

REPORT TO FORMARTINE AREA COMMITTEE – 9 JUNE 2015

AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET 2015-2016

1 Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that Members consider the proposals for funding.

2 Discussion

- 2.1 The Area Committee budget was set at £52,500 for 2015-16. At its meeting on 24 March, 2015, the Committee agreed the broad allocation of the budget.
- 2.2 Allocations to date are detailed in **Appendix 1** to the report. The balance of funding available for projects is currently **£13,407**.

Tidy Village Scheme 2015/2016

- 2.3 A request has been received from Belhelvie Community Council that Blackdog be added to the list of communities who can apply for an award from the Tidy Village Scheme. This village has not historically received funding but they have indicated a desire to have a Village Orderly.
- 2.4 Local Members and the Committee Chair have been consulted and have suggested that this would be a welcome addition to the scheme, given that Blackdog is a growing settlement and it is also likely to incur dust and debris issues during the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route / A90 works which are being carried out.
- 2.5 If members are in agreement to this addition, it is suggested that the amount that the village would be entitled to would be £500. The monies would require to be transferred from the Area Plan / Community Planning portion of the budget.
- 2.6 The Monitoring Officers within Business Services have been consulted and are satisfied with the contents of the report.

3 Equalities, Staffing and Financial Implications

- 3.1 An equality impact assessment is not required because the recommended actions will not have a differential impact on people with protected characteristics.
- 3.2 There are no particular staffing implications arising from this report and proposals outlined in this report.

3.3 The applications for funding are affordable within the limits of the allocated budget.

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Director of Communities

25 May, 2015

Report prepared by Area Committee Officer

2015-2016 Allocations to Date

	Budget	Projects	Available
	£	£	£
Improving the Appearance of Towns and Villages	16,500		
Town & Village Tidy Scheme		10,000	
Town & Village Enhancement Grant Scheme		4,000	
Formartine In Bloom Scheme		1,500	
Beginning to Blossom Scheme		1,000	0
Hospitality and Events	2,000		2,000
Area Plan/Community Planning	34,000		
Ellon and District Men's Shed		4,000	
Oldmeldrum Sports Committee Ltd		4,000	
Methlick Football Club		1,462	
Royal British Legion Scotland – Fyvie Branch		4,000	
Slains & Collieston Community Council and Collieston Harbour Heritage Group		1,748	
Turriff District Agricultural Association		4,000	
Ellon Farmers' Market		1,383	13,407
TOTAL	52,500	37,093	15,407