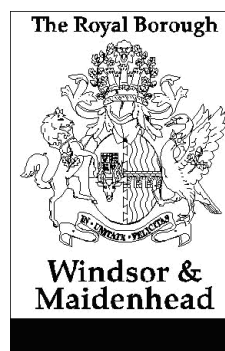


Report for: ACTION



<b>Contains Confidential or Exempt Information</b>	NO - Part I
<b>Title</b>	Schools Participatory Budget Scheme – Summer Term 2016 voting round
<b>Responsible Officer(s)</b>	Russell O’Keefe, Strategic Director of Corporate and Community Services
<b>Contact officer, job title and phone number</b>	David Scott, Head of Governance, Partnerships, Performance & Policy 01628 796748
<b>Member reporting</b>	Cllr Samantha Rayner, Lead Member for Culture and Communities
<b>For Consideration By</b>	Cabinet Participatory Budgeting Sub Committee (CPBSC)
<b>Date to be Considered</b>	14 July 2016
<b>Implementation Date if Not Called In</b>	Immediately
<b>Affected Wards</b>	All

### REPORT SUMMARY

1. This report sets out the results of the Schools Participatory Budget (PB) scheme for projects voted for by the public during the Summer Term 2016.
2. It recommends that Members award up to £6,000 to 5 or more projects based on public voting. This is the first of three rounds of voting for the 2016/17 financial year.
3. These recommendations are being made to ensure the Council delivers on its Participatory Budgeting commitments.

### If recommendations are adopted, how will residents benefit?

Benefits to residents and reasons why they will benefit	Dates by which residents can expect to notice a difference
1. The Schools PB Scheme allows schools to access pots of money for specific projects.	Dependant upon when the particular school project that is awarded funding is implemented.
2. The Schools PB Scheme provides the opportunity for students to engage in a democratic process and to take real decisions about how a limited resource is spent. The scheme recognises that all pupils have something to contribute towards making their school and community a better place in which to live, work and learn.	Ongoing

## 1. DETAILS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Cabinet Participatory Budgeting Sub Committee allocates the Schools Participatory Budget funds as they deem appropriate based on the results of the public voting, up to £6,000 per project.

## 2. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S) AND OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 The Schools Participatory Budget scheme was launched earlier this year and the first round of voting commenced in April 2016, running until 1 July 2016. A total of 15 projects took part in the first voting round and the full breakdown of votes cast for the projects can be found in Appendix A. A summary of all 15 projects together with details on funding amounts requested is attached at Appendix B.
- 2.2 Schools/school groups are able to apply for up to £6,000 per voting round to support their project, which will enable 5 or more projects to be supported each voting round. There are three voting rounds to coincide with the three school terms.
- 2.3 It was agreed that a weighting be applied to the votes cast to ensure that those schools with smaller pupil numbers are not disadvantaged in terms of potential voting numbers. Appendix C details the weighting applied to the voting for those projects submitted for each individual school. The weighting is based on the total pupil number per school based on the latest school census figure (October 2015).
- 2.4 The top 6 projects with the highest number of weighting adjusted votes are:
- The Royal CE (Crown Aided) School, with a weighted total of 745
  - Knowl Hill CE Academy, with a weighted total of 342
  - Braywood CE First School, with a weighted total of 258
  - Waltham St Lawrence Primary School, with a weighted total of 250
  - Trevelyan Middle School, with a weighted total of 245
  - Furze Platt Junior School, with a weighted total of 216.
- 2.5 The total number of votes cast was 8,454.

Option	Comments
Award up to £6,000 to five or more of the projects.	This is the first of three voting rounds for 2016/17. There is £100,000 in the budget for the 2016/17 financial year (£33,000 to be allocated in each voting round).

## 3. KEY IMPLICATIONS

Defined Outcomes	Unmet	Met	Exceeded	Significantly Exceeded	Date they should be delivered by
% of allocated budget spend in accordance with agreed criteria.	<90%	90 - 99%	100%	n/a	31 March 2017

#### 4. FINANCIAL DETAILS

##### Financial impact on the budget

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Capital £100,000	Capital £'000	Capital £'000
Allocated	£0	£0	£0

#### 5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None

#### 6. VALUE FOR MONEY

6.1 Participatory Budgeting (PB) allows residents to influence how funding is allocated; ensuring the budget is spent to benefit their local communities in areas and on issues which are important to them. Voting is conducted online to minimise bureaucracy and cost.

