

Update on Area Forum Budgets for Kearsley Ward – 3 May 2023

All ward budgets were consolidated in April 2022 following the redesign of the area working service. Each ward continued to receive a flat rate budget of £15,000 for financial years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022. All allocations since they were last published in December 2020 are listed below under a consolidated budget (approvals have been made under the Council's Scheme of Delegation).

Area Working Flat Rate Budget

Approvals since last update;

Scheme	Amount
Payment for installation, maintenance, storage and running costs for Christmas lights charge 2021	£2,400
Payment for room hire to host public meetings Trinity Church, St John Fisher and Prestolee school	£100
Contribution to Kearsley Friendship Group to continue community based activities	£500
Payment to Childrens' services to deliver May half term activities 2021	£300
Contribution to running costs of Kearsley Health Walkers activities	£300
Payment to Wolfpack Adventures for summer youth activities 2021	£1,800
Payment to Childrens' services to provide additional children's activities for half terms, Easter and Summer and Skate Park during 2021 and 2022	£4,800
Contribution to repairing St Stephen's Churchyard wall	£400
Payment for Kearsley Remembrance Day Traffic management in 2021	£650
Replacement Christmas tree lights for tree outside Kearsley Mount Methodist Church in 2021	£520
Contribution to remodelling Unit 2 Moses Gate Workshops for NICE community organisation	£1,202

Purchase of new flags for Cenotaph and Kearsley Mount Methodist Church	£200
Payment to Wolfpack Adventures for activities in parks Summer 2022	£2,000
Payment for installation, maintenance, storage and running costs for Christmas light displays 2021	£600
Purchase of Easter treats Bolton at Home project 2022	£50
Payment for replacing festoons in preparation for Christmas 2022 along Higher Market St Farnworth	£300
Purchase of 4 additional Street Light Christmas Displays along Market St Stoneclough	£3,100
St Stephen's Church - purchase of additional external Christmas lights for community festivities	£150
Contribution People's Community Project - 2022 Remembrance Event	£800
Contribution to St Stephens Church - 2022 Remembrance Event	£800
Contribution to Kearsley Friendship Group to continue community based activities	£250
Payment for purchase and removal of cut Christmas tree at Kearsley Mount 2022	£680
Contribution to Love Stoneclough Action Group to continue community based activities	£1,000
Installation of street name plate Tamar Close	£240
Contribution to Trinity Drama Group to continue community based activities	£500

Consolidated budget remaining £33,061.55 3 May 2023 (includes £15,000 from 2022/23).

Please note the redesigned area working service approach has also led to a stronger emphasis in supporting greater social action within our communities. Ward budgets for financial year 2022/23 onwards require a minimum of £7,500 per ward to be allocated from the total flat rate budget of £15,000 to community group projects to generate and increase social action for the benefit of residents in the ward.