



<b>Subject:</b>	Area Working Update
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>After Council Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Call-in</b>	
<b>Is the decision eligible for Call-in?</b>	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 seek Members approval of the minutes of the most recent round of AWGs and additional recommendations to the SP&R Committee arising from the meetings.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	Members are asked to: <b>AWG minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Approve the most recent round of Area Working Group (AWG) Minutes (<i>East – 16<sup>th</sup> May; East – 17<sup>th</sup> May; South – 21<sup>st</sup> May; West – 24<sup>th</sup> May; North - 29<sup>th</sup> May and East – 7<sup>th</sup> June</i>) as attached at Appendix 1.</li></ul>

### Local Investment Fund

- Agree the recommended proposals as set out in 3.2 below from the North and West AWGs in relation to LIF

### Belfast Investment Fund

- Agree the recommended proposals as set out in 3.3 below from the North and East AWGs in relation to BIF.

### Social Innovation Challenge Programme

- Agree that the following projects receive funding from the Social Innovation Challenge Programme:

#### NORTH (NEW LODGE)

PROJECT	GROUP	AMOUNT
Community Ideas Platform	New Lodge CEP	£15,000
Innovative Youth Space	New Lodge Youth Centre	£15,000
Steps Regeneration	New Lodge CEP	£15,000

#### EAST (INNER EAST)

PROJECT	GROUP	AMOUNT
Holiday Hunger programme	Scaffolding Project (Eastside partnership)	£15,000

### 3.0 Main report

#### KEY ISSUES

#### AREA WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- 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 – 16<sup>th</sup> May; East – 17<sup>th</sup> May; South – 21<sup>st</sup> May; West – 24<sup>th</sup> May; North - 29<sup>th</sup> May and East – 7<sup>th</sup> June*) as attached at Appendix 1.

#### 3.2 LOCAL INVESTMENT FUND UPDATE

The North and West AWGs, at their meetings on 24<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> May respectively, made the following recommendations for the consideration of the SP&R Committee in relation to their LIF:

AWG	Project	Recommendation from AWG
West	WLIF2-17 - North Belfast Working Men's Club	To be withdrawn from LIF programme
West	WLIF2-24 - Paisley Park Sportsplex*	In principle funding of £24,000
North	NLIF2-03 - Ardoyne Shankill Health Partnership**	In principle funding of £15,000

North	NLIF2-21 - Somme Garden of Remembrance**	In principle funding of £21,667
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**\*Members are asked to note that this proposal is subject to going through the LIF process with the project being assessed against the prioritisation matrix – the results of this assessment will be reported back to a future AWG and Committee.** All projects will be subject to the full due-diligence process agreed for LIF projects

**\*\*Members are asked to note that both these projects have been scored by officers and have successfully met the threshold (see Appendix 2).**

### 3.3 BELFAST INVESTMENT FUND

The North and East AWGs, at their meetings on 29<sup>th</sup> May and 7<sup>th</sup> June respectively, made the following recommendations for the consideration of the SP&R Committee in relation to their BIF:

AWG	Project	Current Stage	Recommendation from AWG
North	Hillview Boxing Club	Stage 1 – Emerging	<i>To be withdrawn from BIF programme</i>
North	Marrowbone Park	N/A	<b>Add as a Stage 1 - Emerging Project</b> with a ring-fenced allocation of up to £500k. Will be required to go through the Council's agreed stage approval process and due diligence process
East	Lisnasharragh Community Schools project	Stage 2 – Uncommitted	<b>Move to Stage 3 – Committed with a maximum allocation of £398,000</b> - Subject to the return of a satisfactory tender and confirmation of any match funding

Members are also asked to note that the Colin Glen trust project which is currently at Stage 2 has now gone through due diligence and it is recommended that this project is moved to Stage 3 – committed. £2.5m has been ring-fenced for this project.