#### 7. SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT APPRAISAL

7.1 None.

#### 8. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risks	Uncontrolled Risk	Controls	Controlled Risk
Lack of voting to the online survey and a consequent failure to have enough people contributing to the PB initiative.	Medium	Ensure that each school is aware that they are responsible for their own marketing to ensure that they receive enough votes to be awarded funds.	Low
Insufficient choice is offered to residents to vote on/ donate their points to	Medium	Schools will be contacted regularly to identify schemes to be added, with marketing assistance to ensure that under-represented areas or projects in the community have an equal opportunity at attracting votes.	Low
Specific interest or pressure groups take over specific bids from schools to ensure that their own ends and requirements are met.	Medium	Members ultimately retain the democratic right to award or not award public money to specific projects that have been nominated by specific schools and voted on	Low

## **9. LINKS TO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

9.1 If adopted, these recommendations will support the following strategic objectives:

### Residents First

- Support Children and Young People
- Encourage Healthy People and Lifestyles
- Improve the Environment, Economy and Transport
- Work for safer and stronger communities

### Value for Money

- Deliver Economic Services
- Invest in the future

### Delivering Together

- Enhanced Customer Services
- Deliver Effective Services
- Strengthen Partnerships

### Equipping Ourselves for the Future

- Changing Our Culture

## **10. EQUALITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS AND COMMUNITY COHESION**

10.1 None

## **11. STAFFING/WORKFORCE AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS**

11.1 None

## **12. PROPERTY AND ASSETS**

12.1 None

## **13. ANY OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

13.1 None

## **14. CONSULTATION**

14.1 None.

## **15. TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Details</b>
15/07/2016	Following approval by the Cabinet Participatory Budget Sub Committee, arrangements will be made to send the funding to the successful school projects immediately.

## **16. APPENDICES**

16.1 Appendix A – Results of Voting – Summer Term 2016  
Appendix B – Summary of projects and funding requested

Appendix C – Weighting of Votes by School

**17. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

17.1 None

**18. CONSULTATION (MANDATORY)**

<b>Name of consultee</b>	<b>Post held and Department</b>	<b>Date sent</b>	<b>Date received</b>	<b>See comments in paragraph:</b>
<b>Internal</b>				
Russell O’Keefe	Director of Corporate and Community Services	05/07/16		
Cllr Samantha Rayner	Lead Member for Culture and Communities	05/07/16		
Richard Bunn	Head of Finance	05/07/16		
Michaela Rizou	Cabinet Policy Assistant	05/07/16		

**REPORT HISTORY**

<b>Decision type:</b>	<b>Urgency item?</b>
Non-key decision	No

<b>Full name of report author</b>	<b>Job title</b>	<b>Full contact no:</b>
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## Schools Participatory Budgeting - Results of Voting - Summer Term 2016

School	Number on Roll*	Weighting	Votes received	Weighted total	Amount Requested	
The Royal CE (Crown Aided) School	96	1.0417	715	745	£6,000	1
Knowl Hill CE Academy	91	1.0989	311	342	£6,000	2
Braywood CE First School	141	0.7092	364	258	£6,000	3
Waltham St. Lawrence Primary School	113	0.8850	283	250	£6,000	4
Trevelyan Middle School	438	0.2283	1075	245	£6,000	5
Furze Platt Junior School	347	0.2882	748	216	£6,000	6
Eton Wick CE First School	158	0.6329	261	165	£6,000	7
St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary School	404	0.2475	526	130	£5,316	8
Kings Court First School	233	0.4292	292	125	£5,389	9
Charters School	1737	0.0576	2054	118	£6,000	10
St. Edward's Royal Free Middle School (Sensory Garden)	455	0.2198	536	118	£6,000	11
Churchmead School	407	0.2457	370	91	£6,000	12
Desborough College	666	0.1502	467	70	£6,000	13
Oakfield First School	296	0.3378	189	64	£4,000	14
St. Edward's Royal Free Middle School (Playground)	455	0.2198	263	58	£6,000	15

\* School Census figure as at October 2015

**SUMMARY OF PROJECTS AND FUNDING REQUESTED**

A brief summary of the project bids taken from the applications:

1. 

