

SOUTH (INNER) AREA COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2012

PRESENT: Councillor A Gabriel in the Chair

Councillors D Congreve, G Driver, E Nash
and A Ogilvie

61 Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed all in attendance to the February meeting of the South (Inner) Area Committee and invited everyone present to introduce themselves.

62 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

63 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Blake, Davey, Groves and Iqbal.

64 Minutes - 11th January 2012

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2012 be approved as a correct record.

65 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.

A local resident queried the likely impact of the Localism Act, particularly in relation to inner south Leeds. The Area Committee was advised about opportunities for local involvement in planning and shaping neighbourhoods.

Another local resident raised the following concerns:

- Motorists parked in bus lanes on Dewsbury Road.
- Litter outside various shop premises in Holbeck.
- Litter on St Matthew's Street, Holbeck.

It was agreed that greater enforcement of the above issues was required.

66 South East Health and Wellbeing Partnership Progress Update

The South East Health and Wellbeing Improvement Manager submitted a report which provided an update on activity being undertaken by the South East Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

The Chair welcomed to the meeting, Baksho Uppal, South East Health and Wellbeing Improvement Manager, to present the report and respond to Members' questions and comments.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the report be noted.

67 Leeds Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Area profiles

The Director of Public Health submitted a report which updated the Area Committee on the refresh of the Leeds Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the emerging priorities for the inner south area.

The following information was appended to the report:

- Affluent Middle Super Output Area (MSOA) compared to most deprived MSOA
- Inner South Area Committee MSOA Profiles – current activity

The Chair welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- Brenda Fullard, Public Health Consultant, NHS Leeds
- Nichola Stephens, Senior Information Manager (Public Health), NHS Leeds.

Brenda Fullard, Public Health Consultant, provided a presentation on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment profiles.

The presentation focussed on the following key areas:

- Middle Super Output Areas in the Inner South
- Inner South compared with the City of Leeds
- Life expectancy 2007-09 by Ward
- Headline Facts
- Gaps in Healthy Life Expectancy.

The main areas of discussion were:

- Concern about the impact of poor air quality linked to lung disease in residential areas, particularly in the City Centre, Hunslet Green and Thwaite Gate.
- Raising awareness of free NHS health check-ups and exploring the possibility of mobile provision.
- Developing links with partners and agencies in targeting resources more effectively.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted
- (b) That further consideration be given to the MSOA profiles showing the most significant health and wellbeing issues, which are; Middleton and Westwoods; Holbeck; West Hunslet and Hunslet Hall; City Centre; Belle Isle North; Cottingley and Beeston
- (c) That consideration be given to the lead roles of different agencies in addressing these needs.

68 Children & Young People's Sub-group Report

The Assistant Chief Executive (Planning, Policy and Improvement) submitted a report which presented details of a proposal to establish an inner south Children and Young People's Working Group.

Appended to the report was a copy of the draft terms of reference.

Tom O'Donovan, Area Improvement Manager, presented the report and responded to Members' questions and comments.

One Member suggested minor amendments to the terms of reference as follows:

- Membership to include one Councillor per inner south Ward.
- Greater voluntary sector representation was required.

The key points of discussion were:

- Identifying opportunities to add value to existing children's services work through well being funding, avoiding the duplication of work funded by the area committee, and demonstrating its effectiveness and value for money.
- Understanding and further supporting the development of extended service clusters in inner south Leeds.
- Exploring the benefits of sharing knowledge and expertise across the third sector to the benefit of children, young people, and families in inner south Leeds.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted
- (b) That an Inner South Children and Young People's Working Group be established
- (c) That the amended terms of reference for the Inner South Children and Young People's Working Group be approved
- (d) That a further report be submitted to the March Area Committee that addresses funding issues in this sector that might be considered by the Children and Young People's Working Group.

69 Wellbeing Report

The South East Area Leader submitted a report which provided Members with:

- Confirmation of the 2010/11 carry forward figure and 2011/12 revenue allocation
- An update on both the revenue and capital elements of the wellbeing budget
- Details of revenue funding for consideration and approval
- Details of revenue projects agreed to date
- Details of capital projects agreed to date
- The current position of the Small Grants Budget.

Gavin Forster, Area Officer, presented the report and responded to Members' questions and comments.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted.
- (b) That the following decision be made in relation to the wellbeing funding proposal which had been submitted for determination at the meeting:

- Hunslet Club Vocational training – £30,980 (revenue) (£10,326.66 from each Ward) – Approved
- Middleton Elderly Aid – Outreach worker – £5,974.76 (revenue) – Approved
- St Luke's Cares – Youth provision – £28,301 (six months revenue) – Approved.

70 A Summary of Key Work

The South East Area Leader submitted a report which detailed work by the Area Management Team on key priorities in the inner south area of Leeds since the last Area Committee meeting.

The following information was appended to the report:

- Minutes of Area Chairs' Forum held on 11 November 2011
- Minutes of Inner South Environmental Sub Group held on 16 December 2011
- Draft protocol for community clean ups
- Burglary ward risk matrix
- Minutes of Beeston, Holbeck and Hunslet Neighbourhood Improvement Board Core Group held on 16 December 2011
- Minutes of Middleton Park Strategic Advisory Group held on 23 November 2011
- Leeds Citizens Panel Report to Area Committees (February 2012)

Gavin Forster, Area Officer, presented the report and responded to Members' questions and comments.

The main highlighted points were:

- Clarification regarding an error in the text of the report that the Neighbourhood Improvement Board was known as the Middleton and Belle Isle Improvement Board.
- Clarification was sought regarding the Olympic torch route from the John Charles Centre to Morley. It was advised that the route was determined by the London Organising Committee.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the report and appendices be noted.

71 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 21st March 2012

(St Matthew's Community Centre, St Matthew's Street, Holbeck, LS11 9NR)

(Meeting to commence at 6.30pm.)

(The meeting concluded at 8.08pm)