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## NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



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To: Members of the Committee: Councillor Jim McNally (Chair), Councillor Michael Muir (Vice-Chair), Councillor Juan Cowell, Councillor Steve Jarvis, Councillor Tom Tyson and Councillor Michael Weeks

#### **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A**

## MEETING OF THE BALDOCK AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE

to be held in the

# MAIN HALL, BALDOCK COMMUNITY CENTRE

On

MONDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 2021 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson Service Director – Legal and Community

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# Agenda <u>Part I</u>

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#### 1. WELCOME

#### 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

## 3. MINUTES - 4 OCTOBER 2021

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To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 4 October 2021.

#### 4. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

Members should notify the Chair of other business which they wish to be discussed at the end of either Part I or Part II business set out in the agenda. They must state the circumstances which they consider justify the business being considered as a matter of urgency.

The Chair will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered.

#### 5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda, should be declared as either a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Declarable Interest and are required to notify the Chair of the nature of any interest declared at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest must withdraw from the meeting for the duration of the item. Members declaring a Declarable Interest, wishing to exercise a 'Councillor Speaking Right', must declare this at the same time as the interest, move to the public area before speaking to the item and then must leave the room before the debate and vote.

#### 6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public.

#### 7. GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

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To advise the Committee of the activities and schemes with which the Community Engagement Officer has been involved in.

# 8. WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

To receive any verbal reports from Members regarding Ward matters and Outside Organisations.

# Public Document Pack Agenda Item 3

#### NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### **BALDOCK AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

# MEETING HELD IN THE NORTH HERTS LD DAY SERVICE, GREYSLATES COURT, WESTON WAY, BALDOCK, HERTFORDSHIRE, SG7 6ER ON MONDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 2021 AT 7.30 PM

#### **MINUTES**

Present: Councillors: Councillor Jim McNally (Chair), Councillor Michael Muir

(Vice-Chair), Steve Jarvis, Tom Tyson and Michael Weeks

In Attendance:

Ashley Hawkins (Community Engagement Officer), Simon Ellis (Development and Conservation Manager) and Andrew Mills (Service

Manager - Greenspace)

Also Present:

At the commencement of the meeting approximately 2 members of the

public, including registered speakers.

#### 15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Audio recording - 1 minute 4 seconds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Juan Cowell.

#### 16 MINUTES - 21 JUNE 2021

Audio Recording – 1 minute 28 seconds

Councillor Jim McNally proposed and Councillor Michael Muir seconded and it was:

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 21 June 2021 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chair.

#### 17 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

Audio recording - 2 minutes 14 seconds

There was no other business notified.

#### 18 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Audio recording – 2 minutes 20 seconds

- (1) The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those who had attended to give a presentation:
- (2) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded;
- (3) Members were reminded to make declarations of interest before an item, the longer reminder about this and speaking rights was set out under Chair's Announcements on the agenda.

(4) The Chair announced that the Boundary Review was now underway and would run for 5 weeks to 8 November 2021. All Members and public were encouraged to get involved and have a say on the future of the Council.

#### 19 UPDATE ON IVEL SPRINGS

Audio Recording – 6 minutes 52 seconds

A verbal presentation was given by Andrew Mills, Service Manager – Greenspace, regarding the works at Ivel Springs, which included:

- The boardwalk was due to be replaced by the end of October 2021, dependant on weather conditions, and would be replaced with recycled plastic. The replacement work would be done by volunteers.
- The recent sewage leaks on the site had been caused by a crack in a pipe 5 metres deep. Anglian Water were relining old pipes, rather than completely replacing.
- Andrew Mills would be meeting Anglian Water on site on the 5 October 2021.
- The two issues with sewage leakage on the site have led to a better working relationship between NHDC and Anglian Water.
- Updates on the water augmentation at the site, with the hope that boreholes would soon be drilled to pump out chalk water and deliver it away from the Springs.

