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Report of the East North East Area Manager

Outer North East Area Committee

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Subject: Development of the Area Delivery Plan and Community Charter (2011-12)

Electoral Wards Affected: Alwoodley Harewood Wetherby	Specific Implications For: Equality and Diversity x Community Cohesion x Narrowing the Gap x
(referred to in report)	X Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report

Executive Summary

This report describes the process to develop a draft set of priorities for the Area Delivery Plan (ADP) for the Outer North East area for 2011/12 and its public friendly version – Community Charter.

The report also provides information on the proposed new city planning framework based on five City Development Plans which have succeeded Leeds Strategic Plan as a starting point for strategic planning and partnership action in Leeds.

Purpose of This Report

- 1. The purpose of this report is to present to members:
 - how the Outer North East ADP fits into the new strategic framework and planning mechanisms in Leeds;
 - the process by which draft ADP and Community Charter promises for 2011-12 are being developed;

 the importance of partnership working arrangements and the role of the area committee.

Background Information

- 2. The Leeds Strategic Plan 2008 2011 (LSP), upon which the current Area Delivery Plan (ADP) for the Outer North East area is based, comes to an end on 31st March 2011. The ADP is refreshed annually. In 2011/12, however, along with the annual refresh, it will have to take into account a new planning framework and differently presented Leeds City Council's priorities based on five City Priority Plans. The new planning framework is summarised in Appendix A.
- 3. The starting point for strategic planning is The Vision for Leeds. It reflects the city's ambitions and aspirations. The Leeds Initiative, the city's partnership vehicle, is currently in the process of finalising the Vision for Leeds 2011 2030 which will provide the city with the direction for the next 20 years. New thematic strategic documents taking account of those ambitions are to be known as City Priority Plans. Finally, the Outer North East Area Delivery Plan (ADP) and the Community Charter are a local expression of those plans.
- 4. The Community Charter will be linked thematically and in terms of strategic outcomes to the City Priority Plans. It will also take account of partners' agendas and actions which contribute towards in the City Priority Plans. A summary of the main objectives within the five City Priority Plans together with the partnership boards responsible for their delivery, are presented in Appendix B. It has to be noted that at this stage information in Appendix b is still in a draft form but it will give the Area Committee an indication of future direction.

Area Delivery Plan

- 5. The first Area Delivery Plan (ADP) 2008-11 was agreed by the area committee in March 2008. The plan has been refreshed annually to ensure that priorities and actions meet with current needs and best fit with the economic climate that we are in. The current Community Charter (a shortened version of the ADP) is attached at Appendix C. It reflects the present priorities which are:
 - Culture
 - Stronger Communities
 - Enterprise and Economy
 - Transport

- Environment
- Health and Well-being
- Thriving Neighbourhoods
- Learning and Young People.

- 6. At alternate meetings, the Area Committee receives a detailed report describing the progress and achievements against the Community Charter promises. The last such report was presented at the December 2010 meeting. A full report, with a roundup of information on the delivery of the Community Charter promises in 2010-11 will be produced for the March 2011 meeting.
- 7. The new ADP should be structured around the themes of the City Priority Plans reflecting an aspiration to be Best City:
 - for Children
 - for Business
 - for Health and Wellbeing
 - for Communities
 - to Live

ADP Preparation

- 8. Work is underway to prepare the ADP and Community Charter for 2011-12. It is being prepared in consultation with ward members, officers from the council and partner agencies, local residents and voluntary and community groups. It is informed by community engagement activity and partnership working which is taking place in the Outer North East area.
- 9. Meetings with statutory and voluntary organisations colleagues as well as public consultation exercises have contributed to the collection of information. Four community consultation events have been held so far and a questionnaire to individual residents has been distributed. Results of both are being collated and analysed to be discussed with Members at ward meetings.
- 10. Additionally, statistical information is provided through the Neighbourhood Index which is currently being updated for 2011-12. Further information taken into account is collected from partners and other LCC departments; e.g. West Yorkshire police, health services, children and youth services and others.
- 11. The priorities emerging as a result of this process are:
 - community safety and in particular burglary, cold calling, thefts from cars and rural crime;
 - road safety and in particular safe parking and school parking and speed limits;
 - provision of activities for young people;
 - tackling of environmental problems;
 - support to voluntary, community and faith organisations to provide services and activities;
 - work with Town and Parish Councils;
 - procurement of funding.
- 12. In considering the Community Charter for 2011-12, the Area Committee is asked to reflect on the priorities which stem from the City Priority Plans and to think about any

- changes they would wish to see made to the current promises. It is suggested that detailed discussions about the charter promises take place in ward member meetings throughout February in order to finalise the document.
- 13. Officers will liaise with the appropriate partnerships and services to secure support for the promises.
- 14. The final draft promises will be presented to the March area committee, in order for the Community Charter for 2011/12 to be produced and distributed by the end of June 2011.

Implications for Council Policy and Governance

15. The priorities for the Area Delivery Plan and the Community Charter will be structured around the priorities of the City Priority Plans. This will enable local interpretation of the priority outcomes for the area to be developed and delivered. Actions in the plan will be based on consultation with key stakeholders in the local area.

Legal and Resource Implications

- 16. The Wellbeing Fund is used to finance projects which meet the objectives of the Area Delivery Plan. Area Management work with Council services, partner agencies and local communities to take a strategic approach to Wellbeing Fund expenditure which ensures best use of the funding. At the moment we do not have any indications as to the amount of the Wellbeing Fund for 2011-12.
- 17. Area Management will be responsible for monitoring progress of the plan and for delivering the actions contained in the plan in co-operation with partner agencies and organisations.

Conclusions

- 18. The priorities set out in the Area Delivery Plan and the Community Charter will be a local interpretation of the City Priority Plans. The Community Charter will provide an easy to follow and monitor version of the ADP which can be communicated to local residents and partner organisations.
- 19. The updated version of the Community Charter will be presented to the Area Committee at the March 2011 meeting in time for its publication at the beginning of the municipal year.

Recommendations

20. The Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report and make recommendations on the promises for the 2011/12 Community Charter.

Background PapersArea Committee Roles and Functions 2010/11