

## South multi-ward forum

Monday 7 March 2022

7.00 pm

Ground Floor Meeting Room G02A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

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Councillor Andy Simmons (Chair)  
Councillor Margy Newens  
Councillor Maggie Browning  
Councillor Jon Hartley  
Councillor Peter John OBE  
Councillor Sarah King  
Councillor Richard Leeming (Deputy Chair)  
Councillor James McAsh  
Councillor Victoria Olisa  
Councillor Catherine Rose  
Councillor Charlie Smith

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting

### Eleanor Kelly

Chief Executive

Date: Date Not Specified



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4.	<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS</b>	
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**Note:** This is an executive function for decision by the multi-ward forum.

To approve a reallocation and an allocation of funds for the Cleaner Greener Safer capital programme.

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**Note:** This is an executive function for decision by the multi-ward forum.

To approve the allocation of funds for the 2022-23 Neighbourhoods Fund in the South multi-ward area from the list of applications outlined in Appendix 1.

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**Note:** This is an executive function for decision by the multi-ward forum.

To approve a reallocation and an allocation of funds for the Devolved Highways Programme.

Date: 24 February 2022

#### **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The following motion should be moved, seconded and approved if the sub-committee wishes to exclude the press and public to deal with reports revealing exempt information:

“That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1-7, Access to Information Procedure rules of the Constitution.”

<b>Item No.</b> 7	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 07 March 2022	<b>Decision Taker:</b> South Multi Ward Forum
<b>Report title:</b>		Cleaner Greener Safer 2022-23: Capital Funding Allocation (South)	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Champion Hill, Dulwich Hill, Dulwich Wood, Dulwich Village, Goose Green	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Service – Highways	

### RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. To approve the reallocation of underspent funds carried forward from previous years underspend, current programme underspend and current programme project cancellations
2. To approve the allocation of funds for the 2022-23 Cleaner Greener Safer capital programme in the South Multi Ward Area from the list of applications set out in appendix 1.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. The Council's Cleaner Greener Safer capital programme has been running since 2003.
4. £ 1.88 million has been allocated every year since 2003 for capital projects within the borough.
5. Funding is allocated to individual wards based on a per councilor calculation.
6. Examples of the types of projects that have been funded include:
  - Parks, community gardens, landscaping, tree planting and wildlife areas
  - Children's playgrounds, youth facilities, ball courts and cycle tracks
  - Lighting, security measures, pavements, streets, and tackling 'grot spots'
  - Grants to local groups to self-deliver projects

### KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

7. There is £ 328,253 available for the 2022-23 CGS capital programme for new projects in the South Multi Ward area.
8. There is £ 61,010 in additional funding from previous years underspend, current programme underspend and current programme project

cancellations.

9. Eligible proposals must bring about a permanent improvement and make an area cleaner, greener or safer.
10. Proposals with revenue costs, including salaries, costs for events, festivals, workshops or other one-off events are not eligible for capital funding. CCTV proposals and internal improvements to housing property and works on schools where there is no access to the general public are also not eligible. Works on private property are not eligible unless there is a long-term guarantee of public access or a demonstrable public benefit.
11. The application form invited expressions of interest for the applicants to deliver projects themselves. A due diligence exercise to ensure that this is both practical and realistic has been undertaken as part of the feasibility process. In such cases, the council would give the funding allocation to the applicant in the form of a capital grant, with appropriate conditions attached.

### **Policy framework implications**

12. The Cleaner Green Safer programme is fully aligned with the council's policies around sustainability, regeneration and community engagement.

### **Community, equalities (including socio-economic) and health impacts**

#### **Community impact statement**

13. The roles and functions of Multi Ward areas include the promotion of involvement of local people in the democratic process and to take decisions about local matters.
14. The Multi Ward Forums have delegated authority in the following key areas: The Neighborhoods Fund, Cleaner Greener Safer and Devolved Highways capital programmes and community project banks.

An explicit objective within Multi Ward areas 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

#### **Equalities (including socio-economic) impact statement**

15. In fulfilling the above objectives of Multi Ward areas to bring together and involve 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.
16. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.
17. 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 participate in public life or any other activity in which they are under-represented.
18. When undertaking the duties under section 149 the council must ensure:
- a. The duty must be fulfilled before the decision in question is enacted;
  - b. The duty must be exercised in substance with 'rigour and an open mind'; it is not a matter of ticking boxes and;
  - c. The duty is continuing; it does not end with the completion of any EIA and due regard must be had as policy evolves and is implemented
19. Ideas for CGS projects come from the local community, the majority via a simple project nomination form available in electronic and paper format.

### **Health impact statement**

20. The following health benefits are possible or expected based on the types of projects normally funded via the Cleaner Greener Safer Programme.
21. An Increase in community assets in the public realm – providing more places for people to spend time in their local community. This has the potential to have a positive impact on social and mental wellbeing, by creating connected and cohesive communities.
22. Increased ownership over community public realm – this helps people within the community join together around a project, supporting connected and cohesive communities
23. Project examples such as parks, community gardens, landscaping, tree planting and wildlife areas may have the following impacts:
- a. Improve mental wellbeing by increasing access to the outdoors and nature
  - b. Improved access to affordable healthy food, supporting people to be more food insecure
  - c. Tree planting and green spaces may help to reduce or disperse air pollution, supporting people's physical health

24. Projects such as children's playgrounds, youth facilities, ball courts and cycle tracks, encourage physical activity that has a huge number of health benefits including supporting people to achieve a healthy weight.
25. Projects such as lighting, security measures, pavements, streets, and tackling 'grot spots' support community safety.

### **Climate change implications**

26. The allocation of funds in [multi-ward area] towards the 2022-23 CGS capital programme actively supports the council's ambition to become climate neutral by 2030.
27. It is also a decision aligned with the programme of work set out within the Climate Strategy and Action Plan, namely through priorities One, Two, Three and Five.
28. By reallocating these funds, the council is continuing to invest in community led projects that reduce carbon and promote biodiversity. For example, the development of community gardens, wildlife areas and additional tree-planting all aid in the protection of local flora, fauna and wildlife.
29. Additionally, lighting upgrades taken through this scheme will look to improve energy efficiency and the development of cycle tracks through this scheme help residents transition towards active travel.
30. With all CGS spending decisions, potential carbon impact will be taken into account as part of the allocation process and where possible, officers should attempt to monitor and evaluate potential carbon emissions from individual schemes.

### **Resource implications**

31. There are no additional staffing implications as provision will be made from the Highways department to deliver the recommendations included in this report.