The following Members and members of the public asked questions and took part in the debate:

- Councillor Michael Muir
- Councillor Tom Tyson
- Councillor Jim McNally
- Councillor Michael Weeks
- Lisa Patterson

Andrew Mills, Service Manager – Greenspace, advised:

- Feasibility studies were currently underway to look into the drilling of boreholes, with two options currently being considered. There was a desire to see this move as quickly as possible.
- Some 'misconnections' of pipes had led to areas seeing sewage leaks and previous works had seen water channels to draw this away.
- Anglian Water were primarily responsible for dealing with the issues arriving from misconnections, however they are not proactive in chasing the source of any issues. Rather they will manage the consequences of any sewage leakages.
- Council Officers are on site regularly and will pick up, and deal with, any issues and make sure relevant bodies are alerted to conduct works.
- Previous leaks have been paid for by Anglian Water.
- Where boreholes have been drilled before on the site, there have been no reported instances of pollution.
- The issue was currently being contained and the legal obligations were being met. Should this change and the impact of the misconnections increase then further actions will be taken.
- Environment Agency have been clear that the volume of extraction will not be increased. Affinity Water will need to find alternative ways to ensure water supply to Baldock, such as running initiatives to encourage reductions in household water usage or bringing water in from Grafham Water.
- Reedbeds were managed by NHDC and annual cutting took place. Further planting could be looked at in the next Greenspace Action Plan for the site.

 Herts County Council Rights of Way were looking at improvements which could be made to footpaths on site.

Councillor Steve Jarvis, Executive Member for Environment and Leisure, advised:

- There was not an understanding of how widespread contamination issues from misconnections was, but this would need to be looked into and circulated to Members when available.
- Possibility of the respringing of Ivel Springs causing the sewage misconnection to worsen would need to be discussed with the contractors at Anglian water. As a consequence of previous issues, the Council had a good working relationship with Affinity and Anglian Water.
- It may be worth inviting Affinity Water to a Committee Meeting so they can explain their plans and asked questions directly.
- In the case of bringing water from Grafham Water, a water treatment plant would be built to ensure issues which had previously occurred from this would not happen again.

#### 20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - BALDOCK DISTRICT GUIDES

Audio recording – 45 minutes 44 seconds

A verbal presentation was given by Joanne Newton and Lisa Patterson, from Baldock District Guides, regarding their grant application, which included:

- Current guttering needed to be replaced and additional guttering would need to be fitted.
- Covid-19 restrictions have had an impact on the small Guide group and has put strain on finances, as fundraising had stopped over the past 18 months.
- Although some groups had closed, the first positive step towards recovery was demonstrated with the opening of a new Ranger group for 14 to 18 year olds.
- The building is shared with other community groups.
- Funding would help to ensure the future of Girl Guiding in Baldock, as other suitable and dedicated space is at a premium in the town.

The following Members asked questions:

Councillor Michael Weeks

In response to questions Joanne Newton and Lisa Patterson advised:

- Currently there was the same number of people on waiting lists as there were in the pack showing that the interest in the Guides was there across the area served by Baldock District Guides.
- Repairs to the Guide building will be required in order for Girl Guiding to grow in the town. The roof of the building had been replaced in 2014.
- The group also support volunteering opportunities through Duke of Edinburgh awards.

#### 21 GRANT APPLICATION - BALDOCK DISTRICT GUIDES

Audio Recording - 61 minutes 15 seconds

Members held a discussion regarding which budgets the grant funding would come from.

It was confirmed that £600 had already been allocated to the group from the County Locality Funds and the group themselves had £500 to contribute.

Councillor Michael Muir proposed and Councillor Michael Weeks seconded and it was:

**RESOLVED:** That grant funding of £1450 be awarded to Baldock District Guides to assist towards replacing existing guttering and facias on the Baldock Guide Hut, as well as adding additional guttering.

**REASONS FOR DECISION:** To improve services provided by local organisations and groups which are accessed by the community.

#### 22 GRANTS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

Audio Recording – 88 minutes 20 seconds

The Community Engagement Officer presented the report entitled 'Grants and Community Update' and included:

- Update on the outstanding balances left in budgets following the revised amount allocated to the Baldock District Guides.
- Review of possible future funding requests.
- The Eco Event in Baldock on 30 October 2021 would need to be added to the future events list.
- Event calendar through to the end of 2021 is looking good.

