

INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER'S DECISION

Decision by The Leader, Councillor Julian Bell

Subject Ward Forum 2017-18 Spending Recommendations 2

Portfolio The Leader

Authority Constitution, Part 3, Section 3

Decision

That the Leader of the Council:

- i) notes the wards' proposed projects for 2017-18, detailed in the attached Appendices 1-4.
- ii) notes that the projects were discussed in:
 - Lady Margaret ward forum at their meeting on 2 March 2017
 - Northfield ward forum at their meeting on 6 March 2017
 - Southall Broadway ward forum at their meeting on 10 April 2017
 - Southall Green ward forum at their meeting on 22 March 2017
- iii) agrees that the projects can be implemented, subject to any preliminary feasibility or technical surveys that are advised by officers and any licenses or statutory consultation that may be required.
- iv) authorises the Executive Director Environment & Customer Services to approve amendments to the agreed projects and the allocation of the contingency funds and any changes to the ward budget required as a result of changes to the project following consultation with the Leader and the appropriate ward councillors.
- v) notes that these projects are scheduled for implementation in the municipal year 2017-18.

Reason for Decision

On 13 November 2007 Cabinet agreed to a new structure for neighbourhood governance in the borough, centred around ward councillors and that £40k of capital funding would be made available, to each ward. This is to be spent taking into account the recommendations of those ward councillors, who would utilise and develop informal and formal networks to consult local people. From the 2010-11 to the 2014-15 financial year Cabinet agreed an allocation per ward of £37.5k- comprising £30k capital and £7.5k revenue. From 2015-16 each ward has been allocated a budget totalling £30k - comprising £25k capital and £5k revenue to fund projects.

Since the first round of ward forum meetings, held during September 2008, ward councillors have continued to conduct consultations to collate a set of spending proposals for subsequent financial years. The consultation mechanisms used

have been through various meetings with residents, initial assessment of those proposals with council officers and selection of those to be recommended to the relevant portfolio holder for spend. These recommendations were presented at ward forums to which all residents within the ward were invited. At these public meetings ward councillors outlined the proposals and the public was invited to make comments or representations.

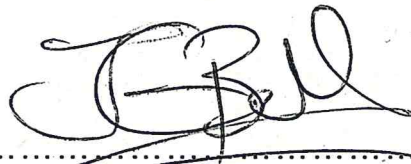
Where required, the ward councillors gave further clarity.

These publicly supported recommendations now need to be approved for spend via an Individual Cabinet Member Decision.

Date of Implementation if not called-in 22 June 2017

Report published 5 June 2017
Shadow consulted 5 June 2017
Decision recorded 13 June 2017
Decision published 14 June 2017
Call-in deadline 21 June 2017 (5.00pm)

Cabinet member's signature.....



Councillor Julian Bell
Leader of the Council

Officer recording decision.....



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