

Area Committee Roles for 2011/12

Priority Advisory Functions

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A related document gives details of functions delegated to the Area Committees.



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FUNCTION:	Community Engagement
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
Overview of local engagement activities linked to improvement of local services and Area Delivery Plan priorities.	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
Local engagement activities delivered primarily through Area Management teams. Allocations of Well Being resources agreed by Area Committees. Local partner inputs e.g. WY Police, NHS Leeds, Leeds VOICE.	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
Area based community engagement plan to be produced setting out minimum standards including:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community profile – update of local intelligence twice a year with information about local stakeholders and how to reach local communities• Calendar of planned communication and engagement activities - including information in About Leeds for all households, minimum of one ward based engagement event per annum linked to priority setting and themed discussions at Area Committees• Additional activities with particular neighbourhoods and communities linked to Area Delivery Plan priorities• Annual report to Area Committees and Executive Board to give overview of progress.	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
Cllr Peter Gruen	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	
DIRECTOR: James Rogers	
CHIEF OFFICER: Kathy Kudelnitzky	
LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Pat Fairfax	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:**

Harmonious Communities

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

The specific indicators that relate to this function are currently unclear because the operating context is in transition :

- the Vision for Leeds is about to be launched
- the City Priority Plans are in development
- it is not clear which indicators Leeds will report on to Central Government
- the new Locality Working operating arrangements and focus are just evolving
- it is clear that the Function Schedules need to be reviewed and redrafted to reflect the new priorities and operating arrangements

It is therefore proposed that when the Function Schedules have been reviewed and redrafted appropriate indicators will be identified and included.

HM 1a – Increased number of people engaged in activities to meet community needs and improve quality of life

HM 1b – Increase in number of local people empowered to have greater voice and influence over local decision making and greater role in public service delivery

HM 2a – Enable robust and vibrant voluntary, community and faith sector to facilitate community activity and directly deliver services

HM 2b – Increase sense of belonging and pride in neighbourhoods

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

Annual report to Area Committees.

Information to be disaggregated to ward/neighbourhood level as appropriate.

Performance Indicators currently collated at City Wide level through annual survey.

GOVERNANCE**DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:**

Area Committees responsible for overseeing and monitoring the work of the Area Management Teams in relation to local engagement activities.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Area Committees to agree plan and consider annual report.

Ward Members directly involved in ward/neighbourhood based activities.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE FUNCTION REPORT TO AREA COMMITTEES:

Community Engagement Plan to be considered by Area Committee alongside Area Delivery Plan.

Annual report setting out progress and future priorities along with summary of information about engagement work of other key services and local partners.

Other specific reports/updates as required during the year.

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	Area Management teams lead on range of community engagement work in partnership with other services and local partners. Area Management teams and central team provides support to other consultation and engagement activities undertaken by the Council and partners.
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LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

Leeds Strategic Plan, Council Business Plan, Equality Framework, Compact for Leeds, Parish and Town Council Charter

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

Strong links to many council services as the majority of services undertake engagement and consultation activities with a locality dimension. Key links to other Regeneration Teams, Corporate Communications Team and Equalities Team.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Key partners are Voluntary Community and Faith Sector, WY Police and NHS Leeds.

ANY KEY CURRENT / FUTURE ISSUES FOR AREA COMMITTEE TO BE AWARE OF REGARDING SERVICE / FUNCTION

It is proposed that Area Function schedule is reviewed as part of a wider review of Area Committee delegations.

The operating context is currently undergoing a significant transition.

- The City Priority Plans are in development
- The Locality Working arrangements are evolving
- The local and national strategic context for the delivery of this area of work is changing, as new strategies are expected from Central Government and locally the political leadership have to determine their approach to existing Government requirements.

In this context it is clear that the Area Function Schedules should be reviewed. It is proposed that this should happen over the next few months as part of wider review of Area Committee delegated functions.

New Function Schedules will then be agreed which reflect national and local priorities, current operating context and Members understanding and priorities.

Corporate Priority Plans and Government emphasis on Empowerment – White Paper Summer 08

Participatory Budgeting work currently underway in two areas of Leeds (Inner West, Outer South).

BUDGET / RESOURCES INFORMATION

Area Committees and partners allocate specific budgets and staff resources for community engagement activity.

