

<b>Item No.</b> 11.	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 26 January 2019	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Peckham and Nunhead Community Council
<b>Report title:</b>		Cleaner Greener Safer: Funding Reallocation	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Old Kent Road, Peckham, Peckham Rye, Rye Lane	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Service – Highways (Acting)	

## RECOMMENDATION

- That Peckham and Nunhead Community Council approve the re-allocation of a total of £57,745 as part of the 2019-20 CGS programme.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) is part of the London Borough of Southwark's capital programme. Between 2003 and 2018, £9.06m has been made available to local residents in Peckham and Nunhead Community Council area, 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

- The 2018-19 CGS programme budget underspend of £57,745 is made up of £31,372 of unallocated funds and a total underspend of £26,373 on seven projects as listed in Appendix 1.
- It is noted that 107612 Crystal Palace Road motorcycle safety project was cancelled as the applicant did not have landlord's permission to install the anchor. This releases £700 to award to new projects.
- It is noted that 107600 Creed House Communal Area Improvement project was cancelled as residents overwhelmingly did not support the project.. This releases £9000 to award to new projects.
- It is noted that 106360 Peckham Rye station lighting project was cancelled as the funding was no longer required. This releases £10,000 to award to new projects.
- It is noted that 107103 Raised beds for Stepping stones project was completed with an underspend. This releases £800 funding to award to new projects.

8. It is noted that 107104 Brenchley Gardens Community Raised Beds project was completed with an underspend. This releases £1,000 funding to award to new projects.
9. It is noted that 107878 Operation Peace Garden was completed with an underspend. This releases £3038 funding to award to new projects.
10. It is noted that 107880 A Safer Greener Willowbrook was completed with an underspend. This releases £ 1835 funding to award to new projects.
11. It is noted that there also remains £31,372 of unallocated funding from the 2018/19 CGS funds.
12. It is recommended that funding of £57,745 is reallocated as part of the 2019/20 CGS programme.

### **Policy implications**

13. N/A

### **Community impact statement**

14. 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 environmental improvements, as well as consultation on a wide range of policies and strategies that affect the area.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.
18. 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**

- 19. This is the funding reallocation recommendation of existing CGS funding of £57,745 that was originally awarded as part of 2014-15, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 programmes. CGS funding is devolved to community councils to spend on suitable projects.
- 20. The profiling of the budgets will be amended once the recommendations have been approved and the schemes will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall capital programme.
- 21. Management of the reallocation of the funding will be contained within existing budgets.
- 22. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall capital programme.

### **Consultation**

- 23. 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**

- 24. The Local Government Act 2000 ('the 2000 Act') gives the Leader the power to delegate any executive function to an area committee. The allocation of the CGS capital fund is an executive function. These works can be carried out in accordance with various statutory powers, including Localism Act 2011 section 1 (general power of competence).
- 25. Community councils are 'area committees' within the meaning of the 2000 Act. The terms of the delegation relating to the CGS fund are set out in part 3H of the council's constitution. Paragraph 14, Part 3H of the constitution enables community councils to approve "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".
- 26. This report is recommending that the community council approve the reallocation of available funds from the 2014-15, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 CGS programmes as specified at Appendix 1, to the 2019/20 capital funding allocation.
- 27. Community councils further have powers under paragraph 16, Part 3H of the constitution to oversee and take responsibility for the development and implementation of the local schemes.
- 28. In allocating funding under the CGS community councils must have regard to the

public sector equality duty set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. The report author has indicated how those duties need to be considered in the community impact statement referred to above.

### **Strategic Director of Finance and Governance**

29. The report requests the approval of Peckham and Nunhead Community Council for the re-allocation of a total of £57,745 originally earmarked for projects under the Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) 2018-19 programme, as set out in Appendix 1.
30. 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 Cleaner Greener Safer programme allocated as part the council's capital programme.
31. Staffing and any other costs connected with this recommendation to be contained within existing departmental revenue budgets.

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>Held At</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Peckham & Nunhead Community Council minutes of 12 February 2014 <a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g4705/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%2012-Feb-2014%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g4705/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%2012-Feb-2014%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</a>	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860
Peckham & Nunhead Community Council minutes of 21 March 2016 <a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5289/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2021-Mar-2016%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5289/Printed%20minutes%20Monday%2021-Mar-2016%2019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</a>	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860
Peckham & Nunhead Community Council minutes of 28 January 2017 <a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5424/Printed%20minutes%20Saturday%2028-Jan-2017%2013.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5424/Printed%20minutes%20Saturday%2028-Jan-2017%2013.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</a>	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860

Peckham & Nunhead Community Council minutes of 17 January 2018  <a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5854/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%202017-Jan-2018%202019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g5854/Printed%20minutes%20Wednesday%202017-Jan-2018%202019.00%20Peckham%20and%20Nunhead%20Community%20Council.pdf?T=1</a>	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860
Peckham & Nunhead Community Council minutes of 19 March 2018  <a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/iListDocuments.aspx?Cld=352&amp;Mld=6006">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/iListDocuments.aspx?Cld=352&amp;Mld=6006</a>	Cleaner Greener Safer, Public Realm, 160 Tooley Street, London, SE1 2TZ	Andrea Allen 020 7525 0860

## APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	List of underspend projects

## AUDIT TRAIL

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<b>Officer Title</b>	<b>Comments Sought</b>
Director of Law and Democracy	Yes
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	<b>Comments Included</b>
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