

North East Area Council Procurement and Financial Update Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an up-to-date overview of North East Area Council's (NEAC) current priorities and provides an overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant Funded projects, with associated timescales.
- 1.2 The report outlines the financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected financial position to 2023-24. Please note financial projections assume that the base income budget remains the same and that existing services are maintained.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Members note the overview of North East Area Council's current priorities, and overview of all current contracts, contract extensions, Service Level Agreements and Grant fund projects, with associated timescales.
- 2.2 Members note the actual financial position to date for 2022-23 and the projected expenditure, including future proposals, to 2023-24 as outlined in Appendices 1 & 2 of this report.
- 2.3 Recommendation 1 from the YDF Funding Panel: Cudworth Ward Alliance agreed to fund 25% of Exodus Cudworth Youth Clubs' costs, as per 4.3.1 of this report. The recommendation is that the Area Council commit £10,512 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025.
- 2.4 Members note the update to the Health & Wellbeing Fund and Recommendation 2: that the Area Council identify a panel at this meeting to be made up of NEAC Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director.

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3. Overview of Current Contracts and timescales

The table below outlines all the North East Area Council contracts, Service Level Agreements (SLA's) and grants **currently** being delivered, together with values, timescales and recent actions **agreed**:

| Commissioning Table to 31 st March 2024 | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Service | Provider | Cost | Date From | Date To | Type |
| Love Where you Live | | | | | |
| Devolved to Ward Alliances | Ward Alliances | £40,000 | 01/04/2023 | 31/03/2024 | Funds Transfer |
| Neighbourhood Engagement Officer | BMBC | £6,000 | 01/04/2022 | 31/05/2023 | Cost of Salary |
| Cudworth Darfield Road Community Centre | Darfield Road CC | £4,820 | 01/04/2022 | One Off | Offset income received |
| Responsible Dog Owner Project | NEAC Project | £4,000 (£1k Per Year) | 01/04/2019 | 31/03/2023 | Purchasing |
| Private Sector Housing Officer | BMBC Safer Communities | £37,750 | 01/04/2023 | 31/03/2024 | SLA |
| Thriving & Vibrant Economy | | | | | |
| Traineeships: Environmental Services | Barnsley Community Build | £222,988.33 | 01/04/2021 | 31/03/2024 | Contract |
| Young People | | | | | |
| Outreach Youth Work | The Youth Association | £39,747.00 | 01/04/2023 | 31/03/2025 | Grant |
| CYP Small Grants Programme | Various Providers | £41,889.00 Budget | 01/04/2023 | 31/03/2024 | Youth Development Grants |
| Sanitary Supplies | Partnership Project | £1,000.00 | 01/04/2023 | 31/03/2024 | Purchasing |
| Healthy Lifestyles | | | | | |
| Social Isolation & Dementia | Age UK Barnsley | £44,995 | 01/07/2022 | 31/06/23 | Grant |
| Social Isolation & Dementia | Age UK Barnsley | £39,998 | 01/07/2023 | 31/06/24 | Grant |
| Devolved to Ward Alliances (Ringfenced for Advice & Guidance Projects) | Ward Based | £12,000 | 01/04/2023 | 31/04/24 | Funds Transfer |
| Health & Wellbeing Fund | TBC | £30,000 | TBC | TBC | TBC |

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4 Contract & Grant Financial Decisions

CYP Small Grants Fund Update

4.1 The grants panel met on 11th May to consider applications that were received

4.2 Three applications were reviewed at the meeting as follows:

| | Provider | Project | From | To | Total Cost |
|-------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| 4.3.1 | The Exodus Project | Cudworth Youth Clubs | 01/06/23 | 31/03/25 | £14,016 |
| 4.3.2 | The Exodus Project | Brierley Youth Clubs | 01/06/23 | 31/03/25 | £15,920 |
| 4.3.3 | Grimethorpe Activity Zone | Youth Clubs | 01/06/23 | 31/03/25 | £11,275 |

4.3 The panel reviewed the budget in detail and agreed that they would support 75% of costs if match funding could be found for the remaining 25%.

4.4 Ward Alliances were asked to fund the 25% in the first instance.

4.5 **Recommendation 1** from the YDF Funding Panel: Cudworth Ward Alliance agreed to fund 25% of Exodus Youth Clubs costs (as per 4.3.1) therefore the recommendation is that the Area Council commit to 75% of total costs totalling £10,512 for the period 1 June 2023 to 31 March 2025.

4.6 The North East Ward Alliance did not agree to fund 25% of Exodus Youth Club in Brierley or Grimethorpe Activity Zone therefore this will go back to the next YDF small grants funding panel for consideration on 8 August 2023.

4.7 The latest grants call to the YDF small grants fund closed on 30 June 2023.

4.8 The Youth Development Fund small grants funding panel will meet on 8 August at 10am to consider any applications and a further report will be brought to the September meeting.

Health & Wellbeing Fund Update

4.9 Historically; the North East Area Council have had a fund available to fund projects to address health and wellbeing under the Healthy Lifestyles priority based on identified need. At the North East Area council meeting on 30th March 2023, Members agreed a recommendation to commit a financial envelope of £30,000 per year for two years to progress this priority.

Members asked the Area Manager to develop aims and objectives for the fund based on a combination of business intelligence, professional partnerships and community listening and asked for this to be progressed by the Area Manager, through the development of a panel made up of NEAC Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for the procurement of these grants to the Executive Director

Further to the Member's priority setting and business intelligence workshops on 23 May and 6th June 2023 to review hyperlocal business intelligence and information from professional colleagues to better understand the challenges that we are able to support and to align with strategic priorities, the Area Manager is

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currently working on a partnership proposal to address specific prevalence around addictive behaviours.

Recommendation 2: it is recommended that the Area Council identify a panel at this meeting to be made up of NEAC Elected Members, with delegated responsibility for procurement to the Executive Director.

5. Financial Position

- 5.1 Based on updated information relating to existing NEAC contracts, SLA's and Grant Agreements, Appendix 1 provides a revised position statement on NEAC funding. It shows revised year-end figures that have been reconciled with strategic finance and **actual** income and expenditure for 2023-24.

The 2023-24 figures provided remain indicative projections and may be subject to changes agreed upon as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

- 5.2 A finance overview with future projected expenditure for the period 2023 up to 2025 is attached as Appendix 2. This has been updated as at year-end and reconciled with Appendix 1 for accuracy.

Interventions being considered at today's meeting and other "informally agreed" services are shown in **amber**, with any future potential proposals shown in **red**.

The 2023 to 2024 budget projections remain indicative projections and maybe subject to changes agreed upon as part of the ongoing procurement and contract management processes.

The assumption is that the baseline budget remains the same year-on-year and this may also be subject to change.

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Finance Report – Actual income and expenditure

Appendix 2: NEAC Financial Forecast