### **Legal implications**

32. Not applicable

### **Financial implications**

33. The funding for the CGS capital programme from 2011 to 2021 was approved by the cabinet and is part of the council's overall capital programme as detailed in the Capital Programme 2011–2021 report dated 21 June 2011.
34. The allocation of funding per ward for the CGS capital programme was approved by the Cabinet Member for Transport Environment and

Recycling as detailed in Allocation of funds to wards via Cleaner Greener Safer and Devolved Highways programmes report dated 20 December 2018.

35. The funding for the 2022-23 CGS capital programme was approved by the Cabinet Member for Environment, Transport Management and Air Quality as detailed in Launch of Cleaner Greener Safer Capital Programme 2015-16 report dated 6 August 2014
36. 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 award amount announced at community council includes professional fees. The community council award notification to grant recipients details the grant amount only, excluding these fees.
37. 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 department will be notified of the likely costs before the schemes proceeds, in order to secure permission to implement the scheme.
38. 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 Highways division as a result of approving the proposed allocation.
39. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall Capital Programme.
40. Value for money will be ensured when the contract is procured by following the council's contract standing orders.

### **Consultation**

41. Not applicable

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS**

**Director of Law and Governance**                      **SC/02/22**

42. Part 3H of the Council's Constitution provides that Multi Ward Forums can *'approve the allocation of neighbourhood funds, cleaner, greener, safer and devolved highway capital schemes of a local nature using the resources and criteria identified by the cabinet'*. The recommendations in this report are therefore appropriate for determination by the North East Multi Ward Forum.
43. The Council has a duty, pursuant to Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, to



have due regard in the exercise of its functions to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. Protected characteristics include age, disability, pregnancy and maternity. It is noted at paragraphs 15-19 of this report that officers have considered the Public Sector Equality Duty and have concluded that at this time the proposals will have no detrimental impacts on a particular protected group under the Equality Act.

44. The Human Rights Act 1998 imposes a duty on the Council as a public authority to apply the European Convention on Human Rights; as a result the Council must not act in a way which is incompatible with these rights. The most important rights for planning and highways purposes are Article 8 (respect for homes); Article 6 (natural justice) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (peaceful enjoyment of property). The implementation of these proposals which are the subject of this report are not anticipated to breach the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.
45. Council Assembly on 14 July 2021 approved a change to the Council's constitution to confirm that all decisions made by the Council will consider the climate and equality (including socio-economic disadvantage and health inequality) consequences of taking that decision. This has been considered in the report at paragraphs 15-30 above.

#### **Strategic Director of Finance and Governance (CAP21/042)**

46. This report seeks the approval of the South Multi Ward area for the allocation of funds (£328,251 + £61,010 reallocated) for the 2022-23 Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) programme in the North West Multi Ward Area from the list of applications set out in appendix 1.
47. The Strategic Director of Finance and Governance notes the resource implications in the report and that the proposed allocations will be contained within the CGS element of the council's capital programme.
48. It is also noted that officers' time and any other costs connected with this recommendation will be contained within existing departmental revenue budgets.

#### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>Held At</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Cabinet Report: Capital Programme 2011–2021 – 21 June 2011	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Craig Dove 020 7525 0955

<a href="https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s20485/Cabinet%20Report%20-%2021%20June%202011.pdf">https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s20485/Cabinet%20Report%20-%2021%20June%202011.pdf</a>		
Appendix F: General Fund Capital Programme 2011-21 – 21 June 2011	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Craig Dove 020 7525 0955
<a href="https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s20521/Appendix%20F%20General%20Fund%20Capital%20Programme%202011-21%2021062011%20Cabinet.pdf">https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s20521/Appendix%20F%20General%20Fund%20Capital%20Programme%202011-21%2021062011%20Cabinet.pdf</a>		
Launch of Cleaner Greener Safer Capital Programme 2015/16 - August 2014	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Craig Dove 020 7525 0955
<a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=4798">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=4798</a>		
IDM report – 20 December 2018 Cabinet Member for Environment, Transport Management and Air Quality	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Craig Dove 020 7525 0955
<a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50018979&amp;Opt=0">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=50018979&amp;Opt=0</a>		
Cabinet Meeting Minutes 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	Craig Dove 020 7525 0955
<a href="http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g6415/Agenda%20frontsheet%20Tuesday%2017-Sep-2019%2016.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=0">http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/g6415/Agenda%20frontsheet%20Tuesday%2017-Sep-2019%2016.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=0</a>		

**APPENDICES**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Title</b>
Appendix 1	All South Multi Ward CGS Applications 2022-23

**AUDIT TRAIL**

<b>Lead Officer</b>	Head of Service – Highways	
<b>Report Author</b>	Craig Dove, Senior Project Manager	
<b>Version</b>	Final	
<b>Dated</b>	14.02.22	
<b>Key Decision?</b>	Yes	
<b>CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER</b>		
<b>Officer Title</b>	<b>Comments Sought</b>	<b>Comments Included</b>
Director of Law and Governance	Yes	Yes
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes	Yes
List other officers here		
Climate Change Director	Yes	Yes
Public Health team	Yes	Yes
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	No	No
<b>Date final report sent to Constitutional Team / Scrutiny Team</b>	14.02.22	

<b>Item No.</b> 8	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 7 March 2022	<b>Meeting Name:</b> South Area Multi-Ward Forum Meeting
<b>Report title:</b>		Allocation of Neighbourhoods Fund for 2022-23	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Champion Hill, Dulwich Hill, Dulwich Village, Dulwich Wood and Goose Green	
<b>From:</b>		Director of Communities	

### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the South Multi-Ward Forum allocates a total of £146,120 of the Neighbourhoods Fund 2022-23 to the list of applications outlined in Appendix 1, subject to this funding being approved in the 2022-23 budget.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. The Neighbourhoods Fund (NsF) was introduced in 2015 by merging two former revenue programmes known as Cleaner, Greener, Safer revenue (CGS) and Community Council Fund (CCF). The cabinet member for communities, employment and business authorised the amalgamation of the CGS revenue fund and community council fund, into a single funding programme to create a new Neighbourhoods Fund for the 2015-16 round and onwards. This decision was taken on 12 December 2014.
3. The NsF has a borough-wide funding budget of £630,000 with an allocation of £10,000 per Councillor, for each ward. This is subject to annual budget setting process.
4. The purpose of introducing the NsF was to give local areas decision making powers over significant amounts of revenue funding, that they could allocate to meet locally determined priorities.

### KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

5. Each ward will have £10,000 per Councillor of revenue grants to allocate and it is proposed that any unallocated funds from the previous rounds (years) are to

be carried forward and added to the financial year commencing 1 April 2022.

