


Report Title: Making the Difference Bids

Report of: Stephen McDonnell, Asst Director Frontline Services

Signed: 

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Wards(s) affected: Tottenham Hale,
Tottenham Green, Seven Sisters

Report for: Non-key

1. Purpose of the report (That is, the decision required)

- 1.1. To agree the recommendation for the release of funding under the Making a Difference fund as per Appendix 2 attached - subject to final submissions by bidders to accommodate the suggested amendments to the original bids.

2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

- 2.1 The 'Making the Difference' fund is established to help improve the quality of the local environment and lives of local residents, promoting a lasting impact where possible. A total of £25,000 has been allocated to each of the 7 Committee areas and applications have been invited from recognised or constituted groups. The deadline for receipt of applications was 23 August and there has now been an evaluation process and those applications that meet the criteria will be considered and agreed by each of the 7 Area Committees in the September round of meetings. All projects will be delivered and accounted for within the financial year ending March, with a maximum of £5,000 being given to any individual project.

3. State link(s) with Council Plan Priorities and actions and /or other Strategies:

3.1. The application criteria drew a link between the 5 Rethinking Haringey themes and these, in turn, sit above a myriad of Council and partnership policies and strategies

4. Recommendations

4.1. To approve in principle the proposed sums to be awarded as listed on Appendix 2. The money must be spent within the current financial year

5. Reason for recommendation(s)

5.1. This recommendation is based on a short-listing and scoring exercise by the relevant Committee Members

6. Other options considered

6.1. None

7. Summary

7.1. It is common practice for a community fund to be available for small, local projects to support engagement and involvement by residents and their associations. A further purpose is also to highlight local issues and to stimulate problem solving. This follows many years in Haringey of the Making the Difference Budget Fund. However, it has been stated that this is likely to be the final year of such funding due to resource constraints.

8. Chief Financial Officer Comments

8.1 A budget of £25,000 has been identified for each Area Committee as part of the 2011-12 budget process. At this point there is no guarantee this budget will continue past 2011-12 and so projects identified should avoid committing the Council to expenditure beyond this year. Any expenditure will also need to comply with existing Council contract standing orders that specify that 3 quotations are required if spend is to exceed £5k."

9. Head of Legal Services Comments

9.1. The protocol covering Area Committees which is incorporated into the Council's Constitution makes it clear that the Area Committees shall be responsible for administering this fund within their respective areas.

10. Head of Procurement Comments –[Required for Procurement Committee]

N/A

11. Equalities & Community Cohesion Comments

11.1. Committee Members have given due attention to allocating resources according to local need

12. Consultation

12.1. There has been some consultation with the Voluntary and Community Sector Team, where necessary, to check that bidding groups are recognised or constituted

13. Service Financial Comments

13.1. There is a clearly identified budget for this project which is allocated to and overseen by Frontline Services

14. Use of appendices /Tables and photographs

- 14.1. App. 1 – Bid application criteria
- 14.2. App 2 - Short-listing form

15. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

15.1. Localism Bill 2010



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Appendix 1

Application Number	Name of Organisation or Group	Project Title/ Description	Total Amount Requested
1.	The Paralegal Charity	Tackling poverty and low incomes by providing community regeneration etc	£3900
2.	Clyde Area RA	Running costs for AR	£500
3.	Friends of Markfield Park	Extending the sports facilities in Markfield Park	£4749
4.	Lemuel Findlay Supplementary School	Managing conflict – physical and mental	£1130
5.	Living Under One Sun	A green oven	£5690
6.	Sophia House and Talbot Close RA	Silver Surfers Project	£2000
7.	HAIL	Tiverton Community Allotments	£4000
8.	Esqua Creative STUDIO 4	Broadwater Farm Culture Gems	£2985
9.	Latimer House Residents Association	Silver Surfing Digital Inclusion Project	£1679
10.	Protheroe House	Day trip to seaside	£1000

	Residents Association		
11.	Stonebridge Road Tenants Association	IT to enable service users to access internet	£1950
12.	Latimer House Residents Association	Silver surfers inclusion project	£1680
13.	Latimer House Tenants Association	Computer club for residents	£1000
14	Vatry Community Residents Group	Vatry community growing	£3464
15	The Golden Jubilee Club	General well being club	£4000
16	BTCV Haringey	To enhance green space	£2000
17	Markfield	Volunteering mentoring scheme	£4282
18	Dream UK	Sounds of success radio	£1980
19	Iranian Welfare Association	Community development – employment and healthy living	£5000
20	Avenue Orchard Community Gardens	Creative connected communities are thriving neighbourhoods	£2,100
21	Redemption Church of God	Reaching out to kids	£5000
22	Clyde Area Residents Association	Leaflets and info Sharing	-
23	Young at Heart	Young at Heart project	£1680
24	Languages Network LTD	Cohesion in the Community	£4974

Appendix 2

Application	Comments	Proposed Sum to be Awarded
1	Rejected	£0
2	Rejected	£0
3*	A total amount for the two projects of £5000 was agreed (to be shared with 16)	£5000
4	Rejected	£0
5	Reduced sum to be awarded	£2500
6 +	A total amount of £4000 to be shared between three applications: 6, 9 and 11	£4000
7	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
8	Rejected	£0
9 +	+	£0
10	Reduced sum to be awarded	£800
11 +	+	£0
12	Duplicate – take out	£0
13	Duplicate – take out	£0
14	Reduced sum to be awarded	£2000
15	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
16*	£5000 to be shared with 3	£0
17	Rejected	£0
18	Rejected	£0
19	Rejected	£0

20	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
21	Rejected	£0
22	Reduced sum for trees to be awarded. Contribution towards running costs not accepted.	£750
23	Reduced sum to be awarded (young at heart)	£1500
24	Rejected (language scheme to provide ESOL classes)	£0

TOTAL: £19550

* 3 and 16 – to share £5000
+6, 9 and 11 – to share £4000

REMAINING: £5450