Councillor Michael Muir proposed and Councillor Michael Weeks seconded and following a vote it was:

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee be recommended to endorse the actions taken by the Community Engagement Officer to promote greater community capacity and well-being for Baldock.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISIONS:**

- (1) To ensure the Committee is kept informed of the work of the Community Engagement Officer.
- (2) This report is intended to inform Members of the financial resources available to the Committee. It draws attention to the current budgetary situation by assisting in the effective financial management of the Area Committee's budget. This ensures that all actions are performed in line with the Authority's Financial Regulations, the Council's Constitution, and the guidance of existing Grants policy as agreed by Cabinet in January 2020.
- (3) The awarding of financial assistance to voluntary organisations and the use of discretionary spending allows the Committee to further the aims of the Council Plan.

#### 23 ANNUAL UPDATE ON \$106 OBLIGATIONS

Audio Recording – 68 minutes 35 seconds

The Planning Control and Conservation Manager presented the report entitled 'Annual Update on S106 Obligations for Baldock and District Committee' and gave a verbal presentation which included:

Bio Diversity Net Gain in planning was becoming more important, which was normally
driven by Herts County Council. This was hoped to be link to some Council land where net
gains could be made here to replace lost bio diversity in Section 106 sites, using the
ecologists at County level.

- Master Planning approach to big sites which would encompass all aspects and Council could take a lead in which they want developers to do.
- When Local Plan has been passed, the Master Plan will become more relevant and this will form the basis of future annual reports from the Planning Control and Conservation Manager.

The following Members asked questions and took part in the debate:

- Councillor Steve Jarvis
- Councillor Tom Tyson
- Councillor Michael Muir

In response to questions the Planning Control and Conservation Manager advised:

- Developments over 100 dwellings would be on Master Plan, but those developments that
  do not meet this would need to be looked at. This was previously done with the support of
  the Community Engagement Team, but has now been moved across to consultation with
  Ward Councillors.
- The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) was not preferred by the Council, as this would go into a central pot to be split across district, which was not ideal for a rural district.
- CILs would require governance setting up in order to decide how the collected money would be spent.
- These funds usually have to be spent within 7 years, but this does not apply to Unilateral Undertakings. There has only been £7000 of unspent Section 106 money sent back since 2006, which highlighted that this money is almost always spent.

Councillor Michael Muir proposed and Councillor Michael Weeks seconded and following a vote it was:

#### RESOLVED:

- (1) That Members note the content of this report.
- (2) That Members agree that a report or note shall continue to be presented on an annual basis to the Area Committee, which sets out full records of all Section 106 activity for the preceding financial year and which reflects changes in legislation and practice.
- (3) That, other than where a contribution has been negotiated for a specific purpose or project, Ward Members of the area where the Section 106 Obligation or Unilateral Undertaking funding generated and the Area Committee be consulted prior to funding being allocation away from that area. Members must note that the discretionary funds are rapidly diminishing and will not be replaced under current legislation and practice, for reasons that are set out in this report.

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION:**

- (1) To ensure that there is a robust system for negotiating and managing Section 106 Obligations and Unilateral Undertakings, that records activity for each financial year and is placed in the public domain.
- (2) To ensure that the process is kept under constant review and Member scrutiny and that the risk associated with this activity is managed in an appropriate manner.

## 24 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS

Audio recording – 92 minutes 45 seconds

There were no reports raised by Members.

The meeting closed at 9.03pm.

Chair

# BALDOCK COMMITTEE 06 DECEMBER 2021

#### \*PART 1 - PUBLIC DOCUMENT

TITLE OF REPORT: GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE

**REPORT OF: THE POLICY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER** 

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** 

**COUNCIL OBJECTIVES: BUILD THRIVING AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES** 

#### 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To advise the Committee on the current expenditure and balances of the Committee Grant budgets
- 1.2 To advise the Committee of the activities and schemes with which the Community Engagement Officer has been involved in.
- 1.3 To bring to the Committee's attention some important community-based activities that will take place during the next few months.

#### 2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee be recommended to endorse the actions taken by the Community Engagement Officer to promote greater community capacity and well-being for Baldock.

