

**Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods**

**Outer North West Area Committee**

**Date: 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

**Subject: Key Messages from Area Committee Sub Groups and Forums**

<p><b>Electoral Wards Affected:</b></p> <p>Adel &amp; Wharfedale Guiseley &amp; Rawdon Horsforth Otley &amp; Yeadon</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)</p>	<p><b>Specific Implications For:</b></p> <p>Equality and Diversity <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Community Cohesion <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Narrowing the Gap <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Council Function <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Delegated Executive Function available for Call In <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report <input type="checkbox"/></p>

**Executive Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update and summary on progress made at the Area Committee sub groups and ward forums that have taken place since the last Area Committee meeting.

**1.0 Background**

- 1.1 The Area Committee currently has five sub groups looking at service provision within the delegated functions of Community Safety, Children & Young People, Streetscene, Health & Well-being and Business & Transport. All members receive the full minutes for each of the sub groups.
- 1.2 There are currently two ward forums in the outer area for Guiseley & Rawdon and Yeadon. The forums meet on a regular basis approximately four or five times a year.

## **2.0 Environment and Streetscene Sub Group**

2.1 There has been one meeting of the Environment & Streetscene sub group since the last Area Committee held on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Key points from the meeting were:

- Jason Singh the Locality Manager for West North West gave an update on the Streetscene delegation. The service is currently looking into capacity and delivery issues. The aim is to have an SLA ready by the end of June to, go live by September. Members requested a meeting with Helen Freeman.
- The sub group requested that walkabouts between Members and Streetscene Officers be reinstated.
- Parks & Countryside were congratulated on winning a gold medal at Chelsea. The sub group requested information on the criteria used to decide where the garden will be sited once returned to Leeds.
- A discussion took place on the fragmented service provided by Streetscene, the ALMO and Parks & Countryside. The sub group agreed that more joint working was required and requested that this issue be escalated to the Area Lead.
- Concerns were raised regarding ALMO's being charged to dispose of commercial waste whereas accredited landlords receive the service for free. Members requested that the Area Lead pick this issue up with the Head of Waste Management.

## **3.0 Health and Well-Being Sub Group**

3.1 There has been one meeting of the Health and Well-being sub group since the last Area Committee held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Key points from the meeting were:

- The Adult Social Care Chief Officer Commissioning attended the meeting to present information on Future Options for Long Term Residential and Day Care for Older People.
- The Chairman, Public Patient Advisory Group, Non-executive Director H3Plus Commissioning provided the sub group with an update on H3Plus. H3Plus is a GP commissioning consortium of 31 practices predominantly in the West, North and North West of the city covering 280,000 patients. The consortium seeks to improve the health and well-being of the patient population through the commissioning of clinical pathways and services that respond to the needs of both patient and clinician.

## **4.0 Community Safety Sub Group**

4.1 The sub group met on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2011 and received a number of updates from well being funded projects. The sub group was informed that Sergeant Neil Perkis had received recognition for the work he and a colleague had undertaken to investigate and recover expensive plant machinery stolen from farms to the value of hundreds of thousands of pounds. The Chair of the sub group passed on the groups congratulations for the award.

- 4.2 Neil Goldup from CASAC presented an update relating to the well being target hardening project. Demand from residents had been very strong and all the jobs for Adel & Wharfedale, Horsforth and Otley & Yeadon wards had been fully taken up. Guiseley and Rawdon still have some jobs left, there has been a recent door knock promotion in the area and this will probably use up the remaining jobs. It is likely that all the proactive jobs (where residents make a £50 contribution) will be used up by the end of May 2011. The vulnerable victim jobs (where no contribution is made by the resident) will remain beyond May 2011. Other sources of funding are explored first and the well being project used as a last resort. A future update will decide if these jobs should be reallocated.
- 4.3 West Yorkshire Police updated members on recent multi agency operations including 3 recent operations to target the use of vehicles in criminal activity with Police, VOSA, Department of Works and Pension, Trading Standards and the Council's Environmental Action Team working together to stop vehicles and perform the appropriate checks such as waste carrier licenses, use of red diesel, no insurance, etc. The Operations proved very successful and the Police have promoted the results via the news in brief email bulletin.

## **5.0 Guiseley and Rawdon Forum**

- 5.1 There has been one meeting of the forum since the last Area Committee on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011. The forum heard presentations from a number of services.
- 5.2 West Yorkshire Police presented a summary of crime issues in the area over the last month. Scrap metal theft has risen so residents were asked to report any suspicious vehicles to the Police.
- 5.3 Dennis Holmes, Deputy Director of Adult Social Services talked about and questions on the future of the authority providing residential homes and day care for older people.
- 5.4 The next meeting is arranged for the 8<sup>th</sup> June.

## **6.0 Recommendations**

- 6.1 The Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report and agree membership of the sub groups for the coming year. Current details of membership of the sub-groups are attached at Appendix I.

List of background documents: None

**Area Committee sub groups current membership**

**Community Safety**

Councillor Cleasby (Chair)  
Councillor G Latty  
Councillor Fox  
Councillor Kirkland

**Children and Young People**

Councillor P Latty (Chair)  
Councillor Fox  
Councillor Downes  
Vacancy (Horsforth ward)

**Environment and Streetscene**

Councillor Anderson (Chair)  
Councillor Cleasby  
Councillor G Latty  
Councillor Campbell

**Business and Transport**

Councillor Cleasby (Chair)  
Councillor Anderson  
Councillor Downes  
Vacancy (Guiseley & Rawdon ward)

**Health and Well-being**

Councillor G Latty (Chair)  
Councillor Townsley  
Councillor Kirkland  
Councillor Anderson