

INNER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 23RD MARCH, 2017

PRESENT: Councillor J Akhtar in the Chair

Councillors J Bentley, S Bentley,
A Garthwaite, J Pryor, C Towler and
N Walshaw

32 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 Community Committee. On this occasion no members of the public present wished to make any representations.

33 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations.

34 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Chapman and G Harper.

35 Minutes - 15 December 2016

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2016 be confirmed as a correct record.

36 Overview on the Development of the Leeds Plan and West Yorkshire and Harrogate Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)

The report of the Interim Lead for Leeds Health and Care Plan provided the Community Committee with an overview of the emerging Leeds Plan and the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Sustainability Transformation Plans (STP).

The Chair welcomed Paul Bollom, Interim Lead for Leeds Health and Care Plan; Cath Roff, Director, Adults and Health; and Dr Pat Geraghty GP, to the meeting.

The Community Committee was given a presentation on the Leeds Plan and West Yorkshire & Harrogate STP.

The following issues were highlighted:

- The plans had been developed for the future planning of Health and Care Services.
- There was a need to improve health services and keep them financially sustainable.
- The need for engagement with people and communities.
- How the Leeds Plan supplemented the Sustainability Transformation Plan.
- The main themes of the Leeds Plan
 - Prevention
 - Self Management
 - Optimising Secondary Care Facilities
 - Urgent Care/Rapid Response
- The need to address the following gaps:
 - Health and Wellbeing
 - Care and Quality
 - Finance and Efficiency
- The importance of health partners and other services working together.
- Factors relating to health and wellbeing such as housing, money worries and social isolation.
- Directing people to appropriate services.
- Members were asked to consider the following:
 - What were the priorities to reduce the health and wellbeing gap.
 - How to ensure meaningful, open and honest engagement was carried out with communities.
 - How the Community Committee could continue to be part of the conversation.

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

- Recruitment of GPs and nurses. It was reported that 20% of GPs in Leeds were due to retire in the next 4 years.
- Transition of Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) in Leeds.
- Access to Mental Health services for children and concern regarding the length of time to get referrals. Also concern for the lack of continuity for children who have social care needs. It was recognised that there was a need to find more inventive ways to provide Mental Health services for children, but Leeds did have provision through schools and a universal approach.
- Transport to health services and affordability of transport. Also concern regarding the cost of phone calls to access services.
- How to educate people to access the appropriate services for their needs. Reference was made to the development of a website that focussed on self-help, how to access services and what voluntary services are available.
- Concern regarding the increase in telecare charges. As a benchmark, Leeds was generally cheaper than elsewhere. There had been a drop in use of the service though.
- Staffing – the Leeds Plan had an emphasis on work force requirements for the future.

- How to raise awareness of the Community Committee as part of the ongoing conversation with regard to the Leeds Plan.
- The role of Patient Participation Groups.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the key areas of focus for the Leeds Plan, described in the report, and how they will contribute to the delivery of the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy be noted.
- (2) That need and opportunities identified in the area will inform and shape the development of the Leeds Plan.
- (3) That the most effective ways/opportunities the Leeds Development and Delivery Team can engage with citizens, groups and other stakeholders within the area be used to shape and support the delivery of the Leeds Plan.

37 Leeds Best Start Plan 2015-2019

The report of the Director of Public Health provided the Community Committee with the broad preventative agenda of the Leeds Best Start Plan 2015-19.

The Chair welcomed Jon Hindley, Public Health and Tracey Lenihan, Barca to the meeting.

The Community Committee was given a presentation on the Leeds Best Start Plan which was to be launched in Hyde Park. The plan aimed to give children the best start in life. Members were informed that Hyde Park had some of the highest incidences of child poverty across the City with 45% of families receiving benefits. Members were also informed of the new citywide project that Barca had been commissioned to do. This would involve outreach work in Hyde Park, Little London and Burley for those who were not currently engaging with services.

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

- The Best Start Project would involve Children's Centres.
- With regard to the number of different languages spoken it was reported that there would be a focus on developing English and links to schools.
- Safeguarding – there were robust procedures in place and close working links with police and probation. This was considered to be a priority area.
- How to identify those not using services.
- The focus on outreach work to tackle some of the wider determinants of health.
- It was reported that an update would be brought back to the Community Committee.

RESOLVED – That the report and discussion be noted.

38 Inner North West Children's Engagement Event

The report of the West North West Area Leader updated the Community Committee on the engagement event that took place with children and young people at the University of Leeds on 2 March 2017.

Nicole Darbyshire, Area Officer presented the report.

The event was attended by 22 children from 6 schools across the Inner North West Area. Discussion focussed on what kind of activities children and young people would like to see Youth Activity Funds spent on and where and when these should take place. An appendix to the report highlighted preferences expressed by those in attendance.

RESOLVED – That the report and attached appendix ,which will help shape the priorities for the Youth Activities Fund spend in the 2017/18 financial year, be noted.

39 Wellbeing Fund and Youth Activities Fund Allocation Report

The report of the West North West Area Leader advised the Community Committee of the following:

- The current position of the Wellbeing budget and Youth Activities Fund budget.
- The Wellbeing budget available for allocation in 2017/18.
- The Youth Activities Fund budget available for allocation in 2017/18.
- Those projects for consideration and approval from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2017/18.
- Those projects for consideration and approval from the Youth Activities Fund allocation for 2017/18.

Nicole Darbyshire, Area Officer presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to the following:

- Youth Activities Funding approved since the last Community Committee meeting.
- Wellbeing funds available for 2017/18.
- 2017/18 Wellbeing and Capital projects for consideration.
- Youth Activity Fund Projects for consideration.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the available Wellbeing Budget and Youth Activities Fund for allocation 2017/18 be noted.

- (2) That the projects listed in Table 2, a total of £75,995 from the Wellbeing Budget allocation for 2017/18 be approved.
- (3) That the projects listed in Table 3, a total of £6,342 from the Wellbeing Capital budget be approved.
- (4) That the projects listed in Table 4, a total of £17,575 from the Youth Activities Fund budget be approved.

40 Area Update Report

The report of the West North West Area Leader provided the Community Committee with a summary of recent sub group business as well as a general update on other project activity.

Nicole Darbyshire, Area Officer presented the report.

The following was discussed:

- Planning Sub-Group – that a request be made for some admin support from the Group Offices
- Environmental Sub-Group – There was still ongoing discussion regarding the Royal Park school site and there was to be a meeting at the Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility (RERF).
- Community Centre Free Lets.
- Community Committee Newsletter.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

41 Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2017/2018

The report of the City Solicitor asked Members to give consideration to agreeing the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2017/18 municipal year and to also consider whether any revisions to the current meeting and venue arrangements should be explored.

The following dates had been proposed for the 2017/18 municipal year:

- Thursday, 15 June 2017 at 7.00 p.m.
- Thursday, 21 September 2017 at 7.00 p.m.
- Thursday, 7 December 2017 at 7.00 p.m.
- Thursday, 22 March 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

RESOLVED – That the proposed meeting schedule for the 2017/18 municipal year be agreed.