

Report of: The South East Area Leader

Report to: Outer East Community Committee (Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington, Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam)

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For decision

OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE – UPDATE REPORT

Purpose of report

1. To bring to Members' attention an update report on 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 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. The 2016/17 Community Plan will be presented to the 6th September 2016 Community Committee for consideration and approval.

Main issues

Updates by theme: Children's Services

Voice and Influence of Children and Young People in Local Decision Making

3. As the Council strives to be a child friendly city, giving children and young people a voice in decisions that affect their lives a priority for the Council.

4. Communities Team South East is working towards delivering an event in Temple Newsam ward around October 2016. The event will aim to bring together young people through clusters, schools and voluntary sector groups to set priorities, review Youth Activities Fund (YAF) and discuss the positive and negative aspects of their community. Working in partnership is key to delivering successful events. The final format of the day will be agreed in collaboration with the Children's Champion, ward members, Communities Team and other key partners working with children & young people in the Temple Newsam ward.

Updates by theme: Employment, Skills and Welfare South East Leeds Debt Forum

5. On 29th April, a workshop style meeting was held at Hillside, Beeston, to discover if the appetite was there to re-establish the forum. This forum had been in hiatus for the last few months.
6. Relevant voluntary, community and 3rd Sector organisations, along with council services attended and the consensus was that it would be beneficial to re-establish a forum for networking, sharing information and campaigning around financial inclusion in the South East of the city.
7. In addition, it will make people aware of what advisory services are available, signpost people to sources of help around loan sharks and promote savings and good sources of credit through organisations such as Leeds Credit Union.
8. Following a review of all the feedback, relevant elected members will be invited to attend a launch event – date and venue to be decided.

Updates by theme: Health and Wellbeing LSE CCG Social Prescribing – Connect for Health

9. Referral numbers have increased significantly, however, Connect for Health (CfH) are still not at capacity and continue to look for ways to promote the service and make the service as accessible as possible. Reasons for referral continue to be varied with key areas being split into social isolation/ connectivity, mental health, physical activity, finance and welfare benefits and housing.
10. CfH now has several drop-ins running across Leeds South East and the Wellbeing Coordinators have made contact with all GP practices and branches in the area. In general three-quarters of all practices in the LSE CCG area are now referring; there is still more work to be done in terms of engaging with GPs and facilitating links between the GP and community based services. CfH is making positive referral routes with a range of services including Health Trainers, Carers Leeds, The Memory Support Team, Care and Repair, Feel Good Factor, Forward Leeds and Zest. The referral base shows a good mix of GP, agency and self-referrals.

11. CfH are engaging a variety of partners through local networks, neighbourhood improvement boards and health and wellbeing groups, they are also having promotional stands at a range of events coming up over the summer including local festivals and are always interested to find out more about how to get involved and promote the service. They are keen to reach all groups, particularly those who don't visit their GP practices.
12. The CfH website is undergoing some final tweaks but people can continue to refer through the website, it is secure. Also in production is the CfH promotional film, this will be launched Summer 2016 and the service will provide further information through social media.

Leeds Health and Wellbeing Forum

13. On 16th March, the South and East Wellbeing Forum took place with attendees having the opportunity to share their views and ideas on developing new ways of working in the Leeds South and East CCG area.
14. Discussions focussed on:
 - the development of a new work programme aiming to create and enhance a supportive environment and appropriate services to increase breastfeeding initiation and continuation rates
 - an enhanced local offer to parents and carers to encourage parent bonding and attachment; and
 - enhanced or coordinated delivery of courses related to becoming a parent and parenting skills.
15. The second session considered the importance and impact of good health literacy and focussed on the need for a health literacy programme in LSE area with what a model could look like.
16. All discussions are helping shape the development of new work programmes to support in reducing health inequalities in the LSE area

Physical Activity – Leeds Let's Get Active

17. The LSE CCG Health Inequalities fund is being used to develop work to support LSE CCG meet its aim of improving the health of the whole population and reducing health inequalities. As part of this, Leeds Lets Get Active has been funded to support in its continuation
18. LLGA has now seen over 350,000 free visits made across the city

Leeds South and East - reducing smoking prevalence rates

19. LSE CCG has committed funding in 2016/17 in relation to local activity to encourage local people to make a smoking quit attempt. The work plan developed includes;
- A localised social marketing campaign including local people's stories and experiences. This will be advertised using a number of channels including rear bus advertising which began April 2016
20. Work is also being carried out to increase primary care engagement around the stop smoking service and wider workforce development.

