

Your Area Committee

The Area Committee meets six times a year, and is responsible for overseeing public services in the area to ensure they meet the needs of the communities they serve. Each year, the Area Committee consults with local residents to create an annual Area Delivery Plan that sets out priority actions for the Council and its partners within our neighbourhoods.

The Committee also has a Well-being budget to spend on supporting the actions in the Area Delivery Plan. In past years this has been spent on a wide range of activities including providing extra services for older people, additional parks maintenance and a youth service van to deliver activities to young people in their own neighbourhoods.



You said... We did

We've done much over the past year, here are some examples how we've turned residents' suggestions into actions:

Residents are concerned about crime and community safety. The Committee funds many police initiatives to help tackle crime and anti-social behaviour across the area, including a capture car to act as a deterrent to car theft, a test purchasing scheme to prevent alcohol being sold to under-age children, an off road motorbike team to tackle nuisance bikes, and a speed indicator device to catch motorists speeding on our roads.

Residents wanted to help preserve the distinct character of their neighbourhoods from inappropriate new developments. The Area Committee has funded a number of conservation area reviews and appraisals across the area including Guiseley, Rawdon, Horsforth, Bramhope and Yeadon. We also funded the Horsforth Neighbourhood Design Statement which was developed by local residents.

Residents in Otley complained about dog fouling especially on Otley Chevin. We have paid for extra dog warden patrols around Otley as well as organising education events on Otley Chevin to raise the public's awareness of anti-dog fouling and environmental protection.

How To Get Involved:

Help write next years' Area Delivery Plan. We need residents like you to tell us what improvements you want to see where you live. It's easy to share your views and help shape next year's plan, log onto our web page www.leeds.gov.uk/wnwareamanagement or call 3367857 to find out how.

Report it

If there's a problem like litter, dog fouling or noisy neighbours bothering you, please report it. Call Leeds City Council on 0113 2224444 or report it online at www.leeds.gov.uk.

Volunteer

Volunteers make a huge difference to local communities and what's more, they enjoy it! From helping tidy up a park, mentoring at your local school or collecting library books for elderly neighbours, there are lots of ways to get involved.

For more information or to let us know what you think, please visit our website www.leeds.gov.uk/wnwareamanagement or visit the Volunteer Centre at 12 St Paul's Street, Monday to Friday 10am-3pm

Outer North West Area Committee



Your Community Charter

Inside:

- Our 32 promises to you
- Improvements we have funded through our local budget
- Tips and ideas on how you can get involved to improve your neighbourhood

Welcome to the Outer North West Community Charter, covering the wards of Adel & Wharfedale, Guiseley & Rawdon, Horsforth and Otley & Yeadon.

We've consulted widely with local residents to find out what you think are the key priorities for the area.

In this charter we'll tell you about actions that Leeds City Council and its partners will deliver to meet some of these priorities over the coming year.

They cover a wide range of community issues, from the local environment to activities for young people. What do you think? Have we covered what's important to you? Please let us know. You'll find information on how to get involved with local decision making on the back page.

Cllr Brian Cleasby

Chair of the Outer North West Area Committee



Adel
Pool-in-Wharfedale
Cookridge
Horsforth
Guiseley
Rawdon
Bramhope
Yeadon
Otley
Thrington

Our 32 Promises To You

These promises form the Community Charter for Outer North West Leeds. They come on top of the minimum standards you should already expect from the Council's citywide services, such as grass cutting, bin collections, recycling facilities, graffiti removal and street cleansing.

We will...

Community Life

- Provide funding for galas, festivals and carnivals
- Give small grants to community groups
- Review and protect our conservation areas
- Provide more ways for residents to be involved in local decision making



Healthy Living

- Provide a summer sports and activity programme for young people
- Work with partners and provide funding for organisations that help older people live independently
- Work with partners to reduce health inequalities in Outer North West
- Fund a swimming class for disabled adults



Things to do

- Improve and protect our parks and greenspaces
- Open a brand new youth centre for Horsforth
- Fund a mobile youth facility to improve access to youth services for a greater number of young people
- Work with community and voluntary organisations to deliver more activities in our community centres



Safe Neighbourhoods

- Fit security equipment to properties at risk of burglary
- Carry out test purchases to make sure shops don't sell to underage children
- Support the operational costs of CCTV camera systems in our town centres
- Fund an off-road police motorbike team to tackle nuisance bikes



Learning for All

- Provide a range of activities in our local libraries, from storytelling to local history sessions
- Promote the exciting range of activities on offer at our new local children's centres
- Support the work of Youth and Extended Services in the development of local Youth Councils
- Deliver job seeker support sessions to include CV writing and internet support



Getting Around

- Help cut congestion through the promotion of bus travel on the A65
- Work with Metro to improve local bus services and improve accessibility
- Support the development of a network of core cycling routes that will improve conditions for cyclists and encourage cycling as a way of getting around
- Support the neighbourhood policing team and community groups wanting to tackle speeding on local roads through the regular use of the speed indicator devices



Clean & Green

- Support 'In Bloom' groups
- Monitor and take action to improve the environment around Horsforth town centre
- Hold Environmental Action Days to clean up neighbourhoods and take action against littering and fly tipping
- Target dog fouling by funding out of hours patrols



Local Economy

- Deliver improvements to our town and district centres
- Work with partners to develop a work programme to establish effective links with businesses in the area
- Promote our town and district centres as great places to shop and visit
- Support the regeneration proposals for the Leeds Bradford corridor area



Please visit www.leeds.gov.uk for more information on these services. For more details on your local neighbourhood policing team and how they are tackling crime in your area visit www.westyorkshire.police.uk