MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENFIELD RESIDENTS PRIORITY FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2013

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT	Christine Hamilton and Bambos Charalambous (Chair)
ABSENT	Chris Bond and Achilleas Georgiou
OFFICERS:	Rod Bennett (Community Safety Unit), Ann Freeman (Assistant Head of Finance), Jayne Middleton-Albooye (Principal Lawyer), Joanne Stacey (Performance and Information Manager), Alison Trew (Head of Corporate Policy and Performance) and Peter Doherty (ERPF Administrator) Penelope Williams (Secretary)

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chris Bond and Achilleas Georgiou.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Charalambous declared non pecuniary interests in all the applications in his ward. These were the Palmers Green applications (PAL030), (PAL035) (PAL037) and (PAL038).

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URGENT ITEMS

NOTED the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Amendment Regulations 2002.

There were no urgent items.

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APPLICATIONS TO THE FUND

Councillor Bambos Charalambous introduced the report of the Chief Executive (No. 145) presenting the applications that had been formally submitted up to 18 November 2013 for the Enfield Residents' Priority Fund 2013-14.

Joanne Stacey, Performance and Information Manager, presented the report to members.

NOTED

- 1. The summary of the applications received as detailed in Appendix A to the report:
- 2. Members considered each of the applications in detail, as follows:

2.1 Beautiful Beds – Refurbishment of Planters (BUSH019)

A project for Bush Hill Park Ward to refurbish planters in the area. Members noted that the application met the social and economic wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities and education, skills and training.

The application was deferred to enable further development of the proposals.

2.2 Forty Hall Community Events (CHAS021)

A project for Chase Ward to run workshops and events at Forty Hall. Members noted that the application met the social and environmental wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities, crime and environment.

Joanne Stacey advised that the application had the support of the Parks Department.

The application was approved.

2.3 Volunteer Activities for Young People (HIWAY35)

A project for Highway Ward to provide activities for young people.

The application was not approved as the proposals duplicated other work being carried out in the ward. The applicants would be invited to consider making a different bid following consultation with the Youth Service.

2.4 Be All You Can Be Outreach Project (JUB028)

A project for Jubilee Ward to fund an outreach scheme with the Play Development Team.

The application was withdrawn by ward councillors.

2.5 Sports for All (JUB029)

A project in Jubilee Ward to fund youth diversionary activities involving sport.

The application was withdrawn by ward councillors.

2.6 Jubilee Park Green Gym (JUB033)

A project for Jubilee Ward to fund the installation of a green gym and the continuation of the "Talk the Walk" project. Members noted that the application met the social and economic wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities and crime.

The application was approved.

2.7 Edmonton Council of Churches (ECC) Small Grant (LOED047)

A project for Lower Edmonton Ward to provide a small grant to the ECC. Members noted that the application met the social and economic wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities and crime.

The application was approved.

2.8 The Ideas Station – Social Media Workshops (LOED048)

A project for Lower Edmonton Ward to provide social media workshops for women in business. Members noted that the application met the social and economic wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities and crime.

Joanne Stacey advised that a previous project had been well supported.

The application was approved.

2.9 Palmers Green Triangle Flower Beds (PAL030)

A project for Palmers Green Ward to fund the planting of flower beds in the Palmers Green Triangle. Members noted that the application met the social, economic and environmental wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: strong communities and employment.

The application was deferred to enable further discussion on the proposals.

2.10 Tatem Park Centenary Playground (PAL035)

A project in Palmers Green Ward to fund the installation of a playground to mark the centenary of Tatem Park. Members noted that the application met the social and environmental wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, strong communities, health and disability and environment.

The application was deferred to enable further discussion on the proposals.

2.11 Enfield Exposure Arts Project (PAL037)

An arts project for young people in Palmers Green Ward. Members noted that the application met the social and economic wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, employment, education, skills and training and crime.

A previous film project at Broomfield School had been successful. This film would focus on issues such as bullying and self-harm.

The application was approved.

2.12 Alleygating between Windsor Road and Park Avenue (PAL038)

A project for Palmers Green Ward to install an alleygate between Windsor Road and Park Avenue. Members noted that the application met the environmental wellbeing objective and the following criteria: fairness for all, strong communities, crime and environment.

The application was approved subject to gaining the necessary approvals form the residents.

2.13 Start Up Funding for Treasure Land Second Hand Shop (PE0370)

A project in Ponders End Ward to provide start-up funding to help set up a second hand shop managed by staff and pupils at Durants and Waverley schools. Members noted that the application met the economic and environmental wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities, education, skills and training.

The application was approved.

2.14 Wilbury Open Space Regeneration Project (UPED046)

A project in Upper Edmonton Ward to fund the regeneration of Wilbury Open Space. Members noted that the application met the social and environmental wellbeing objectives and the following criteria: fairness for all, growth and sustainability, strong communities and crime.

The application was approved.

Alternative Options Considered

That the projects were not considered and funding was not allocated, this would not be recommended as this will not support community engagement and will not allow residents the opportunity to further improve the local area in which they live and work.

