

SOUTH (INNER) AREA COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 2010

PRESENT: Councillor A Gabriel in the Chair

Councillors J Blake, D Congreve, P Davey,
G Driver, K Groves, M Iqbal, E Nash and
A Ogilvie

1 Election of Chair 2010/11

A report was submitted by the Chief Democratic Services Officer which outlined the arrangements for the annual election of Chair of the South (Inner) Area Committee. It was reported that one nomination for the position of Chair had been received on behalf of Councillor Gabriel.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the report be noted;
- (b) That following a unanimous vote by those Elected Members present at the meeting, Councillor Gabriel be elected Chair of the South (Inner) Area Committee for the 2010/2011 municipal year.

(Councillor Gabriel took the Chair)

2 Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed all in attendance to the first South (Inner) Area Committee meeting of the new municipal year. In particular, the Chair welcomed Councillor Groves (Elected Member for Middleton Park Ward) to her first Area Committee meeting.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors Blake and Gabriel declared an interest in agenda item 11, Inner South Well-Being Budget (well-being application by Health for All for community access to IT services), in their capacity as Member's of Health for All. On the basis that their interests were prejudicial, they withdrew from the meeting and did not vote. (Minute No. 10 refers)

Councillor Iqbal declared an interest in agenda item 11, Inner South Well-Being Budget (well-being application by Hamara Healthy Living Centre for Roof Top Garden Development) in his capacity as a Member of Hamara Healthy Living Centre. On the basis that the interest was prejudicial, he withdrew from the meeting and did not vote. (Minute No. 10 refers)

4 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

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5 Minutes - 25th March 2010

Subject to an amendment under Minute No.64, Declarations of Interest, to delete reference to Councillor Congreve having declared a personal interest as a Member of Leeds City Credit Union, it was

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 25th March 2010 be confirmed as a correct record.

6 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minute No. 67 – Matters Arising from the Minutes (New Generation Transport (NGT) Scheme)

It was reported that government funding for the NGT Scheme had been withdrawn.

Minute No. 69 – Streetscene Services Change Programme – Update Report

Area Management agreed to forward a breakdown of litter pickers by ward.

Minute No. 70 – Deployment of Community Environment Officers and Support Officers within Inner South

Members sought clarification on whether income from fixed penalty notices was re-distributed for community use. Area Management agreed to raise the matter with Gerry Shevlin, Community Safety Co-ordinator.

Minute No. 72 – Future Management of Priority Neighbourhoods

Members requested an update on support for local community groups from Leeds Ahead. Area Management agreed to report back with details of groups that had been supported.

7 Open Forum

In accordance with paragraphs 6.24 and 6.25 of the Area Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or to ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Area Committee. On this occasion, there were no matters raised under this item by members of the public.

8 Future Management of Priority Neighbourhoods

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report on progress relating to the management of priority neighbourhoods.

Sheila Fletcher, Area Management Officer, presented the report and responded to Members' questions and comments.

In brief summary, the main areas of discussion were:

- Concern that the introduction event for Team Belle Isle on 7th July had been arranged to take place during the day, which made it difficult for some individuals to attend.
- Concern about travellers occupying land at Thorpe Road, particularly in terms of pollution and noise disturbance to local residents. Members also expressed concern about co-ordination of services, e.g. police, housing and cleansing services. It was agreed to discuss these issues in greater detail at a future meeting of the Middleton Regeneration Board and report back to the Area Committee, particularly focussing on local arrangements.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the report be noted;
- (b) That the Area Committee approves well-being funding of £16,350 from the Middleton Park revenue allocation to Re’new to continue the further development and support of the Middleton Regeneration Partnership; and
- (c) That a six month evaluation report be submitted to the Area Committee meeting in January 2011.

9 Review of Mobile Youth Provision

The South East Area Manager submitted a report which presented the findings of a review on mobile youth provision funded by the Area Committee and delivered by St Luke’s Cares.

