

Allocation of Area Based Grant 2008/09

Recommendations to County Council:

That :

- (i) £13.053 million of Area Based Grant (ABG) is allocated to the named Directorates, for 2008/09, as shown in Table 1 of the report to meet the commitments detailed in Appendix A to the report.
- (ii) £5.686 million of ABG is delegated to the PSB in 2008/09 to allocate to deliver the priorities of the new LAA, subject to the existing commitments of £5.260 million, for 2008/09, being met, as outlined in Appendix B to the report.
- (iii) £0.493 million of ABG is allocated to the named Directorates, for 2008/09, to meet the new mandatory requirements facing the authority as outlined in Paragraph 5.5 of the report.
- (iv) £0.945 million of ABG is allocated, in 2008/09, in accordance with previous decisions as outlined in paragraph 5.6 of the report.
- (v) £1.886 million of ABG is allocated, as a one-year allocation in 2008/09 only, in accordance with Appendix E to the report, subject to demonstrating to the PSB that the spending contributes to Narrowing the Gap.
- (vi) An additional £1 million be allocated, as a one-year allocation in 2008/09 only, for
 - a. £400,000 is allocated to Nuneaton and Bedworth LSP for 2008/09 only in respect of their Narrowing the Gap bid, subject to approval, by the PSB, of a spending plan for this allocation, and
 - b. £100,000 should be allocated to each of North Warwickshire, Rugby, Warwick and Stratford LSPs for 2008/09 only against bid 1 on Appendix F, subject to the resources being used to support the Narrowing the Gap agenda in their communities and on the approval of an action plan approved by the PSB.
 - c. £200,000 to the LAA Safer Communities Themed Block, in 2008/09 only.
- (vii) All the allocations in respect of recommendations (v) and (vi) above are dependent on the production of a satisfactory exit strategy prior to any funding being released.
- (viii) All services funded by the allocations in recommendations (v) and (vi) above will have the opportunity to apply for longer term funding as part of the 2009/10 PSB/County Council budget process. On-going funding

will be limited therefore all schemes funded in recommendations (v) and (vi) will not be funded in perpetuity.

- (ix) The £1 million one-off funding supporting recommendation (v) and (vi) above will be taken from the Virtual Bank and repaid by top-slicing the LPSA Reward Grant before its distribution to the PSB for allocation.
- (x) That the Strategic Directors of Environment and Economy and Performance and Development bring a report to a future Cabinet meeting on integrating the work of the Road Safety Partnership with that of the LAA.
- (xi) The 2009/10 budget cycle for the allocation of ABG should be aligned to that of the County Council and key partner agencies.
- (xii) A rigorous joint scrutiny exercise should be carried out in respect of all work funded by ABG in readiness for the 2009/10 budget round in order to more clearly identify the outcomes achieved through the deployment of these resources.