6. The Multi-Ward forums will use the criteria set out below for the allocation of this funding:
  - a. Creating opportunities for people from different backgrounds to get on well together; (e.g. community cohesion)
  - b. Establishing projects which treat each other with respect and consideration (e.g. being a good neighbour, inter-generational contacts)
  - c. Encouraging residents to be responsible for their own neighbourhood (e.g. community clean-ups; volunteering initiatives)
  - d. Specific measures to enhance a neighbourhood's environment (e.g. increased cleaning).
7. A Multi-Ward forum may choose to allocate some of their NsF resources to their CGS capital allocations.
8. Subject to the availability of resources, the NsF may be used to 'buy' services from the council.
9. As with any executive decision taken by Multi-Ward forums, this is subject to the council's existing scrutiny arrangements.

### **Policy framework implications**

10. The NsF has a borough-wide funding budget of £630,000 with an allocation of £10,000 per Councillor, for each ward. This is subject to annual budget setting process. The fund can allow individuals and community groups to organise their own events /projects to enable communities to come together.

### **Community, equalities (including socio-economic) and health impacts**

#### **Community impact statement**

11. The roles and functions of Multi-Ward forums include the promotion of involvement of local people in the democratic process. Multi-Ward forums 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.

12. An explicit objective within the Empowering Communities Programme (ward and multi-ward meetings) 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 mutual interest.
13. The allocation of the 2022-23 NsF South Multi-Ward forum budget will in the main, affect the people living in the South Area. However, in making the area a better place to live and improving life chances for local people, the South Multi-Ward area, NsF activities will have an impact on the whole of Southwark.
14. The NsF is an important tool in achieving community participation and cohesion. Having a strong, vibrant and engaged community is a key part of creating a fairer and just society through enabling volunteering, participation, inclusion and well-being at a borough wide and neighbourhood level.

### **Equalities (including socio-economic) impact statement**

15. In fulfilling the above objectives that Multi-Ward forums have of bringing together and involving Southwark's diverse local communities, consideration has also been given to the council's duty under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 which requires the council to have due regard when taking decisions 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 characteristic 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.

The protected characteristics are age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation.

16. Having due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity between those who share a relevant characteristic and those who do not share it is further defined in s.149 as having due regard to the need to:
  - Remove or minimise disadvantages connected with a relevant protected characteristic.

- Take steps to meet the different needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic.
- Encourage persons who share a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or any other activity in which they are under-represented.

Due consideration was given to equalities impact during the design of this awards process and no adverse impact was evident.

17. When undertaking the duties under section 149 the council must ensure:
- The duty must be fulfilled before the decision in question is enacted;
  - The duty must be exercised in substance with 'rigour and an open mind'; it is not a matter of 'ticking boxes'; and
  - The duty is continuing; it does not end with the completion of any equality impact assessment and due regard must be had as policy evolves and is implemented.
18. Due consideration was given to this duty during the process of identifying recipients of the NSF grants and no adverse impact on any group with a protected characteristic was evident. The open application process enables residents with protected characteristics to facilitate events that are relevant to them, and equality monitoring is required which will assist the council in continuous compliance with the public sector equality duty.

### **Health impact statement**

19. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has disadvantaged many communities in the borough and highlighted health inequalities.
20. Improving access to council funding will enable organisations to better support the health and wellbeing of their communities. It will also increase their ability to support their communities and address key issues within their localities.

### **Climate change implications**

21. There are projects listed in the Appendix that may have positive climate change implications in the South Area (e.g. community gardening projects) if they are successful.

**Resource implications**

22. There are no resource implications.

**Legal implications**

23. There are no legal implications arising from this report

**Financial implications**

24. The South multi-ward NsF has been allocated a total of £110,000, for 2022-23. In addition to this, funds totaling £36,120 remain unallocated from previous years' allocations and thus are also available for allocation.
25. It is recommended that Multi-ward forums set aside some unallocated funds from previous years in order to prevent an over allocation of funds, as well as to act as a contingency from which urgent or incidental requests can be funded throughout the year.
26. Due to the impact of COVID-19, there are some projects that will not be completed within the 2021-22 financial year. These projects have been reported to the South multi-ward and any available funding will be allocated to other projects or carried over to the following financial year.

**Consultation**

27. The NsF projects may require consultation with stakeholders, including the project applicant, local residents and tenants and residents associations where applicable.

**SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS****Director of Law and Democracy**

28. The Local Government Act 2000 ("the 2000 Act") gives the Leader the power to delegate any executive function to area committees. The allocation of the neighbourhoods fund is an executive function.



29. Multi-Ward Forums are 'area committees' within the meaning of the 2000 Act.
30. The delegation can be found in Part 3H of the Constitution, which enables Multi Ward Forums to approve "the allocation of neighbourhood funds, using the resources and criteria identified by the cabinet". This is therefore a decision that the Multi-Ward Forum is empowered to take.
31. The Localism Act 2011 gives councils a general power of competence whereby they have power to do anything that individuals generally may do. This power can be used even if legislation already exists that allows a local authority to do the same thing. However the general power of competence does not enable a local authority to do anything which it was restricted or prevented from doing under the previous legislation.
32. The general power of competence includes the power to:
- (a) incur expenditure
  - (b) give financial assistance to any person
  - (c) enter into arrangements or agreements with any person
  - (d) co-operate with or facilitate or co-ordinate the activities of any person
  - (e) exercise on behalf of any person any functions of that person; and
  - (f) provide staff, goods, services or accommodation to any person.
33. The provision of funding under the NsF falls within the scope of the kind of activities the council can undertake under the general power of competence as this includes the power to give financial assistance to any person.
34. In allocating funding under the NsF multi-ward forums must have regard to the council's equality duties set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010. The report author has demonstrated how those duties have been considered in the body of the report. .
35. This report is recommending that the multi-ward forum approve the allocation of monies from the NsF 2022-23 as specified at Appendix 1.

### **Strategic Director of Finance and Governance (FIN1302 – JB)**

36. The 2022-23 budget allocation for the neighbourhoods fund will be agreed by council assembly as part of the budget setting process. The report notes the allocation is £10,000 per councillor by ward and thus £110,000 should be

awarded to the South Multi-Ward. The report allocates a further £36,120 from prior year allocations, this being the current estimate of the funds available at the conclusion of 2021-22.

37. Paragraph 25 notes the need to maintain a contingency element from the funding available for urgent or incidental requests. This is a prudent measure to assist in the effective running of the Neighbourhoods Fund.

