



Report of:	The South East Area Leader	
Report to:	The Outer South Community Con (Ardsley & Robin Hood, Morley N	nmittee orth, Morley South and Rothwell)
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Outer South Community Committee Summary of Key Work Report

Purpose of report

1. To bring to Members' attention a summary of key work which the Communities Team is engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda. It provides opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

Background information

2. The Community Committee has a Community Plan that is updated throughout the year where actions are detailed against the Community Committee priorities. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings including project work, community engagement, partnership work, functions delegated to Community Committee, Community Champions roles and actions, integrated working and locality working.

Main issues

Updates by Theme: Children's Services Community Committee Champion: Councillor Bob Gettings

Children & Families Sub Group

3. The Children and Families Sub Group met on 23rd February 2016 at Morley Town Hall and minutes will be circulated to the group and Ward Members by email once approved by the Chair of the group. Highlights include proposed applications for consideration for the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) 2016/17. An invitation to apply for the Youth Activities Funding went live in November 2015 and the closing date for applications was 17th January 2016. The Children and Families Sub Group reviewed and approved all applications, taking into account feedback from children & young people. Projects approved for 2016/17 are included elsewhere on the agenda. The next meeting for the group is scheduled for 17th May 2016.

Updates by Theme: Employment, Skills & Welfare Community Committee Champion: Councillor Neil Dawson

Personal Work Support Programme (PWSP)

4. For this programme, it is estimate that 160 people from Outer South will be invited to attend the package over the next 6 months. So far, the ward breakdown by status is detailed below. To date, city wide figures are showing that less than 50% of people are attending the Introduction sessions. Customers are re-invited to attend and if they do not take part for a legitimate reason they are referred to the Welfare and Benefits section to have their Council Tax Support reviewed.

Ward	Engaging	Exemptions	Non-engaging	Total
Ardsley and Robin Hood	5	1	1	7
Morley North	3	1	1	5
Morley South	2	3	0	5
Rothwell	2	1	0	3

Engaging - those who attended initial introduction session and who have continued to receive support Exemptions - those who are exempted from participation due to for e.g. approaching pension age, imminent hospitalisation, imminent work programme referral etc.

Non Engaging - those who did not attend the introduction session and/ or any subsequent appointments

5. Initial one to one PWSP appointments are now offered at Morley Town Hall and Rothwell One Stop Centre for customers who find it difficult to access other venues. Many are using Morley library for their job search in between their review sessions with their PWSP Caseworker. Of the 20 job outcomes city wide, there have been 2 job outcomes to date from the Outer South (Morley South).

The Point

- 6. The Point, based in White Rose Shopping Centre, is an initiative established in partnership with Leeds City Council, Leeds City College, Job Centre Plus, Land Securities and the National Careers Service. It offers free impartial careers advice and support for all ages including writing Curriculum Vitae (CV), help with application forms, interview techniques, information, advice and guidance (IAG) and courses to develop skills to secure employment.
- 7. The Point held a Jobs Fair in August 2015 with over 750 people attended, 70% from Inner and Outer South Leeds. A total of 60 job outcomes have been achieved to date from the 100+ vacancies available on the day. However, due to retailers' unwillingness to share their data to an unprecedented degree this year, it has been particularly difficult to establish specific postcodes. This has meant that we are therefore unable to confirm the

numbers securing employment from OS. We are looking at means by which we can avert this situation reoccurring, but a frequently changing manager cohort across most retailers being commonplace, means that we must rely on good will regarding such data share, which has previously, served us well.

