

| | Cabinet Member Report |
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| Date: | 26 June 2014 |
| Subject: | Expenditure from the Ward Budget for Little Venice |
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1. Summary

1.1 This report seeks approval for the expenditure of £24,617 from the Ward Budget in order to commission:

Additional recycling collections on a Friday from July 2014 until March 2015 in the Little Venice ward.

Recommendation

That the Cabinet Member for Sports, Leisure and Open Spaces approves the expenditure of £24,617 in respect of the above proposal detailed in the report.

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Cabinet Member for Sports, Leisure and Open Spaces

Date:

26 June 2014

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Title of Report:

Classification:

Report of:

Venice

Wards involved:

Policy context:

Financial summary:

Report Author:

Contact details

Head of Cabinet Secretariat

Expenditure from the Ward Budget for Little

Little Venice

Neighbourhoods Programme

The proposed expenditure of £24,617 from the Ward Budget leaves £21,383 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 2014/15 exists to fund ward based projects.

2. Proposed Projects

2.1 £24,617 will fund additional weekly recycling collections. This proposal has been developed in response to the priority of improving the local environment and encouraging recycling (full details are set out in Appendix A).

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There has been no expenditure from the Little Venice Ward budget to date for the financial year 2014/15.
- 3.2 The proposal for expenditure in this report amounts to £24,617 and leaves £21, 383 available for future allocation.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 The proposals accordingly involve expenditure which is within the City Council's power, and within the guidelines for the use of Ward Budgets.

5. Outstanding Issues

5.1 There are no outstanding issues, all Councillors agree to expenditure.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 The proposals have been put to all Councillors of Little Venice ward and all have agreed.
- 6.2 The proposal for additional recycling collections has been drawn up and verified following consultation with City Management (Waste and Recycling), Finance and Legal.

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.

8. Reason for Decision

8.1 The expenditure is expected to help address the priorities of Little Venice.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect one of the background papers please contact Daniella Bonfanti on 020 7641 5371, email <u>dbonfanti@westminster.gov.uk</u>

Background Papers

Councillor approval, proposal, quote

For completion by the Cabinet Member for the Sports, Leisure and Open Spaces

Declaration of Interest

• I have no interest to declare in respect of this report

Signed Date Councillor Steve Summers, Cabinet Member for Sports, Leisure and Open Spaces

• I have to declare an interest

State nature of interest:

(N.B: If you have an interest you should seek advice as to whether it is appropriate to make a decision in relation to this matter.)

For the reasons set out above, I agree the recommendation(s) in the report entitled **Recommendation(s) for Expenditure from the Ward Budget for Little Venice** and reject any alternative options which are referred to but not recommended.

Date

For Ward Specific Reports Only

In reaching this decision I have given due regard to any representations made by relevant Ward Members.

Date

If you have any additional comment which you would want actioned in connection with your decision you should discuss this with the report author and then set out your comment below before the report and this pro-forma is returned to the Secretariat for processing.

Additional comment:

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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