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Prosperous Communities

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**Subject: Community Defibrillator Scheme Update**

Report by:

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Purpose / Summary:

To update on the Community Defibrillator Scheme and agree continuation of the scheme.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

1. That Members note the update of the scheme so far.
2. That Members approve the continuation of the scheme as per Option 1.
3. That Members delegate to Enterprising Communities Team Manager to arrange the specific details of delivery for this project in partnership with LIVES.

## IMPLICATIONS

**Legal:** No legal implications

### **Financial : FIN/143/17**

This Committee approved the use of the Community Grants Scheme Earmarked Reserve for the installation of 30 Community Defibrillator on 13.09.17. The original estimated use of reserves was £32,640. The actual amount required is £33,300 – an increase of £660.

Option 1: the installation of 7 defibrillators at the locations on the reserve list would require a further use of Earmarked Reserves (Community Grants Scheme) of £7,400.

New applications would be approved on a case by case basis as part of the existing Community Grants programme and approved by the Member Grant Funding Panel based on need and demand, with reference to the balance of the Community Grants Scheme Earmarked Reserve.

The current forecast balance of the Community Grants Scheme reserve as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 is £236,859

**Staffing :** No staffing implications

### **Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :**

Appropriate delivery mechanisms will be used to ensure fair and equal access to this scheme.

### **Risk Assessment :**

No risk assessment has been conducted for this report.

### **Climate Related Risks and Opportunities :**

Not applicable

### **Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

**Call in and Urgency:**

**Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?**

*i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)*

**Yes**

**No**

**Key Decision:**

*A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications*

**Yes**

**No**

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**1. Background**

- 1.1 The Community Defibrillator Scheme was launched in October 2016 with the commitment to provide 30 defibrillators in community accessible locations. All of these have now been allocated and the final ones are being installed.
- 1.2 We promoted the scheme via Parish and Town Councils, on our website, social media and through local networks. The interest in the scheme was much higher than expected. All 30 of the defibrillators were allocated by December 2016. Installations began in late January 2017.
- 1.3 In addition to the 30 we have allocated we also have 7 locations on our reserve list. These are communities that applied when the scheme was running but the 30 defibrillators had already been allocated.
- 1.4 The feedback received from organisations applying to the scheme has been very positive. Local communities have recognised the importance of having a defibrillator available and have been very appreciative of WLDC for providing this scheme.
- 1.5 We have conducted various media coverage to promote the defibrillators being installed. This includes press releases, local newsletter promotion, BBC Radio Lincolnshire interview and an upcoming item in the spring edition of County News.
- 1.6 Once the final of the 30 defibrillators is installed a new webpage will be launched featuring an interactive map showing the location of all defibrillators throughout West Lindsey.
- 1.7 There is continued interest from communities to have a defibrillator installed. Thanks to the 30 we have already provided the need and demands has reduced. This report proposes options for continuing to provide community defibrillators in an effective and value driven manner.

1.8 The following statistics have been provided by LIVES:

- During January and February 2017 public access defibrillators in Lincolnshire were accessed in an emergency 3 times.
- There are approximately 30,000 Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrests per year in the UK. Sadly only 1 in 10 people currently survive.
- 12 people under the age of 35 die every week due to sudden cardiac arrest in the UK.
- 270 children die in the UK per year after suffering a Sudden Cardiac Arrest at school.
- Where defibrillation is delivered promptly, survival rates as high as 75% have been reported

## 2. Defibrillators Installed

2.1 The following breakdown shows where the original 30 defibrillators have been installed:

No	Applying Organisation	Location	Ward
1	Market Rasen Town Council	Festival Hall, Caistor Road, Market Rasen	Market Rasen
2	Market Rasen Town Council	Old Police Station TBC	Market Rasen
3	Faldingworth Parish Council	Faldingworth Memorial Hall, High Street, Faldingworth	Dunholme & Welton
4	Snitterby Village Hall	Snitterby Village Hall, School Lane, Snitterby	Waddingham & Spital
5	Kexby Parish Council	Kexby Village Hall, Upton Road, Kexby	Lea
6	Keelby Sports Association	Keelby Sports Ground, Stallingborough Road, Keelby	Caistor & Yarborough
7	Hemswell Parish Council	Hemswell & Harpswell Village Hall, Hemswell	Hemswell
8	Scotton Parish Council	Old Telephone Box, Westgate, Scotton	Scotter & Blyton
9	Keelby Parish Council	Keelby Village Hall, King Street, Keelby	Caistor & Yarborough
10	Great Limber Parish Council	Great Limber Village Hall, Church Lane, Great Limber	Caistor & Yarborough
11	Marton & Gate Burton Parish Council	The Surgery, The Paddock, Marton	Torksey
12	South Kelsey & Moortown Parish Council	South Kelsey Village Hall, Thornton Road, South Kelsey	Kelsey Wold
13	Market Rasen Cricket & Football Club	Rase Park, Gallamore Lane, Market Rasen	Market Rasen
14	West Lindsey District Council / Marshall's Yard	Guildhall, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough	Gainsborough South West
15	Connexions Community Hub	Church Street, Gainsborough	Gainsborough South West

