



Report of the Director of Environment & Neighbourhoods Directorate

Inner South Area Committee

Date: Tuesday 8th April 2008

Subject: Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011 – update on development of action plan

Electoral Wards Affected: Beeston & Holbeck City & Hunslet Middleton Park <input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Specific Implications For: Equality and Diversity <input type="checkbox"/> Community Cohesion <input type="checkbox"/> Narrowing the Gap <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Function <input type="checkbox"/>	Delegated Executive Function available for Call In <input type="checkbox"/>	Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Executive Summary

This report provides the Area Committee with an update on the progress of the development of the Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011. This report provides an update on specific tasks that are being or to be undertaken in order to complete the ADP for first Area Committee of the municipal year. Details are also provided about a community consultation exercise, big issues big ideas postcard, which will feed in views from the local community. Members are invited to put forward any comments or suggestions about the 2008 – 2011 Area Delivery Plan.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview and a latest update on how the Inner South Leeds Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011 is being developed and the timeline for further work to be undertaken and completion.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 In December 2007, a report was presented to Area Committee regarding the changes that were to be made to various structures as part of the Area Management Review. Some of the recommendations covered changes to the structure of Area Delivery Plans (ADP) in order to link in more closely to Leeds Strategic Plan (LSP). The LSP ensures that themes within the Vision for Leeds, Local Area Agreement and Leeds Regeneration Plan are an integrated framework which will help tackle neighbourhood needs.

2.2 The main fundamental changes that were made to existing ADP structures were that the plans would span a three year period rather than development on an annual basis, local performance indicators also needed to be developed to show how specific actions provide benefits locally as well as how they are contributing to city-wide targets and the ADP would cover a much broader remit to fall in line with as many as the eight themes of the LSP as appropriate. The LSP themes are as follows:-

- Culture
- Enterprise & Economy
- Learning
- Transport
- Environment
- Health & Well Being
- Thriving Communities
- Stronger Communities

2.3 The ADP will also incorporate the Area Function Schedule delegated responsibilities. It is imperative that both the delegated functions and the ADP action plans link together to reflect what work can be undertaken to influence and develop these delegations to achieve localised priorities. As previously reported, there will be a greater level of delegated responsibilities handed to the Area Committee:-

- **Community Engagement & Facilities** – Community Centres, Community Space in Libraries, Community Engagement and Community Greenspace
- **Community Safety** – Neighbourhood Wardens, Neighbourhood Policing, PCSO's & CCTV and Multi Agency Crime & Grime Operations
- **Environment** – Enforcement Services (Area Action Teams), Street Cleansing, Highways Maintenance and Grounds Maintenance
- **Children & Young People** – Local Children & Young People Plans
- **Adult Social Care and Healthier Communities** – Adult Social Care (support to vulnerable people to live at home) and Healthier Communities (improving health and tackling health inequalities).
- **Regeneration and Development** – Area Based Regeneration Schemes and Town & District Centre Projects, Neighbourhood Management Co-ordination and Conservation Area Reviews

2.4 South Leeds Area Management Team is currently producing a draft Area Delivery Plan incorporating the various themes. The section below outlines the processes undertaken to date and the next steps to produce the finalised plan.

3.0 Development of 2008-2011 Area Delivery Plan

3.1 The development of the 2008 – 2011 Area Delivery Plan is being approached as very much of a three stage process:-

- Stage 1 – discussion with agencies and services to define local performance indicators and discuss actions that can be measured by local performance indicators and address city-wide improvement priorities. This work is mainly informing the development of the detailed thematic action plans;
- Stage 2 – consultation is to be undertaken with Ward Councillors and the community. Consultation with Councillors will be carried out in meetings with a specific ward focus. In the meantime, however, Members are invited to comment on what they would like to see as key priorities and key actions as part of the action plan. 3000 postcards have been sent out to groups, individuals and community buildings across Inner South Leeds to ask local people to send through their top three big issues and big ideas on how to resolve these problems.

- Stage 3 – finalisation of the ADP. Once views of ward members and the community have been fed into the draft plan, this will then be discussed again with agencies and services to agree their roles and responsibilities in the delivery of these actions and confirm monitoring arrangements.
- 3.2 The first stage has been undertaken – this was a series of six workshops attended by various services operating across the South Leeds area. Six workshops were held as some themes from the LSP improvement priorities complemented each other and were better being discussed along with other themes rather than in isolation. For example, a combined Learning and Economy & Enterprise workshop was held, as a number of these issues link in closely and a number of agencies have a focus to address both these themes.
- 3.3 From the workshop sessions held, a number of key actions have been suggested, these include as simple examples only:-
- Provision of various activities and advice sessions to address premature deaths from circulatory diseases, levels of obesity and teenage pregnancy
 - Development and delivery of activities to support Domestic Violence Programme
 - Tackling ASB through a number of various methods
 - Deployment of a number of crime prevention methods in targeted neighbourhoods
 - Promotion and delivery of home composting and garden waste programmes
 - Work closely with South Leeds Employment, Education and Training Group to develop a work programme to address worklessness and training issues across South Leeds
 - Developing a community involvement directory which will let local people know how they can get involved with community projects and local decision making
- 3.4 Meetings with Councillors have been or in the process of being set up. The meetings will focus upon ward level priorities and give Members the opportunity of giving their views on draft action plans and identifying any specific areas they are felt need to be developed further. Members are invited to put any views forward or areas they'd like to see incorporated into the ADP action plans at the Area Committee as well as the area focused meetings.
- 3.5 To co-incide with this, 3000 big ideas, big issues postcards have been distributed across the Inner South Area. The postcards have been placed in community buildings such as libraries, sports centres, schools and community centres, sent to the Inner Area Committee Newsletter mailing lists and distributed to a number of community and residents groups.
- 3.6 An exercise is also to be undertaken to look into past community consultation results such as those which have fed into the development of Neighbourhood Improvement Plans and other Area Management and Area Regeneration led projects. These will form a baseline of key issues on a neighbourhood basis which can pinpoint specific areas of concerns on a very localised level.
- 3.7 Once consultation with Members and results of community views have been fed through into the action plans, officers from Area Management will then liaise with delivery agencies to finalise the plan in terms of lead organisations delivering actions and the timescales in which certain actions will be delivered. An agreement will also be made about monitoring processes and deadline dates to receive update reports from agencies on progress of actions and progress against local performance indicators.

3.8 The final ADP is scheduled to be presented at the first Area Committee of the new municipal year in June. When the final plan is presented, it will have the following content:-

- Introduction from the Area Committee Chair and Area Manager
- An overview of Area Management and Area Committees
- Details on Equalities, Cohesion and Engagement
- Local Strategic Context for Committee area
- Priority Neighbourhoods section highlighting the focus neighbourhoods for the next three years
- Thematic objectives section and how these link in with delegated functions which have become Area Committee responsibilities
- Detailed thematic action plans based upon the LSP themes

4.0 Implications For Council Policy and Governance

4.1 There are no direct implications associated with Council Policy and Governance as a result of this report. This report and its content is in line with the Area Committee's function for developing an Area Delivery Plan.

5.0 Legal and Resource Implications

5.1 There are no direct legal implications associated with this report. Area Committee may decide to allocate its Area Well Being funding resource to support the delivery of some of the actions outlined in the ADP at future Area Committee meetings.

6.0 Recommendations

6.1 The following recommendations are associated with this report:-

- The Area Committee are asked to note the content of this report and in particular the stage of development that the ADP is at.
- Members are asked to provide comments or suggestions for inclusions of key priorities and key actions in the ADP.