INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2017

PRESENT: Councillor A Gabriel in the Chair

Councillors J Blake, D Congreve, P Davey, K Groves, E Nash, A Ogilvie and P Truswell

11 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor M Iqbal.

12 Minutes - 14 June 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2017 be confirmed as a correct record.

13 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 Community Committee. The following was discussed:

- Concerns regarding litter and anti-social behaviour at Cross Flatts Park. Contact would be made with Parks Watch and there would be a report back.
- Grass cutting concern that areas had been left in Hunslet Carr which weren't covered by the contractor.
- Concerns regarding removal of rubbish for new tenants. The Committee was informed of problems for a new family who did not speak English and had been unable to rectify their situation. It was suggested they attend Dewsbury Road One Stop Centre where translation services would be made available.
- Dog fouling campaign it was too early to tell how successful this had been and it was acknowledged there was more enforcement needed in certain areas.
- Concerns raised regarding residents who were affected by issues related to the managed prostitution zone. There was due to be a public meeting which would include West Yorkshire Police on 3 October 2017.

14 Raising awareness of what it means in practice to be a Corporate Parent and the role of the Corporate Parenting Board

The report of the Chief Officer, Partnerships, Children and Families outlined the role of the Corporate Parenting Board and aimed to increase understanding of the role of the Children's Champion and what being a Corporate Parent meant.

Hannah Lamplugh, Voice and Influential Lead and Jancis Andrew, Head of Virtual School presented the report.

The Committee was given a presentation and took part in an interactive quiz regarding corporate parenting.

Issues discussed included the following:

- The Council had a Corporate Parenting for all children that came into care this included Elected Members and employees.
- Work streams that are aimed at looked after children including professional mentoring schemes to gain workplace experience and partnership work with colleges and universities.
- The role of school governors and the aim to increase the number of school governors with responsibility for looked after children.
- Highlighting the Corporate Parenting role of Elected Members within clusters.
- There was a focus from Ofsted in regards of looked after children and corporate parenting. All schools were required to have a designated teacher for with responsibility for looked after children.
- Support for foster carers and kinship carers.

RESOLVED – That the report and discussion be noted.

15 Inner South Community Committee Delegated Budget

The report of the South East Area Leader provided Members with the following:

- Details of the Wellbeing Budget position
- An update on both the revenue and youth activities fund elements of the Wellbeing budget
- Details of revenue projects agreed to date
- Details of Youth Activities Fund agreed to date
- Details of Capital budget agreed to date
- Details of project proposals for consideration and approval
- Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision
- Current position of the Small Grants Budget

Tajinder Virdee, Area Officer presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to applications for funding, remaining budgets, delegated decisions and capital funding available.

With regard to the application from the Irish Arts Foundation, this project was not supported as it was difficult to determine how many inner south Leeds residents benefited from the project.

RESOLVED -

- (1) That the report be noted
- (2) That the revenue projects already agreed be noted.
- (3) That the Youth Activities Fund projects already agreed be noted.
- (4) That the capital budgets already agreed be noted.
- (5) That the following Wellbeing application not be funded:
 - Irish Arts Foundation Community Participation and Learning Programme
- (6) That the following Wellbeing applications be approved:
 - Friends of Middleton Park Summer programme £3,980
 - Premier League KICKS £5,000
 - o 2 x Halos for Zebra Crossing on Elland Road £4,000
- (7) That the projects approved by Delegated Decision be noted,
- (8) That the Small Grants situation be noted.

16 Inner South Community Committee Update Report

The report of the South East Area Leader brought Members attention to a summary of work which the Communities Team was engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that were not covered elsewhere on the Agenda. The report provided opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on any particular issue.

Martin Hackett, Area Improvement Manager presented the report.

The following was discussed:

- Children and Families a summit for Young People was to be arranged and would be held at Leeds United Centenary Pavilion.
- Employment, Skills and Welfare Attention was brought to the Community Led Local Development Project. How to help women out of prostitution was also highlighted as a priority.
- Environment Members were informed of the Instaplanta project. Discussion focussed on where planters would be sited and whether there could be control over what was advertised on the planters.
- Community Engagement work.
- Community Centre Discounted lets there were additional discounts not included in the report which led to a total of discounts to the value of £20.2k
- Social Media and Communications update.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

17 Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 6 December 2017 at 5.00 p.m. in the Civic Hall, Leeds