

**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**

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### **Purpose of report**

1. To bring to Members' attention an update report on work based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda. It also provides opportunities for further questions or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

### **Main issues**

**Updates by theme: Children's Services**

**Community Committee Champion: Cllr Helen Hayden**

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

2. The Communities Team South East worked with Temple Newsam Learning Partnership and Youth Services to deliver an engagement event for Temple Newsam ward. The event took place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Temple Moor High School. A report on the event is included elsewhere on the agenda.

### **Outer East Children & Families Sub Group**

3. At their meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016, Outer East Community Committee ratified the Children & Families Sub Group. The first meeting will take place in December 2016 and will look at which of the fourteen children's priorities the sub group will focus on over 2016/17.

**Updates by theme: Employment, Skills and Welfare**  
**Community Committee Champion: Cllr Pauleen Grahame**

**Joint Debt Forum Open Meeting**

4. On Friday 7th October at St George's Conference Centre, 75 people attended the Joint Debt Forum Open Meeting, where all four Leeds debt forums came together. The theme was Health and Wealth and the impact that poverty can have on wellbeing.
5. The event consisted of a mixture of workshops and talks, with speakers including the Chair of the Adult Social Services, Public Health and NHS Scrutiny Board, the Chief Executive Officer of Health For All and the Leeds City Council Financial Inclusion Team. There were a variety of discussions covering universal credit, mental health, food & fuel poverty and breaking the cycle, with workshop facilitators feeding back at the end on behalf of their groups. This information will be collated and sent round to attendees.

**Updates by theme: Health and Wellbeing and Adult Social Care**

**Community Committee Champion: Cllr Keith Wakefield (Health)**  
**Community Committee Champion: Cllr Sarah Field (Adult Social Care)**

**Leeds South and East CCG – Health Inequalities Fund**

6. Work has been undertaken to identify work programmes within three main topic areas – Best Start, Healthy Lifestyles and Wider Determinants of Health.
7. Funding has been agreed for an enhanced Best Start programme across the LSE CCG Area. The work will include an enhanced antenatal work programme, a postnatal work programme, a Best Start Peer Support work programme and workforce development activity.
8. Within the Healthy Lifestyles work programme an investment of £122,000 was made to support the continuation of Leeds Get Active in the LSE CCG area until November 2016. Beyond this period funding has been agreed for an enhanced community offer across the LSE CCG area.
9. Funding has also been used to secure two posts to work closely with the LSE CCG Primary Care Engagement Team. The post holders will provide specialist PH advice and will develop, implement and evaluate local work programmes/activity.

**Leeds South and East – reducing smoking prevalence rates**

10. Early evaluation of the Today is the Day campaign has shown some positive results across the LSE CCG area. Numbers of people engaging with smoking services across the area have gone up since the campaign started and although the numbers are small it is seen as a positive step for the area. There are still campaign resources available if further promotional sites are identified.

## Winter Warmth

11. Winter Friends training has once again been delivered across Leeds with 3 sessions running in the South East Area. The session for Outer East was attended by 6 frontline workers and all attendees have now been added to the Winter Friends Network. There are a few Winter Wellbeing packs remaining from last winter that can be distributed as crisis packs to those seen by any of the Winter Friends.

## Foodbanks

12. Foodbanks with Outer East support were launched last year in Garforth and Allerton Bywater. Ongoing liaison takes place but a highly productive catch-up was held last month. This included representation from Temple Newsam who are looking to develop a facility for the ward. A further meeting to progress this was approved.

## Updates by theme: Environment & Community Safety Community Committee Champion: Cllr Mary Harland

13. Operation Flame is a multi-agency co-ordinated operation to tackle ASB, crime and environmental issues leading up to and including Mischief Night and the bonfire period. Various partners work together in the lead up to this period including Fire Service, PCSOs / PCs, Housing Leeds and the environmental locality team. The aim is for partners to report any material which could be used in unofficial bonfires to the environmental action team for removal, PCSOs will direct young people to youth provision, the Fire Service undertake talks in schools and visit premises selling fireworks (undertaking joint visits with Police officers where appropriate).

14. In previous years the Police have helped lead this initiative but this year their involvement was more limited as they could not provide extra patrols due to restrictions in police capacity.

15. Work is underway to tackle ASB spotted via the LeedsWatch CCTV cameras on Ulswater Crescent. Footage has been made available to the local policing team, who will link with the Councils ASB Team to identify the youths involved and take the appropriate action.

