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## Report of the East North East Area Manager

### East North East (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010

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

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#### Electoral Wards Affected:

Harewood  
Wetherby

#### Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council  
Function

Delegated Executive  
Function available  
for Call In

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

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## 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 on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010.

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

### Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the Area Committee with a summary of issues discussed at the last meeting of the Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council Forum held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010.

### Background information

2. The purpose of the Town and Parish Council Forum is to provide a place for discussion and consultation on issues of common interest for elected representatives of the parishes in Harewood and Wetherby wards.
3. Changes have been made to the organization of the Harewood and Wetherby Town and Parish Council Forum to address concerns raised by some of its members.
4. Since September 2009 the position of chair has been 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 Wetherby Town Hall, chaired by Cllr Gerald Wilkinson. A summary of the issues discussed at the meeting is attached at Appendix 1.
6. The next meeting of the forum is on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2011 to be chaired by Cllr Matthew Robinson.

### **Implications for Council Policy and Governance**

7. Leeds City Council has an agreed charter in place with parish and town councils across the city. It sets out how the Leeds City Council co-operates with town and parish councils for the benefit of local people.

### **Legal and Resource Implications**

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

### **Conclusions**

9. 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 Team officers.

### **Recommendations**

10. 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