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Allocation of Neighbourhoods Fund 2021-22	Environment & Leisure 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Fitzroy Lewis 0207 525 3084

## APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	South Multi Ward NsF Applications 2022-23

## AUDIT TRAIL

<b>Lead Officer</b>	Forid Ahmed, Empowering Communities Manager	
<b>Report Author</b>	Fitzroy Lewis - Empowering Communities Programme Officer	
<b>Version</b>	Final	
<b>Dated</b>	15 February 2022	
<b>Key Decision</b>	Yes	
<b>CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER</b>		
<b>Officer Title</b>	<b>Comments Sought</b>	<b>Comments included</b>

Director of Law and Governance	Yes	Yes
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes	Yes
Strategic Director of Environment and Leisure	No	No
<b>Cabinet member</b>		
<b>Date final report sent to Constitutional Team</b>	22 February 2022	

## Summary of applications - South multi-ward 2022/23

### Champion Hill Ward

Ref:	Name of your group:	Name of project or idea:	Describe what the project is trying to achieve, including why it is needed and demonstrate how it is going to benefit residents, of the ward you have selected:	Amount requested [£]
858	Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground	Food is the ingredient that binds us together"	<p>"The adventure playground is a melting pot of such an array of different nationalities, including Polish, Jamaican, Ghanaian, Nigerian, Somali, Eritrean and more. We hope to help strengthen our community and bring a greater sense of respect for each other through the strengthening of relationships.</p> <p>Through small sized gatherings, we will invite families and local residents to join us as we learn about each other's cultures through sharing food &amp; doing craft activities. Parents/local residents will share their recipes &amp; cook them &amp; we will share all the recipes online on our social media pages. We will also deliver cooking sessions with the young people to encourage healthy eating. We will make plans that will allow us to have this outside - should any laws change that do not allow us to have people in our building. We will give out flyers in local schools and our community as well as sharing on our social media pages.</p>	£4,850
1046	Lettsom Allotments Association	Fermentation workshop/ Mosaic Workshop	<p>Fermentation workshop. To encourage local people to visit the allotments and Green space of Lettsom Gardens and get together making fermented food product with home grown produce to take away. Meet other local residents and learn about healthy eating.</p> <p>Mosaic Workshop...meet up with local residents to make a mosaic decorated flower pot to take away and plant herbs in / or a door number or plot number. We have funding from CGS to make mosaic signage on the allotment gates, so will promote this and raise awareness about where the allotments are.</p>	£400
1008	Mother Goose Nursery	Community Events in our Wildlife Garden	<p>We wish to put on monthly community events that are free, open and welcoming to all. Our aim is to bring our diverse community groups together to socialise in an informal setting, to encourage people to come outside and enjoy the physical and mental benefits of spending time outdoors in natural surroundings and to learn skills in gardening, cooking, singing and sustainable living. It is needed as there is a problem of social isolation in London with a transitory population who come from different cultural groups both white and non-white. 47% of the population are from an ethnic minority. There is also a concern that children spend too much time indoors and therefore don't get the exercise they require. 22% of children entering school reception classes in this ward were deemed to have excess weight and the figure rose to 36% when they left primary school.</p>	£4,980

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1059	St Faith's Community & Youth Foundation	St Faith's Summer Holiday Programme	Daily play and activity provision aimed at KS2 children, focused on families who will otherwise not be able to offer their children summer holidays and may not be able to provide regular hot meals.	£5,000
1015	Stepping Stones Learning and Leisure	Dance Activities for Adults with Learning Disabilities	We want to provide weekly dance classes for local adults with learning disabilities. Funding will be used for two classes per week offering space for up to 25 people to attend. Classes will focus on stretching, strengthening and cardio activities, which are delivered in an accessible format for adults with learning disabilities. In addition to the health benefits of being active, service users will also benefit from being part of a safe and supported group activity. Adults with learning disabilities are among the most vulnerable and disadvantaged members of society and this funding will enable us to deliver services which provide consistent and regular life enhancing and worthwhile activities.	£3,330

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### Dulwich Hill Ward

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1013**	Dulwich Festival	Dulwich Festival	For its 29th year, Dulwich Festival will continue to offer a variety of educational and cultural events over a 10 day period in May 2022 with the aim of bringing the community together. Our application is geared to promoting the Festival as widely and effectively as possible. We will use the funds to support our Festival Guide (in physical format and online). The physical guide will be delivered by volunteers over the area covered by the Festival. We will produce a short promotional film for use on social media in advance of the Festival and make a more detailed film about a feature in the local area that is of interest to people living and working here, which will later be made available online as part of our on-going archive of material for those who are interested in the locality. Our information is intended to be available to everyone living in our area, in order to encourage people to make the widest possible use of the facilities that are nearby.	£6,000
863	Friern Rd Street Party Association	Friern Road Annual Street Party	The aim of our annual street party is to bring local residents together in order to get to know one another better and increase social cohesion. Our street is ethnically and socially diverse and the street party encourages all residents to come out and share in a sit down lunch and participate in outdoor activities such as games, music and dancing. It provides an informal and relaxed situation where neighbours can get to know one another.	£400
CP01	Friern Road TRA	Community Social Event	Funding for Friern Road estate T&RA to hold a community social event or party once they have been constituted.	£300
1117	Link Age Southwark	Yoga	We are seeking funds to support the continued delivery of our weekly yoga class at Lew Evans House. Our specialist tutor is a professional who has experience in working with older people with mobility and health needs. During the pandemic, the groups was adapted to weekly telephone calls from the tutor to each individual member. The aim being as a nudge to group members to keep active at home as well as providing someone they trusted, to check in with them each week. This group started again in person in August of this year and was oversubscribed from the outset with 15 service users signing up to attend. This includes both residents of Lew Evans House and those who we transport in from the surrounding area. Alongside the physical benefits of this group, group members also have the opportunity to socialise and chat with their peers. The group also offers a safe communal space which given the restrictions that we have all experienced over the last 18 months, feels especially important.	£7,730
1127	St Clement with St Peter Church	Summer Fayre	We would like to provide a classic church summer fayre. Free entry with games for families and children, bouncy castle and old classic games. Second hand book sales, cake stall and refreshments. To bring people from the local street and neighbouring old people's homes, shelters and disabled homes together.	£500