- 8. The Point started a Retail course being delivered by Leeds City College with the intention of developing skills and awareness around the retail /customer service industry as well as developing personal and social skills. Job matching will be provided as part of the course. Of the 22 attending, 5 are from Outer South. There are 4 information sessions planned during February and March 2016 (as shown below) for the next course due to start 15th March 2016:
 - Monday, 15th February 2016 at 10.00 am and 11.00 am
 - Tuesday, 16th February 2016 at 1.00 pm and 2.00 pm
 - Tuesday, 23rd February 2016 at 2 pm
 - Tuesday, 8th March 2016 at 2 pm
- 9. There are plans to develop The Point as a venue for delivering skills and employability sessions targeted specifically at Care Leavers. It is the Jobshop which attracts most young people across the city's network and it is hoped that the attraction of its position within the White Rose Centre will also prove popular with this group of young people.
- 10. Representatives from the Point and Community Hubs had a presence at the Morley Jobsfair at Morley Job Centre on Friday, 26th February 2016, 10am – 2pm. The Jobsfair was arranged by MP Andrea Jenkins' office in conjunction with Jobcentre Plus and 18 stands were available for providers to promote their services to support jobseekers.
- 11. In an effort to reach unemployed residents in the Outer South Wards and raise awareness, The Point and Community Hub Jobshops will be promoted through staffed displays within the Employment and Skills and Community Hub services.

Money Buddies Project

- 12. Outer South Community Committee approved £1,995 to deliver the project across the Outer South area. In the Outer South, Money Buddies are active in Morley One Stop Centre (OSC) and Rothwell OSC.
- 13. The total financial gains as a result Money Buddies project is summarised below for the period 10th April 2015 to 3rd March 2016:

	10 th April 2015 to 3 rd March 2016	
	Rothwell	Morley
Number of Money Buddy sessions to date	16	43
Financial Gains identified in a Money Buddy Appointment	£112.99	£26594.73
Financial Gains as a result of referral to a debt adviser	£0	£71392.37
Total Financial Gains	£112,99	£97,987.10
Total Gains per session equivalent	£6,64	£2278.77

(Total financial gains as result of e.g. utilities switch/utilities arrears/debt consolidation)

- 14. The Money Buddy in Rothwell started in October 2015 at Rothwell One Stop Centre and although it has been a slow start, lessons have been learnt. For example, staff at the centre have advised that the day the Money Buddy attends is a quiet day. Further to discussions and agreement with the Centre Manager and volunteer and subject to room availability, proposals will be made to change the day to Monday. In addition, Money Buddy volunteers are being trained to be pro-active in the Centre and engage with clients outside of the office with mini campaigns to attract further interest.
- 15. Financial Gains is only a part of how clients benefit (even though they are the easiest to measure). Not all clients engaged want formal help and from a citywide perspective, clients want 'pointing' in the right direction or to know what tools they can use e.g. 'My Money Steps', a budgeting tool. Furthermore, the project is exploring ways to measure other outcomes such as mental health and wellbeing improvements.

South Leeds Debt Forum Re-Launch

16. The South Leeds Debt Forum was formed in 2013 to deliver localised action around debt, money management and financial literacy. The Communities Team South East has been tasked with re-establishing the forum. Elected Members will be kept informed of developments as the project develops. In the meantime, for more information please contact the Communities Team.

Updates by Theme: Environment & Community Safety Community Committee Champion: Councillor Karen Bruce

Outer South Environmental Sub Group

- 17. The Outer South Environmental Sub Group was held on 10th February 2016 and updates were given by Housing Leeds, the Environmental Locality Team and Parks and Countryside. Highlights include an update of the environment delegation from Parks & Countryside and a review of the skip policy and procedure that will be undertaken following reported incidence of fly tipping around skips located for community clean ups. Minutes will be circulated to the group and Ward Members by email. The next meeting is scheduled for April 2016.
- 18. Site based gardeners Evaluation was presented of the Wellbeing project funding the provision of 3 site based gardeners to work 37 hours per person per week for 6 months of the year, dedicated to managing a number of green spaces in the Outer South. A further Wellbeing Funding application for the continuation of the Outer South Site Based Gardeners scheme in 2016/17 at a cost of £36,010.55 was received. A review of the delegated range of Parks & Countryside functions would be taking place by the Community Committees and Environmental Services however a Wellbeing Funding application at a reduced cost of £30K covering all Outer South Areas in equal proportions was requested for consideration.
- 19. A briefing note outlining the background to current burial provision policy and future burial provision across the city was discussed to seek the views from the Environmental Sub Group on each of the proposed cemetery sites. Members agreed the principle of extending existing cemeteries where possible and supported the policy to create smaller, locally based cemeteries.

