



REPORT FOR DECISION

Item No:- FC23/075

Committee:-	Finance and Governance Committee
Date:-	28 th February 2024
Author:-	Martin Hammond, Clerk
Report Title:-	Use of Ward Initiative Fund underspend
Wards Affected:-	All, but also All Saints for one potential award

1. Purpose of Report

To allocate monies from the ward initiative fund underspend

2. Recommendations

Members' views are sought.

3. Information

- 3.1. The Committee at its last meeting agreed to use the underspend in the 2023 ward initiatives fund to make awards to those organisations which had bid into the summer 2023 grants award for the voluntary and community sector and not had an award or who had only partially succeeded.
- 3.2. There were three organisations who members scored highly enough to attract funds but which were not supported in full or at all because of the lack of funds. These were

Organisation	Amount Requested	Amount awarded
Homestart	£5000	£1015
Kettering Food Bank	£5000	£2000
William St Community Garden	£2379	£0

3.3. The amount of the underspend is £2350. Members can allocate it to one organisation or divide it between two or three.

3.4. The original application forms are reproduced at Appendix A

4. Consultation and Engagement

. None

5. Finance, Legal and Resource Implications

.None – this uses up the available budget.

6. Climate change implications

The William St community garden would provide some additional bio diversity but is more focused on support for people, which the other two applications are entirely about.

7. Policy Implications

The Council's policy is make best use of its resources.

Background Papers

None
