

Neighbourhoods and Housing Regeneration



Main responsibilities:

AREA MANAGEMENT AND AREA REGENERATION TEAMS

- To provide an area management service which focuses on local priorities, improving services and involving communities and co-ordinating local partnership working.
- To co-ordinate activities in regeneration priority areas and to guide the development of comprehensive longer-term regeneration programmes.

REGENERATION PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES

 To develop and implement major projects and programmes to improve the physical fabric and contribute to the economic well-being of the City and the longer term sustainability of neighbourhoods.

REGENERATION POLICY AND PLANNING

- To identify, manage and target grant resources to needs identified by the Regeneration Service and our partner agencies in the Resources Partnership and the Leeds Local Area Agreement.
- To provide resources and support to the voluntary, community and faith sector.
- To strategy and policy work to support delivery through the Regeneration Service and the Narrowing the Gap Executive, the local strategic partnership.

Budget highlights 2007/08:

WELL BEING

• The Area Committees have responsibility for revenue and capital Wellbeing monies of £1.96m and £1.5m respectively (£3.5m capital over 3 years) to support activity in local communities.

COMMUNITY CENTRES

• The service currently manages a portfolio of community centres with a budget of £1.4m. It is expected that the responsibility for all centres will be devolved to Area Committees in 2007/08 following the transfer of centres from Learning and Leisure.

NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT

• The service will lead work with partners to deliver intensive neighbourhood management to improve the quality of life in the most disadvantaged communities supported by £2.7m of external grant funding.

MAJOR PROGRAMMES

- The delivery of housing renewal programmes in East and South Leeds supported by grant resources
 of around £6m.
- Develop the Strategic Investment Plan and finalise the joint venture arrangements for the East and South East Leeds mixed communities initiative (EASEL)