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### Dulwich Village Ward

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1145	Bell House Quilt Academy	Nothing to Landfill Community Quilts	<p>The Quilt Academy at Bell House is a roll-up workshop held each week at Bell House. Volunteer tutors offer free teaching in patchwork and quilting to anyone who wishes to explore this craft and to mix with others for companionship. The well-being and mental health aspects of the workshops are important.</p> <p>The attendees learn new skills, make friends, gain confidence and wellbeing from being part of our project. In turn, the charity projects and good causes who receive the quilts will also benefit from the industry of the workshop sessions.</p>	£1,685
950	Clean Air For Dulwich	Southwark South	Promote the awareness of the need to adopt zero or low pollution means of transport (electric/ hybrid vehicles and cycles) and to use public transport more.	£6,060
1013**	Dulwich Festival	Dulwich Festival	For its 29th year, Dulwich Festival will continue to offer a variety of educational and cultural events over a 10 day period in May 2022 with the aim of bringing the community together. Our application is geared to promoting the Festival as widely and effectively as possible. We will use the funds to support our Festival Guide (in physical format and online). The physical guide will be delivered by volunteers over the area covered by the Festival. We will produce a short promotional film for use on social media in advance of the Festival and make a more detailed film about a feature in the local area that is of interest to people living and working here, which will later be made available online as part of our on-going archive of material for those who are interested in the locality. Our information is intended to be available to everyone living in our area, in order to encourage people to make the widest possible use of the facilities that are nearby.	£6,000
902	Dulwich Park Friends	Dulwich Park Fair 2022	Dulwich Park Fair aims to promote local talent on the stage, showcase local crafts and produce and provide traditional entertainments such as the Victorian Fun Fair, maypole dancing, Vauxhall City Farm, Punch and Judy, the Magician, and the fun dog show. The Fair is run by volunteers, driven by the community and fosters a sense of pride in Dulwich Park.	£2,250
903	Dulwich Park Friends	Concert Bands 2022	We aim to showcase the talent of up to 4 local concert bands to provide entertainment, enhance community spirit and foster a sense of pride in Dulwich Park. This will be a separate event to Dulwich Park Fair (in 2021 they were combined due to COVID).	£1,125

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928	Dulwich Picture Gallery	Art and Wellbeing for Young People in Southwark	We will deliver workshops for young people in Southwark, giving them the opportunity to deepen their understanding of art, explore new ideas, make personal connections with the artworks in our collection and explore how arts and creativity can be used as a tool to support positive mental health and wellbeing. During the workshop, young people will observe, discuss and question the art they have seen, trying different art techniques and mediums. We will introduce them to practical approaches which promote mindfulness, relaxation and creative problem solving, demonstrating the connection between arts and health and the ways in which they can use creativity to support their resilience and wellbeing. A key aim of the workshops is to reduce the stigma which surrounds mental health.	£4,970
1175	Dulwich Sports Club Limited	Cricket for the Afghanistan Community	"The purpose has been to engage and integrate these teenagers with various Asian backgrounds into the club and into regular club cricket. The teenagers love the game and most of them know how play but are not participating as they face many barriers (economic, networking, social support and encouragement)."	£1,050
958	Friends of Dulwich Square	Harmony in the Square	<p>"Dulwich Square is a newly formed Street Space on the junctions of Calton Avenue, Court Lane &amp; Dulwich Village SE21. The closure has been controversial and has divided the local community.</p> <p>Friends of Dulwich Square was formed in August 2020 with the aim of bringing positive events and uses for the Square to draw the community together and increase footfall for the local businesses.</p> <p>Friends of Dulwich Square put on 5 varied and highly successful concerts this summer and would like to extend their programme in 2022. This would hopefully include working with the Dulwich Festival in May, should covid allow it.</p> <p>"</p>	£3,000
896	Lively Minds	Reaching Out	Lively Minds is a group of retired seniors who organise and participate in activities designed to counter social exclusion, promote wellbeing and maintain links in the community. Many members live alone. Lively Minds promotes their happiness and wellbeing and reduces loneliness and isolation. Attendance and participation in the talks and social activities can improve mental health and wellbeing, increase confidence, improve skills and knowledge and significantly contribute to the members' sense of belonging to the neighbourhood. The opportunity to invite speakers and workshop facilitators will leave a lasting legacy on which the Club can build. Funding will cover the cost of rent of our premises, plus insurance, enabling us to ensure a base for our Club on which to attract new members and contribute to the sustainability of the Club. We are working towards re-establishing links in the community, i.e. Alleyns and JAGS.	£1,020



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1166	Southwark Hindu Centre	Diwali ( Festival of Lights) function	<p>"Diwali, popularly known as festival of lights ad is one of the most important festival of the year and is celebrated by Indian community with all religions around the world. The festival celebrates the victory of good over evil, light over darkness and knowledge over ignorance.</p> <p>By organising this activity which includes musical evening followed by Indian traditional Dinner, we are going to achieve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Community cohesion by bringing other communities of different religion and faith together</li> <li>-Also to make awareness of Indian culture and festival among different communities specially for younger generation</li> <li>-Further to make people understand the message of Diwali festival."</li> </ul>	£1,900

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### Dulwich Wood Ward

Ref:	Name of your group:	Name of project or idea:	Describe what the project is trying to achieve, including why it is needed and demonstrate how it is going to benefit residents, of the ward you have selected:	Amount requested [£]
993	Croxted Road TRA	After School Project 2022	<p>The aim of this project is to provide young people with a safe space to develop their social skills and build on friendships through a range of interactive workshops and sports sessions. This project is to create a diversion that prevents young people from involving in post-code wars and estate rivalry, allows them to explore their identity, experience decision-making, increase their confidence and think through the consequences of their actions.</p> <p>After School Project supports young people's personal and social development through mentoring. Social education activities help young people develop a positive attitude to the wider community and improve their understanding of interdependence, help them recognise and get involved in issues in society.</p> <p>We are applying for funding for workshops and sport sessions for activities that appeal to all genders and would like to ensure this project reaches as wider group of young people on the estate as possible hence the diversity in the activities offered.</p> <p>One of the project's projected aims is a decrease in anti-social behaviour. When there was a fight between young people on the estate the team who ran After School Project 2021 were able to step in, mediate, and avoid any further escalation of the matter. The draft programme allows for 20 weekly sessions across April, May, June, July and September 2022 allowing for 5 months of contact with young people on the estate.</p>	£5,150
1013**	Dulwich Festival	Dulwich Festival	<p>For its 29th year, Dulwich Festival will continue to offer a variety of educational and cultural events over a 10 day period in May 2022 with the aim of bringing the community together. Our application is geared to promoting the Festival as widely and effectively as possible. We will use the funds to support our Festival Guide (in physical format and online). The physical guide will be delivered by volunteers over the area covered by the Festival. We will produce a short promotional film for use on social media in advance of the Festival and make a more detailed film about a feature in the local area that is of interest to people living and working here, which will later be made available online as part of our on-going archive of material for those who are interested in the locality. Our information is intended to be available to everyone living in our area, in order to encourage people to make the widest possible use of the facilities that are nearby.</p>	£6,000

