
Report of the West Leeds Area Manager

Outer West Area Committee

Date: 12th September 2008

Subject: Community Safety Issues, Outer West Leeds

Electoral Wards Affected:

Calverley & Farsley

Farnley & Wortley

Pudsey

Specific Implications For:

Ethnic minorities

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Women

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Disabled people

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Narrowing the Gap

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Council
Function

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Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

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Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
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Executive Summary

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

- 1.0 This report introduces Inspector Tom Horner from West Yorkshire Police who will give an update on Community Safety Issues in Outer West Leeds over the past 8 weeks. In particular Inspector Horner will provide an update on several police initiatives to tackle burglary and drugs as well as other local initiatives in Outer West. Inspector Horner will also inform the meeting of the changes to the Neighbourhood police team web-site and the citizens focus agenda.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 The North West Divisional Community Safety Partnership is responsible for delivering actions to reduce crime and disorder in the West Wedge. It is made up of representatives from key statutory agencies.

3.0 Main Issues

- 3.1 Community Safety is one of the priority areas for the Area Committee. Regular reports are received from West Yorkshire Police on key issues and activity in the Outer West Area.

4.0 Implications For Council Policy And Governance

4.1 Tackling crime and disorder and addressing the fear of crime is a top priority for the citizens of Leeds as evidenced by previous consultation undertaken on a citywide and local level.

4.2 The citywide community safety partnership, Safer Leeds, has identified a number of key priority themes for 2008 – 2011 These are:

- Creating safer environments by tackling crime;
- Improving lives by reducing the harm caused by substance misuse;
- Supporting victims and reducing the risk of victimisation;
- Reducing offending and managing offending behaviour;
- Improving community confidence and public satisfaction;

Locally delivered actions will contribute to these priorities. In addition Operation Champion has been rolled out throughout the city and will be targeting hot spot areas by Police division.

5.0 Legal And Resource Implications

5.1 The West Area Management Team includes an officer with specific responsibilities for Community Safety who co-ordinates activity and acts as the link officer with West Yorkshire Police.

6.0 Conclusions

6.1 Crime and Community Safety is a priority for the Area Committee, and a representative from West Yorkshire Police, North West Division, attends the Outer West Area Committee meetings to provide a regular update on key issues.

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 Members are asked to note the update from West Yorkshire Police

Background Papers:

None