DECISION

1. The Cabinet Sub Committee, following detailed consideration of the applications and the criteria, agreed that the following applications were suitable for funding from the Enfield Residents Priority Fund:

WARD	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT
Chase Ward (CHAS021)	Forty Hall Community Events	£6,022
Jubilee (JUB033)	Jubilee Park Green Gym	£29,500
Lower Edmonton (LOED047)	Small Grant to RCC	£153
Lower Edmonton (LOED048)	The Ideas Station – Social Media Workshops	£7,740
Palmers Green (PAL037)	Enfield Exposure Arts Project	£6,453
Ponders End (PE037)	Start Up Funding for Treasure Land Second Hand Shop	£10,000
Upper Edmonton (UPED046)	Wilbury Open Space Regeneration	£15,000

- 2. The following application was approved in principle, subject to listed conditions:
 - Palmers Green (PAL038) Windsor Road and Park Avenue Alleygating - £6,000 was approved subject to gaining the necessary approvals from the residents.
- 3. The following applications were deferred, for consideration at a future meeting of the Sub Committee, to enable more information to be provided, before a decision was made:
 - Bush Hill Park (BUSH019) Beautiful Beds Enfield in Bloom Planter Refurbishment was deferred to develop the proposals.
 - Palmers Green (PAL030) Palmers Green Triangle Flower Beds was deferred to enable further discussion on the proposals.
 - Palmers Green (PAL035) Tatem Park Centenary Playground was deferred to enable further discussion on the proposals
- 4. The following applications were withdrawn by ward councillors:

- Jubilee (JUB028) Be All You Can Be, was withdrawn as all three ward councillors had not supported the application.
- Jubilee (JUB029) Sports for All, was withdrawn as all three ward councillors had not supported the application.
- 5. The following applications were not approved:
 - HIWAY035 Volunteer Activities for Young People as the proposals duplicated other work being carried out in the ward.
- 6. The Chair of the Sub Committee be given delegated authority to provide approval in case where applications are agreed in principle subject to certain conditions, and in these conditions have been met.

Reason: The projects submitted had been proposed and developed by the local people of Enfield, to help improve the social, economic or environmental wellbeing by tackling local need and deprivation. The projects all support the Council's vision of making Enfield a better place to live and work, delivering fairness for all, growth and sustainability and strong communities.

5 PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

The Committee received a tabled spread sheet, updating members on the status of all ERPF projects approved since May 2011. A copy of the spread sheet is available on the Council website or from the Committee Secretary.

Joanne Stacey went through each entry on the spread sheet, updating members on the progress of all projects from 2011/12 and 2012/13, which had not been marked complete.

NOTED

- 1. Members were pleased with the progress that had been made, but were concerned about the amounts still to be claimed.
- 2. Russell Hart (Head of Operation Waste and Parks Services) would be invited to the next meeting to discuss progress on the Enhancing the Environment Project (TST040, PE026, HIWAY29, JUB019, ENFL021, SOUB023).
- 3. Updates would be provided for all future meetings of the committee.
- 4. A breakdown of underspends for each year was also requested.
- 5. Joanne Stacey would be emailing all councillors, informing them that the deadline for applications to the next committee was 20 December

2013 and letting them know how much was left in each ward budget for 2013-14.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 NOVEMBER 2013

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2013 were agreed as a correct record.

2. Matters arising

Rodney Bennett, Acting Head of Community Safety, tabled a report on the Borough's CCTV cameras that had been requested at the last meeting. A copy of the report is available on the Council website or from the Committee Secretary.

Rodney Bennett highlighted the following from his report:

- Enfield has the use of 15 Dome Hawk cameras which are managed by the Anti-Social Behaviour Team within the Community Safety Unit: eight are under the control of SAFE (Street Action for Enfield); seven are owned by the Enfield Residents Priority Fund (ERPF).
- The cameras are fixed onto lampposts, take their power from the lamppost power supply and record information onto hard drives.
- The ERPF cameras have been deployed in 11 locations in five wards across the borough. Five have remained static in one location. Two of these, at Ponders End Recreation Ground and Dysons Road, have been in the same place for more than a year. Their purpose was to provide reassurance to local residents after problems that have occured.
- There have been 27 requests to download footage from these cameras. Forty percent from Bowes. Requests are received from the Police or the Enviro Crime Unit. Out of the 11 hits there have been eight incidents relating to flytipping. These cameras are particularly effective at spotting static things rather than moving people. The Council has issued several fines and notices for fly tipping.
- Increases in cases of reported crime in a camera area may be as a result of people knowing the cameras are there and so having more confidence that it is worthwhile reporting the crime.
- The cameras are not long term sustainable responses to issues of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour, but do provide reassurance and act as deterrents to crime. Rodney Bennett recommended that they would be most effective if moved on a regular basis to areas which have identified problems.
- There would be further discussion around putting signs up warning that cameras were in place.

Questions and comments

- 1. It would be helpful if the ERPF cameras could be used in partnership with SAFE.
- 2. It was felt that these cameras could not provide a long term solution to the problems of crime and anti-social behaviour, but were effective as part of a wider response.
- 3. The cost of moving a camera was approximately £400 and of maintenance £700 £1,000 a year. This was part of the original ERPF budget for these cameras.
- 4. The money left in the ERPF budget will be used to cover maintenance and moves until it runs out. This could last for another 4 years depending on usage.
- 5. It was difficult to assess the cameras' value for money as it was not easy to know what crime or anti-social behaviour had been prevented by the presence of the camera. Councillor Charalambous said that the number of emails he had received complaining about fly-tipping and anti-social behaviour had decreased when the Palmers Green camera had first been placed but had increased again when the camera was moved which was considered a sign of effectiveness.
- 6. The visit to the CCTV monitoring station at Claverings was no longer relevant.

7 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTED the dates agreed for future meetings of the Committee:

- Thursday 16 January 2013
- Thursday 6 February 2013
- Tuesday 4 March 2014
- Thursday 3 April 2014