

15 December 2014

Agenda Item: 5

## **REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

### **COUNCILLORS' DIVISIONAL FUND MONITORING REPORT**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To inform committee of grants awarded under the Councillors' Divisional Fund (CDF), and to report on the two grants audited for compliance with the CDF Policy and Guidance, and identify two further grants for audit.

#### **Information and Advice**

2. Policy Committee on 7 May 2014 approved a revised Policy and Guidance for the CDF, following the decision in the County Council budget to reduce the amount available from £10,000 to £5,000 per member.
3. Grants awarded during 2014/15 to 20 November 2014 are listed in the attached appendix.
4. Between five and ten applications annually will be subject of an audit which will include ensuring that the monies provided have been spent in accordance with the application made.
5. The first two applications selected for audit were

Misterton: Cllr L Yates

Ranskill Nursery – purchase new literacy resources for children

Worksop North: Cllr S Fielding

Worksop Society of Artists – 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary summer exhibition

In both cases, the grant was spent in accordance with the application.

6. The next grants to be audited are:

Carlton East: Cllr N Brooks

Burton Joyce Primary School – DARE Project

Warsop: Cllr J Allin

New Writers UK Ltd – Children's summer writing competition

The findings of these audits will be reported to Committee on 23 March 2014.

### **Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

7. This report complies with the revised Policy and Guidance approved by Policy Committee on 7 May 2014.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) That the monitoring report on the Councillors' Divisional Fund be noted, and the outcome of the audits be reported in the next quarterly report.

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### **Constitutional Comments (SLB 27/11/14)**

9. Finance and Property Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

### **Financial Comments (SEM 3/12/14)**

10. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Report to Policy Committee, 7 May 2014

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

- All