The following information was appended to the report:

- An overview of actions and achievements over the previous 12 months
- Timetable of mobile youth service across the inner south area.

Sheila Fletcher, Area Management Officer, presented the report and responded to Members’ questions and comments.

Representatives of St Luke’s Cares attended the meeting and provided a brief summary of the benefits of the service to young people.

Members expressed concern that they were no longer receiving regular updates on Youth Services. Area Management agreed to raise this issue and report back.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the report and information appended to the report be noted; and
- (b) That option 1 be identified for future mobile provision as follows

Option 1 - The Area Committee continues to fund St Luke's Mobile Youth Provision from 1st October – 31st March 2011 at a reduced cost of £15,170 to reflect funding from Early Years Service. Funding split by ward is £5,878 City and Hunslet; £4,646 from Beeston and Holbeck and Middleton Park wards. This option to include recommendations, as outlined in paragraph 19 of the report.

(Councillor Nash left the meeting at 7.24 pm at the conclusion of this item.)

10 Inner South Well-Being Budget

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report which contained details of proposed projects and activities to deliver local actions relating to the agreed themes and outcomes of the Area Delivery Plan (ADP).

Sheila Fletcher, Area Management Officer, presented the report.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the report and information appended to the report be noted;
- (b) That the small grants allocation for the three inner south wards be approved;
- (c) That the 2010/11 funding allocations for the ADP commissioning pots be approved;
- (d) That the following decisions be made in relation to the 2010/11 ADP commissioning pot proposals:
 - Belle Isle Garden Scheme (Belle Isle Elderly Winter Aid) – £2,895 from Middleton Park Environment commissioning pot – **Approved**
 - After School Activities Club (Broomfield South SILC) – £2,985 – As only 41% of the children live in inner south area it was agreed that only 41% of the amount applied for be **approved** (£1,225). Funding to be allocated to the commissioned learning pots for each Ward on a pro rata basis of the number of children living in the Inner South area, i.e. Beeston & Holbeck Ward (£392), City & Hunslet Ward (£245) and Middleton Park Ward (£588).
 - Middleton Emotional Health and Wellbeing Project – £3,000 from Middleton Park Health and Well-being commissioning pot – **Approved.**
- (e) That the following decisions be made in relation to 2010/11 revenue well-being budget applications:
 - Mobile Youth Provision – six months additional funding – Further to the report on the review of mobile youth provision presented under agenda item 10, the Area Committee **endorses** the decision to continue funding St Luke's Mobile Youth Provision from 1st October – 31st March 2011 at a reduced cost of £15,170 to reflect funding from Early Years Service. Funding split by ward is £5,878 City and Hunslet; £4,646 from Beeston and Holbeck and Middleton Park wards

- Regenerating the Garnets – £1,500 from City and Hunslet Ward – **Declined**
- Additional gardens (Middleton Elderly Aid) – £2,826 from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved**
- Middleton Regeneration Partnership – £16,350 – Further to the report on the future management of priority neighbourhoods presented under agenda item 9, the Area Committee **endorses** the decision to approve well-being funding of £16,350 to continue the further development and support of the Middleton Regeneration Partnership (In addition, a six month evaluation report be submitted to the Area Committee meeting in January 2011).

(f) That the following decisions be made in relation to 2010/11 capital well-being budget applications:

- Manorfields Hall – Improvements and Signage – £3,330 (£2,755 for the flooring and £555 for the signs; made and fully installed) from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved**
- Middleton Circus – Christmas Tree & Lighting – £1,000 from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved**
- Hamara Centre Roof Top Garden Development – £10,070 from City and Hunslet Ward – **Approved**
- New ‘carpet’ for the artificial cricket pitch at Hunslet Nelson – £6,500 with approximately £2,167 being funded from each of the three Wards – **Approved**
- Fire safety (St. Lukes) – £4,551 with 2,276 each from Beeston and Holbeck and City and Hunslet Wards – **Approved**
- Litterbins – Helston Walk – £800 from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved**
- Additional gardens – equipment (Middleton Elderly Aid) – £625 from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved**
- Community access to IT service (Health for All) – £11,328 with £4,979 from Beeston and Holbeck Ward, £1,412 from City and Hunslet Ward and £4,937 from Middleton Park Ward – **Approved in principle, subject to receiving further information, particularly in relation to open access for local groups and people.**