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904	Friends of Gipsy Hill	Gipsy Hill Village Fete 2022	<p>The project is a local community event focusing on the concept of a village fete uniting diverse local residents and businesses. It will be held on Long Meadow, a key open green space at the Gipsy Hill community within easy walking range for many. (Note there is no direct public transport links to reach events in Dulwich Park). This event is focused on the Southwark part of Gipsy Hill and Kingswood, but is also cross border with Lambeth (which provides primary healthcare to this most southerly end of Southwark).</p> <p>Objectives: Bring the local community together. Provide a family fun day for all ages. Enrich local knowledge with what's on offer with local support networks. Provide small scale entertainment. Promote local business.</p>	£8,355
1125	Glazebrook Growers and Croxted Road Estate TRA	Glazebrook Growers Gardening Workshops and Social Events	<p>We would like to organise 4-6 organic gardening workshops and 2-3 social events in the community gardens on the Croxted Road Estate and online.</p> <p>The restrictions resulting from the pandemic have made the last year very challenging, however the Glazebrook Growers have continued to hold a variety of both online and in person events for the enjoyment of the estate residents, as well as others within the borough who benefited from the ability to join virtually.</p> <p>These sessions have allowed the estate residents to gain valuable horticultural knowledge, while also providing vital social interactions with neighbours at a very difficult time, a lifeline especially important for those who live alone or are especially vulnerable.</p> <p>Having attracted new members during the last year, workshops are now needed to provide vital gardening knowledge and increase the confidence of our new members, enabling them to make the most of their raised vegetable plots and the estate flower garden and to proceed into the 2022 growing season with confidence.</p> <p>We plan to hold group seed and bulb sowing events, as well as regular sessions to help neighbours make the most of the outside space they have, be that a plot in the community garden or their own balconies. Our sessions encourage neighbours to spend more time outdoors in green spaces, socialising with those who live in their neighbourhood and connecting with the food that they eat.</p>	£1,400

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1003	Paxton Green Time Bank	Our Place	<p>The project will bring local people together to explore the concept of place through art and conversation, encouraging pride and ownership of the local area. We will also include walks, and gardening and other acts of care for the local environment. We believe this is especially important during the transitional phase the Kingswood Estate is going through, with the closure of Kingswood House. Residents will benefit from reduced isolation, healthy activities that promote wellbeing, improved local environment, and learning new skills. We will be opening up unit 32 as a hub for the community, hosting art workshops exploring the theme of 'our place'. These will be exhibited at the hub and will form the backdrop to a series of social events and conversations on the theme of the local area and what makes it great, how we can build on our strengths as a community etc. We will also do walks that combine litter picks, and community gardening in small public areas such as around the planted trees etc.</p>	£2,550
875	The Sapphire Community Group	The Sapphire Employability Academy	<p>The Sapphire Foundation has worked with more than 4000 young people 16-30 over the past four years. Our aims are to provide young people with opportunities for self-development and to explore their talents to inspire them to build successful careers and hopeful futures. In a deeply worrying statistic, the number of 18-24-year-olds claiming unemployment-related benefits increased by nearly 125 per cent between March and September 2020. Covid-19 has severely affected the job market and the traditional career trajectory, leaving many young people, who otherwise would have sought regular 9-5 jobs, to forcibly consider other, more precarious employment such as gig jobs. According to a survey carried out by Hope Not Hate, among 16-24-year-olds, more than half within the age group felt that "the pandemic has stolen their future". And who can blame them when they are surrounded by news of redundancies reaching record highs and employers being less likely to take on full-time or even part-time employees due to financial uncertainty? Tony Wilson, Director of the Institute for Employment Studies said: "These figures should be a wake-up call for all of us".</p> <p>The Sapphire Employability Academy (SEA) programme is designed to help young people gain access to work, accredited training and gain leadership development. SEA was established to develop active citizenship skills among young people aged 15-30 years from disadvantaged backgrounds for residents in Southwark. Unemployment rates are on the rise and us at Sapphire are trying to reduce the rates and give young people the independence and freedom to thrive.</p>	£5,000
963	The Sapphire Community Group	Sapphire Literature Academy (Democracy Magazine)	<p>50 Young people will work together to publish a magazine that will discuss social issues affecting them. Key topics covered in the magazine will be: Race, Culture, Mental Health, Entertainment, Education, Employment, Equality and Enterprise.</p> <p>12 workshops over a 6 month period (October- engagement period, November- May are delivery period). Workshops include practical sessions and masterclasses from industry professionals. We will support young people to develop skills such as Writing skills/ Journalism, Digital Media, Photography, Design, Web publishing). We will publish the Magazine online and work with the council to share in schools, colleges and libraries.</p>	£5,000

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### Goose Green Ward

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886	Goose Green Primary School	"P is for Poetry" Mental Health Programme	<p>Our aim is to help our pupils return to normality and process any trauma/anxieties they have suffered during the pandemic. We currently offer the P is for Poetry programme to our key stage 2 children, encouraging them to engage with words and express ideas confidently. Theatre-maker Naomi Cortes use both classic and contemporary poems from around the world as the framework for workshops, encouraging pupils to speak clearly, convey ideas and develop vocabulary, while gaining confidence with reading/sharing aloud. The programme culminates with an end-of-term poetry assembly, enabling participants to recite/perform their class poems.</p> <p>We currently only offer P is for Poetry to our KS2 children but hope to introduce the programme to KS1 children too, to offer a much-needed whole-school mental health intervention at this unprecedented time.</p>	£7,800
1115	Link Age Southwark	Gentle Exercise	We are seeking funds to support the relocation and continued delivery of our weekly gentle exercise group that we previously ran at St James Cloisters. It is delivered by a professional tutor who has experience in working with older people and those with mobility and health issues. This group has been running online since last year and will remain online until the end of the financial year. It is then our intention to relocate the group to an alternative venue. The room we used previously at St James Cloisters is small and lacks the necessary recommended ventilation. We have liaised with our landlords at the United Reform Church and are able to hire a large space from them at a reduced cost. Accessing this facility would also allow us to open the group up to more members. Alongside the benefits of the physical exercise that the group offers, members have also feedback how much they enjoy the social side of the group and the opportunity to see their peers and interact with the tutor on a regular basis.	£7,970

