

Well-Being Schedule	
Function	
To promote and improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of the Committee's area.	To take decisions about, and monitor activity relating to the use of the annual capital and revenue allocation to each Committee.

Area Functions Schedule	
Function	
Community Centres	<p>In relation to each community centre identified by the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods as within the Committee's area, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • oversee controllable revenue budgets, operational arrangements and the use of the centres; • agree and implement a schedule of charges and discounts for directly managed centres; • make asset management and investment proposals to ensure the portfolio is sustainable and meets local needs.
Community Environmental Officers (CEO) and Community Environmental Support Officers (CESO)	In relation to the Committee's area, to agree priority areas for and deployment of CEOs and CESOs.
CCTV	To maintain an overview of the service in the Committee's area and receive regular information about it.
Neighbourhood Management Co-ordination	<p>In relation to the Committee's area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to agree priority neighbourhoods (through the approval of the Area Delivery Plan); and • to agree and monitor Neighbourhood Improvement Plans for the Committee's area.

Priority Advisory Functions

Role	Summary
Community Engagement	Each Committee will agree a local community engagement plan based on an agreed template to ensure consistency across the city. Information on how Area Committees have delivered on their community engagement plans, will be included in an annual report to the Executive Board, which outlines achievements from the previous year to deliver the Area Delivery Plans, and future priorities.
Changes for 2010/11	No change to role of Area Committees.
Community Greenspace	<p>This covers 73 community parks vested with the Parks and Countryside Service. These include a wide variety of recreation facilities, sports pitches, play areas, formal and informal horticultural features.</p> <p>Area Committees will influence the development and use of community parks and be consulted about proposals for the development and use of them, for example proposals for refurbishment and installation of new play equipment.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	No change to role of Area Committees.
PCSOs, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Multi Agency Crime and Grime Operations	This covers the deployment of PCSOs, the work of Neighbourhood Policing Teams (which are now aligned to ward and Area Committee boundaries) and multi agency crime and grime initiatives to tackle local priorities and hot spots. The arrangements enable staff to work more closely together on the ground and improve consultation with and reporting arrangements to the Area Committees.
Changes for 2010/11	No change to role of Area Committees.
Environmental Action Teams	Three area based teams of 20 staff working across the City, are responsible for a range of neighbourhood related enforcement activities including noise nuisance, waste in gardens, overgrown vegetation, littering, placards, A-boards, graffiti, waste from domestic and commercial bins, drainage, pest control. The teams will carry out the enforcement and preventative work, rather than the litter picking, waste collection role which is done by other staff.

	<p>Area Committees will receive regular reports about this new combined service and be able to influence service planning and local priorities for action based on local knowledge about issues and hotspots. Operational policies will be created for Leeds, but the priority afforded these could be influenced by local issues, such as littering and bin yards. Close working arrangements will be developed with the newly established Community Environmental Officers (CEO)/Community Environmental Support Officers (CESO).</p>
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees. Links to closer working with new Community Environmental Officers (CEO) /Community Environmental Support Officers (CESO)</p>
Street Cleansing	<p>This covers teams of staff and specialist equipment to provide mechanical sweeping of adopted carriageways and footpaths, manual litter picking and litter bin emptying.</p> <p>Area Committees will be regularly presented with information about the services in their area and given opportunities to influence service planning and local priorities and hotspots. This would be primarily based on ward level discussions with Elected Members. Priority will be given in the forthcoming review to how this service can be delegated.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees</p>
Grounds Maintenance	<p>This covers various elements of maintenance work including grass cutting, shrub and rose bed maintenance and hedge maintenance. There are currently two contracts for Grounds Maintenance, which will end in February 2011. Members have been consulted on the new specifications and contract packaging. Regular client/contractor meetings take place to address both operational and financial issues relating to the delivery of the contracts, where concerns / issues raised by Members are fed in.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees.</p>
Highways Maintenance	<p>Area Committees will be asked to Comment on annual and forward programme of planned maintenance of local roads, on traffic management proposals affecting local roads and minor maintenance schemes to keep highway safe.</p>

Changes for 2010/11	No change to role of Area Committees.
Local Children and Young People Plans	<p>Area Committees will continue to influence the strategic direction of actions within the area delivery plan in relation to the 5 Every Child Matters outcomes and local need.</p> <p>The committees will have a local democratic oversight, demonstrated by endorsing the plan and local priorities identified within it. Committees will have a monitoring function, ensuring the 5 Every Child Matters outcomes and the improved integration of children's services are embedded as part of the delivery objectives of the Children Leeds Area Partnership expressed through Area Delivery plans and extended service cluster plans.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees.</p> <p>Key issues for Area Committees to be aware of:</p> <p>New Children Trust arrangements</p> <p>The role of the Leeds Safeguarding Children Board</p>
Health and Well Being. (including Adult Social Care)	<p>As part of their responsibility to promote local well being, Area Committees have an important role in helping to improve health and tackling health inequalities by ensuring coordinated and focused activity across Council services and with key partners such as the Leeds PCT at the local level. Adult Services and the PCT are organising their resources to work more effectively at a local level helping Area Committees through regular reporting arrangements to influence local priorities and action, and monitor the health and well-being targets linked to the Leeds Strategic Plan.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	No change to role of Area Committees
Area Based Regeneration Schemes and Town and District Centre Projects	<p>Also consistent with the promotion of well-being, Area Committees will have a role in relation to influencing, assisting and endorsing key aspect of area based regeneration schemes and town and district centre projects. They will be supported in this by officers in the Regeneration Service.</p>
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees.</p> <p>Clearer distinction will be made in future between schemes where the committee has an influencing role, and those where their role is consultative only.</p>

Conservation Area Reviews	This function covers a programme of reviews in 17 designated conservation areas commencing 2008/09 – to 2010/11. In each case to assess its special character, to propose any changes to its boundary and to make proposals for its management. Area Committees agreed reviews in these areas and ward members have been directly involved in consultation work.
Changes for 2010/11	<p>No change to role of Area Committees</p> <p>Key issues for Area Committees to be aware of: Of the 17 conservation area reviews agreed, the final 7 will be completed in the 1st quarter of 2010/11. There is an opportunity for Area Committees to fund a continuation of the programme beyond what has been currently been agreed.</p>
Advertising on Lampposts	Propose that function is suspended until April 2012
Changes for 2010/11	<p>The council had agreed a 15 year contract for the installation of advertising on lamp posts in 2008. A 20% share of the income generated from this contract was due to come back to Area Committees to support local priorities. However, in February 2009 the company awarded the contract went in to administration. During the liquidation process, the hoardings on lamp posts were sold to a new company, City-ads Leeds, who will operate a much reduced service on an interim basis until a more permanent arrangement is put in place.</p> <p>A new company to deliver this contract will be selected through a competitive tender process, with the contract commencing around December 2011. The delay in tendering for the renewal of the contract is to enable the advertising market to recover from the economic downturn and thereby yield the Council (and Area Committees) with the best possible financial return.</p> <p>City-ads is a fledgling business, aspiring to build their advertising portfolio against an extremely difficult economic backdrop for the industry. An income share arrangement has been agreed but the returns are not expected to be significant. Initial indications are that the Council will receive around £300 per quarter, rising to around £1,000 per quarter as the business grows over the next 12months.</p> <p>It is therefore proposed that this function is suspended</p>

	until April 2012 when a new contractor has been agreed, as the administrative costs of dividing the limited income that will be received to each of the 10 committees, is highly likely to outweigh the actual return that each committee will receive.
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