Community Safety

- 20. The Outer South Community Committee funded Operation Flame in all Outer South Wards in the run up to bonfire night and the weekend after. It was a multi-agency coordinated approach to tackle anti-social behaviour (ASB) and environmental issues leading up to and including mischief night and the bonfire period.
- 21. Various partners worked together in the lead up to the period including Fire Service, Police Constable Support Officers (PCSO) /Police Constables (PC), Housing Leeds and the Environmental Locality Team. The aim was for partners to report any material which could be used in un-official bonfires to the Environmental Action Team for removal. PCSOs directed young people to the youth provision and the ASB Team and Police undertook pro-active visits to reduce ASB during the period.
- 22. The Fire Service reported that the South East area had the lowest reported incidents across the city during the period and they are in no doubt that Operation Flame contributed to this achievement. There were also no attacks on fire fighters in South East Leeds area during the period.

- 23. From 15th February 2016, West Yorkshire Police will commence a new operating model. These changes will see the work undertaken by Inspectors, Sergeants and Police Constables altering. The aim is to better meet calls for service and local demands. The changes will mean:
 - Inspectors taking on a locality based role and thematic responsibilities across the locality, deploying response Officers across the locality and maintaining a footprint at a Partnership Working area level (Community Committee area)
 - Sergeants in charge of the local Partnership Working Area Neighbourhood Teams
 - Police Constables becoming ward managers, managing and deploying PCSOs to local problem solving
- 24. The new structure will ensure greater flexibility in meet existing and future challenges, whilst maintaining and building on the neighbourhood policing structure.

Updates by Theme: Health and Wellbeing Update Community Committee Champion: Councillor Lisa Mulherin

The following work provides an update of the Health & Wellbeing activities taking place:

Leeds South and East Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Third Sector Grants

- 25. NHS Leeds South and East CCG has announced that a further 14 projects will benefit from its £1million Third Sector Grant Scheme, following on from 24 awarded last year. The grants will help the CCGs deliver ambitious plans to improve health and wellbeing, prevent ill health and ultimately enable local people to lead healthier lives across the South and East of the city. The second round of the programme closed in December 2015 with 46 applications received. Of the applications received, 10 of the 38 schemes costing £50,000 and 4 of the 8 schemes costing £5,000 were approved with a total of £400,043 allocated.
- 26. Successful applicants demonstrated that they met needs of the CCG population and could address key population health issues as well as key NHS challenges e.g. reducing A&E attendance. The panel included patients, GPs and representatives from the CCG, Public Health and the Third Sector. The announcement follows the first round of the programme which closed in June 2015 and resulted in 24 organisations receiving almost £600,000.

Social Prescribing

27. Connect for Health, the Leeds South and East CCG commissioned social prescribing service, launched on 23rd November 2015 following recruitment of a Project Manager, Team Leaders and Wellbeing Coordinators. The teams' focus has been to engage GP practices and compile a list of activities available to signpost or refer into. The service covers GP practices across the Rothwell Ward and Lofthouse and Robin Hood. Between the launch date and the end of 2015 the service has seen 40 people. The main issues raised have been around mental health and social isolation. The service's website is live

and organisations are encouraged to register their services, groups and activities on the site: <u>https://connectforhealthleeds.org.uk/</u>

28. The NHS Leeds West CCG social prescribing service 'Patient Empowerment Project' (PEP) has been very successful and has evaluated well in its first year of operation. This covers all 38 practices in Leeds West CCG and covers practices in the two Morley Wards and Ardsley and Tingley. The service specification is currently being updated and will go out for re-procurement in the Summer of 2016 for 3 years of recurrent funding. Patients using the PEP service have reported improvements in mental wellbeing and their ability to manage their own health. There are high levels of service satisfaction for patients. Practice staff are very positive about the service in their evaluation.

