

Item No. 6.	Classification: Open	Date: 20 February 2017	Meeting Name: Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council
Report title:		Cleaner Greener Safer: Funding Reallocation	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Grange, Livesey, Riverside, Rotherhithe, South Bermondsey, Surrey Docks	
From:		Head of Highways	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council approve the re-allocation of a total of £104,514, 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 2016 £8.38m has been made available local residents in Bermondsey and Rotherhithe 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.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Appendix 1 highlights twenty one projects which have a total under spend of £100,840.
4. Appendix 1 also highlights a total of £3,674 from the 2016/17 programme which was unallocated.
5. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,000 from Durand's Wharf planting for wildlife, project reference [105429], is returned to community council for reallocation.
6. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,900 from Cherry Gardens tree pit improvements, project reference [CGS105443], is returned to community council for reallocation.
7. It is recommended that the under spend of £180.00 from Surrey Docks Adventure Playground Phase 2, project reference [105937], is returned to community council for reallocation.
8. It is recommended that Bermondsey Wall West junction with George Row,

project reference [105897], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £9,000 is returned to community council for reallocation. Work on the project ceased when the Quietway 14 non-grid cycle route project was initiated to avoid superseding CGS designs. The original deadline for the funding has now passed.

9. It is recommended that Whites Grounds community sculpture, project reference [106462], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £7,500 is returned to community council for reallocation. The project has not progressed and the original deadline for funding has passed.
10. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,600 from Tower Bridge Road heritage shop front lighting, project reference [106461], is returned to community council for reallocation.
11. It is recommended that the under spend of £5,000 from Magdalen TRA notice boards, project reference [106408], is returned to community council for reallocation.
12. It is recommended that the under spend of £3,000 from Wrayburn House lighting, project reference [106520], is returned to community council for reallocation.
13. It is recommended that Tustin Estate bin stores 2016/17, project reference [107146], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £9,000 be returned to community council for reallocation. There are plans for major works on the estate which include a review of the existing refuse collection. The bin stores which were to be improved with CGS funding are within the area of these potential works.
14. It is recommended that the under spend of £3,400 from Slippers Place netting, project reference [106506], is returned to community council for reallocation.
15. It is recommended that the under spend of £5,000 from Cathay Street landscaping, project reference [106492], is returned to community council for reallocation.
16. It is recommended that the under spend of £5,000 from Southwark Park nature garden outdoor classroom, project reference [106926], is returned to community council for reallocation.
17. It is recommended that the under spend of £2,500 from Surrey Docks Adventure Playground fencing works, project reference [106490], is returned to community council for reallocation.
18. It is recommended that Acorn Walk access improvements, project reference [106495], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £6,760 is returned to community council for reallocation. The project is unable to progress due to major works planned for the estate.
19. It is recommended that Acorn Walk staggered gates, project reference [106496], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £2,300 is returned to community council for reallocation. The project is unable to progress due to major works planned for the estate.

