

OUTER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor K Bruce in the Chair

Councillors N Dawson, J Dunn, J Elliott,
S Golton, T Leadley, L Mulherin, D Nagle
and S Varley

20 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors K Renshaw, R Finnigan and B Gettings.

22 Open Forum

In accordance with the Community 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 there were no members of the public in attendance.

23 Minutes - 20 October 2014

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2014 be confirmed as a correct record.

24 Wellbeing Report

The report of the South East Area Leader sought to provide Members with the following:

- Details of the Wellbeing budget position
- An update on the revenue, capital and youth activities fund elements of the Wellbeing Budget
- Details of revenue funding for consideration and approval
- Details of revenue projects agreed to date which link to the priorities and actions in the Community Committee Plan
- Details of activities funded through the Youth Activities Fund
- The current position of the Small Grants Budget

Tom O'Donovan, Area Improvement Manager presented the report:

The following was discussed:

- Withdrawal of the Heroes and Villains project. The money would be returned to the Wellbeing funds.
- Morley Literature Festival. Members were informed of proposed changes to this year's festival.
- Site Based Gardeners – Members were informed of the benefits of the Site Based Gardeners scheme which included having an on-site presence, reduction in complaints, the ability to address complaints and a higher frequency of maintenance. Members supported proposals for this scheme which would run from April to September.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the position of the Wellbeing, Capital and Activities fund elements of the Wellbeing Budgets be noted.
- (3) That the revenue projects already agreed be noted.
- (4) That the Wellbeing Applications approved by Delegated Decision Notice be noted.
- (5) That the following projects be approved:
 - Site Based Gardener for Outer South Area 2015 - £35,654.01 – Approved
 - Morley Literature Festival 2015 - £10,000 – approved.
- (6) That the small grants situation be noted.

25 Summary of Key Work

The report of the South East Area Leader brought Members' attention to work which the Area Support Team was engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that were not covered elsewhere on the Agenda. Members were also asked to consider making an appointment to a vacant position on the Ardsley and Tingley Children's Services Cluster Partnership.

Tom O'Donovan, Area Improvement Manager presented the report.

Issues discussed included the following:

- Members were informed of proposals to present service reports to sub groups and ward based briefings. It was reported that decisions would be brought back for consideration by the full Community Committee.
- Employment, Skills and Welfare – Members were informed of an event held in November regarding the promotion of Victoria Gate. Local schools had been involved with this event. The Apprenticeship Awards were due to be held in the Civic Hall on 10 March 2015.
- Environment and Community Safety – Crime levels across the Outer South area had continued to decline and there had been a significant drop in Rothwell.
- Health and Wellbeing – Winter warmth packs had been delivered across the area. Meetings had been held with local GPs regarding the process of approving a Social Prescribing Programme..

- Community Centres – Concern was expressed regarding the review of Community Centres and the lack of time between the next meeting of the Community Centre Sub Group and the close of the consultation. It was reported that consideration could be given to changing the date of the Community Centre Sub Group if necessary.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That Councillor Neil Dawson be appointed to the Ardsley and Tingley Children's Cluster Partnership
- (3) That the proposals set out in the report for service reports being presented to sub groups for discussion be agreed.

26 Date and time of next meeting

Monday, 23 March 2015 at 4.00 p.m.