#### 3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To ensure the Committee is kept informed of the work of the Community Engagement Officer.
- 3.2 This report is intended to inform Members of the financial resources available to the Committee. It draws attention to the current budgetary situation by assisting in the effective financial management of the Area Committee's budget. This ensures that all actions are performed in line with the Authority's Financial Regulations, the Council's Constitution, and the guidance of the existing Grants policy as agreed by Cabinet in January 2020.

3.3 The awarding of financial assistance to voluntary organisations and the use of discretionary spending allows the Committee to further the aims of the Council Plan.

#### 4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1. There are no alternative options being proposed other than those detailed within the text of this report. However, during debate at committee, Members may wish to comment and offer additional views on any of the items included within this report.

#### 5. CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT MEMBERS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

- 5.1 Consultation with Members has occurred in connection with the allocation of funds for Community Projects
- 5.2 Consultation with the respective officers and external bodies/groups has taken place regarding funding proposals for Committee Funds.

#### 6. FORWARD PLAN

6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key Executive decision and has therefore not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

#### 7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1 With reference to the Council's Constitution, Section 9.3 Area Committees will include budgets for the purpose of providing grants and discretionary budgets that may be used within the area of the Committee for economic, social and environmental well-being. Under the current grant criteria there is no upper limit outlined for grant funding to be allocated which can be decided at the Committee's discretion.
- 7.2 Members are asked to note the information detailed in Appendix 1. Baldock Area Committee Budget Spread sheet, which relates to the Area Committee budget balances for 2021/22. The spreadsheet also details pre-allocated sums carried forward from the previous financial year, including balances and past expenditure.
- 7.3 Funding available for the Committee to allocate during 2021/22 is summarised below:

2020	21 Carry Forward	2021/22 Base Budget	Total Budget
Baldock Town	£1,148	£2,400	£3, 548
Baldock East	£842	£1,000	£1,842
Arbury	£60	£900	£960
Weston & Sandon	£207	£700	£907
	£2,257	£5,000	£7,257

#### 8. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

#### 8.1. Future Grants

The Baldock Community Engagement Officer (CEO) has been working with a number of groups / organisations who are seeking funding support from the Baldock & District Committee. Due to several factors these applications were not able to be tabled at the October meeting so have been deferred until a future meeting. Details of the applications are included in the table below:

Group	Project	Funding Requested
Haven Group	The funding requested is to cover costs for activities planned for those at the Shelter at Templars, Baldock for a period of 6 months.	£1,000
Baldock Run Talk Run	This is a group for people who wish to use running to help with mental health and is part of a bigger family nationwide. Funding is requested for hoodies / t-shirts, marketing initiatives and promotional materials.	The group is looking for £750.
Baldock vs Coronavirus Support Group	This group is seeking to assist those who have been adversely affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic. This might include counselling support, careers advice and financial assistance. This group will provide a crucial service in Baldock in the aftermath of the Pandemic	Funding requested to be confirmed
NESSIE (North Herts Emotional Support in Schools Service)	This group is seeking funding support to provide an urgent counselling service to vulnerable children and families needing support following the latest lockdown. NESSIE is currently inundated with requests for	Funding requested is still to be confirmed but will be split between Baldock, Hitchin and Letchworth Committees based on the families being supported within each area. This group has been signposted to the Health

	support in Baldock, Letchworth and Hitchin. This is high-end need where the children have neurodiversity and have experienced trauma.	Protection Board Covid Recovery Fund by the Baldock Community Engagement Officer. If successful in gaining funding the group will not need to approach the Baldock & District Committee.
Baldock Menopause Group	This group is seeking funding support to assist with room hire costs and publicity costs.	Funding requested is still to be confirmed.
Ashwell Tennis Club	This group is seeking funding support to assist with costs for a new clubhouse. The group will be submitting an application once it has the necessary planning permissions in place. As this is a private club it will not be able to apply for \$106 monies.	Funding requested is still to be confirmed.