(In the absence of Councillor Gabriel who had declared a personal and prejudicial interest and withdrawn from the meeting (well-being application by Health for All for community access to IT services), Councillor Ogilvie took the Chair for this item.)

11 Actions and Achievements Report

The Area Committee considered a report from the South East Area Manager which updated Members on the actions and achievements of the Area Management Team since the last meeting.

The following information was appended to the report:

- Minutes of South Leeds Children's Services Leadership Team held on 17th March 2010
- Joint Extended Schools and Services Cluster (JESS) – Summary of recent activity
- Minutes of South East Leeds Health and Well-being Partnership held on 18th March and 27th May 2010
- Minutes of South Leeds Community Safety Partnership (Core Group) held on 14th May 2010.

Keith Lander, Deputy Area Manager, presented the report and responded to Members' questions and comments.

In brief summary, the main areas of discussion were:

- Reporting arrangements of partnerships, particularly Aspire. The Area Manager reported that there was an intention to link the work of partnership groups across all wards in the inner south area.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the report and information appended to the report be noted; and
- (b) That the appointment of themed champions for the specific themes of the ADP be deferred with the exception of Councillor Ogilvie being confirmed as themed champion for environment.

12 Area Committee Roles for 2010/11

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report which presented a summary of the Area Functions and Priority Advisory Functions for 2010/11.

RESOLVED – That the report and information appended to the report be noted.

13 Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

The Chief Democratic Services Officer submitted a report which outlined the procedure relating to local authority appointments to outside bodies and invited Members to consider making appointments to those outside bodies detailed within the report.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the report and information appended to the report be noted;
- (b) That approval be given to the following Outside Body appointments being made for the 2010/2011 municipal year:

- Belle Isle Elderly Winter Aid – Councillor Blake

- Belle Isle Tenant Management Organisation – Councillors Blake and Groves
- Holbeck Elderly Aid – Councillor Ogilvie
- Middleton Elderly Aid – Councillor Groves
- Inner South ALMO Area Panel (Aire Valley Homes Leeds) – Councillors Iqbal and Ogilvie;
- Divisional Community Safety Partnership – Councillor Groves
- Area Children’s Partnership – Councillor Gabriel;
- Area Health and Social Care Partnership – Councillor Groves
- Area Employment, Enterprise and Training Partnership – Councillor Driver.

14 New Generation Transport (NGT) Scheme: Update

This item was withdrawn (See matters arising from the minutes).

15 Dog Control Orders

The Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods submitted a report which sought Members’ feedback on proposals to introduce Dog Control Orders across the City.

Keith Lander, Deputy Area Manager, presented the report.

Members identified the following areas to be included in the dog exclusion orders schedule:

- Land adjacent Domestic Street and Balm Road
- Land adjacent Leasowe Road
- Throstle Road Recreation Ground.

In addition, Members suggested putting forward sites used by the Mobile Youth Bus.

RESOLVED – That the report and information appended to the report be noted.

16 Dates, Times and Venues of Future Meetings

Wednesday 22nd September, 2010
(Building Blocks, Maud Avenue, Leeds, LS11 7DD)

Tuesday 4th November, 2010
(Belle Isle Family Centre, St John and Barnabas Church, Belle Isle Road, Leeds, LS10 3PG)

Wednesday 12th January, 2011
(Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR)

Wednesday 9th February, 2011

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(Venue to be advised)

Thursday 24th March, 2011

(Venue to be advised)

(All meetings to commence at 6.30 pm).

(The meeting concluded at 8.32 pm.)