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977	St John's Church East Dulwich	Increasing the offer of Goose Green Coffee Morning to include parallel exercise and gardening sessions	<p>Goose Green Coffee Morning (GGCM) has continued to meet every Wednesday throughout the pandemic, using Zoom until June 2021. Our in-person gathering has quickly re-established its-self, with new members joining too. It is clear there is a need for a regular gathering within the community. Many attendees live alone, with some having long term health problems. The social contact provided by the group reduces loneliness and isolation, which may reduce health needs.</p> <p>To keep the group engaged and stimulated we plan to continue to provide activities at some GGCM sessions. These will include: simple craft or art activities, book or film discussions, guest speakers and live music. We will also build on the work of the "getting connected" project conducted in 20/21 by holding sessions on basic computer and tablet skills.</p> <p>To build Coffee Morning as a centre of the community, and to enhance the physical and mental health of the community, we plan to run new groups alongside GGCM. It is hoped these groups might appeal to those who would not otherwise come to coffee morning but also encourage more people to attend and make use of the opportunity to socialise at the coffee morning. The groups planned are an Exercise group and a Gardening group</p> <p>These groups will take place on Wednesday morning and be timed to coincide with Coffee Morning. Those attracted by these new groups will be encouraged to call in to GGCM, adding to a sense of community, forging new relationships between different people and fostering a community hub in Goose Green. The new activities will promote the physical and mental well-being of their attendees, and everyone coming to Goose Green Coffee Morning.</p>	£5,067
889	Youth Learning Network Ltd	FOREFRON 2	ForeFront 2 is an additional 12-month organisational change programme effecting a significant transition in the mode and methods of delivery our supplementary/complimentary educational services to school age children and young people. It increase the numbers of our service users who are resident or attend schools and colleges in the Empowering Communities - South area by establishing and offering an expanded and better targeted online/face to face tutoring and mentoring services for our beneficiaries. This will enhance our existing services offer, which currently over relies only on in-person attendance at a specific location as a joint programme as currently demanded by some parents.	£5,000

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<b>Item No.</b> 9	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 07 March 2022	<b>Decision Taker:</b> South Multi Ward Forum
<b>Report title:</b>		Devolved Highways 2022-23: Capital Funding Allocation (South)	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		Champion Hill, Dulwich Hill, Dulwich Wood, Dulwich Village & Goose Green	
<b>From:</b>		Head of Service – Highways	

## RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Approves the reallocation of underspent funds carried forward from previous years underspend, current programme underspend and current programme project cancellations
2. Approves the allocation of funds for the 2022-23 Devolved Highways capital programme in the South Multi Ward Area from the list of applications set out in Appendix 1.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. The Council's non-principal road investment programme prioritises works on non-principal roads on a borough-wide basis and this investment forms the largest part of the annual investment programme.
4. Multi Ward areas are allocated a devolved fund of £800,000 each year from the total annual programme to spend on their priorities for highway renewal and maintenance that may not be prioritised as part of the borough-wide programme.
5. The financial provision for each community council is pro-rata by ward, as published in the Highways Capital Investment Programme 2014/15 report.
6. From 2017/18, the scope of the fund has been widened to permit the full range of minor traffic and highway capital schemes rather than solely like-for-like repair and replacement. Examples of the types of works which can now be funded include:
  - a. Footway and carriageway resurfacing.
  - b. Traffic calming.
  - c. Localised repairs.
  - d. Accessibility improvements.
  - e. Footway buildouts.
  - f. Cycle hangars.

## **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

7. There is £146,875 available for the 2022-23 Devolved Highways capital programme for new projects in the South Multi Ward area.
8. There is £7,196 in additional funding from previous years underspend, current programme underspend and current programme project cancellations. The maximum spend available for allocation by the South Multi-Ward forum in the 2022-23 financial year is therefore: £154,071.
9. The application form invited expressions of interest for the applicants to deliver projects themselves. A due diligence exercise has been undertaken as part of the feasibility process to ensure that this is both practical and realistic.

### **Policy framework implications**

10. The Devolved Highways programme is fully aligned with the Council's policies around sustainability, regeneration and community engagement.

### **Community, equalities (including socio-economic) and health impacts**

#### **Community impact statement**

11. The roles and functions of Multi Ward areas include the promotion of involvement of local people in the democratic process and to take decisions about local matters.
12. The Multi Ward Forums have delegated authority in the following key areas:
  - The Neighborhoods Fund
  - Cleaner Greener Safer Fund
  - Devolved Highways capital programmes
  - Community project banks in accordance with Part 3H of the Council's Constitution.
13. An explicit objective within Multi Ward areas is that they be used to actively engage as widely as possible with, and bring together, Soutwark's diverse local communities on issues of shared or mutual interest. The Devolved Highways programme is an important tool in achieving community participation

#### **Equalities (including socio-economic) impact statement**

14. In fulfilling the above objectives of Multi Ward areas to bring together and involve Soutwark's diverse local communities, consideration has also been given to the Council's duty under the Equality Act 2010 which requires the Council in the exercise of its functions and in its decision making to have due regard 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.
15. Of particular regard are issues of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.
16. 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 participate in public life or any other activity in which they are under-represented.
17. When undertaking the duties under section 149 the Council must ensure that:
- a. the duty must be fulfilled before the decision in question is enacted;
  - b. the duty must be exercised in substance with 'rigour and an open mind'; it is not a matter of ticking boxes; and
  - c. the duty is continuing; it does not end with the completion of any equalities impact assessment and due regard must be had as policy evolves and is implemented.
18. Ideas for Devolved Highways projects come from the local community, the majority via a simple project nomination form available in electronic and paper format.

### **Health impact statement**

19. The following health benefits are possible or expected based on the types of projects normally funded via the Devolved Highways Programme.
20. An increase in community assets in the public realm – providing more places for people to spend time in their local community. This has the potential to have a positive impact on social and mental wellbeing, by creating connected and cohesive communities.
21. Increased ownership over community public realm – this helps people within the community join together around a project, supporting connected and cohesive communities
22. Project examples such as tree planting, street lighting, landscaping traffic calming, junction improvements, pedestrian crossings, cycle parking and cycling infrastructure may have the following impacts:

- a. improve mental wellbeing by increasing access to the outdoors and nature, improve mental and physical wellbeing by improving street space and encouraging active travel;
- b. improved access to affordable and secure cycle parking which should contribute to less congestion and air pollution locally;
- c. tree planting and green spaces may help to reduce or disperse air pollution, supporting people's physical health; and
- d. improved street lighting can improve safety and reduce the chances of crime or anti-social behavior.

