

## WARD BASED BUDGETS

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### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 To report the uptake by Councillors of the Ward Based Budget scheme as at 30 September 2009.

### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the contents of this report be noted.
- 2.2 That Councillors be reminded of the existence of the Scheme and be encouraged to use budgets available to them.

### 3. Issues and Choices

- 3.1 This year the Council has established Ward budgets to enable all Councillors to have the ability to make a small, but vital contribution to projects carried out in their local communities by local organisations.
- 3.2 Each Councillor has been allocated a budget of £2,000 to spend during the 2009/10 Council year on Ward based issues.
- 3.3 Unused elements of individual Ward budgets cannot be carried forward year on year as the objective is to have more activity for Councillors in their local communities.
- 3.4 All requests to spend the 2009/10 Ward budget must be approved by 31 March 2010 at the latest.
- 3.5 Detailed Guidance Notes and an application form were issued to Councillors during the summer.
- 3.6 So far two applications have been received and approved. Two further applications have been received and are awaiting approval. Details of the applications are attached as an **Annex**.

4. **Implications**

4.1 Policy

As part of the budget setting process the Council agreed a a budget of £2,000 for each Councillor to spend during the 2009/10 Council year on Ward based issues.

4.2 Resources and Risk

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Capital	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revenue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accommodation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium Term Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Asset Management

4.3 Legal

None under the current guidance for use of the Ward Based Budgets.

4.4 Other Implications

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Equalities / Diversity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sustainability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Human Rights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E-Government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Stakeholders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Crime and Disorder

Background Papers:           Ward Based Budgets – Guidance Notes for Members

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Ward	Councillor	Date Approved	Amount £	Balance £	Name of Organisation	Purpose / Objective
Danesborough	HOPKINS, David	21/09/2009 <i>Pending</i>	500.00 500.00	2000.00 1500.00 1000	Woburn Sands Town Council <i>Wavendon Parish Council</i>	Preperation of Parish Plan <i>Preperation of Parish Plan</i>
Eaton Manor	EDWARDS, Reg	23/07/2009	1,204	2000.00 796.00	East Bletchley Youth Community Group	Extra summer activities for young people on Lakes Estate
Stony Stratford	CARSTENS, Brin	<i>Pending</i>	770.00	2000.00 1230.00	<i>Queen Eleanor Primary School</i>	<i>Forest Schools Equipment for the Nursery Class</i>