Smoking Cessation

- 29. The Leeds South and East CCG have set a local target of reducing smoking prevalence rates. In March 2015, the Centre for Health Promotion Research, part of the Institute for Health and Wellbeing at Leeds Beckett University were commissioned by Leeds South and East CCG to undertake the Smoking Insight Evaluation.
- 30. The overarching aim of the evaluation was to gain a comprehensive understanding of how stop smoking interventions can be tailored to reduce smoking prevalence in the Leeds South and East population. Following on from this report, a group have formed and are leading on:
 - Joint working between primary care engagement team and smoking cessation advisors to promote services to GP Practices
 - The development of a local media campaign to promote local smoking cessation advisors
 - Ways local people can be supported / accessed to try to stop smoking and a potential Cut Down to Quit Programme.

Winter Friends Update

- 31. Winter Wellbeing Packs have been available and are being distributed since the beginning of December 2015 within the Outer South area. This includes using criteria and where necessary signposting to other support, thereby ensuring pack allocation is provided to the most in need residents. This year has benefitted from a mild Winter. Despite this, packs are being allocated and used appropriately:
 - Housing Officers have distributed over 40 packs
 - Public Health, Leeds South & East Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Community Committee came together to uplift pack quantities and the Winter Friends below have started to distribute :
 - Morley Elderly Action 20 packs
 - Rothwell 20 packs
 - Trinity Network 30 packs
 - Rothwell and Morley Food Bank 40 packs

32. To further the efforts to support Outer South vulnerable residents, there is the opportunity for Ward Members to distribute Winter Wellbeing Packs to appropriate vulnerable constituents. These are available for Ward Members to pick up from Rothwell One Stop Centre and Morley Town Hall (both with Housing Leeds).

Outer South Community Workshop – Health & Wellbeing in Outer South

- 33. Over 50 people, including local Councillors attended a workshop on 'Health & Wellbeing in Outer South Leeds' on Monday, 30th November 2015 at the Rodillian Academy. As well as an introduction to the Leeds Health & Wellbeing Strategy attendees participated in group and table discussions looking at the refresh of the strategy which includes people living longer and having healthier lives and how resident's quality of life can be improved by access to quality services (such as good health care). Other priorities discussed included people living in healthy & sustainable communities (with good transport links in rural areas) and people being involved in decisions made about them.
- 34. Leeds City Council has responsibility for Public Health however, Health and wellbeing was covered in its widest sense, and discussions also included how we as a community can make better use of assets and the need for people to keep active, making best use of the fantastic greenspaces in Outer South Leeds. There were also many lively discussions which looked at ensuring how we can work together to help people stay connected and prevent isolation.
- 35. The event went very well and everybody was keen to get involved and have their say in shaping the city wide Health and Wellbeing draft plan due to be published in March 2016.

Updates by Theme: Adult Social Care Community Committee Champion: Councillor Karen Renshaw

Older Persons Working Group

- 36. The Outer South Community Committee Older People's Working Group met on 29th February 2016 and minutes will be circulated by email once approved by the Chair of the group. Highlights included working with Public Health with a view to taking part in the city wide offer and the collation and distribution of Winter Wellbeing Packs (as above). Ward Members will have also received information via email regarding this.
- 37. In 2015/16 Morley Elderly Action (MEA) delivered the final year of a three year garden maintenance scheme and an evaluation report was presented at the Outer South Older People's Sub Group meeting on 29th February 2016. This is summarised below:

Morley Elderly Action (MEA) Gardening Scheme 2015/16

38. The Outer South Community Committee commissioned a garden maintenance scheme, delivered by MEA for a three year period ending in March 2016. The main objective of the gardening scheme is to provide a gardening service to the elderly and people with disabilities including memory and dementia issues residing in all four Outer South wards.

