perronet House TRA works will ensure there is sufficient funding available to carry out all improvements. Consultation has already taken place.

16. The allocation of £10,000 to Tower Bridge Road clean up phase 2 will fund improvements to more shops on this busy road. The local traders' association supports this scheme.
17. The allocation of £15,000 to Comus House play ground improvements will benefit children and parents living at Comus House. Consultation will be carried out before works are started.

### Resource implications

18. The funding is available within the existing 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

19. 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 and will be continued if funding is awarded to individual projects.

### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Borough Bankside and Walworth Community Council minutes - 22 April 2013	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ  <a href="http://modern.gov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g4314/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2022-Apr-2013%2019.00%20Borough%20Bankside%20and%20Walworth%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1">http://modern.gov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g4314/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2022-Apr-2013%2019.00%20Borough%20Bankside%20and%20Walworth%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</a>	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860

### APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Borough, Bankside and Walworth CC available CGS Capital funding 2013-14

**AUDIT TRAIL**

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