

OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 8TH JULY, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor A McKenna in the Chair

Councillors D Coupar, J Cummins,
P Grahame, P Gruen, M Lyons,
S McKenna, K Mitchell and K Wakefield

1 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

2 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

3 Late Items

There were no formal late items submitted for consideration. However in relation to Agenda Item 6 "Minutes – 6th June 2014" the draft minutes were circulated to the Committee at the meeting.

4 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

No declarations were made.

5 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Dobson, J Lewis and M Harland.

6 Minutes - 6 June 2014

The minutes of the last meeting of the former East Outer Area Committee, the fore-runner of this Community Committee, were submitted for noting.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting of the former North East Inner Area Committee held 5th June 2014 be noted.

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 ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Area Committee.

On this occasion no members of the public wished to make representations.

8 Community Committee Appointments

The City Solicitor submitted a report which outlined the Community Committee's role regarding appointments to: Outside Bodies; Area Lead Members; Children's Services Cluster Partnerships and the Corporate Carers' Group. In addition, the report invited the Committee to determine the appointments to these groups and organisations.

RESOLVED-

(a) That in respect of the Committee's Outside Body schedule, the following appointments be made for the 2014/15 municipal year:-

- Cross Gates & District Good Neighbours Scheme – Councillor P Grahame for 1 year;
- HOPE (Halton Moor & Osmondthorpe project for Elders) (2 Appointments) – Councillor Mitchell and Councillor Cummins for 1 year;
- Neighbourhood Elders Team – Councillor J Lewis for 1 year;
- Swarcliffe Good Neighbours Scheme – Councillor P Gruen for 1 year
- Outer East Local Housing Advisory Panel – Councillor Mitchell for 1 year;
- Swillington Educational Charity - Vacant – to be determined by the relevant ward Members; and
- Outer South East Local Housing Advisory Panel (2 appointments) – Councillor P Grahame and Councillor A McKenna for one year.

(b) That in respect of Area Lead Member roles the following appointments be made for the 2014/15 municipal year;

- Environment & Community Safety – Councillor Harland;
- Children's Services – Councillor Coupar;
- Employment, Skills and Welfare – Councillor Cummins and Councillor P Grahame; and
- Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care – Councillor A McKenna.

(c) That in respect of the Corporate Carers' Group Councillor Coupar be appointed for the 2014/15 municipal year;

(d) That in respect of Cluster Partnerships, the following appointments be made for the 2014/15 municipal year:-

- Cllr M Dobson – Garforth

- Cllr J Lewis – Brigshaw Co-operative Trust;
- Cllr M Lyons – Temple Newsam Learning Partnership;
- Cllr J Cummins – Temple Newsam Learning Partnership Associate Trustee;
- Cllr P Grahame – Seacroft Manston.

9 Scene Setting for Outer East community Committee

The South East Area Leader presented his report set the scene for the new community committee and asked for approval of a set of minimum conditions for any decisions that may need to be delegated, or taken, between formal community committee meetings. The report also asked members to approve the priorities for the Committee for the rest of 2014/15 municipal year.

Members considered it important that meetings we're held in the community so as to attract as many members of the public as possible. Members felt that themed meetings should be held in the community and that business meetings be held at the Civic Hall.

In discussing grants made to external organisations Members stressed the importance of ensuring that the Leeds City Council logo was featured on any events they hold.

Members suggested that in March that these should focus on environment and neighbourhoods and Safer Leeds. It was confirmed to members that if they wished additional meetings could be schedule.

Members discussed the positives and negatives of using social media to promote the work community committee. It was stressed that any social media sites should be monitored by Council officers.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the introduction of Community Committees be welcomed by members;
- (b) That the minimum conditions as set out in paragraph 9 of the submitted report be approved with regard to the need for delegated decisions to be taken between formal community committee meetings; and
- (c) That the local priorities for engagement detailed within the Community Plan as featured at Agenda Item 10 of the published agenda (Minute No 9 refers) be approved.

10 Community Plan cover report 2014 2015

The South East Area Leader presented his report which presented a draft 2014/15 Community Committee annual Community Plan. The report set out key priorities supported by Community Committee through its Well Being Budget, delegated roles and functions, Area Lead roles and various partnership groups.

Members noted that community forums were not detailed anywhere yet and requested that ward members be updated when meetings take place.

Members discussed the use of social media and requested that strong controls continue to remain in place. It was commented that through using social media, members of the public were becoming more familiar as to the role of the community committee.

Area lead roles were discussed and considered important ways of ensuring the Outer East areas interests were put first and well represented which will hopefully create opportunities for the local community.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the priorities highlighted in the plan be agreed; and
- (b) That regular updates on actions, activities and programmes of work that will be delivered locally to address these priorities be provided to the Committee.

11 Well Being Budget 2014/15

The South East Area Leader submitted a report which provided details of the Well Being Budget allocated to Outer East in 2014/15; it also included commitments and funding streams already agreed.

The report also provided information on a new project proposal that Community Committee was recommended to support.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the funding streams agreed in June 2014 be noted; and
- (b) That £5,000 towards the improvements at Sutton Park Childrens Playground be awarded to Groundwork.

12 Summary of Key Work

The South East Area Leader submitted a report which provided the Community Committee with details of key issues and activities in recent months including project work and community engagement.

The report also provided Members with minutes relating to recent community forums and engagement activities, sub groups and partnerships and minutes of Area Chairs meetings.

Members requested that Thorpe Park be a priority venue for the next meeting and asked officers to consider other options if there was no availability a Thorpe Park.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the submitted report, be noted.

13 Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday 7th October 2014.

14 Any Other Business

The Committee were informed that a memorial service for Anne Maguire will take place in Leeds Town Hall at 12pm on 29th September 2014.