The service helps to prevent depression and despair in the elderly at not being able to cope with routine garden maintenance. It also helps to prevent accidents, such as tripping and falling as the garden is kept neat and tidy and does not have overgrown bushes and grass. Clients can also benefit from being able to sit in their garden or walk around it, promoting wellbeing and healthier lifestyle. Benefits of the garden maintenance scheme include:

- Provision of work stream to 13 fully insured, local professional gardeners. Work undertaken includes grass cutting, strimming, hedge cutting, cutting back bushes and small trees and weeding. MEA are also able to offer a female gardener which has proved useful occasionally.
- Clients can have a maximum of one subsidised hour per fortnight or equivalent
- Providing a reassurance, gardeners are have been Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) checked and are reliable
- Provision of a service that ensures gardens look cared for and prevent trips/falls
- Provides a deterrent to opportunist rogue gardeners from overcharging the elderly and disabled and not completing work to a high standard
- Promoting feeling of wellbeing and provides human contact for the lonely and isolated
- 39. The targeted priority groups are given below. Of the clients who submitted their age:
 - 24 were under the age of 60 and qualified as persons with a disability
 - 309 clients were either registered disabled or considered themselves to have a disability
 - 96 clients were in the 60-70 age group
 - 230 were in the 71-84 age group
 - 174 were in the 85 and over age group

The number of gardens serviced throughout the year was 392. However the number of clients benefiting from the scheme was greater, at least 524, as some people are living with a spouse/other. The number of Council properties attended by the scheme was just under a third.

- 40. Members of the Working Group determined the requirement for a discussion with the Manager of MEA at the March 2016 Outer South Community Committee meeting and subsequently requested the Area Leader to investigate and present alternative schemes for comparability and provide the Outer South Community Committee with options for consideration for the new financial year. Although a separate report to the Outer South Community Committee will be presented for decision, the Working Group's recommendation with agreement from MEA to the Outer South Community Committee is:
 - A reduction of £3,300 (10%) against the total funding of £33,000 of the scheme in 2016/17. This is to come from the overhead/staffing costs not the subsidy to the gardeners so there should be no reduction in the number of gardens that can be maintained under the scheme in 2016/17.
 - Matched funding should be sought. Julie Holmes from Housing Leeds has offered to assist MEA with this (including possible funding from the HAP)

Outer South Community Centres Sub Group Chair: Councillor Bob Gettings

41. The Community Centres sub group met on 3rd November 2015 and minutes have been circulated by email. Highlights included a discussion on improving facilities at Morley Town Hall, Events Stewarding, relocation of the Rothwell Food Bank to the Windmill Youth & Community Centre, re-decoration of the Windmill Youth & Community Centre, community Centre Consultation Report to be submitted to the Executive Board on 18th November 2015 and a review of the Action Plan. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 3rd March 2016.

Community Centre Pricing Policy

Ward	Community Centre	Organisation	Value
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Dance Action Zone Leeds (DAZL)	£1,235.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	St Gabriel's Community Centre	Dance Action Zone Leeds (DAZL)	£475.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	St Gabriel's Community Centre	Youth Services	£1,664.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Youth Services	£2,808.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Tingley Brass Band	£1,570.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Tingley Brass Band	£44.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Tingley Tenants & Residents Association	£290.00
Ardsley & Robin Hood	Tingley Youth & Community Centre	Ardsley & Tingley Childrens Centre	£20.00
Morley South	Lewisham Youth & Community Centre	Kids For Kids	£10,816.00
Morley South	Lewisham Youth & Community Centre	John Brian Appleyard (Mental Health)	£1,749.00
Morley South	Lewisham Youth & Community Centre	Action For Blind People	£2,459.60
Morley South	Lewisham Youth & Community Centre	Youth Service	£100.00
Morley South	Lewisham Youth & Community Centre	Youth Service	£2,184.00
Morley North	Drighlington Youth Centre	Youth Services	£1,144.00
Morley North	Drighlington Meeting Hall	Crafts for Kids	£105.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	Youth Services	£1,664.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	4th Morley (Gildersome) Scouts	£1,520.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	4th Morley (Gildersome) Cub Scouts	£1,280.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	4th Morley (Gildersome) Beaver Scouts	£912.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	Mongoose Explorer Scouts	£2,112.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	1st Gildersome Brownies	£3,200.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	Jolly Tots Playgroup	£9,100.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	Gildersome Girl Guides	£3,200.00
Morley North	Gildersome Youth Centre	Community Exhibition Event	£130.00
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Rothwell & District Gateway Club	£3,100.00
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Rothwell Judo Club	£1,287.50
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Rothwell & District Drop-In	£234.00
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Rothwell Windmill Youth Clubs	£12,896.00
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Music Club - Youth Services	£6,370.00
Rothwell	Windmill Youth & Community Centre	Foodbank	£1,820.00
		Total :	£75,489.10

