

REPORT TO: Cabinet Member –Communities
Cabinet

DATE: 4th November 2009
25th November 2009

SUBJECT: Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership Capital Allocation

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

REPORT OF: Amanda Langan, Assistant Chief Executive
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**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To update the Members on the capital spend allocation of Area Based Grant effecting the Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To effectively inform members of the capital spend of Area Based Grant effecting the Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership and to request that the project spend be included in the Capital Programme.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:

1. Members note the contents of the report
2. Recommend that Cabinet include the project in the Capital Programme amounting to £79,711 in 2009/10 and, subject to Home Office confirmation, £79,711 in 2010/11 to be fully funded from Home Office grant.

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN: No

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: N/A

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework: There are no additional revenue or capital financial implications for Sefton as all expenditure is to be fully funded from Home Office Grant.

Finance:

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/10 £	2010/11 £	2011/12 £	2012/13 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	79,711	79,711		
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	79,711	79,711		
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N				
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal: To ensure that Sefton Safer Stronger Communities Partnership capital spend profiles is compliant with Home Office grant claim terms and conditions

Risk Assessment: Sefton is compliant with the terms and conditions of Home Office grant

Asset Management: None

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

FD 120 – The Finance Director has been consulted and his comments have been incorporated into this report.

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community			
2	Creating Safe Communities	√		
3	Jobs and Prosperity			
4	Improving Health and Well-Being			
5	Environmental Sustainability			
6	Creating Inclusive Communities			
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy			
8	Children and Young People			

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The Safer and Stronger Communities Fund (SSCF) was established in April 2006 that saw several existing ODPM and Home Office funding streams, which share a number of closely related objectives, merge. The SSCF was funding directed through the CDRP to tackle crime, reduce the harm caused by illegal drugs, addressing anti-social behaviour and improving the poor condition of streets and other public spaces. In addition to the revenue component the SSCF also had a small capital component.
- 1.2 The amount of capital grant available to Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership is currently £79,711 and remained consistent over the last 3 years. This grant is provided to support the delivery of projects that will contribute to the achievement of the outcomes, targets and indicators in the Local Area Agreement eg target hardening vulnerable victims of hate crime, domestic violence and for residents who have suffered a series of acquisitive crime, such as burglary
- 1.3 In April 2008 the SSCF was incorporated into the Area Based Grant but retains its £79,711 capital allocation. All allocations approved deliver outcomes as set in the Local Area Agreement and are reported to GONW on an annual basis.

Recommendations

It is proposed that the Cabinet Member :-

1. Note the content of the report
2. Recommend that Cabinet include this project in the Capital Programme amounting to £79,711 in 2009/10 and subject to Home Office confirmation, £79,711 per annum in future years.