



	Cabinet Member Report
Date:	3 December 2018
Subject:	Expenditure from the Ward Budget for Knightsbridge and Belgravia
1. Summary 1.1 This report seeks approval for the expenditure of £46,000 from the Knightsbridge and Belgravia Ward Budget in order to commission: (a) One Basement Enforcement Officer dedicated to Knightsbridge and Belgravia for one year. Recommendation That the Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Education and Community approves expenditure of £46,000 in respect of the above proposal detailed in the report.	



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Classification:	For General Release
Title of Report:	Expenditure from the Knightsbridge and Belgravia Ward Budget
Report of:	Head of Cabinet Secretariat
Wards involved:	Knightsbridge and Belgravia
Policy context:	Neighbourhoods Programme
Financial summary:	The proposed expenditure of £46,000 from the Knightsbridge and Belgravia Ward Budget leaves £0 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.
- 1.2 Budget provision of £46,000 per ward for the financial year 2018/19 exists to fund ward-based projects.

2. Proposed Projects

- 2.1 £46,000 will contribute towards the cost of the post of one Basement Enforcement Officer dedicated to Knightsbridge and Belgravia in the Planning Enforcement Team at Westminster City Council. Ward budget funding is required for a fixed term contract for a Basement Enforcement Officer where a substantive post in Planning is being backfilled.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 Expenditure and approvals in process from the Knightsbridge and Belgravia ward budget to date total £0 leaving **£46,000** to be allocated.
- 3.2 The proposals for expenditure in this report amount to **£46,000** and leaves **£0** available for future allocation.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 Section 1 of the Localism Act, aka "the general power of competence" enables authorities "to do anything that individuals generally may do". The proposals within this report are consistent with the Council exercising this power.

5. Outstanding Issues

- 5.1 There are no outstanding issues.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 The proposals have been agreed by all Councillors from all wards involved
- 6.2 The proposal for the Basement Enforcement Officer has been drawn up and verified following consultation with the Council's Planning Enforcement team 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 Gemma Jones on 020 7641 3411, email gjones1@westminster.gov.uk

For completion by the Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Education and Community

Declaration of Interest

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

Signed Date
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community

- I have to declare an interest

State nature of interest:
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Signed Date
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Education and Community

(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 Knightsbridge and Belgravia Ward Budget** and reject any alternative options which are referred to but not recommended.

Signed
Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Education and Community

Date

<p>For Ward Specific Reports Only</p> <p>In reaching this decision I have given due regard to any representations made by relevant Ward Members.</p> <p>Signed Councillor David Harvey, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Education and Community</p> <p>Date</p>

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:

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