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# Report of Locality Manager (West and North West Leeds)

Report to North West Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 9th December 2013

**Subject: Leaf-clearance Update and Performance Report - 2013** 

Are specific electoral Wards affected?  If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):  Adel & Wharfedale Guiseley & Rawdon Horsforth Otley & Yeadon	⊠ Yes	□ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?  If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:  Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

### **Summary of main issues**

1. This report will provide an update on performance on this year's leaf-clearance programme in Outer North West Leeds at the request of the Area Committee Chair. A detailed report will be circulated as a supplementary item before the area committee meeting in order to ensure that data and feedback is as up to date as possible when the report is due to be considered on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2013

# Recommendations

2. That the area committee receive a full report on leaf clearance as a supplementary item.

### 3 Corporate Considerations

#### 3.1 Consultation and Engagement

- a) Leaf-clearance is undertaken under the environmental Services Service Level Agreement with the area committee various consultation and engagement exercises have been undertaken with Members on an individual basis, as well as at ward, sub-group and Area Committee level.
- b) Performance against the SLA is now routinely discussed at all Environmental Sub-Groups.

#### 3.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

a) A key principle of locality working and the Service Level Agreement is a focus on delivering the best outcome for residents across the area, so that the streets and neighbourhoods in which they live are of an acceptably clean standard. This principle underpins equality and community cohesion, seeking to bring and maintain neighbourhoods to an acceptable environmental standard.

#### 3.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

a) The delegation of environmental services to Area Committees, via an approved Service Level Agreement, will significantly contribute towards the Stronger Leeds section of the new Safer & Stronger Communities Plan 2011-15. By delivering services at an Area Committee level, the priority to 'ensure that local neighbourhoods are clean' will be much more achievable.

# 3.4 Resources and Value for Money

a) There are no resource implications – leaf-clearance is funded from existing locality team budgets.

#### 3.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- a) There are no legal implications.
- b) The report contains no information that is deemed exempt or confidential.

#### 3.6 Risk Management

a) There are no risk management implications within this report.

## 4. Recommendations

a) That the area committee receive a full report on leaf clearance as a supplementary item.

## 5. Background documents<sup>1</sup>

a) There are no background documents associated with this report.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.