Report to the Cabinet
Meeting to be held on Thursday, 12 July 2018

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Part I

Electoral Division affected:
Burnley Central East; Burnley Central West; Burnley North East; Burnley Rural; Burnley South West;

Recommendation of the Edwards Stocks Massey Bequest Fund Joint Advisory Committee
(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Executive Summary

Consideration of the recommendations of the Edwards Stocks Massey Bequest Fund Joint Advisory Committee.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to:

(i) Approve the allocation of funds as recommended by the Joint Advisory Committee at its meeting on 15 June 2018 as set out at Appendix 'A'.
(ii) In respect of the Higher Education Student Scholarship Awards, approve that the interview panel of the Joint Advisory Committee be authorised to award the scholarships at its meeting on 21 December 2018.

Background and Advice

The Edwards Stocks Massey Bequest Fund was established by the will of the late Edward Stocks Massey in 1910. In order to fund the provision of education (whether mental, physical, technical or artistic) and the advancements of science, learning, music or other arts for the inhabitants of Burnley.
The fund awards approximately £51,000 each to year to projects, individuals and organisations in the Burnley area. There are five categories of award:

- Projects proposed by Lancashire County Council £15,500
- Projects proposed by Burnley Borough Council £15,500
- Burnley mechanics Institute £5,000
- Individuals and Voluntary Organisations £8,000
- University Scholarships for two students £7,000

For the first four categories, applications are first assessed by officers to ensure they meet the criteria, and then considered by a Joint Advisory Committee made up of three county councillors and two Burnley Borough councillors in the presence of the Trustees. The Joint Advisory Committee's recommendations are then presented to the county council's Cabinet for final approval.

The proposed awards for 2018/2019 are set out at Appendix A.

For the student scholarship awards, a panel of the Committee meets in December and conducts interviews of the candidates. It is proposed that Cabinet approve that the interview panel be authorised to make these awards.

**Consultations**

**Implications:**

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

**Risk management**

Failure to agree the recommendations of this report will delay the allocation of monies to individuals and organisations.

**List of Background Papers**

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

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