

# Executive Summary City of Westminster | and Recommendations

	Deputy Leader's Report
Date:	8 May 2017
Subject:	Expenditure from the Ward Budgets for Churchill, Tachbrook, Vincent Square and Warwick

#### **Summary** 1.

- 1.1 This report seeks approval for the expenditure of £15,013 from the Ward Budgets in order to commission:
  - (a) Family Activity Days on the River

#### Recommendation

That the Deputy Leader approves expenditure of £15,013 to commission Family Activity days on the river as detailed in the report.



## Cabinet Member Report

Cabinet Member:

**Deputy Leader of the Council** 

Date:

8 May 2017

Classification:

For General Release

Title of Report:

Expenditure from the Ward Budgets of Churchill, Tachbrook, Vincent Square and Warwick

Report of:

**Head of Cabinet Secretariat** 

Wards involved:

Churchill, Tachbrook, Vincent Square and Warwick

Policy context:

**Neighbourhoods Programme** 

Financial summary:

Churchill: From 2016-2017 there has been a carry forward of £15,873.22. In 2017-18 a new pot of £46,000 is available.

The proposed expenditure of £3,753.25 from the ward Budget leaves £45,575.07 remaining for allocation in the current financial year.

Tachbrook: From 2016-2017 there has been a carry forward of £41,212.25. In 2017-18 a new pot of £46,000 is available.

The proposed expenditure of £3,753.25 from the ward Budget leaves £70,285.30 remaining for allocation in the current financial year.

Vincent Square: From 2016-2017 there has been a carry forward of £47,008.99. In 2017-18 a new pot of £46,000 is available.

The proposed expenditure of £3,753.25 from the ward Budget leaves £77,852.06 remaining for allocation in the current financial year.

Warwick: From 2016-17 there has been a carry forward of £16,964.37. In 2016-17 a new pot of £46,000 is available.

The proposed expenditure of £3,753.25 from the Warwick Ward Budget, and the £14,827.76 already allocated, leaves £44,383.36 remaining for allocation in the current financial year.

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#### 1. Background Information

- 1.1 Ward budgets were established under the City Council's Neighbourhood Programme agreed by the Cabinet in November 2007. The extension to the ward budget programme was agreed in March 2010 for continuation until March 2014.
- 1.2 The renewal of the ward budget programme for the years 2014-2018 was agreed in June 2014.
- 1.3 Budget provision of £46,000 for the financial year 2017/18 exists to fund ward based projects.

#### 2. Proposed Projects

2.1 £15,013 will fund the activity days on the riverbank.

#### 3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Churchill budget to date total £9,999 leaving £49,328.32 to be allocated.
- 3.2 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to £3,753.25 and leaves £45,575.07 available for future allocation.
- 3.3 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Tachbrook budget to date total £13,173.70 leaving £74,038.55 to be allocated.
- 3.4 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to £3,753.25 and leaves £70,285.30 available for future allocation.
- 3.5 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Vincent Square budget to date total £11,403.68, leaving £81,605.31 to be allocated.
- 3.6 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to £3,753.25 and leaves £77,852.06 available for future allocation.
- 3.7 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Warwick budget to date total £14,827.76 leaving £48,136.61 to be allocated.
- 3.8 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to £3,753.25 and leaves £44,383.36 available for future allocation.

#### 4. Legal Implications

4.1 The proposals accordingly involve expenditure which is within the City Council's general power of competence, confirmed in Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 and within the guidelines for the use of Ward Budgets.

#### 5. Outstanding Issues

- 5.1 The decision would usually be taken by the Cabinet Member of Environment, Sports and Community, however Cllr Harvey has referred the decision to the Leader as he is a Councillor in one of the wards involved.
- 5.2 It is also noted that the Leader cannot take this decision as her ward is involved as well, therefore the decision has been referred to the Deputy Leader.

#### 6. Consultation

- 6.1 The proposals have been agreed by all Councillors from all wards involved
- 6.2 The proposal for Family Activity Days has been drawn up and verified following consultation with Westminster Boating Base and the Council's Finance and Legal Services Departments.

#### 7. Equalities

7.1 The proposals in this report will support the Council's wider equalities and diversity agenda by focusing on addressing local issues with enhanced local engagement.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect one of the background papers please contact Janis Best on 020 7641 3255, fax 020 7641 3156, email <a href="mailto:jbest@westminster.gov.uk">jbest@westminster.gov.uk</a>

For completion by the Deputy Leader of the Council

### **Declaration of Interest**

	Thave no interest to declare in respect of this report
	Signed Date  Councillor Cllr Robert Davis MBE DL, Deputy Leader of the Council
•	I have to declare an interest
	State nature of interest:
	Signed Date  Councillor Robert Davis MBE DL, Deputy Leader of the Council
	B: If you have an interest you should seek advice as to whether it is appropriate make a decision in relation to this matter.)
Re Ta	r the reasons set out above, I agree the recommendation(s) in the report entitled commendation(s) for Expenditure from the Ward Budgets for Churchill, chbrook, Vincent Square and Warwick and reject any alternative options which e referred to but not recommended.
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NOTE: If you do <u>not</u> wish to approve the recommendations, or wish to make an alternative decision, it is important that you consult the report author, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, the Director of Finance and Performance and, if there are staffing implications, the Director of Resources (or their representatives) so that (1) you can be made aware of any further relevant considerations that you should take into account before making the decision and (2) your reasons for the decision can be properly identified and recorded, as required by law.

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