APPENDIX 2: Proposals for allocation of the £336,000 element of the Council's Community Empowerment Fund for disadvantaged communities, regeneration and localism projects

Project	Amount	Comments	Responsible Divisional Director
Future Fund	£100,000	It is currently envisaged that this will be formed of two work streams, as follows:  (1) Approximately 60% earmarked for positive activities for young people including working with local communities and voluntary and community organisations to address local perceptions of anti-social behaviour by young people  (2) Approximately 40% to support vulnerable young people, particularly those who are Not in Education, Employment or Training. It will support schemes such as providing placements, linked to tangible outcomes. This work should be linked closely to and help support the delivery of the key "Complex Families" project, for which the Council is a second-phase pilot	Learning and Inclusion Services
Reducing inequalities in Bath and North East Somerset	£60,000	This bid fund is designed for investment in projects within Bath and North East Somerset which promote equalities. It recognises the importance of the Council and LSP Board's commitment to meeting our Public Sector Equality duty and is made on the recommendation of the LSP Board.	Policy and Partnerships
		Particular focus will be placed on addressing inequality within service provision and community involvement to people with protected characteristics specifically those less well represented in projects allocated from the Main Grant Fund (as above; LGBT groups; disabled people; BME people; faith/belief groups).	
		Using information from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment process, emphasis will be placed on health inequality with a focus on inequality within and between people with protected characteristics.	
Supporting Volunteering	£20,000	This will support a volunteering strategy. There will be support for development of the Council's employee community	Policy and Partnerships

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Better Local Engagement	£105,000	involvement scheme. This will also build on initiatives such as the snow warden scheme, the home library service, and other similar roles.  This will include local engagement initiatives such as Participatory Budgeting (where local communities are involved in local spending decisions), work on local engagement frameworks	Divisional Director – Policy and Partnerships
		and improved outcomes in communities through schemes such as community organisers	
Communities in Control	£10,000	It Is recognised that as resources tighten there is a need to ensure Council assets are used fully to meet local community needs. In addition, the new Community Right to Buy under the Localism Act encourages greater involvement of communities in running local assets. This project would provide an initial report on the potential for transferring community based services and buildings/land into the hands of voluntary and charitable organisations.	Property Services
Webcasting Council meetings	£31,000	Funding for set-up costs and initial year of operation to webcast Council, Cabinet, Development Control and Policy Development and Scrutiny meetings and 20 hours for adhoc filming.	Improvement and Performance
Implementation of Localism Act	£10,000	Contingency for support for provisions of the Act not currently resourced	Policy and Partnerships
TOTAL	£336,000		

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