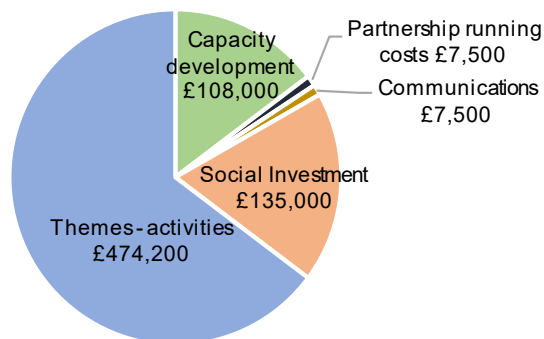
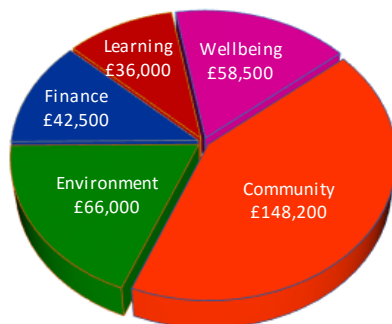


Our Big Local Budget (2017 - 2020)

Overall Budget

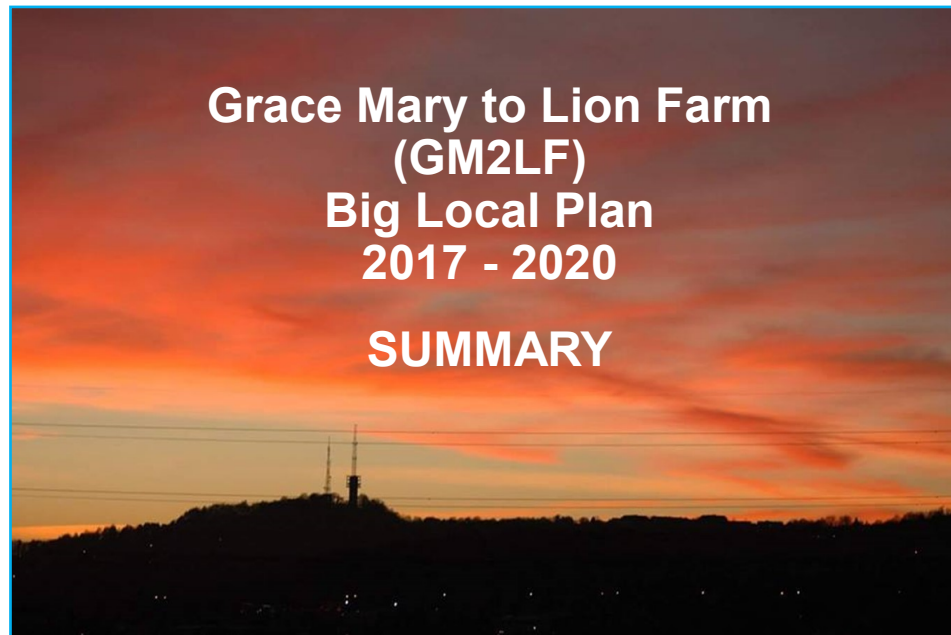


Budget for Theme Activities (Total £474,200)

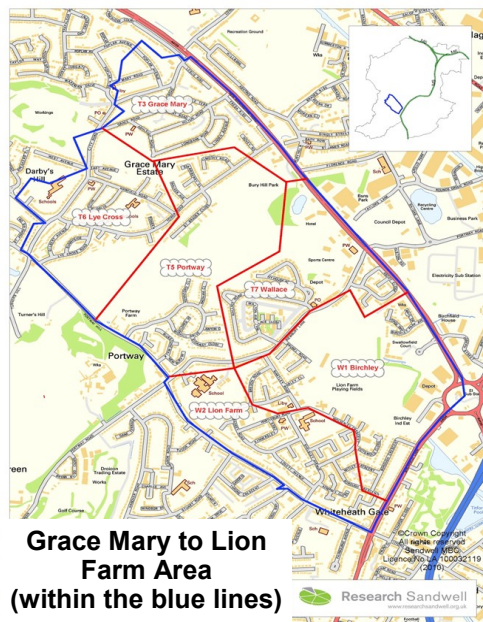


In order to help us achieve the priorities for each theme, the overall budget includes a budget for capacity development, communications and partnership running costs. This is to ensure Big Local is run properly and maximum benefit for local residents is achieved.