<b>The Royal CE (Crown Aided) School – Cookery Area</b>			
Refurbish an under used space in our school to provide our pupils with a dedicated room to be used for arts, crafts and cooking activities. Currently we have no dedicated space for these activities and cooking, in particular, is very challenging for us to do properly.			
<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000		
<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b>	1
  
2. 

<b>Knowl Hill CE Academy – School Improvement Project</b>			
Over the last 18 months, the numbers on roll have increased significantly and additional classrooms are essential to provide adequate teaching space for one form entry. The first phase of the programme to enlarge and improve the school buildings is due to be completed by December 2016.			
<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000		
<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b>	1
  
3. 

<b>Braywood CE First School – Church Yard</b>			
A large project where we refurbish the Oakley Green Church Yard together with a research project where we find out more about the WW1 soldiers who used to live in our local community.			
<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000.		
<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b>	1
  
4. 

<b>Trevelyan Middle School - Sport England Match Funding: Refurbishment of outdoor games/play areas</b>			
The project is to extend and replace the hard court sports area to create a new floodlit multi sports area, comprising four all-weather tennis and netball courts. This will also extend the outside area for pupils to play.			
<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000		
<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b>	1
  
5. 

<b>Furze Platt Junior School - Healthy Children: Fitness &amp; Exercise Development</b>			
Create a fitness circuit for the children to use in lessons and during break and lunch. Completion of the circuit will gain points towards a 'Healthy Houses' competition.			
<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000		
<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b>	1

6. **Waltham St Lawrence Primary School - Catching Up & Closing The Gap Intervention Programme for Vulnerable Children in EYFS & KS1**  
 We have seven children in EYFS/KS1 who joined us with **no** prior school experience and are currently two years behind their peer groups with half of them having SEND e.g. Speech/ Language and Moderate/Severe Learning Difficulties, requiring desperate support to catch up and meet National Expectations.
- |                           |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £6,000     |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | April 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |
7. **Eton Wick CE First School - Early Year Outdoor Play Development**  
 We have been looking at the development of our Early Years outside area. We have looked at the whole space and how we can divide the areas into different zones of play, using existing resources and creating new areas of play.
- |                           |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £6,000     |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | April 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |
8. **St Edmund Campion Primary School - Installation of shaded area with picnic benches**  
 Installation of eight picnic benches made from recycled plastic bottles and a waterproof shade to provide a covered eating area and outdoor learning environment.
- |                           |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £6,000     |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | April 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |
9. **St Edward's Royal Free Middle School – Sensory and reflection garden**  
 To create a utilitarian space that will give both schools an area for quiet and peaceful reflection.
- |                           |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £6,000     |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | April 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |
10. **Charters School - A Greener and Cleaner Charters Community**  
 To install 10 recycling bins around the Charters site to keep it clean and tidy whilst also raising awareness and increasing knowledge of environmental issues: an initiative that reflects Charters' commitment to sustainable thinking.
- |                           |           |                            |   |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £5,316    |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | June 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |
11. **Kings Court First School - School Hall Acoustic Panels Project**  
 The installation of acoustic panels into the school hall to reduce noise levels. This will facilitate improved communications to provide an enjoyable atmosphere for pupils and staff when used as a dining hall, and also for a variety of other school activities.
- |                           |            |                            |   |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Funding Request</b>    | £5,389     |                            |   |
| <b>Date Project Added</b> | April 2016 | <b>No of Voting Rounds</b> | 1 |



<b>12.</b>	<b>Churchmead School - Update English Corridor and Classrooms with technology and decor</b>		
	To refurbish and update our tired and dated English classrooms and corridor. We plan to remove old tired open fronted cupboards with modern learning walls (concealed storage space and concealed screens) with 65 inch interactive screens into our four classrooms. New student table and teacher desking/PC's are needed. We also require three wireless charging trolleys to house 32 tablets for English, Maths and Science.		
	<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000	
	<b>Date Project Added</b>	May 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b> 1

