



Main responsibilities:

The Recreation Services of Parks and Countryside and Sport and Active Recreation support Council objectives by:

- Providing directly and supporting the development of Recreation and sporting opportunities for all people to enjoy
- Ensuring an enjoyable and sustainable environment for all through the creation, management and enhancement of parks and greenspaces.
- Encouraging people to be more healthy through greater involvement in physical activity.
- Providing opportunities for self development and learning through involvement in sporting and environmental activity.
- Taking the strategic lead in the development of recreational and sporting opportunities in Leeds.
- Helping to support the city's growing reputation as a great place to live, work and play.
- Delivering targeted programmes to ensure those individuals at greatest risk are afforded the chances to be involved in recreation and sporting activities.
- Setting clear priorities, supporting the development of staff and managing performance effectively.
- To provide a sympathetic and caring Burial and Cremation service for bereaved throughout Leeds.
- To ensure the service adopts a strategic approach towards the future development of the service, to meet the changing needs of the service and ensure sustainability of the service with provision of burial land.

Budget highlights 2007/08:

The 2007/08 budget provides £50k for Section 106 works, an increased provision of £50k for allotments and public rights of way and £75k for Leeds' entry into the Britain in Bloom competition.

Additional budget to the value of £100k has been provided for set up costs of a Sport Trust and PFI development costs. Finally, provision of £220k has been made for the continued operation of South Leeds Sports Centre.