



## **BRECKLAND COUNCIL**

### **DELEGATED DECISION RECORD**

This records a key or other decision taken by an Executive Member or the Cabinet in accordance with the Council's scheme of Delegations (as set out in Section D of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution).

Unless the Leader and the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission certify that the matter is so urgent that the normal five-day scrutiny delay on action should not apply, then this decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of five working days after the publication of the decision, unless called in under the call-in procedures as set out in Section D of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

<b>Portfolio/Cabinet</b>	Cabinet
<b>Report Title (&amp; Reference No.)</b>	Allocation of Breckland Council's Area Based Grant for 2008-2011
<b>Summary Background</b>	<p>The proposals for the allocation of Breckland Council's Area Based grant for 2008-2011, as set out in the report, will enable the Authority to undertake a programme of work on National Indicator 1 (percentage of people who believe people from different backgrounds get on well together in their local area).</p> <p>The Council has also been successful in attracting Migration Impact Funding (2009-2011), which requires Cabinet approval.</p>
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<b>Ward(s) Affected</b>	N/A
<b>Urgent?</b>	No
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>In Forward Plan?</b>	Yes
<b>Date Decision Taken</b>	Tuesday, 15 September 2009
<b>Date Published</b>	Thursday, 17 September 2009
<b>Call-In Expiry</b>	Thursday, 24 September 2009
<b>Exempt Information?</b>	No

<p><b>Decision (Action Agreed)</b></p>	<p><b><u>RESOLVED</u></b> that the Migrants Impact Funding grant from the awarding body be accepted.</p> <p><b><u>RECOMMEND</u></b> to Council that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) the Area Based Grant funding for the Community Liaison Officer post be approved;</li> <li>2) the Area Based Grant funding for the Participatory Budgeting scheme be approved; and</li> <li>3) Cabinet be given delegated authority to approve Area Based Grant funding for Wayland Community Radio and META.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Reasons(s)</b></p>	<p>Breckland's Area Based Grant allocation is largely based upon the 'community cohesion' best value performance indicator findings as per the 2006/07 General Best Value User Survey. The proposal recommended to Members for approval will build on existing good practice in Breckland and enhance cohesion across all communities.</p> <p>Breckland was successful in attracting £250,000 Migration Impact Funding, the largest grant awarded to a local authority in Norfolk. These externally sourced funds will add value to existing good practice and activities deliver in Breckland by the Authority itself and a range of partners.</p> <p>There is a strong economic case for building 'community cohesion'. Research (<i>Guidance for local authorities on how to mainstream community cohesion into other services 2009</i>) has shown that more cohesive areas have lower crime levels, reduced fear of crime, improved [mental] health and improved participation in education/employment.</p>
<p><b>Options</b></p>	<p>To approve or not approve the proposals for the allocation of Breckland Council's Area Based grant and to accept or not accept the Migrant Impact Funding grant from the awarding body.</p>
<p><b>Further Information</b></p>	<p>Area Based Grant_report</p> <p>Area Based Grant_proforma B_appendix</p>