Cancer Prevention

21. LSE CCG is investing funding in 2016 /17 into a work programme which aims to locally increase awareness of the bowel cancer screening test, breast cancer screening and lung cancer. In areas with low screening attendance rates, practice based champions are contacting patients who do not attend screening to offer advice and support.

Community Safety & Environment

22. The local tasking teams agreed from their 2015/16 allocation to fund additional security measures to be used and installed by west Yorkshire police through the crime reduction officer. These items will be supplied and fitted by the crime reduction officer focusing on vulnerable households, repeat victims of crime or repeat locations. The funds will pay for anti-theft number plate screws, shed alarms, shed screws, door alarms, personal alarms, etc other avenues of funding/support will be explored first, for example not for profit organisations such as Care and Repair. From its 2015/16 Tasking allocation Outer East Community Committee allocated £2,800 to support this project.

Flooding

23. A number of meetings have been held with residents to discuss the flooding issues affecting their properties. With the support of the Garforth Flood Action Group, Methley & Mickeltown have formed a Flood Action Group and discussions have taken place with the intent that both Kippax and Allerton Bywater form Flood Action Groups.

Community Committee Champions

24. The Community Champions have not met since the last Community Committee meeting. Champions will be appointed at today's meeting and future meeting dates agreed.

Communications

Facebook and Twitter

25. Social media from the Outer East continues to achieve the highest take-up of all communities teams in the city. This is attached as **Appendix 1**.

Outer East Community Committee Newsletter

26. The Communities Team produces a newsletter highlighting key aspects of activities after each Community Committee meeting and workshop. The Communities Team circulates the newsletter to their contacts and via social media. This is attached as **Appendix 2**.

Community Forum draft dates

27. The proposed dates for forums in 2016/17 are detailed below. Ward Members have decided they will not agree dates for Swarcliffe Forum at this stage.

Forum	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Cross Gates	22.06.16	12.10.16	20.01.17	28.03.17
Garforth & Swillington	26.05.16	18.08.16	10.11.16	02.02.17
Halton	28.07.16	13.10.16	26.01.17	13.04.17
Halton Moor	12.07.16	04.10.16	17.01.17	04.04.17
Kippax & Methley		14.09.16		15.03.17
Swarcliffe	tbc			
Whinmoor	04.07.16	18.10.16	10.01.17	29.03.17

Community Centres

28. In July 2014, it was agreed Community Committees would consider free lettings based on the priorities for their area. This came into effect for letting renewals running from 1st September 2015 to 31st August 2016. The total value of free lets authorised for this period was **£33,975**. The total additional free lets approved in the Outer East area thus far this financial year is **£405.50**.

Ward	Community Centre	Organisation	Date	Value
Crossgates & Whinmoor	Fieldhead Community Centre	Fieldhead Carr Primary School	11.03.16 - 08.08.16	£126.00
Crossgates & Whinmoor	Fieldhead Community Centre	LCC Youth Service	13.4.16 - 13.04.16	£33.00
Crossgates & Whinmoor	Swarcliffe Community Centre	Seacroft Manston Cluster	17,19,25 May 16 06,13,17,22 June 16	£85.00
Crossgates & Whinmoor	Swarcliffe Community Centre	Seacroft Manston Cluster	26 May 2016 7, 9 June	£90.00
Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater Youth & Adult Centre	LCC Youth Service	14.04.16	£71.50
Outer East Total				£405.50

29. A full breakdown of free lets is available on request.

Third Sector Leeds Goes Local (TSL)

30. Third Sector Leeds Goes Local is a partnership between the Local Authority and the third sector. The meetings are organised by Voluntary Action Leeds (VAL). TSL Goes Local are events/workshops that take place in each of the three areas of the city to:

- Identify challenges facing communities; and
- Enable meaningful consultation and involvement from the sector

31. In the past conversations have included, community resilience/ inclusion, the environment, social isolation and more recently how the sector can contribute to the community hubs and community committee agendas.

32. The next meeting of Third Sector Leeds Goes Local will be held on 22nd June 2016 at 10.00 am, at Tenants Hall, Middleton.

33. The meeting will consider austerity and the impact it is having locally. There will be presentations from various organisations and then the group will break into workshops.

34. The Communities Team is supporting VAL in the promotion of the event in order to get maximum local involvement and feedback from this session will be used to help the Debt Forum develop an action plan.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and engagement

35. Local priorities were set through the Community Committee Plan process.

Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

36. The Business Planning process takes into account equality, diversity, cohesion and integration issues.

Council policies and city priorities

37. The themes in the Business Plan mirror the themes and priority outcomes at a city wide level and also reflect the delegated functions and priority advisory functions.

Recommendations

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

Background documents

There are no background documents associated with this paper.