#### 8.2 Community Engagement Updates

#### 8.2.1 Baldock Big Lunch

The Baldock Big Lunch was due to be held for a ninth time on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July but was unfortunately cancelled just a week before the event due to the ongoing Pandemic and concerns about social distancing. The new date for the event in 2022 was originally Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June but this has been amended now to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June to coincide with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

#### 8.2.2 Baldock Chartered Street Fair

The Baldock Chartered Street Fair returned to Baldock at the start of October. The Fair pulled on to the High Street at midnight on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October and operated on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

The Baldock Community Engagement Officer (CEO) was in attendance to oversee the arrival of the Fair and arranged the safety Walk Round with the emergency services prior to the Fair opening to the Public on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

At the close of the Fair, the Baldock CEO organised the safe return of all the street furniture that was removed to allow for the safe arrival of the Fair.

The Baldock Chartered Street Fair was well supported by the residents of the town and passed without incident.

#### 8.2.3 Baldock Beast Half Marathon

The Baldock Beast Half Marathon was held for a ninth time on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October and was supported by 350 runners. The Baldock CEO provided pre-event support in terms of assistance with paperwork required by North Herts Safety Advisory Group (SAG) and also promotion of the event on social media.

In the weeks leading up to the event the Baldock CEO assisted with the advanced warning signage of the route and assisted with the recruitment of marshals for the race.

On race day the Baldock CEO checked the course prior to the race start, provided marshal support at a crucial junction and removed all signage from the course following the close of the race.

The Baldock Beast Half Marathon continues to be a popular event amongst runners and a crucial income generator for the Baldock Events Forum.

The Baldock Beast Half Marathon will be returning to Baldock on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

#### 8.2.4 Baldock EcoFest Event

The Baldock CEO provided support to the organisers of the first EcoFest Event in Baldock on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The Baldock CEO assisted the organisers with the paperwork as required by North Herts SAG and also suspended the parking bays within the town for the safe set up and use of the traders on the day.

The event was supported by 14 organisations all raising awareness about Environmental Issues and was well attended by residents and visitors to Baldock.

#### 8.2.5 Baldock Remembrance Service

The Baldock CEO supported both the Letchworth & Baldock Remembrance Services in November. The Baldock CEO provided support with all the paperwork required for the event by the North Herts SAG including road closure applications and risk assessments.

The Baldock CEO suspended the parking in the High Street car park to allow more space for the Parade and spectators and to allow for social distancing, and also provided marshal support on the day.

#### 8.2.6 Baldock Community Fireworks

The Baldock Community Fireworks returned to St Marys School for a second time on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November. As well as supporting the event organiser with event paperwork, the Baldock CEO also assisted with the site plan and risk assessment for the event and provided marshal support on the day.

The event was a great success and was attended by 2000 residents from Baldock and the surrounding area. As well as the fireworks, spectators were also treated to songs from the musicals from a London Choir, funfair rides and a food court courtesy of Street Food Heroes.

The event was an income generator for St Marys School PTA and a percentage of the profit from the event will also be donated to local good causes.

#### 8.2.7 Farmers on Christmas Lights Tour

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December there will be a parade of up to 50 tractors all decorated and lit up for Christmas, visiting Baldock, Letchworth and Hitchin. This event is a fundraiser for the Garden House Hospice. The Baldock CEO is providing advice to the organisers regarding the paperwork and licences required and is also assisting with promoting the event on social media.

#### 8.2.8 Baldock Christmas Market

The Baldock Christmas Market event will be returning to Baldock on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December. The event will include live music, funfair rides, community stalls and a food court and will finish with the switch on of the Baldock Christmas Tree Lights. The Baldock CEO has been assisting the group with event planning and will also arrange the suspension of car parking for the event and assist with event set up.

#### 8.2.9 Ashwell Recreation Ground

The Baldock CEO is assisting Ashwell Parish Council to find funding for new play equipment for the recreation ground. The Baldock CEO has identified £26k from S106 Play Space that can be utilised for this project. The Baldock CEO will be meeting with the Parish Council in the coming months to move this project forward. Due to the ongoing Pandemic, it has not yet been possible to set up a meeting amongst all parties but this will be further investigated in 2022.

#### 8.2.10 Support Local - Shopping Initiative

The Baldock CEO is assisting with the roll out of 'Love Your Herts High Street' shopping bags to encourage people to shop locally. Bags will be available at Baldock Community Centre and will also be handed out at local community events including the Baldock Christmas Market.

