

Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Outer North West Area Committee

Date: 29th March 2010

Subject: Key Messages from Area Committee Sub Groups and Forums

<p>Electoral Wards Affected:</p> <p>Adel & Wharfedale Guiseley & Rawdon Horsforth Otley & Yeadon</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)</p>	<p>Specific Implications For:</p> <p>Equality and Diversity <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Community Cohesion <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Narrowing the Gap <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Council Function <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Delegated Executive Function available for Call In <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update and summary on progress made at the Area Committee sub groups and ward forums that have taken place since the last Area Committee meeting.

1.0 Background

- .1 The Area Committee has five sub groups looking at service provision within the delegated functions of Community Safety, Children & Young People, Streetscene, Health & Well-being and Business & Transport. All members receive the full minutes for each of the subgroups.
- .2 There are currently two ward forums in the outer area for Guiseley & Rawdon and Yeadon. The forums meet on a regular basis approximately four or five times a year.

2.0 Environment and Streetscene Sub Group

There has been one meeting of the sub group on 8th February 2010. The key points raised were:

- 2.1 Richard Holdsworth from Highway Services attended the meeting to discuss grit bins and problems encountered during the recent spell of bad weather. He confirmed that Highways has no resource to provide additional bins to areas that do not meet the specified criteria.
- 2.2 The meeting agreed that the daily updates from Highways had been well received. Overall Highway Services had provided a good responsive service and were thanked for their efforts.
- 2.3 The group agreed the environmental actions for the 2010/11 Area Delivery Plan. Area Management are requested to explore schemes to reduce energy costs.
- 2.4 Streetscene Services now email Councillors daily with details of collection failures and an anticipated recovery plan.
- 2.5 The route rationalisation process commenced on 8th February, with a deadline for completion by 1st June 2010.
- 2.6 The following well-being projects were presented for consideration:
 - Site-based Gardeners
 - Additional staff resources for Wharfemeadows Park
 - Breary Marsh Bridle Path Improvement Scheme
 - Otley Anti Dog Fouling Campaign
 - Access ramp to Horsforth Hall Park

3.0 Health and Well-Being Sub Group

- 3.1 There has been no meeting of the Health and Well being sub group since the last Area Committee. The next meeting is to be held on 20th April 2010.

4.0 Children and Young People Sub Group

- 4.1 There has been no meeting of the sub group since the last Area Committee. The meeting scheduled on 8th February 2010 was postponed due to the absence of a key officer.

5.0 Community Safety Sub Group

- 5.1 There was one meeting of the subgroup held on 3rd February 2010. Updates were received from:
 - CASAC about progress on target hardening;
 - West Yorkshire Police about the Off-Road Bike and the Capture Car projects; and
 - The Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) Unit regarding the number of ASB enquires they had received and the number of cases opened.

6.0 Business and Transport Sub group

- 6.1 There has been no meeting of the Business and Transport subgroup since the last Area Committee. A date for the next meeting is to be arranged.

7.0 Guiseley and Rawdon Forum

There has been one meeting of the forum since the last Area Committee on 27th January 2010. The forum heard presentations from the following services:

- 7.1 West Yorkshire Police
- Reported on an increase in the number of fines issued for parking across pavements.
 - Set the PACT priorities as speeding on Apperley Lane and Harrogate Road, drivers using mobile phones and cycling on pavements.
 - Updated residents on a successful operation to combat burglaries that resulted in a number of arrests.
- 7.2 Aireborough Leisure Centre
- Reported on an application by Leeds City Council for £1.9 million funding to improve the leisure centre. The result of the application will be known at the end of March.
- 7.3 A date for the next meeting is to be confirmed.

8.0 Yeadon Forum

- 8.1 There has been no meeting of the Yeadon Forum since the last Area Committee. The next meeting is on 30th March from 7:00 pm at Yeadon Town Hall.

9.0 Recommendations

- 9.1 The Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

List of background documents: None