The budget for Social Investment is a mechanism through which we can both achieve the social impact, but also a financial return on our funding.



Grace Mary to Lion Farm (GM2LF) Big Local Plan 2017 - 2020 SUMMARY



Grace Mary to Lion Farm Area (within the blue lines)

Making it Happen

The GM2LF Partnership is responsible for driving Big Local forward, making sure it remains resident led and enables local people to improve the area and achieve the long term vision.

Partnership members are local residents, and people who work or volunteer in the area. Representatives from key organisations in the area include Lion Farm Action Centre, St James Church, Holy Cross Church, Oakham Church and Wallace Youth Project.

The Grace Mary to Lion Farm (GM2LF) Big Local is one of 150 community-led groups throughout England and Wales who have been granted £1million to be spent over 10 years.

The grant was awarded in 2014 and our plan for 2017 - 2020 builds on our first plan and our experiences from the first few years. It reflects the needs and aspirations of local residents as we seek to continue to use the money to bring change and make a difference within our local community. Big Local is unlike other initiatives that have impacted the area as the programme is led and developed by local people.



Visit our website: www.gm2lf.org
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To see the full three year plan please visit www.gm2lf.org or email Helen Trueman at helen.gm2lf@outlook.com

Our Shared Vision

Our formula for change is local people working together for a better life - sustaining a community that is resilient, confident and enjoyable

Our Themes

From ongoing consultation and research **five key themes** with priorities for the area will continue as a focal point for GM2LF Big Local. The themes will focus on positive outcomes for people of all ages. We will seek to support and develop activities for each theme, with a focus on family interest throughout. From 2017 to 2020 our plan includes:

C O M M U N I T Y	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People from different neighbourhoods know each other better • People of different ages know each other better • There is an increase in voluntary activity • There is accessible and affordable transport for the most vulnerable
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold seasonal multicultural events • Develop churches as community hubs • Promote and support community activity already happening • Develop a community transport scheme • Develop the chance for people to volunteer
E N V I R O N M E N T	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People are taking more pride in the area • There are more safe spaces, community clean up days and safety initiatives • Plant more flowers in the area • There are more wildlife and sensory areas with easy access
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold annual Big Local in Bloom competitions • Organise community litter picks • Work with the Police on community safety initiatives • Develop wildlife clubs, gardens and vegetable patches • Look for opportunities to install a gym or play equipment

- There are affordable alternatives to doorstep and pay day lenders
- There is a greater understanding of money management
- There is an investment programme for Big Local
- Enable organisations to reduce their energy footprint and become more energy efficient

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- Delivery of money management programmes
- Help people open bank accounts and access affordable loans
- Junior Savings programmes
- Grants to help organisations reduce their energy footprint

- There is increased access to learning for all
- There is more one-to-one support for children and young people
- There is an increase in 'informal' learning that supports literacy and numeracy
- Develop access to work, work training programmes and support people to gain qualifications and experience

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- Deliver Learn my Way and other computer classes
- Support with CV writing
- Develop a training programme
- Hold regular Job and Volunteering Fairs
- Develop breakfast clubs and homework clubs
- Grants to support out of school activities

- Run classes to help people eat well, health advice for all ages and health walks
- There is an increased support for people with emotional and mental health needs
- Develop outside gym or play equipment
- People feel less isolated and more connected with their neighbours.
- Improved health and wellbeing.
- Increased work around raising drug awareness for parents

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- Hold regular events to celebrate our volunteers
- Hold sessions or events to raise awareness of drugs
- Provide access to health advice for all ages
- Hold well being roadshows, fairs and events
- Help people try out something completely different
- Look for opportunities to install a gym or play equipment