<b>13.</b>	<b>Desborough College – Teenage Writing Event</b>		
	We would like to invite authors, a lecturer from a University and a journalist to give some lectures and run workshops for the boys at our school celebrating reading and creative writing.		
	<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000	
	<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b> 1

<b>14.</b>	<b>Oakfield First School - Healthy Schools: Raised Vegetable Beds</b>		
	Installation of ten raised beds and polly tunnels for each class, including a shared greenhouse and storage shed for equipment on the school grounds if required so that the children can learn how to plant, grow, maintain and prepare fruit and vegetables. Each class would have ownership and responsibility over their own raised bed and the Headteacher will offer awards for the best kept plot, tastiest produce, variety of produce etc.		
	<b>Funding Request</b>	£4,000	
	<b>Date Project Added</b>	May 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b> 1

<b>15.</b>	<b>St Edward's Royal Free Middle School – Improving playground facilities in line with healthy eating and healthy living</b>		
	We are looking to improve our playground facilities so that there are more practical and engaging physical activities on the KS2 playground and more grown up and social spaces for KS3.		
	<b>Funding Request</b>	£6,000	
	<b>Date Project Added</b>	April 2016	<b>No of Voting Rounds</b> 1

**Appendix C**

**Schools Participatory Budgeting - Weighting of Votes by School**

<b>School</b>	<b>Number on Roll*</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Charters School	1737	0.0576
Furze Platt Senior School	1239	0.0807
Newlands Girls School	1114	0.0898
Cox Green School	859	0.1164
The Windsor Boys' School	844	0.1185
Windsor Girls' School	724	0.1381
Altwood CE School	690	0.1449
Desborough College	666	0.1502
Dedworth Middle School	475	0.2105
Wessex Primary School	468	0.2137
St. Edward's Royal Free Middle School	455	0.2198
Trevelyan Middle School	438	0.2283
Courthouse Junior School	411	0.2433
Churchmead School	407	0.2457
St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary School	404	0.2475
Holyport CE Primary School	390	0.2564
Wraysbury Primary School	377	0.2653
Furze Platt Junior School	347	0.2882
Oldfield Primary School	332	0.3012
St Mary's Catholic Primary School	304	0.3289
Riverside Primary School and Nursery	301	0.3322
Lowbrook Academy	299	0.3344
Alwyn Infant School	298	0.3356
Oakfield First School	296	0.3378
Clewer Green CE Aided First School	288	0.3472
All Saints CE Controlled School	281	0.3559
Datchet St. Mary's School	280	0.3571
St Luke's CE Primary School	273	0.3663
St Edward's Catholic First School	269	0.3717
Furze Platt Infant School	267	0.3745
Holyport College	263	0.3802
Boyne Hill CE Infant School	243	0.4115
Homer First School	238	0.4202
Manor Green School	235	0.4255
Hilltop First School	235	0.4255
Kings Court First School	233	0.4292
South Ascot Village School	233	0.4292
Holy Trinity CE Primary School	229	0.4367
Larchfield Primary School	227	0.4405
St Peter's CE School	226	0.4425
St Michael's CE Primary School	213	0.4695
St. Francis Catholic Primary School	212	0.4717
White Waltham CE Academy	210	0.4762
Cookham Rise Primary School	204	0.4902
Dedworth Green First School	192	0.5208
Cookham Dean CE Aided Primary	182	0.5495
Eton Wick CE First School	158	0.6329
Woodlands Park Primary School	157	0.6369
The Queen Anne RF CE First School	146	0.6849
Trinity St Stephen CE First School	143	0.6993
Braywood CE First School	141	0.7092
Alexander First School	128	0.7813
Eton Porny C of E First School	117	0.8547
Waltham St. Lawrence Primary School	113	0.8850
Cheapside CE Primary School	113	0.8850
The Lawns Nursery School	108	0.9259

The Royal CE (Crown Aided) School	96	1.0417
Knowl Hill CE Academy	91	1.0989
Maidenhead Nursery School	77	1.2987
Burchetts Green CE Infant School	65	1.5385
Braywick Court School	60	1.6667
Cookham Nursery	46	2.1739
Bisham School	42	2.3810
Forest Bridge	36	2.7778
RISE Alternative Learning Provision	10	10.0000

\* School Census figure as at October 15

**The weighting is calculated by dividing 100 by the number on the school roll.**