20. It is recommended that the under spend of £1,200 from Paterson Park information board, project reference [107078], is returned to community council for reallocation.
21. It is recommended that the under spend of £3,000 from Pedworth rear garden improvements, project reference [106925], is returned to community council for reallocation.
22. It is recommended that Russia Dock Woodland pond signage, project reference [106947], is cancelled and the remaining funding of £2,400 is returned to community council for reallocation. The scope of works changed beyond the available budget.
23. It is recommended that Bermondsey Street CCTV, project reference [107115] is cancelled and the remaining funding of £27,200 is returned to community council for reallocation. Local businesses in Bermondsey Street unwilling to meet the four year revenue costs required as a condition of funding.
24. It is recommended that the under spend of £3,000 from Lucey Way and Linsey Street CCTV, project reference [107116], is returned to community council for reallocation. One camera was installed on Linsey Street. It was agreed that a permanent CCTV camera was not the appropriate solution for ASB on Lucey Way. Alternative methods to address the issues are underway.
25. It is recommended that the under spend of £900.00 from Longfield and Setchell TRA hall sign, project reference [107109], is returned to community council for reallocation.
26. It is recommended that the unallocated 2016/2017 CGS programme funding of £162.00 from Livesey ward and £3,512 from Rotherhithe ward is allocated as part of the 2017/18 CGS programme.
27. It is recommended that £6,000 is allocated to Bermondsey Village Hall storage, project reference [106524] which was originally awarded £30,000 as part of the 2015/2016 CGS programme. The estimated cost of works exceeds the original budget.
28. It is recommended that £7,340 is allocated to Bermondsey Hanging Baskets 2016/17, project reference [107085]. This is to bring the Riverside contribution to a total of £14,000, the cost of the 2016/17 annual hanging basket contract in Riverside ward.
29. It is recommended that £2,400 is allocated to Russia Dock Woodland Rain Shelter, project reference [106499]. This is the unspent funding from the Russia Dock Woodland pond signage, project reference [106947]. The rainwater shelter project is the priority for the Friends of Russia Dock Woodland and the estimated cost of works exceeds their original 2015/2016 grant award.
30. It is recommended that £1,100 is allocated to Keetons Estate chicanes (Tranton Road), project reference [107124]. Additional funding is required to install a second set of staggered gates to ensure the measures to deter motorcyclists and speeding cyclists are effective.
31. It is recommended that £4,000 is allocated to a new project to undertake a

feasibility study for a pedestrian crossing at the junction of Drummond Road, Raymouth Road and Southwark Park Road.

32. It is recommended that the remaining £83,674 is reallocated as part of the 2017-2018 CGS programme.

Policy implications

33. There were none.

Community impact statement

34. 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.
35. 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 CGS programme is an important tool in achieving community participation.
36. 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.
37. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.
38. 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

39. This is the reallocation of existing CGS funding that was originally awarded in 2010-2011, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.

40. CGS funding is devolved to community councils to spend on suitable projects.
41. 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.
42. 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.
43. 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.
44. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall capital programme.

Consultation

45. All CGS 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

46. The allocation of the CGS is an executive function, delegated by the leader to community councils.
47. Community councils are 'area committees' within the meaning of the Act and executive functions can be delegated to them by the leader.
48. This report is recommending that the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council approve the reallocation of available funds from the 2010-2011, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 programme as specified at Appendix 1 to the 2017-2018 capital funding allocation. The power for this function is detailed in Part 3H paragraph 14 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".
49. The appropriate cabinet member approved the funding for the 2010-2011, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 programme 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.

50. Community council members also have powers under paragraph 16 of Part 3H of the constitution to oversee and take responsibility for the development and implementation of the local schemes.
51. 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 34 to 38 in the community impact statement.

Strategic Director of Finance and Governance

52. The report requests the approval of Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council for the re-allocation of a total of £104,514, originally allocated to projects under the CGS programme, as set out in Appendix 1.
53. The strategic director of finance and governance notes that the re-allocation of the CGS funding will be contained within the existing departmental capital budgets for CGS programme allocated as part the council's capital programme.
54. Staffing and any other costs connected with this recommendation to be contained within existing departmental revenue budgets.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Bermondsey Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 3 March 2010, Minutes item 11	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=174&MId=2945&Ver=4		
Bermondsey Community Council meeting held on Monday 22 March 2010, Minutes item 6	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=174&MId=2946&Ver=4		
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Monday 29 April 2013, Minutes item 13.1	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=4327&Ver=4		

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 26 June 2013, Minutes item 13	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=4507&Ver=4		
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 29 January 2014, Minutes item 16.1	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=4703&Ver=4		
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 28 January 2015, Minutes item 11	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=4855&Ver=4		
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 27 January 2016, Minutes item 11	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=5302&Ver=4		
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council meeting held on Tuesday 15 March 2016, Minutes item 8	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Michelle Normanly 020 7525 0862
http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=349&MId=5303&Ver=4		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Cleaner Greener Safer programme funding reallocation - 20 February 2017

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Jason White, Group Manager – Network Development	
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CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
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Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes	Yes
Cabinet Member	No	No
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