

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

23rd September 2019

Local Community Fund Transition Arrangements



Successful LCF projects

Action	Timescale	Progress
Mobilisation of new services	Oct 2019	Voluntary Sector Team officers engaging with successful LCF funded organisations
Promotion of new services	Oct/Nov 2019	Council communications team promoting new services LCF funded organisations encouraged to promote new services via council social media



MSG projects not funded

Action	Timescale	Progress
Support to plan orderly change and get access to other resources	Aug -Dec 2019	Voluntary Sector Team actively engaging to develop transition action plans for individual organisations
Capacity building programme	Aug 19-Mar 20	Contract in place for THCVS support package. Other measures to be delivered by the council
Small grants programme	Ongoing	Programme continues to March 2023
Tower Hamlets crowd funding platform	Ongoing	Dedicated officer support in place Targeting MSG projects
Emergency fund	Aug 19-Mar 21	Retain and increase budget



Other transition measures

Action	Timescale	Progress
Capacity building programme	Aug 19-Mar 20	Contract in place for THCVS support package.
Funders Forum to provide more strategic approach from all funders working in Tower Hamlets	Apr 2020	Initial discussions held with THCVS and EECF. Seeking to involve other funders.
Funding Forum to bring together funders and organisations seeking funding	Mar 2020	Date scheduled for March 2020



Equality mitigation (1)

Action	Timescale	Progress
Community led services for older people	Apr 2020	Funding for MSG lunch club projects extended to March 2020 New small grants theme being developed to combat social isolation of older people, particularly in BAME communities, through community based services Draft ready for consultation
Community languages (CLS)	Mar 2020	Funding of MSG CLS projects extended to 31 March 2020 Review of CLS scheduled to report to Members by the year end.



Equality mitigation (2)

Action	Timescale	Progress
Participation and access for smaller BME communities	Apr 2020	New small grants theme relating to access and participation to establish schemes to provide referral gateways for people from BAME communities Draft ready for consultation
Targeted commissioning for, <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Young people's MH• Very young children and pregnant or new mothers• Young carers	Dec 2019	Proposals being developed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Geographic spread of services	ongoing	Proposals assessed to establish evidence/track record. Specific element of ongoing assessment of LCF funded projects.