Area Management Teams seek partner contributions to local engagement activities.

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FUNCTION:	Community Greenspace
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
<p>Community parks vested with the Parks and Countryside Service. These include a wide variety of recreation facilities, sports pitches, play areas, formal and informal horticultural features, etc.</p>	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
<p>Community parks are managed and maintained by the Parks and Countryside service.</p>	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
<p>Leeds Quality Park (LQP) assessments for assessed sites Residents' perception information from Satisfaction Surveys (2006, 2009) A perspective on the 600 community events each year, along with the 50 volunteer groups affiliated with parks and green space and an equal number of 'in bloom' groups. The multi-skilled role of site based gardeners in acting as a positive presence and point of liaison with the local community. This is in addition to dealing with routine maintenance and issues as they arise, and assisting colleagues in other parks and green spaces across the city. A perspective on any developments that have taken place or are planned, along with future investment requirements.</p>	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
<p>Cllr Adam Ogilvie – Leisure</p>	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	
<p>DIRECTOR: Martin Farrington CHIEF OFFICER: Richard Mond LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Mike Kinnaird</p>	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:

This service has direct and indirect links to a number of strategic plan outcomes outlined in the service plan.

The specific indicators that relate to this function are currently unclear because the operating context is in transition :

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- the City Priority Plans are in development
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- the new Locality Working operating arrangements and focus are just evolving
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It is therefore proposed that when the Function Schedules have been reviewed and redrafted appropriate indicators will be identified and included.

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

The Parks and Green Space Strategy has a priority to attain Green Flag standard for all community parks by 2020. The £3.7 million parks renaissance programme has had significant impact on delivering improvements to community parks. However, less than a third of the city's community parks were included in this programme and work is ongoing to identify the funding requirement to bring all community parks to the minimum acceptable standard identified within the Green Flag criteria.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

Performance Indicator (reported annually): *The percentage of parks and countryside sites assessed internally that meet the Green Flag criteria.*

GOVERNANCE

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:

Area committees influence the development and use of community parks and are consulted about proposals for the development and use of community parks, for example proposals for refurbishment, installation of new play equipment, etc.
Executive Member involvement in sensitive/contentious issues.
Development of major policy and proposals through Executive Board.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Ward members (and community groups) are consulted about proposals for the development and use of community parks, for example proposals for refurbishment, installation of new play equipment, etc. Ward members often chair or attend 'friends of groups or 'in-bloom' groups.

Area Committee involvement sought where proposals impact on more than one site within a Committee's portfolio.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

(E.g. formal and informal arrangements, frequency)

Ward members are involved in discussions about the development and use of community parks.

Proposals on significant issues which affect one or more community parks in a Committee's portfolio are also subject to a report to the Area Committee.

Annual update/progress report to Area Committees.

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION

PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12 :

The management of community parks is focussed on encouraging participation and community use of facilities along with promoting opportunities for volunteering. Operational management of day to day issues (user liaison, horticultural work, and general maintenance etc.) is provided by site based teams in Parks and Countryside. These teams are supported by the professional services of a central workshop, countryside rangers, event co-ordination team, public rights of way team, horticultural nursery, forestry team, and training section (amongst others).

The service maintains a flexible approach to deploy resources and expertise across the city as and when required to meet operational requirements and budget targets as well as to ensure the successful completion of projects.

Development of proposals and consultation is undertaken by technical team who undertake co-ordination, operational support and budget management.

A report that provides an overview of the service, sets out some of the challenges faced along with key performance management initiatives will be presented to Area Committees in summer 2011. The report will aim to continue the positive 'way forward' for delivering the extended role of the Area Committee ensuring that the benefits of this approach are secured. In particular the reports set out at an area level progress made in attaining Leeds Quality Park standard for community parks. It will also set out investment need for playing pitches and fixed play along with progress made in this regard.

