

# Report of the Director of Environment and Sport to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on Thursday 15 October 2015

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## Subject:

Allocation of Youth Opportunities Funding grants

## Summary statement:

This report asks members to consider the decisions made by the Grants Advisory Group and a Young People's Panel for the allocation of Youth Opportunities Funding. Grants of up to £1,000 are available to support youth activities across Bradford East with a budget of £10,000.

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**Children's Services**

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## Overview & Scrutiny Area:

**Children's Services**



## **1. SUMMARY**

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## **2. BACKGROUND**

Youth Opportunities Fund grants have been available to support youth activities and work over a number of years, with the maximum grant now of £1,000. The applications made are assessed by a Young People's Panel facilitated by youth workers. This Young People's Panel meet with members of the Grants Advisory Group to discuss the applications together and make outline decisions about the allocation of funding to projects.

## **3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

Consideration is given to a range of factors in assessing the applications. These include, whether young people have been involved in developing the activities, number of young people benefitting, value for money, the value of the project in terms of skill development by young people and funding projects across the Bradford East area.

## **4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL**

£10,000 Youth Opportunities Funding is available to the Bradford East Area Committee for 2015/2016. This is revenue funding and should be spent by 31 March 2016.

## **5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

There are no significant risks and / or governance issues arising out of the proposed recommendations in this report.

## **6. LEGAL APPRAISAL**

This work relates directly to the Local Government Act 2000 and to the Duty of Well-being placed upon the Council to promote and improve the well-being of the District.

## **7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

### **7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY**

It is anticipated that support will be made available to schemes that promote fairness and inclusion, whilst supporting the Area Committee's commitment to equal opportunities for all.



## **7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

The resources made available to Bradford East Area Committee, outlined in this report, will be used to support priorities within the Bradford East Ward Plans.

## **7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS**

Greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental impacts are a consideration.

## **7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

Community safety issues are recognised as a key contributor to the quality of life in neighbourhoods. It is anticipated that activity generated through these resources will have a positive impact on community safety issues in Bradford East.

## **7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

There are no direct implications arising from the Human Rights Act.

## **7.6 TRADE UNION**

There are no direct Trade Union implications arising from this report.

## **7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS**

It is anticipated that the funding referred to in this report will be used to support projects in all Wards in the Bradford East Area.

## **8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS**

There are no not for publication documents.

## **9. OPTIONS**

**9.1** That the Bradford East Area Committee endorses the decisions reached by Grants Advisory Group and the Young People's Panel.

**9.2** That Bradford East Area Committee endorses the decisions of the Young Peoples Panel and Grants Advisory Group with minor changes.

**9.3** That Bradford East Area Committee rejects the decisions of the Grants Advisory Group and the Young People's Panel and suggests an alternative means of allocating the Youth Opportunities Fund.

## **10. RECOMMENDATIONS**

**10.1** That the Bradford East Area Committee endorses the decisions reached by Grants Advisory Group and the Young People's Panel.



## **11. APPENDICES**

Appendix A – List of applications received, with suggested allocation of funding.

## **12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

- 12.1 Report to the Bradford East Area Committee on 22 July 2015 – Youth Service – Document F

