

SOUTH (OUTER) AREA COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor K Bruce in the Chair

Councillors N Dawson, J Dunn, J Elliott,
S Golton, L Mulherin, D Nagle, K Renshaw
and S Varley

50 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

51 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors B Gettings and T Leadley.

As there was not a member from Morley North Ward present, the Area Committee was advised as there was not a Member from Morley North present, that the meeting was inquorate and that any recommendations made would have to be formally ratified at a future meeting or should the meeting become quorate.

52 Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 December 2013

RECOMMENDED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2013 be confirmed as a correct record.

53 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. On this occasion there were no members of the public in attendance.

54 Summary of Key Work

The report of the Assistant Director (Citizens & Communities) presented an update on key work taking place within the Outer South Leeds Area.

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

Issues highlighted included the following:

- NEET reduction work – reference was made to the event held in December and the portal on Leeds Pathways.
- Welfare Reform – Members were informed of the work of the South East Leeds Debt Forum and a there would be an update on the Financial Fitness project at the March meeting.
- Community Hubs Pilot.

In response to Members comments and questions, the following was discussed:

- An update on provision of Police Community Support Officers in the South Outer Area was requested along with changes to community policing following the police headquarters move to Elland Road.
- Further information was requested on burglary figures in the area.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

55 Wellbeing report

The report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) provided Members with the following:

- Details of the Wellbeing Budget position
- An update on both the revenue, capital and 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 Area Committee Business Plan
- The current position of the Small Grants Budget.

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

Members' attention was brought to the following funding applications:

- Cold Calling Control Zone, Morley North - £541.50 – it was reported a project in Rothwell had been well received.
- Old Road, Churwell, Street Lights - £2,400 – in response to questions from Members it was reported that the running costs of the lights would be covered by the street lighting service.
- Winter Warmth Packs for the Elderly - £4,648.87 – A schedule had been drafted for distribution and Members were asked for assistance in directing how and where they should be distributed. It was felt that these should not be distributed to council tenants only and housing associations and community groups should be contacted.
- Litter Bins for Old Dewsbury Road and Troy Road - £600

RECOMMENDED –

(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 following project proposals be agreed
 - Cold calling control zone - £541.50
 - Old Road, Churwell, Street Lights - £2,400
 - Winter warmth packs - £4,648.47
 - Litter Bins – Old Dewsbury Road and Troy Road - £600
- (5) That the small grants situation be noted.

56 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday, 31 March 2014 at 4.00 p.m.