### 3.4 Social Innovation Challenge Programme

Belfast City Council agreed to undertake Locality Planning pilots to test how community planning might be applied at the local area level and to help inform future neighbourhood working. The four areas chosen are as follows;

1. Whiterock, 2. Inner East, 3. Belvoir & Milltown, 4. New Lodge

To support this work, Council agreed to commission the Young Foundation to work with officers to develop a 'social innovation model.' The term 'social innovation' refers to new ideas or ways of working that aim to fulfil unmet social needs or tackle social problems.

As part of this model, a Challenge Programme is being implemented with funding available in each locality planning area for up to four projects that can be delivered within the area with a maximum £15,000 per project.

3.5 **New Lodge**

The following groups successfully pitched their ideas to decision panels which included elected members on the 22 May 2018. We are asking the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee to recommend that they receive funding for the following;

3.6 **1. Community Ideas Platform (CIP)**

The New Lodge CIP is a new innovative project that will establish a community ideas platform led by the community, for the community. This new ideas platform led and managed by the local New Lodge community will work together to come up with new ideas and possible solutions to a wide range of social and physical issues. The project is committed to working with the residents and associated resident groups and community organisations to re-connect local connections and create motivated residents who will co-create to develop new ideas to address issues in a positive way, focusing on the opportunities rather than the problems they are faced with.

3.7 **2. Innovative Youth Space**

The young people would like to develop the process to allow them develop ideas around transforming a local space to be used initially for young women in the area. The young women want to have a space for themselves to grow and develop their own programmes including OCNs in youth work. They want to develop their skills to provide affordable services for the local community in this space, developing small scale social enterprises to be used for sustainability and further development of the project.

3.8 **3. Steps Regeneration**

The project idea is to establish and empower a localised group of local residents to lead (with relevant statutory partners support and consent) on the re-design of the North Queen Street steps area within the New Lodge into a new dynamic space that the whole community can enjoy. The re-design of this blighted space will identify future opportunities for sustainable community engagement and development of small social enterprises managed by the local community. Working with partners including DFI part of this project will be to undertake design work, develop possible solutions in order to create a much improved space which will turn into a valuable community asset.

3.9 **Inner East**

The following group successfully pitched their idea to a decision panel on the 24 May 2018. We are asking the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee to recommend that they receive funding for the following;

<p>3.10</p> <p>3.11</p> <p>3.12</p> <p>3.13</p> <p>3.14</p> <p>3.15</p>	<p><b>1. Holiday Hunger programme</b></p> <p>The Scaffolding Project which has 13 members made up of community and voluntary organisations providing a variety of services in the local community will oversee this project via the Eastside Partnership. This project will provide a socially innovative food programme to support children attending summer activities across a number of localities in Inner East Belfast. Evidence exists that some parents struggle to provide healthy eating to children in the absence of free school meals over the summer holidays.</p> <p>The overarching aim of the project is to help address this issue by maintaining the nutritional health of children during school holidays and to promote positive mental health among parents through engagement in outdoor activities and social events.</p> <p>The project will support children to make healthy food choices through parents engaging in social and educational activities and programmes. Parents and volunteers will develop skills through accredited Basic Food Hygiene course with a view to supporting ongoing initiatives within the community. It is worth noting that this project has been co-designed with parents in the local area via focus groups and workshops to establish agreement on elements of the proposed programme.</p> <p><b>Next Steps</b></p> <p>Subject to final approval at council, officers will work with internal colleagues in legal to draw up funding agreements to progress this work.</p> <p><b>FINANCIAL &amp; RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial – LIF1 - £5million and LIF2 - £4million  BIF - £28.2million  Social Innovation Challenge Programme - £60,000</li> <li>• Resource - Officers time to deliver projects.</li> </ul> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>No implications</p>
<p><b>4.0</b></p>	<p><b>Appendices – Documents attached</b></p>
	<p>Appendix 1 – Minutes of the Area Working Groups (<i>East – 16<sup>th</sup> May; East – 17<sup>th</sup> May; South – 21<sup>st</sup> May; West – 24<sup>th</sup> May; North - 29<sup>th</sup> May and East – 7<sup>th</sup> June</i>)</p>

