

NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD FUNDING – Usage and best practice examples.

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Context

- To be used for the funding of projects or events that will benefit both the neighbourhood and its residents.
- Allocation of funding made by relevant ward councillors.
- Funding can't be used for – projects that require ongoing maintenance, anything that goes against council policy etc
- Orgs that can apply include – not for profit VCS org and CIC's
- Each neighbourhood is allocated £5,000 per Councillor.
- Across the city this equates to £255,000 for the financial year 2023-24.
- £114,093 approx. has so far been agreed this financial year
- £140,907 approx. has yet to be allocated.
- 25% of each neighbourhood board budget can be carried into 2024/25

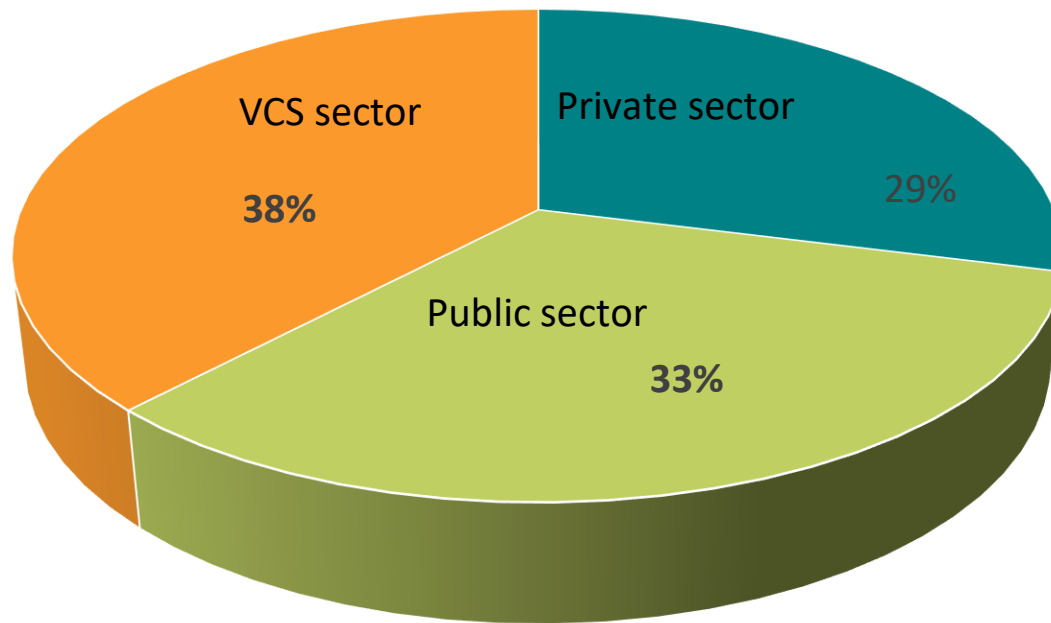
Spend profile

VCS

- Money provided to support over 40 VCS orgs
- Wide variety of areas – Guides to Community events.

Private Sector

- Money spent with external contractors.
- Typically, items like - Planters, Christmas trees, litter pickers etc.
- Spend tends to be across historically trusted providers.



Public sector

- Money spent within DCC
- Street cleaning, litter bins, printing



Good examples - Derby

- Community garden project – Bringing a range of partners together to enable volunteers to take responsibility for a community centre green space.
- Warm welcome Spaces – Neighbourhood Board funding has been used across the city to both expand the reach of existing spaces and support the development of new spaces.
- Community Group development – Supporting the development of a Friends of Nottingham Road Cemetery Group, from the idea through to forming a constituted group and applying for joint board funding.
- Supporting Street Champions - Litter picking, grit bins etc.
- Supporting with the costs of defibrillators in community settings.



Thank you