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	Park based horticultural staff are supported by their peers in other parks across the city and professional and/or technical central services
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

- Vision For Leeds
- Cultural Strategy
- The Parks and Green Space Strategy
- Fixed Play Strategy
- Playing Pitch Strategy
- Leeds Forest Strategy
- Rights of Way Improvement Plan (and statutes relating to PROW)
- Every Child Matters
- The Physical Activity Strategy
- Leeds Childhood Obesity Prevention and Weight Management Strategy 2006 - 2016
- Older Better A strategy to promote a healthy and active life for older people in Leeds 2006–2011

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

Community access at other P&C managed green space complements the recreational/educational/conservation opportunities available in community parks. P&C work with schools in community parks and other sites to provide an environmental education resource.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Police
NHS Leeds

CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING

DESCRIPTION OF ANY CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING / SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION:

Concessions (e.g. ice cream, hot food, etc.)
Specialised play installation services as and when required.

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	PCSOs, Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Multi Agency Crime and Grime Operations
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Co-ordination of Neighbourhood Policing Teams linked to political wards each with an NPT Inspector and PCSOs.• The aim is to contribute to the reduction of Crime and Disorder (including ASB) by providing a visible presence on the street.• PCSO's provide reassurance to communities through high visibility patrols and improved public contact.• Crime and grime issues are tackled through local tasking arrangements where partnership activity is co-ordinated.	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dedicated NPT Inspectors• Dedicated 5 PCSOs per ward with an additional 3 in the Richmond Hill and Burmantofts Ward and an additional 2 in the Gipton and Harehills Ward.• Resources across partner agencies linked to neighbourhood management tasking arrangements.• The provision of a range of services, via uniformed patrols of PCSOs to reassure, reduce anti social behaviour and the fear of crime• Pre planned days of action to tackle crime and grime in targeted areas based on need as determined by Police based National Intelligence Model, co-ordinated locally by Area Community Safety Co-ordinators and relevant NPT Inspector.• Operations are supported financially through the normal day to day operational resources of those taking part with some additional funding available through Safer Leeds to provide promotional and publicity material plus some help with skips and venue hire, where required.	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quarterly report prepared in each police division on PCSOs.• Annual themed Community Safety Area Committee Report.• Information on activity undertaken is available through the Area Community Safety Co-ordinators at area management level.	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
Councillor Peter Gruen	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	
DIRECTOR: Neil Evans	
CHIEF OFFICER: Simon Whitehead / Helen Freeman	
LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Liz Jarmin	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:

Environment

Cleaner, greener and more attractive city through effective environmental management, victim support and changed behaviours.

Thriving Places

Reduced crime and fear of crime through prevention, detection, offender management and changed behaviour.

Harmonious Communities

Improved Community cohesion and integration through meaningful involvement and valuing equality and diversity.

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IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

Environment

Address neighbourhood problem sites; improve cleanliness and access to and quality of green spaces.

Improve the quality and sustainability of the built and natural environment.

Thriving Places

Create safer environments by tackling crime.

Reduce offending by managing offending behaviour better.

Improve lives by reducing the harm caused by substance misuse.

Reduced bullying and harassment.

Harmonious Communities

Enable a robust and vibrant voluntary, community and faith sector to facilitate community activity and directly deliver services.

Increase the sense of belonging and pride in local neighbourhoods that help to build cohesive communities.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

- Annual themed report to Area Committee
- DCSP Strategic Performance Framework – 6 monthly review
- Neighbourhood management tasking meetings
- Safer Leeds Executive Report – quarterly
- Information is produced after each operation which shows the activities and outputs carried out by each agency. This information is available through the Area Community Safety Co-ordinator within Area Management

GOVERNANCE**DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:**

- NPTs and PCSOs managed by West Yorkshire Police (WYP)
- Multi agency crime and grime meetings intelligence led by WYP but with involvement and influence by Area Committee of Council services (linked through Area Community Safety Co-ordinators).
- Area Committees can advise on specific issues they wish to see tackled during the operations

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

- Through invitation and involvement at multi agency operation pre briefs
- Area Community Safety Co-ordinators to act as link officers between Council and NPT Inspectors for influencing PCSO activity

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

(E.g. formal and informal arrangements, frequency)

Annual themed Community Safety Area Committee Report

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION**PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12:****TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:**

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WYP have management responsibility for PCSO and NPTs • Multi agency operations and neighbourhood management taskings jointly managed by WYP and Area Management • Central support and co-ordination in Safer Leeds

