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Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Outer) Area Committee

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Subject: Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council Forum Feedback Report

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
Harewood Wetherby	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
	Narrowing the Gap
Council Delegated Executive Function for Call In	X Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report

Executive Summary

This report updates the Area Committee on the feedback from the Wetherby and Harewood Town and Parish Council Forum held in the outer north east area held on 21st January 2010.

The Area Committee is requested to note the issues raised and through the Area Management team support the Parish Council Forum in resolving those issues.

Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the Area Committee with a summary of issues discussed at the latest meeting of the Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council Forum.

Background information

- 2. The purpose of the Town and Parish Council Forum is to provide a forum for discussion and consultation on issues of common interest.
- 3. Changes have been made to the Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council Forum to address concerns raised by some of its members.
- 4. The position of chair is now rotated between the six Harewood and Wetherby ward members. Ward members have agreed that they will ensure that both wards are represented at the forum by at least one member from each of the wards.

Main Issues

5. The latest meeting of the forum took place at Thorner Parish Centre on 21 January, chaired by Cllr Alec Shelbrooke. A summary of the issues discussed at the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.

6. The next meeting of the forum is on Thursday 13th May at Walton Village Hall, (this has changed from 22 April).

Implications for Council Policy and Governance

8. Leeds City Council has an agreed Charter in place with parish and town councils across the city which sets out how the Leeds City Council works with town and parish Councils for the benefit of local people.

Legal and Resource Implications

9. The Town and Parish Council Forum is supported by an officer from the Area Management Team.

Conclusions

10. The Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council provides a forum for the local councils to discuss issues of common interest and concern. It is supported by ward members and Area Management officers.

Recommendations

11. Area Committee is requested to note the issues raised and through the Area Management team support the Parish Council Forum in resolving those issues.

Background Papers

None