#### 8.3 **Highways Matters**

- 8.3.1 This section is included within the community update report for each committee cycle to facilitate debate and enable appropriate feedback on any of the proposed or listed Highways related schemes.
- 8.3.2 Any new proposals or revised schemes will be forwarded to the respective Herts County Councillor for consideration who will in turn report back and advise the Committee accordingly.

#### 9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Sections 9.8.1 (a) and 9.8.1 (b) of the Council's Constitution in respect of the Area Committees' Terms of Reference, notes the following:- To allocate discretionary budgets within the terms determined by the Council and to allocate devolved budgets and activities within the terms determined by the Council. This is outlined in the current Grant Policy agreed by Cabinet in January 2020. Section 9.8.2 (h) of the Constitution in respect of Area Committees' Terms of Reference notes that they may:- Establish and maintain relationships with outside bodies/voluntary organisations operating specifically with the area including, where appropriate, the provision of discretionary grant aid/financial support etc. but excluding grants for district-wide activities.
- 9.2 Chapter 1, s1-8 of the Localism Act 2011 provides a General Power of Competence which gives local authorities the powers to do anything provided that it is not specifically prohibited in legislation.
- 9.3 Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides specific authority for the Council to incur expenditure on anything which is in the interests of and will bring direct benefit to its area. This includes a charity or other body operating for public service.

#### 10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 As outlined in Appendix 1 Committee budget 2020/21.
- 10.2 The agreed base budget for this financial year is £5,000. Combined with the carry forward amounts from the 2019/20 financial year, the Committee has £7,257 left to allocate across the 2 remaining meetings.

#### 11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no relevant risk entries that have been recorded on Pentana Risk, the Council's performance and risk system. Individual events should have their own risk assessments in place to mitigate any health and safety issues. Whenever a request for grant funding for equipment is received, the recipient of the funding will be advised to obtain insurance for the item to avoid a repeat request for funding in the event of the equipment being stolen or damaged. There are no pertinent risk implications for the Authority associated with any items within this report.

#### 12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 12.1. In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 12.2. Area committee funding is awarded to community groups that clearly demonstrate positive impact on the community and wider environment. The projects outlined in this report seek to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations.

#### 13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1. The Social Value Act and "go local" requirements do not apply to this report.

#### 14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this report.

#### 15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 There are no pertinent Human Resource implications associated with any items within this report.

#### 16. APPENDICES

16.1 Appendix 1 - 2020/21 financial year budget sheet.

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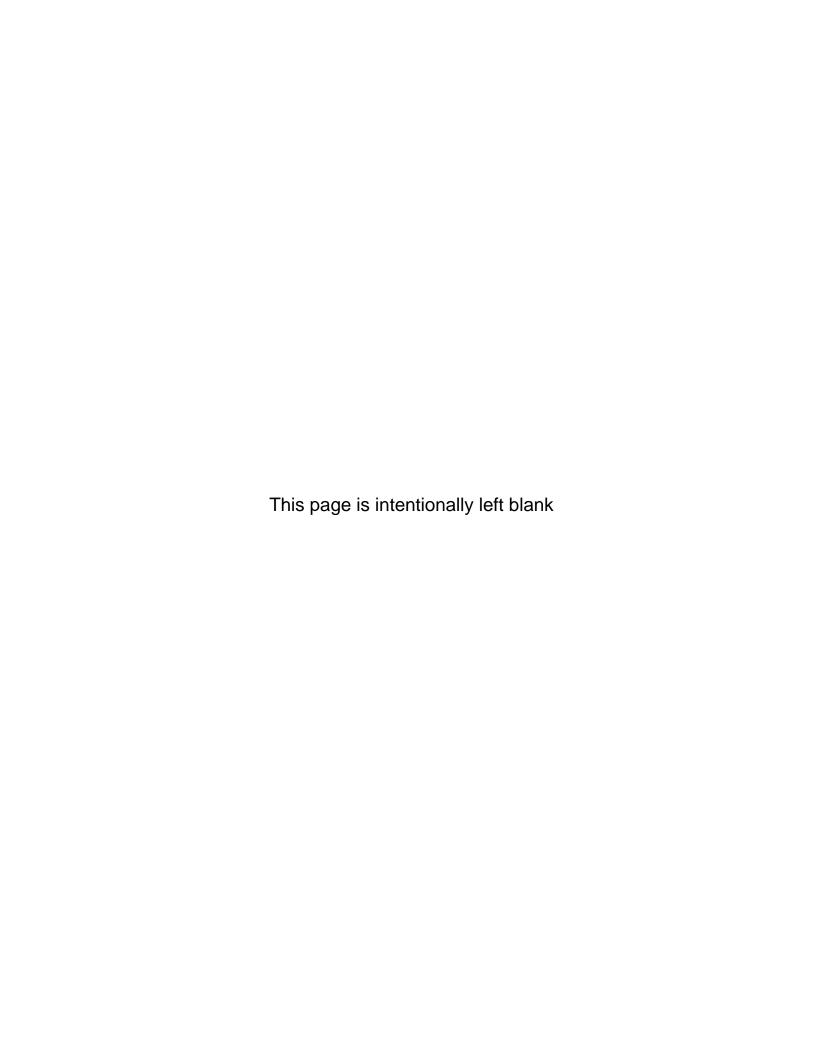
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#### 18. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 18.1 Review of Policies and Procedures for Financial Assistance to Voluntary and Community Organisations, November 2002.
- 18. 2 Review of Grant Policy Cabinet February 2020.