16. Work is also ongoing to tackle ASB in Manston Park with a recent site visit with local Councillors and Parks staff. Local Police continue to provide additional attention to the area and local tasking will continue to work in partnership to try to address the issue. Possibly CCTV night camera coverage similar to that used in some other parks could be investigated.

17. Feedback from the Crime Reduction Officer is that good use is made of the additional funding from the Community Committee to fund alarms and safety equipment purchased to protect and help vulnerable and repeat victims of crime, sneak-ins, domestic abuse, theft from sheds, dementia door alarms, etc.

18. A new architect has been appointed to investigate development of the Halton Moor pub site and a meeting was recently held with the Council's Regeneration team to progress this work.

### **Environmental Sub Group**

19. The Environmental sub group met on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016. At the meeting the group received updates on OE issues from Flood Management, Highways, Localities, Parks, Waste Management and Housing. It was agreed that grit bin champions should be confirmed and each Communities bin should clearly they should be contacted for refills. Discussion was also held about Leeds undertaking stronger enforcement on waste collections. The majority of bin pollution occurs because rubbish is not properly sorted. For the last 2 years the Council has been encouraging compliance but it has now been agreed enforcement is necessary. The next OE Environmental Sub meeting will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

### **Community Committee Champions**

20. The meeting for Community Champions was last held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2106 at Garforth Library. As many Champions were unable to attend, the meeting concentrated on finding out the route key officers would prefer for liaising with their Champion. It was suggested that rather than updating through a joint champions meeting, it may be more beneficial for each Champion, lead service officer and area support to work together to develop one or two priorities for each theme for the forthcoming year. This information could then be included in the Updates report going to the Community Committee.

- Employment Access & Growth provided an update on job opportunities. At Thorpe Park 26 jobs were advertised and 363 people applied
- Youth Service provided an update on children and young people noting that 7 programmes in Outer East are reluctantly due to close because of staff shortages following cuts. Youths taking drugs is causing increasing problems particularly in the Garforth area
- Localities noted Parks are looking to reduce frontline staff and are identifying a way forward
- South and East Locality Public Health updated on a wide range of work underway through CCG including changes to antenatal procedures, Let's Get Active, a peer support initiative and good parenting courses. Two new positions were being provided, one for primary care engagement and one providing support on the mental health programme.

### **Outer East Community Committee Newsletter**

21. 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 3.**

## Facebook and Twitter

22. Social media from the Outer East continues to achieve the highest take-up of all communities' teams in the city. This is attached at **Appendix 4**.

## Community Centres

23. 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 starting on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015. The total value of free lets authorised to date is was **£50,631.00**. The total additional free lets approved in the Outer East area thus far this financial year is **£4,099.00**, giving a total cost to date of **£54,730.00**.

Ward	Community Centre	Organisation	Date	Value
Cross Gates & Whinmoor	Fieldhead Community Centre	Fieldhead Carr Primary School	11.03.16 - 08.08.16	£126.00
Cross Gates & Whinmoor	Fieldhead Community Centre	LCC Youth Service	13.4.16 - 13.04.16	£33.00
Cross Gates & Whinmoor	Swarcliffe Community Centre	Seacroft Manston Cluster	17,19,25 May 2016 06,13,17,22 June 2016	£85.00
Cross Gates & Whinmoor	Swarcliffe Community Centre	Seacroft Manston Cluster	26 May 2016 7, 9 June	£90.00
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Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater Youth & Adult Centre	LCC Youth Service	14.04.16	£71.50
Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater Youth & Adult Centre	LCC Youth Service	29 June, 1 Sept, 31 Aug 17	£2,304.00
Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater MW Hall	Allerton Bywater FC	29 June, 5 Oct, 31 May 17	£450.00
Kippax & Methley	Micklefield Youth & Adult Centre	LCC Youth Service	7 July, 4 Aug	£42.00
Kippax & Methley	Methley Village Centre	LCC Youth Service	7 July, 16 Aug	£42.00
Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater Miners Welfare Hall	Allerton Bywater FC	05.10.16 – 31.05.17	£450.00
Kippax & Methley	Allerton Bywater Youth & Adult Centre	LCC Youth Service	14.04.16 to 14.04.16	£71.50
Sub total				<b>£4,099.00</b>
Outer East Total				<b>£54,730.00</b>

## Recommendations

24. 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.