42. A breakdown of free lets since July 2015 is summarised below:

Community Committee Champions

- 43. The Outer South Community Committee, at its meeting on 29th June 2015 considered a Forward Plan Report and agreed its recommendations. The report confirmed the Community Committee Champion role would aim to provide local leadership for each theme, whilst acting as a critical interface with services. Meeting on a quarterly basis, the report confirmed that Community Committee Champions, along with Service Leads are well placed to shape the local agenda around each theme.
- 44. Themed workshops were introduced to provide a forum for Councillors, residents and Services to consider issues affecting their communities and find solutions. It was agreed that the topics would be determined by Community Committee Champions in collaboration with Service Leads.
- 45. Last year's Forward Plan Report set out a schedule for Community Committees and Workshops. The objective this year would be to pursue a similar approach and Community Committee Champions have been asked to consider the content of next year's Outer South Community Committee Forward Plan, particularly in relation to priorities for the Outer South wards. Identifying and agreeing priorities will help to scope the content of future Community Committee agendas and workshops.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Update

- 46. Further to the CIL update provided at the last Community Committee in November 2015, members are asked to note that the process around collecting and reporting on data requires some work in order for regular updates to be provided to Community Committee. Funding transfers will be twice yearly with the next update in March 2016. For Outer South, total of £3,854.25 is due to be paid to Community Committee. This is made up of £3,746.25 relating to Woodlands Drive, Ardsley and £108.00 relating to Waterwood View, Tingley site developments.
- 47. Community Committee is asked to consider establishing a CIL sub group, allowing all Members of the Community Committee to sit alongside key partners from Town and Parish Councils, including an Area Planning officer and an Area Officer. The sub group would explore how local infrastructure plans and priorities are determined and aligned to the release of CIL funds and set out a plan for local delivery. The Chair of the group will be the Chair of the Community Committee. A draft Terms of Reference will be presented at the first meeting of the sub group for agreement.

Outer South Housing Advisory Panel (OSHAP)

- 48. The OSHAP Officer and Communities Team have been meeting on a regular basis with a view to joint funding projects now and in the future.
- 49. Ward members now who sit on the panel are, Councillors Jack Dunn, Karen Renshaw, Shirley Varley and David Nagle.

- 50. The current priorities of the panel are outlined in their 'plan on a page'. The Housing Advisory Panels (HAP) funding priorities are shortly being updated by the HAP in light of new tenant satisfaction information. However, some current examples include:
 - To enhance the environmental appearance of neighbourhoods, including those that address community safety and security
 - To support applications that increase tenants' online access to services
 - To support applications giving tenants an overall better quality of life in terms of their general health and wellbeing.
- 51. The HAP forward plan includes the regular review of housing performance with a senior housing officer. Recent HAP discussions included the performance of the local Housing Teams on rent arrears and Annual Home Visits.
- 52. The OSHAP has so far supported 56 community and environmental related projects this year. Some examples of funded projects since the last Summary of Key Work report include:
 - Alley gates to Temple Avenue, Rothwell to resolve an ASB issue £7,754.48
 - Doorstep green wild bed, Gildersome £2,658.00
 - Gate to garage site Moorland Avenue, Gildersome £1,400.00
- 53. Some examples of Community Committee match funding projects since the last Summary of Key Work report include:
 - Defibrillator for Westerton Close, Tingley £500.00
 - Ardsley Bowling Club, Bowling Green Shelters £1,750.00
- 54. The panel have an allocation of £119,732.32 for use during 2015/16, £119,841.31 which is a slit overspend of £108.99. The new budget for 2016-2017 will be announced shortly however it will be a reduction of last years.
- 55. The HAP are keen to help support and raise awareness about future Community Committee activity, work with officers to explore joint funding opportunities to tackle joint priorities and help the Committee with community engagement.