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

- Council Business Plan 2008-2011
- Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-2011
- Area Delivery Plans
- Divisional Community Safety Partnership Performance Framework 2008-2011
- Section 17 Crime and Disorder Act 1998

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LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

PCSOs routinely link with street wardens and environment teams. Participation is variable depending on the nature of the target areas and the problems therein.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership

GOYH – Home Office

Multi agency operations and NPTs engage in partnership with a range of partners such as:

West Yorkshire Fire Service, Arson Task Force, Arms Length Management

Organisations, Youth Offending Teams, Enforcement Area Action Teams, Youth

Services, Anti Social Behaviour Unit

CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING

DESCRIPTION OF ANY CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING / SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION:

The deployment of match funded PCSOs is subject to an annually agreed Contract between Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Police effective until 31st March 2012.

HEADLINE CITYWIDE FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR RESPONSIBILITIES**Citywide Budget For Service / Function 2011/12****£000s****Net Revenue Budget****1,516****Net Capital Budget****Key Funding Sources**

Funding Provider	£000s	%
LCC	1,516	100
Net Budget	1,516	

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT THE BUDGET REPRESENTS:**DESCRIPTION OF THE FORMULA USED FOR APPORTIONING BUDGET ACROSS DIFFERENT AREAS:****REASONS WHY THIS PARTICULAR FORMULA WAS SELECTED:**

Delegated budgets account for most fixed costs apart from city wide and centralised functions.

DETAIL OF ANY SIGNIFICANT SERVICE / BUDGET VARIATIONS ACROSS THE CITY:

AREA COMMITTEE BREAKDOWN – PCSOs

		City Wide	East		North East		North West		South		West	
			Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer
Resource Availability												
Number of PCSO		170	20	20	15	15	19	20	15	20	11	15
Net Revenue Budget	Budget for 2011/12	1,515,920	178,344	178,344	133,758	133,758	169,426	178,344	133,758	178,344	98,089	133,758
	Mid year progress											
	Year end outcome											

Notes:

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	Highways Maintenance
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION: Responsibility for keeping highway safe for all users and carrying out planned maintenance. Providing modern and reliable street lighting, traffic management systems for safe travel and managing road space to avoid congestion and disruption.	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES: Resources to deliver highways maintenance programme	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL: Consultation with Ward members on planned maintenance programme and traffic management schemes.	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER: Cllr. Richard Lewis	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS: DIRECTOR: Martin Farrington CHIEF OFFICER: Gary Bartlett LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Helen Franklin	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION	
LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:	
Primarily:- TR1 – Increased accessibility and connectivity through investment in a high quality transport system and through influencing others and changing behaviours.	
Also:-	
TP-1 (reduce crime through changed behaviours – link to improved street lighting)	
ENV-1 (respond to climate change – link to management of highway drainage and green space)	
HW-1 (promoting healthy life styles – link to provision of walking and cycling networks)	
EE-1 (supporting business – link to ensuring road network managed to facilitate the transport needs of business)	
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IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

Primarily TR-1c, Improve the condition of the streets and transport infrastructure by carrying out a major programme of maintenance and improvements.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

City wide annual survey of road and pavement condition

GOVERNANCE

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:

- Commenting on annual and forward programme of planned maintenance of local roads
- Commenting on traffic management proposals affecting local roads
- minor maintenance schemes to keep highway safe.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Ward members comment in writing to Highways or have a meeting to express their views.

- Service comes under the Chief Officer, Highways and Transportation, of City Development
- Executive member involvement in sensitive and contentious issues including maintenance programme.
- Highway Policy and Plan approved by Executive Board

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

Reporting / consultation primarily via Ward Members as per current arrangements

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION

PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12:

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	Highway Maintenance planned programme of works, major design and construction schemes and traffic management schemes undertaken by the Chief Officer Highways & Transportation after consultation with Ward Members.
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

- Highways ensure compliance with Highways Act, Traffic management Act, Traffic Signs and Regulation, Road Traffic act, Road traffic Regulations Act and Health and Safety Act.
- Highway Maintenance Policy and Plan
- Central Government Guidelines on management of highway network.

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

- Street Scene services, Park & Countryside, Housing, Transport services.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Bus companies, Utilities, Emergency services, and Highway Agency of DfT.

CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING

DESCRIPTION OF ANY CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING / SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION:

Service Level agreement with transport services for maintenance of fleet. Highways fleet is used by the depots to deliver highway maintenance function and winter service.

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:**Local Children and Young People's Plans****DESCRIPTION****HEADLINE INFORMATION:**

The Leeds Children and Young People's Plan 2011-15 seeks to provide an effective response to complex legislative changes in health, education and social care, and increased demand for social care and health services.

Above all else working at a locality level is the strategy to help services to work with communities to drive sustainable improvement.

The local expression of the Children and Young People Plan will largely be seen in the plans of clusters of schools, children centres and their partners. The Leeds Children's Trust Board has confirmed requirements for a minimum partnership standard; this includes Elected Member(s) representation on the cluster partnership 'governance' group. The Director of Children's Services will also nominate a member of his leadership team to act as a Local Authority Partner for each cluster to:

- enable the cluster partnership to connect to the Local Authorities priorities and ambitions
- broker opportunities for the cluster partnership to achieve its ambitions and be effective in the locality.

The cluster partnerships have been asked to prioritise action to improve NEET, school attendance and looked after children indicators. These 3 obsessions have been chosen because they are powerful "can openers" that provide a way to tackle the complex issues affecting the most vulnerable. Rapid progress on these indicators will have a "knock on" effect in other areas.

To support planning, a multi-agency team of facilitators have been trained in a problem solving and action orientated methodology called outcomes based accountability (OBA). This capacity is being offered to cluster partnerships across the city to encourage coherent, structured conversations which lead to action plans against which partners can hold one another accountable.

OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:

Operating within the context of the new Children's Trust Board, resources remain with partners and providers, the role of the Children and Young Peoples Plan being to influence the use of those resources, often collectively, to meet the needs of children and young people more effectively, thereby improving outcomes.

TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:

The Children's Services Directorate will sustain a commitment to provide Area Committees with 2 standard performance reports per year. The reports will be developed following comments made by elected members in the last cycle and to link with the new Children and Young People Plan. Reports will also provided to the Area Committee with an overview of the actions being undertaken by the cluster partnerships.

EXECUTIVE MEMBER:

Councillor Judith Blake

RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:

DIRECTOR: Nigel Richardson

CHIEF OFFICER: Mariana Pexton

LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Ken Morton

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:

Vision ...By 2030 Leeds is the best city in Britain

Leeds is a child friendly city

Minimise the effects of poverty on children and families

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

5 outcomes	11 priorities (3 starting points highlighted in bold italics are points 1,3 and 4)	15 Key indicators & baselines (4 starting points highlighted in bold and italics are points 1,3,4 and 5)
Are safe from harm	1. Help children to live in safe and supportive families 2. Ensure that the most vulnerable are protected	1. Number of looked after children- 1,434 January 2011 2. Number of children and young people with child protection plans- 778 at January 2011
Do well in learning and have the skills for life	3. Improve behaviour, attendance and achievement) 4. Increase numbers in employment, education or training 5. Support children to be ready for learning 6. Improve support where there are additional health needs	3. 16-18 NEET is 8.2% (average monthly figure for November-January 2009/10) 4. Primary school attendance 94.3% (half terms 1-4, 09/10 academic year) 5. Secondary attendance: 91.6% (half terms 1-4, 09/10 academic year) 6. Foundation stage threshold- 53% in 09/10 academic year 7. 5+ A*-C GCSE inc E&M- 50.6% in 09/10 academic year 8. KS2 L4+ E&M- 74% in 09/10 academic year 9. Level 3 qualifications at 19. 44.2% in 08/09 academic year 10. The number of a) children b) families accessing short breaks- baseline to be identified
Choose healthy lifestyles	7. Encourage activity and healthy eating 8. Promote sexual health	11. Obesity levels at year 6 (age 11) 21%, 09/10 12. Teenage pregnancy- 49.8% per 1,000 15-17 year olds, June 2009
Have fun growing up	9. Provide play, leisure, culture and sporting opportunities	13. Number of CYP engaged in high quality, school PE & Sport- 81%, 09/10 academic year. Work on wider indicators for this priority is ongoing.
Are active citizens who feel they have voice & influence	10. Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour 11. Increase participation, voice and influence	14. Proportion of 10-17 year olds offending- 2023 young people with 1 or more offence in 09/10 which is 2.7% 15. C&YP influence in a) school b) the community - 70% and 56% reporting at least a fair amount of influence. Work on additional measures of engagement is ongoing.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

2 performance reports per year to each area committee.
Interim and year end report from each cluster partnership.
Annual review of citywide children and young people's plans.