# **FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM 2020/21**

SUMMARY/ TOTALS	Funding	Allocated	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget			
BALDOCK TOWN	£2,528	£1,380	£1,380	£0	£1,148			
BALDOCK EAST	£1,262	£420	£420	£0	£842			
ARBURY	£880	£820	£820	£0	£60			
WESTON & SANDON	£357	£150	£150	£0	£207			
Total	£5,027	£2,770	£2,770	£0	£2,257			

# 2021/22 BUDGETS

SUMMARY/ TOTALS	Funding	Allocated	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget			
BALDOCK TOWN	£2,400	£0	£0	£0	£2,400			
BALDOCK EAST	£1,000	£0	£0	£0	£1,000			
ARBURY	£900	£0	£0	£0	£900			
WESTON & SANDON	£700	£0	£0	£0	£700			
Total	£5,000	£0	£0	£0	£5,000			

BALDOCK TOWN	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	Comments
Funds Brought Forward from 2020/21	£2,528							
		Magic Moments	£380	06/07/21	£380			
		Baldock & District Guides	£1,000	01/11/21	£1,000			
Total	£2,528		£1,380		£1,380	£0	£1,148	

BALDOCK TOWN	Funding	Pro	oject	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
2021/22 Base Budget	£2,400								
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Total	£2,400			£0		£0	£0	£2,400	

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BALDOCK EAST	Funding	Project	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	Budget	<u>Comments</u>	

Funds Brought Forward from 2020/21	£1,262	Magic Moments	£120	6/7/21	£120	£0		
		Baldock & District Guides	£300	1/11/21	£300	£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
Tota	£1,262		£420		£420	£0	£842	

BALDOCK EAST	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
2021/22 Base Budget	£1,000					£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
Tota	£1,000		£0		£0	£0	£1,000	

ARBURY	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
Funds Brought Forward from 2020/21	£880					£0		
		Ashwell Playgroup	£570	05/07/21	£570	£0		
		Greening Ashwell	£250	£44,382	£250	£0		
						£0		
Total	£880		£820		£820	£0	£60	

ARBURY	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	Spent	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
2021/22 Base Budget	£900							
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
Total	£900		£0		£0	£0	£900	

WESTON & SANDON	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
Funds Brought Forward from 2020/21	£357	Baldock & District Guides	£150	01/11/21	£150	£0		
						£0		

		£0					
Total £357 £150 £150 £150 £0 £207	£207	£0	£150	0	£1	£357	Total

WESTON & SANDON	Funding	Project	Allocated	<u>Date</u>	<u>Spent</u>	Outstanding	Unallocated Budget	<u>Comments</u>
2021/22 Base Budget	£700					£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
						£0		
Total	£700		£0		£0	£0	£700	

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