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CITY COUNCIL

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Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 11th December 2006

Subject: Area Actions and Achievements Progress Report

Electoral Wards Affected:

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity ☐

Community Cohesion ☐

Narrowing the Gap ☐

Council
Function

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Executive Summary

This report provides Members with a summary of recent actions and achievements of the Area Committee and Area Management Team. A summary of the most recent achievements are underlined so that Members can quickly identify new progress.

Purpose of this Report

1. This report enables the Area Committee to track the progress of the actions identified in the Area Delivery Plan 2006/07, and provides details of work achievements of the Area Management Team since the last Area Committee meeting.

Background Information

2. Appendix 1 refers to progress on specific issues raised by Members at Area Committee meetings.
3. Appendix 2 tracks progress against the Area Delivery Plan 2006/07 with a summary of the most recent achievements underlined so that Members can quickly identify new progress.

Main Issues - Significant action and achievements since the last Area Committee meeting

4. Since the last Area Committee meeting we have recruited a replacement for the Area Assistant Post; Jeremy Keates has been appointed.
5. The Area Management Team have consulted with Ward Members and partner agencies in order to identify priorities for the following years Area Delivery Plan. A report has been submitted to this Area Committee meeting, outlining the outcomes of these meetings and the draft priorities in preparation for the development of the action plan.
6. The Asset Management Group have conditionally approved the Business Plan and funding for the Wetherby Horsefair scheme, which was one of the shortlisted schemes in the Town and District Centre Programme. The Area Committee will be informed of the outcome of the Wetherby Wilderness Toilets on completion of the Feasibility Study.
7. A copy of the Moor Allerton Action Plan was submitted to the last Area Committee meeting on the 23rd October. Members provided comments on the action plan and feedback, which has been incorporated into the action plan.
8. At the Moor Allerton Partnership (MAP) meeting on the 19th October a representative from Education Leeds attended the meeting to consult with partners as part of the wider consultation on the 'Primary Review: Alwoodley Primary Planning Area Consultation'. Groundwork also attended the meeting and updated partners on the outcome of an environmental improvement masterplanning exercise they have undertaken on the Cranmer Banks area. The subsequent meeting on the 23rd November looked specifically at the Housing and Environment and Crime and Community Safety themes, feedback to Education Leeds on the Primary Schools Review and the forthcoming Neighbourhood Renewal Funding round.

9. A petition has been submitted from the residents of Alwoodley requesting the creation of a Parish Council in this area. Notices have been displayed and observations on the proposals have been sought, subsequent to this the petition will be forwarded to the Secretary of State. The steering group set up to consider local support for a Parish Council in Moor Allerton met on the 21st November.
10. Ward Members and major stakeholders met on 2nd November to discuss the future development of Deepdale Community Centre. All stakeholders were in favour of the development of the site. A further meeting is being organised with Boston Spa Parish Council, Deepdale Community Association, Youth Services and Area Management Team to discuss the nature of the development and working arrangements. The Area Management Team are also meeting with the Support and Facilities Department, City Services to identify any emergency maintenance requirements. Members will be informed of the outcome of this meeting.
11. Further meetings have also been held with Deepdale Community Association, Youth Service, West Yorkshire Police, Community Safety, Anti-Social Behaviour Unit and the Area Management Team to look at ways in which to address the issues raised relating to the recent incidents of vandalism. A number of actions have been identified for investigation by partners.
12. The closing date for the last round of Environmental Fund applications has now passed. In total 18 applications were approved, 11 in Harewood and 7 in Wetherby. The types of environmental improvements that have been approved include the revitalisation of areas through landscaping improvements, with additional features such as hanging baskets, benches, and stone troughs. Such landscaping improvements include the development of a wilderness walk and the enhancement of a village centre.
13. The Area Management Team have met with West Yorkshire Police and Community Safety to discuss CCTV in Harewood and Wetherby. Three sites have been identified, which are being progressed with the assistance of Community Safety.

Recommendations

14. Members are requested to note the recent actions and achievements and provide comment as appropriate.