



<b>Subject:</b>	Area Working Update
<b>Date:</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> December 2017
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<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Call-in</b>	
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
1.1	To update Members on the most recent Area Working Group (AWG) meetings and the relevant recommendations to SP&R Committee arising from the meetings.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <b>AWG minutes</b> Approve the most recent round of AWG Minutes ( <i>East – 22<sup>nd</sup> November; West – 23<sup>rd</sup> November, South – 27<sup>th</sup> November; North – 30<sup>th</sup> November and East – 7<sup>th</sup> December</i> ) as attached at Appendix 1.

## Physical Investment Recommendations

### LOCAL INVESTMENT FUND

- **South AWG** - agree the recommendations from the South AWG as laid out in 3.2 below in respect of reallocating the £40,000 which had been allocated to Ormeau Boxing Club back into the LIF2 fund.
- **North AWG** – agree the recommendations from the North AWG as laid out in 3.3 below in respect of changing the scope of the LIF proposals for Jennymount Methodist Church and Holy Cross Boxing Club.

### BELFAST INVESTMENT FUND

- **South AWG** – agree the recommendations from the South AWG as laid out in 3.4 in respect of adding the Belfast Islamic Centre project as a stage1 emerging project.

## 3.0 Main report

### KEY ISSUES

#### Area Working Group Minutes

- 3.1 Members agreed in June 2016 that the Area Working Group minutes would be taken into the SP&R Committee for approval going forward in line with the Council's commitment to openness and transparency and to ensure a consistent approach with other Member-led Working Groups. Members are asked to approve the most recent round of AWG Minutes (*East – 22<sup>nd</sup> November; West – 23<sup>rd</sup> November, South – 27<sup>th</sup> November; North – 30<sup>th</sup> November and East – 7<sup>th</sup> December*) as attached at Appendix 1.

### LOCAL INVESTMENT FUND

- 3.2 **South AWG** – Representatives from Ormeau Boxing Club recently contacted council officers to inform them that they no longer wish to progress their project. After discussion, the Working Group agreed to recommend to the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee that the £40,000 previously committed to Ormeau Boxing Club be transferred back into the LIF2 fund.
- 3.3 **North AWG** - The North AWG at its meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017, made the following recommendations in respect of changing the scope of the LIF proposals for Jennymount Methodist Church and Holy Cross Boxing Club.

Project	LIF Allocation	Recommendations
NLIF073 - Jennymount Methodist Church	£64,000	That the funding be split in to 2 phases, (Phase 1 being the delivery of heating enhancements and phase 2 the community garden/ play area.)
NLIF057 – Holy Cross Boxing Club	£66,000	Agree to the LIF funding moving from the previous premises of the boxing club on Flax Street to the new premises at the former St Gemma’s school.

**BELFAST INVESTMENT FUND**

3.4

**South AWG** – At its meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> November, the group received a presentation from the Belfast Islamic Centre regarding the group’s plans for a new place of worship and community centre. The Working Group confirmed its support for the project and agreed that the community development element of the proposal should be added to its list of emerging projects and be considered if/when future funding streams became available.

3.5

**FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

There are no additional financial implications contained within this report.

3.6

**EQUALITY OR GOOD RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS**

No implications

**4.0**

**Appendices – Documents attached**

Appendix 1 – Minutes of the Area Working Groups