

Item No. 13.	Classification: Open	Date: 6 February 2016	Meeting Name: Peckham and Nunhead Community Council
Report title:		Cleaner Greener Safer: Funding Reallocation	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Livesey, Nunhead, Peckham, Peckham Rye, The Lane	
From:		Head of Highways	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Peckham and Nunhead Community Council approve the re-allocation of a total of £155,899 as part of the 2016/2017 programme, as set out in Appendix 1.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) is part of the London Borough of Southwark's capital programme. Between 2003 and 2015 £8.26m has been made available local residents in Peckham and Nunhead 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 contribute to a sustainable public realm by involving residents in the funding process and in the delivery of projects.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Appendix 1 highlights 13 projects which have a total under spend of £155,899.
4. It is recommended that the under spend of £6,000 from Dunstall House bulky waste storage, project reference [106366], is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme.
5. It is recommended that the under spend of £9,000 from Dunstall House entrance improvements, project reference [106369], is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme.
6. It is recommended that Refreshing the planting on Peckham Square, project reference [105880], is cancelled and the remaining £13,400 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The planting beds where this project was to take place fall within the redevelopment plans for Peckham Square. The area will be re-landscaped and planted as part of these plans.
7. It is recommended that Peckham home energy efficiency, project reference [105491], is cancelled and the remaining £18,500 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The original scope of this project is no longer

feasible. Potential capital improvements to household energy efficiency are being rolled out by utility companies and Southwark council's warm, dry and safe programme.

8. It is recommended that clean up behind Andoversford Court West, project reference [105877], is cancelled and the original award of £300 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The area has been cleared by another council department.
9. It is recommended that the Asylum Road wheelie bin storage, project reference [105621], is cancelled and the remaining £30,000 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The original proposal to create build outs on the carriageway was rejected by residents at feasibility design stage due to the loss of parking spaces.
10. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,000 from Goldsmiths Nature Garden fencing, project reference [106371], is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme.
11. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,100 from transition Town Peckham green corridors, project reference [106368], is reallocated as part of the 2016/17 CGS programme.
12. It is recommended that 12 -18 Kirkwood Road, project reference [106024], is cancelled and the remaining £16,526 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The original proposal to create individual front gardens could not be delivered as not all affected residents signed up to the proposal.
13. It is recommended that Bournemouth Close – lighting proposal, project reference [106781], is cancelled and the remaining £14,533 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The original proposal could not be delivered as it was superseded by the proposed “Beauty Boulevard” project.
14. It is recommended that 1-31 New James Court, project reference [106801], is cancelled and the remaining £5,593 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The original proposal was to create a bin storage area but the estate has bag collection (not paladins) and there are health and safety rules as to how far Veolia operatives can pull paladins to the kerbside collection.
15. It is recommended that Holmleigh Road, project reference [106812], is cancelled and the remaining £20,000 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The funding was not required as the works have been paid for from the Devolved Highways programme.
16. It is recommended that Peckham Rye Park wetland habitat, project reference [106803], is cancelled and the remaining £19,947 is reallocated as part of the 2016/2017 CGS programme. The funding was awarded to develop a unique wetland habitat in an area of the park where it was assumed an underground spring was present. Thames Water has now repaired a long-standing leak in the park which was the source of the water. The project is unfeasible.

Policy implications

17. None.

Community impact statement

18. 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.
19. An explicit objective within community councils 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 or mutual interest. The cleaner greener safer programme is an important tool in achieving community participation.
20. 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 decision 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 characteristics 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.
21. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.
22. 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 to participate in public life or any other activity in which they are under-represented.

Resource implications

23. This is the reallocation of existing CGS funding that was originally awarded in 2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014, 2014/2015 and 2015/2016. CGS funding is devolved to community councils to spend on suitable projects.
24. All professional fees related to the project are also treated as the capital costs of the project. Where projects are awarded as a grant to organisations, the community council award letter will not include the professional fees which will be charged direct to project costs.
25. CGS projects must be completed within two years of award of funding. Projects that are unlikely to be completed within two years will be reported to community council and available budgets may be reallocated to other projects. Revenue costs not covered by maintenance or the contractual liability period will fall upon

the asset owner. The business unit will be notified of the likely costs before the schemes proceeds, in order to secure permission to implement the scheme.