No	Applying Organisation	Location	Ward
16	Bishop Norton & Atterby Parish Council	Bishop Norton Village Hall, Grange Lane, Bishop Norton	Waddingham & Spital
17	Caistor Town Council	Caistor Sports & Social Club, Brigg Road, Caistor	Caistor & Yarborough
18	Normanby by Spital Parish Council	Post Office, Main Street, Normanby by Spital	Waddingham & Spital
19	Waddingham Parish Council	Waddingham Jubilee Hall, The Green, Waddingham	Waddingham & Spital
20	Knaith Parish Council	Stags Head Pub, Willingham Road, Knaith Park	Lea
21	Searby cum Owmbly Parish Council	Churchyard Wall, St Nicholas Church, Searby cum Owmbly	Kelsey Wold
22	Lea Village Hall	Lea Village Hall, Rectory Lane, Lea	Lea
23	Sudbrooke Parish Council	Sudbrooke Village Hall, Scothern Lane, Sudbrooke	Sudbrooke
24	Bigby Parish Council	Bigby Village Hall, Main Street, Bigby	Kelsey Wold
25	Kettlethorpe Parish Council	Laughterton Telephone Kiosk	Torksey
26	Lindsey Rural Players	Broadbent Theatre, Snarford Road, Wickenby	Dunholme & Welton
27	Heapham Parish Council	Heapham	Hemswell
28	Newtoft Parish Council	Toft Newton Village Hall	Dunholme & Welton
29	Langworth Parish Council	Langworth Memorial Hall	Bardney
30	ROSE Scampton	RAF Scampton - TBC	Scampton

- 2 – To be installed  
29 – To be installed  
30 – Final location TBC

### 3. Financial Update

- 3.1 The following financial position was reported to Committee when establishing the scheme:

Item	Cost
Defibrillator (including all parts)	£850
Secure storage unit	£360
Installation	£150*
<b>Total per location</b>	<b>£1,360</b>
<b>Scheme TOTAL (x30)</b>	<b>£40,800</b>

\* The installation cost is based on an estimate set price per location. Some locations may cost more or less depending on installation

requirements. A set price will be agreed to ensure best value for money and management of the scheme.

- 3.2 The cost of all equipment purchases was the same as stated in 3.1 however there were some locations that cost more than £150 for the installation. Set prices were obtained for locations that cost more than £150. The installation costs were:

X15 Defibrillators - £150 each

X15 Defibrillators - £250 each

X2 sites requiring earth connection - £140 each (each location paid an additional amount on the match contribution to help cover this increase)

The total cost of all installations was £6,280

- 3.3 With the updated installation costs the total cost of purchasing and installing 30 defibrillators was £42,580. The total amount of match contribution received will be £9,280.

- 3.4 The total net cost of delivering the scheme is £33,300. This represents a £660 increase on the cost of delivery that was estimated. This increase is due to some localised challenges with installation including the need to install earth plates for safety.

#### **4. Options for the scheme**

##### **4.1 Option 1 – Recommended option**

Establish a rolling scheme linked to our community grants programme

##### **Overview:**

We shall provide defibrillators to the 7 communities on our reserve list in line with the current criteria. This will ensure they are treated equally as locations who applied when the scheme first launched. The same match funding requirement would apply of £300 per defibrillator.

The scheme shall then be established as a rolling scheme that forms part of our wider community grants programme. The scheme would run for the duration of the community grants programme and process applications as and when received subject to available funds in the grant funding budgets. The allocation of grant funding budget towards new defibrillators will be overseen by the Member Grant Funding Panel to ensure adequate distribution of funds between the various schemes.

The Member Grant Funding Panel will agree funding allocations between the following schemes based on need and demand:

- Small Community Grant
- Large Community Grant
- Match Funding Grant
- Community Defibrillator Scheme

Following the provision of 37 defibrillators the demand is expected to be much lower. A rolling scheme will enable other communities to secure a defibrillator for local residents.

The match funding criteria would be amended to £400 per defibrillator for new applications. This aligns with current match funding ratios of around 30% on our other grant schemes and reduces the financial impact to the Council.

All other criteria around eligibility will remain the same.

**Benefits of this option:**

- Support early access to life saving equipment for residents
- Effective use of grant funding budgets to achieve positive community and health & wellbeing outcomes
- Continue to provide new defibrillators in different communities
- Ensure communities receive best quality and value defibrillators
- Ensure consistency in delivery and installation of defibrillators
- Increase the district coverage of community defibrillators
- Streamlined and controlled delivery as opposed to funding individually through grant schemes

**Disadvantages of this option:**

- Continued financial pressure on the grant scheme budget
- May impact grant funding available for other projects depending on priority

**4.2 Option 2**  
Close the Community Defibrillator Scheme

**Overview:**

The scheme has now delivered 30 community accessible defibrillators. The scheme would not be continued and communities seeking to install a community defibrillator can apply to our existing grant schemes or we would try to sign-post to other funding support schemes.

**Benefits of this option:**

- Reduce financial pressure by not continuing a dedicated scheme
- Reduce work load on officers administering the scheme

**Disadvantages of this option:**

- Increase demand on existing grant schemes to fund defibrillator
- Lack of control to ensure quality and value are achieved for new defibrillator installation
- Communities unable to obtain a defibrillator due to full cost of purchase

- On-going or increased health risk to communities that do not have a community defibrillator
- No guarantee of other external funding to provide defibrillators without Council support

## 5. Corporate Priorities

5.1 Option 1 in this report will help support the following Corporate Priorities:

- **People First – ease and convenience of access to a range of public services offered by the council and partner organisations**
  - By providing defibrillators in community locations we will make it easier and quicker to access lifesaving equipment. Decreasing the time it takes to administer CPR greatly increases life chances.
- **Partnership/Devolution – work in partnership to explore opportunities to deliver improvements in housing, infrastructure, agri-food, manufacturing and engineering, visitor economy, skills, water management, health and public protection**
  - The defibrillators will directly link to improving health outcomes and provide additional access to medical services in an emergency.

## 6. Recommendations

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