John O'Gaunts Community Fun Day

56. John O'Gaunts Community Fun Day event was held on Thursday, 18th February 2016 at the Rose Lund Community Centre, 12.00 to 5.00pm. Local services including statutory and community partners worked together to host a productive day with the view to enhancing community outreach engagement and enable an effective consultation process as part of the overall prospective Rothwell Neighbourhood Plan. Over 200 residents attended the event.

Commemorating the First World War: Somme 2016

- 57. At the Executive Board Meeting on 10th February 2016, the Director of City Development submitted a report which sought to recognise and promote the commemoration of the Battle of the Somme, together with the involvement of the Leeds Pals. The 1st July 2016 marks the centenary of the first day of the Battle of the Somme. The report highlighted the planned programme of activity in the city and also reviewed the success of the programme of events which commenced in 2014.
- 58. On 1st July at 7.30am (the exact time when the first soldiers scaled the trench walls) bugle players, posted at a number of locations around Leeds, will play a piece of music. There is £1,000 earmarked for each community committee area for events to commemorate the Somme.

Strong and Resilient Communities: Prevent

- 59. On the 19th October 2015, the Government published its National Counter Extremism Strategy which seeks to tackle all forms of extremism: violent and non-violent; Islamist and neo-Nazi, and to improve the understanding of the causes and impacts. The strategy's four main strands are:
 - Counter the extremist ideology
 - Build a partnership with all those opposed to extremism
 - Disrupt extremists
 - Build more cohesive communities
- 60. The strategy followed the introduction of the Prevent duty on 1st July 2015, as part of the government Counter Terrorism and Security Bill 2015. This places a statutory duty for certain specified authorities, including local authorities, to have due regard to the need to prevent people being drawn into terrorism. This means local authorities, schools, Higher Education (HE) and Further Education (FE) establishments, probation, prisons, and the police must:
 - Assess risk of radicalisation in their area or institution
 - Develop an action plan to reduce this risk
 - Train staff to recognise radicalisation and extremism
 - Work in partnership with other partners
 - Establish referral mechanisms and refer people to channel
 - Maintain records and reports to show compliance
- 61. To support delivery of this programme, it has been agreed that Prevent related activity delivered through the Council will transfer from Safer Leeds to Citizens and Communities. This will improve the link between Prevent and locality working and help develop closer, more joined up service development and delivery.
- 62. Since July 2015, work has been taking place with schools, FE and HE institutions and front-line workers, to build confidence and raise awareness of the duty and statutory obligations of key institutions.

63. Prevent training sessions have been organised previously for elected members but engagement has been low. Moving forward, we hope that Community Committees will play a much more active role in the delivery of Prevent through the Strong and Resilient Communities programme and ideas about how this work be taken forward within localities are sought.

Outer South Community Committee Newsletter

64. A copy of the most recent Outer South Community Committee Newsletter highlighting key aspects of Community Committee activities and the last workshop is attached for information (Appendix 1). The Communities Team will be circulating the newsletter to their contacts and on social media.

Conclusions

65. The report provides up to date information on key areas of work for the Community Committee.

Recommendations

66. The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and make comment as appropriate.

Background documents¹

67. None.

¹ 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.