### **Climate change implications**

23. The proposals which are allocated funding are in line with the Council's movement plan which encourages active travel in order to reduce congestion and improve air quality within the Borough.
24. The report has clearly considered the proposed measures impact on climate change. The measures support the aims of the council's Climate Change Strategy under Priority 2 – Active and Sustainable Travel. Key aims of the council's Climate Change Strategy include to 'reduce car journeys to a minimum by 2030' and to 'be a borough where the walking and cycling becomes the default way to get around'. Part of meeting the borough's ambition of net zero emissions by 2030 includes a reduction in vehicle km's travelled and a shift to active and public transport; road transport currently accounts for 15% of the borough's emissions. These measures strongly support that ambition.
25. A just and inclusive transition is at the heart of the council's emerging climate policy. These proposals prioritise the movement of people first and foremost, while retaining vehicle access for those who require it. In delivering a safer and more equitable highway network, the measures are in accordance with the council's approach to addressing the climate emergency.

### **Resource implications**

26. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported on as part of the overall Capital Programme.

### **Legal implications**

27. Not applicable

### **Financial implications**

28. The funding for the 2022/23 Devolved Highways capital programme was approved by the Cabinet Member for Environment, Transport Management and Air Quality as detailed in Allocation of funds to wards via Cleaner Greener Safer and Devolved Highways programmes report dated 20 December 2018.
29. All professional fees related to the project are also treated as the capital costs of the project.
30. The total expenditure and sources of funding for the scheme will be monitored and reported as part of the overall Capital Programme.

### **Consultation**

31. All Devolved Highway projects require consultation with stakeholders, including the project applicant, local residents, Tenants and Residents Associations and local community groups where appropriate.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS**

#### **Director of Law and Governance – AGG (02/22)**

32. Part 3H of the Council's Constitution provides that Multi Ward Forums can "approve the allocation of neighbourhood funds, cleaner, greener, safer and devolved highway capital schemes of a local nature using the resources and criteria identified by the cabinet." The recommendations in this report are therefore appropriate for determination by the South Multi Ward Forum.
33. The Council has a duty, pursuant to section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. Protected characteristics include age, sex, disability, pregnancy and maternity. Officers have considered the Public Sector Equality Duty as set out in paragraphs 14-18 of this report that and have concluded that at this time the recommendations will have no detrimental impacts on a particular protected group or on the equality of opportunity under the Equality Act 2010.
34. In regard to the equality duty under the Act, the allocation of funds from the devolved highways capital programme does not impact on equality of opportunity and protected characteristics of persons within the local community.
35. Council Assembly on 14 July 2021 approved a change to the Council's constitution to confirm that all decisions made by the Council will consider the climate and equality (including socio-economic disadvantage and health inequality) consequences of taking that decision. This has been considered in the report at paragraphs 23-25 above.

### Strategic Director of Finance and Governance (CAP21/048)

36. This report seeks the approval of the South Multi Ward area for the allocation of funds (£146,875 + £7,196) for the 2022-23 Devolved Highway programme in the South Multi Ward Area from the list of applications set out in appendix 1.
37. The Strategic Director of Finance and Governance notes the resource implications in the report that the proposed allocations will be contained within the council's capital programme.
38. It is also noted that officers' time and any other costs connected with this recommendation will be contained within existing departmental revenue budgets.

### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Highways Capital Investment Programme 2014-15	Environment and Leisure / Highways 160 Tooley Street	George Mellish 020 7525 7903
Link: <a href="https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s63869/Highways%20Capital%20Investment.pdf">https://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s63869/Highways%20Capital%20Investment.pdf</a>		

### APPENDICES

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## Appendix 1

## South Multi Ward Area

## Devolved Highways Capital Investment programme 2022/23: Applications

Reference	Proposal Name	Ward
1739703	Ivanhoe Junction, funding for agreed development	Champion Hill
1741450	Secure cycle storage east of Dog Kennel Hill	Champion Hill
1741779	Wildflower Meadow in Green Dale Fields, SE22	Champion Hill
1729268	Bike hanger near 148 Friern Rd	Dulwich Hill
1736361	Lordship Lane safe crossing	Dulwich Hill
1739267	Lordship Lane / Mount Adon Park Zebra Crossing	Dulwich Hill
1740563	Green high street Forest Hill Road	Dulwich Hill
1742288	Speed calming measures around Goodrich school and the junction of Dunstons Road and Underhill Road	Dulwich Hill
1741401	7.5T Weight Restriction for Holmdene Avenue	Dulwich Village
1741584	Dulwich Village secure cycle parking	Dulwich Village
1738741	7.5T Weight Restriction for Holmdene Avenue	Dulwich Village
1738849	7.5T Weight Restriction for Holmdene Avenue	Dulwich Village
1739097	7.5T weight restriction for Holmdene Avenue SE24	Dulwich Village
1740389	5 Ways Proposal Half Moon Lane	Dulwich Village
1739683	Traffic calming in Little Bornes..	Dulwich Wood
1733365	Gipsy Hill speed reduction	Dulwich Wood
1733371	Colby Road speed calming	Dulwich Wood
1743058	Dulwich Wood bike hangars	Dulwich Wood
1743118	Alleyn Park pedestrian crossing	Dulwich Wood
1743124	Dulwich Wood safer streets	Dulwich Wood
1734396	Farquhar Road speed calming	Dulwich Wood
1740851	Melbourne/Blackwater Junction Traffic Calming	Goose Green
1741274	Pootle - Community Electric Cargo Bike Sharing	Goose Green
1741620	Pootle - Community Electric Cargo Bike Sharing	Goose Green
1746541	Tree Pits for Blackwater Street	Goose Green



**Appendix 2**  
**Unalloacted 2021/22 Devolved Highways Funding**  
**South Multi Ward Area**

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Unallocated Funding</b>
Dulwich Hill	£3,396.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£3,396.00</b>



Project Ref	Project Name	Multi Ward Area	Ward	Costcode	Total Budget	Total Expenditure	Under Over
108278	Sunray Estate Walk Safely Install planters to prevent pavement- parking next to 179 East Dulwich Grove	South	Dulwich Village	L-5110-0040.24.3.1	£3,000.00	£0.00	£3,000.00
108280	(opposite JAGS)	South	Dulwich Village	L-5110-0040.24.3.1	£800.00	£0.00	£800.00

**Appendix 4****South Multi Ward Area****Devolved Highways Capital Investment programme 2022/23: Officer Proposals****Proposal Name**

Ivanhoe Road/Avondale Rise Junction Improvement

Zebra Crossing - College Road by the junction with Rock Hill

Ward	Programme
Champion Hill	Highways
Dulwich Wood	Highways

<b>Cost</b>
£25,396
£30,000

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