

OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor A McKenna in the Chair

Councillors D Coupar, J Cummins,
M Dobson, P Grahame, M Harland,
J Lewis, M Lyons, A McKenna, S McKenna
and K Mitchell

15 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors P Gruen and K Wakefield.

17 Minutes - 8 July 2014

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2014 be confirmed as a correct record.

18 Matters arising from the minutes

Further to Minute 8, Community Committee Appointments, it was reported that Councillor A McKenna had been nominated as the representative from Garforth and Swillington Ward for the Swillington Educational Charity.

RESOLVED – That Councillor A McKenna be appointed to the Swillington Educational Charity for the 2014/15 Municipal Year.

19 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 no issues were raised.

20 North East Divisional Locality Safety Partnership Annual Report

The report of the North East Locality Safety Partnership provided the Outer East Community Committee with an overview of the performance of the Partnership including crime statistics, public confidence and user satisfaction. It also gave an update on the development of neighbourhood management tasking arrangements and the West Yorkshire Police Programme of Change.

Beverley Yearwood, Area Community Safety Co-ordinator presented the report.

The report covered the year from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 and it had been a successful year in the overall reduction of crime in the Outer East Community Committee Area. Anti Social Behaviour had also decreased across all wards.

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

- Concern regarding drugs offences.
- CASAC was no longer in operation. Police Officers had been doing scene of crime visits and giving crime prevention advice and there would also be a target hardening exercise.

It was reported that this would be Beverley Yearwood's last report to the Outer East Community Committee and Members thanked her for her work in the Outer East Area.

RESOLVED – That the Local Community Safety Partnership continue to be supported in relation to prioritising and tackling burglary dwelling during 2014/15 through partnership work at neighbourhood level.

21 CCTV Report

The report of LeedsWatch outlined the effectiveness of the eleven cameras which served the Outer East area. The report showed the different types of incidents and arrests captured by CCTV Operators in 'real time'. The report covered the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

Beverley Yearwood, Area Community Safety Co-ordinator presented the report.

Further discussion included the location of cameras in Swillington and Members were also informed of concerns regarding a recent rise in burglaries from sheds.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

22 Outer East Community Committee Well Being Budget 2014/15

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

- Wellbeing budget commitments to date
- Agreed funding streams
- Details of new projects for consideration
- Details of small grants
- The remaining balance on the budget

Martin Hackett, Area Management Officer presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to the following projects for consideration that were outlined in the report:

- Money Buddies
- Well Being Packs for the Elderly
- Garforth & Villages Food Bank

It was reported that the Garforth & Villages Food Bank project was to be deferred as there were likely to be some additional costs to the project.

A representative of Money Buddies addressed the meeting and informed Members of the services provided to assist people with financial matters. This included matters such as helping with budgeting and assistance with filling in forms for benefits.

Members were informed that feedback had been received from the Older Persons sub-group and from recipients regarding the content of the Well Being Packs for the Elderly. It was recommended to approve funding subject to match funding from the Housing Panel.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the budget commitments and budget balance be noted.
- (2) That £1,995 be awarded to the Money Buddies project.
- (3) That £5,000 be awarded to support the Well Bing Pack proposal.
- (4) That consideration of supporting Garforth NET to establish a food bank be deferred.

23 Outer East Community Committee Key Issues

The report of the South East Area Leader presented an update on key work being undertaken within the Outer East Leeds area not covered elsewhere on the Agenda.

Issues highlighted in the report included the following:

- Updates on the following themed areas:
 - Employment & Skills
 - Health & Wellbeing
 - Children's Services
 - Environment & Community Safety
- Details on Community Forum meetings.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

24 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday, 27 January 2015 at 4.00 p.m.