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**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES**

**02 December 2021**

**Report of the Director of Public Health**

**Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership Grant Allocations**

**1. Divisions Affected**

- 1.1 Erewash Divisions:  
Breadsall and West Hallam  
Breaston  
Ilkeston East  
Ilkeston South  
Ilkeston West  
Long Eaton  
Petersham  
Sandiacre  
Sawley

**2. Key Decision**

- 2.1 No

**3. Purpose**

- 3.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities for grant awards to Erewash Voluntary Action to support the delivery of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership priorities of improving health and wellbeing outcomes, and reducing health inequalities in Erewash.

3.2 The Cabinet Member for Health and Communities is asked to:

- a) Approve a grant award of £99,013 for Erewash Voluntary Action to act as fund holder for the 2021-22 Public Health Locality Programme investment allocation to the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- b) Approve a grant award of £22,857 for Erewash Voluntary Action to lead the Connect Erewash Steering Group and deliver on the associated social connectedness action plan on behalf of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- c) Approve a grant award of £0.1m for Erewash Voluntary Action to act as fund holder for the children and young people's mental health and emotional wellbeing locality and placed-based approach investment for 2021-22 and 2022-23 on behalf of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership and the Erewash Locality Children's Partnership.

#### **4. Information and Analysis**

- 4.1 The Public Health Localities and Place-based approach delivers a broad range of locally agreed projects and programmes which aim to improve population health and wellbeing outcomes, and to reduce health inequalities. These projects and programmes are agreed through local Health and Wellbeing Partnerships. The Public Health Localities and Place-based work is integral to addressing the wider determinants of health and wellbeing at a local level.
- 4.2 The Health and Wellbeing Partnership in Erewash has developed a shared commitment across a broad range of statutory, community, and, voluntary sector organisations to work locally to maximise health and wellbeing outcomes for the people of Erewash. The Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership aims to deliver an asset-based Community Wellness programme that is community driven and place-based.
- 4.3 The Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership is committed to a shift to the Community Wellness Approach which supports and enables leadership from people and communities in the identification and development of community-led solutions within the locality programme by building trust between partners and communities. The Community Wellness Approach complements the Thriving Communities Programme which also aims to build relationships and trust with communities.
- 4.4 The Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership is supported by an Executive Group of key strategic partners who meet regularly to appraise investment decisions. The Executive Group includes representatives from the following partner organisations: Derbyshire County Council

Public Health, Erewash Voluntary Action, Erewash Borough Council, Active Derbyshire, and, the Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group Erewash Place Alliance Group.

- 4.5 For 2021-22 the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership was allocated £99,013 as part of the ongoing Public Health Localities and Place-based programme investment. Currently Derbyshire County Council holds this funding for the work of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership, rather than a locality partner as in other areas, and normal financial regulations are followed when funding is allocated to an external partner.
- 4.6 The Executive Group of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership and Erewash Voluntary Action have now agreed that this funding will be held by Erewash Voluntary Action on behalf of the Partnership. This approach will bring the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnerships financial governance arrangements in line with other districts and boroughs.
- 4.7 Investment decisions relating to the Public Health Localities and Place-based programme investment will continue to be appraised by the Executive Group of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership to ensure decisions are in line with the Partnerships agreed principles and ways of working. Monitoring arrangements will continue to be agreed with the Council.
- 4.8 In June 2021 the Public Health Senior Management Team approved the additional allocation of £22,857 to the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership to support the ongoing locality social connectedness work. In Erewash this work is led by Erewash Voluntary Action who continue to manage the Connect Erewash Steering Group and are accountable to the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership for the delivery of the associated social connectedness action plan.
- 4.9 In March 2021 the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities gave approval for the allocation of £0.1m to the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership to enable the delivery of a preventative local place-based approach to supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of children and young people, over a two year period from April 2021. Erewash partners have agreed joint governance arrangements for this approach across the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership and the Erewash Locality Children's Partnership, and, for Erewash Voluntary Action to act as the fund holder for this investment on behalf of these groups. Investment decisions will be appraised by the Executive Group of the

Health and Wellbeing Partnership and the Chair or Vice Chair of the Erewash Locality Children's Partnership.

## **5. Alternative Options Considered**

5.1 Do nothing

5.2 This option is not considered appropriate as this could hinder progress on the delivery of a number of the key priorities of the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership, which aim to improve population health and wellbeing outcomes, and to reduce health inequalities in Erewash. Additionally, Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership's financial governance arrangements would continue to differ from the other districts and boroughs.

5.3 Reject the grant awards as detailed in this report.

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## **7. Implications**

7.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

## **8. Background Papers**

8.1 CABINET Report of the Director of Public Health Public, Health Localities and Place-based Programme & Investment 2020/21 and 2021/22, 16 March 2020.

<https://democracy.derbyshire.gov.uk/documents/s3059/6h%20Public%20Health%20Localities.pdf>

8.2 MINUTES of a meeting of CABINET held on 16 March 2020 at County Hall, Matlock.

<https://democracy.derbyshire.gov.uk/documents/s3211/2020-03-16%20Cab%20Minsv2.pdf>

- 8.3 CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITITES Report of the Director of Public Health, Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing of Children and Young People: A locality approach

<https://democracy.derbyshire.gov.uk/documents/s6291/Mental%20Health%20and%20Emotional%20Wellbeing%20of%20Children%20and%20Young%20People.pdf>

- 8.4 PUBLIC HEALTH SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM Public Health Localities and Place-based programme – Funding approval for ongoing Derbyshire Social Connectedness Work (2021 / 2022) June 2021

## **9. Appendices**

- 9.1 Appendix 1- Implications.

## **10. Recommendation(s)**

That the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities:

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## **11. Reasons for Recommendation(s)**

- 10.1 Cabinet Member approval is required for grant awards to external organisations up to £100,000.

**12. Is it necessary to waive the call in period?**

12.1 No

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### Implications

#### **1. Financial**

- 1.1 For 2021-22 the Erewash Health and Wellbeing Partnership was allocated £99,013 as part of the ongoing Public Health Localities and Place-based programme investment, £22,857 as part the Public Health ongoing Social Connectedness work, and, £0.1m (2021-22 – 2022-23) as part of the locality approach to supporting the mental health and emotional wellbeing of children and young people investment. Funding will be from the Public Health ring-fenced Grant budget.

#### **2. Legal**

- 2.1 The Public Health Commissioning Team have undertaken work to update the governance process for transferring investment allocations to fund holding partners on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing Partnerships.
- 2.2 The Derbyshire County Council Public Health Localities team will ensure grant agreements are in place in line with the Public Health Localities and Placed-based approach and ensure appropriate monitoring agreements are in place.
- 2.3 The Council's Financial Regulations state that grants up to £100,000 require Cabinet Member authorisation.
- 2.4 The Council's standard grant agreement shall be used to set out the terms and conditions for which the grants are made, which provides for clawback of funding in certain circumstances and shall also provide that the Council is not liable for any employment liabilities.

#### **3. Human Resources**

- 3.1 None identified.

#### **4. Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

- 4.1 The locality programme in Public Health supports the Council Plan priorities in relation to 'resilient, healthy and safe communities' and 'effective early help for individuals and communities'.