26. After the defects and liability period, or three year maintenance period in the case of planting works, all future maintenance is assumed by the asset owner, for example Housing, Parks, Highways, or in some cases external asset owners. Therefore, there are no revenue implications to the public realm projects business unit as a result of approving the proposed allocation.
27. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall capital programme.

Consultation

28. All cleaner greener safer projects require consultation with stakeholders, including the project applicant, local residents and tenants and residents associations where appropriate.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Director of Law and Democracy

29. The allocation of the cleaner greener safer capital fund ('CGS') is an executive function, delegated by the Leader to community councils.
30. Community councils are 'area committees' within the meaning of the Act and executive functions can be delegated to them by the Leader.
31. This report is recommending that the Peckham and Nunhead Community Council approve the reallocation of available funds from the 2009/2010, 2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014, 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 programme as specified at appendix 1 to the 2014/2015 capital funding allocation. The power for this function is detailed in Part 3H paragraph 11 of the constitution which states that community councils have the power of "Approval of the allocation of funds to cleaner, greener, safer capital and revenue schemes of a local nature, using the resources and criteria identified by the cabinet".
32. The appropriate cabinet member approved the funding for the 2009/2010 programme in June 2009, 2010/2011 programme in October 2009, the 2012/2013 programme in October 2011, the 2013/2014 programme in September 2012, the 2014/2015 programme in September 2013 and the 2015/2016 programme in August 2014 by virtue of his powers under Part 3D paragraph 2 of the constitution. Where funding needs to be reallocated the community council approval being sought here is therefore the appropriate constitutional step in the process.
33. Community council members also have powers under paragraph 12 of Part 3H of the constitution to oversee and take responsibility for the development and implementation of the local schemes.
34. In allocating funding under the CGS community councils must have regard to the council's equality duty set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. The report author has demonstrated how those duties need to be considered in the body of the report at paragraphs 33 to 36 in the community impact statement.

Strategic Director of Finance and Governance

35. This report requests the approval of the Peckham and Nunhead Community Council for the re-allocation of a total of £155,899, originally allocated to projects under the cleaner greener safer (CGS) programme, to other projects in the 2016/2017 cleaner greener safer programme, as set out in Appendix 1.
36. The strategic director of finance and governance notes that the re-allocation of the funding will be contained within the existing departmental capital budgets for cleaner greener safer allocated as part the council's capital programme.
37. Staffing and any other costs connected with this recommendation to be contained within existing departmental revenue budgets.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
<p>Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 10 June 2009, Minutes item 8</p> <p>http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g2796/Public%20minutes%20Wednesday%2010-Jun-2009%2019.00%20Nunhead%20and%20Peckham%20Rye%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=11</p>	<p>Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street</p>	<p>Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862</p>
<p>Peckham Community Council meeting held on Monday 31 October 2011, Minutes item 14</p> <p>http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g3943/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2031-Oct-2011%2018.30%20Peckham%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</p>	<p>Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street</p>	<p>Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862</p>
<p>Peckham Community Council meeting held on Saturday 24 March 2012, Minutes item 15</p> <p>http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g3945/Printed%20minutes%20Saturday%2024-Mar-2012%2013.00%20Peckham%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</p>	<p>Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street</p>	<p>Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862</p>
<p>Peckham and Nunhead Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 17 April 2013, Minutes item 12</p>	<p>Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street</p>	<p>Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862</p>

http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g4361/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%2017-Apr-2013%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1		
Peckham and Nunhead Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 12 February 2014, Minutes item 14 http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g4705/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%2012-Feb-2014%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
Peckham and Nunhead Community Council meeting held on Monday 23 March 2015, Minutes item 13 http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/g4846/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2023-Mar-2015%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Cleaner Greener Safer programme funding reallocation - 6 February 2016

AUDIT TRAIL

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Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes	Yes
Cabinet Member	No	No
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