GOVERNANCE

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:

The area committee will provide support and challenge to ensure that local partnership arrangements are effectively contributing to city priorities and that city priorities and strategies are influenced by local needs.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Local members, within their designated corporate roles would act as champions for children's services and act to influence where appropriate.

Each Area Committee will be asked to nominate a Corporate Carer to sit on the Council's Corporate Carer Group. This Group, established by the Council in 2006, helps elected members fulfil their responsibilities as 'corporate parents' for those children in the care of the authority (looked after children). It does so by providing performance, monitoring and broader information about the services provided for looked after children in Leeds. By having an elected member from each Area Committee on this group it ensures representation across the city and a link between each Area Committee and wider issues relating to looked after children. This in turn helps contribute to the high priority being given to improving outcomes for looked after children.

There are also elected members who have been acting as Children's Champions for each area committee who sit on the current area based Children Leeds partnerships. It is intended to review these arrangements in the context of the new locality Leeds Initiative arrangements. If it is determined that Area Committees will nominate 'thematic champions' to support these new locality arrangements, then a 'champion' will be identified for each of the area based Children Leeds partnerships.

It is anticipated that the 5 Children Leeds partnerships will move to the 3 area model and align with the new locality Leeds Initiative arrangements.

All cluster governance groups will be expected to include at least one elected member (it might be more appropriate for 2 places in larger clusters). The nomination process for elected members will be agreed through the Member Management Committee.

There would also be other specific roles where members are involved in children's centres, act as school governors or as members of ALMO boards or regeneration boards.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

(E.g. formal and informal arrangements, frequency)

A minimum of 2 reports outlining progress against key indicators will be made available to each Area Committee.

The nominated Corporate Carer representative for each Area Committee will be given a regular suite of data about the looked after children cohort in their area.

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION

PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011/12:

The Director of Children’s Services is responsible for the strategic management and leadership of children’s services but does not have day-to-day operational management responsibilities for all the key children’s services e.g. schools, health services, police.

The LCC Children’s Services Directorate is undertaking a programme of significant change. During the transition to new structural arrangements during 2011/12 the Directorate has established a small locality support service on an interim basis to:

- Support members of the Children’s Services Leadership team to take on the role of Local Authority Partner in each cluster partnership;
- Provide each Area Leader with a contact through which they can engage cluster partnerships and cluster managers;
- Support Area Leaders with some capacity to develop ‘wedge leadership teams and wedge development and improvement teams’ and priority programmes of action
- To seek support from the new arrangements being established through Area Leaders in meeting the priorities of the Children and Young People Plan.
- Provide elected members engaged with clusters partnerships with support until Local Authority Partners are established for each cluster partnership;
- Provide support and challenge to cluster chairs and managers;
- Ensure engagement with area based partnerships e.g. area health partnerships.

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

<p>Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area</p>	<p>Interim locality support service on behalf of the Director of Children’s Services. Local Authority Partners for each cluster partnership to be nominated from the Children’s Services Leadership team by September 2011. The structure of the new Children’s Services Directorate will include area management roles managing targeted child protection and complex needs services.</p>
<p>Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination</p>	

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

The Leeds Children and Young People's Plan 2011-15 – one of 5 connected and interdependent priority plans within the Leeds Initiative framework.

Child Poverty Strategy

Current education, childcare, adoption legislation.

The Children Act 2004

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

The Children Services Directorate will continue to link to other Council services through the further development of cluster partnerships and in support of the programme of change instigated through the Councils Area Leaders.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Other Public Sector Services, e.g. health and police, are partners within the local Children Leeds partnerships and cluster partnerships and therefore have an active part in achieving the outcomes within the local plan. Children's Services will build on these relationships whilst recognising that the capacity of some partners to engage at a cluster level is limited. It is anticipated that new 'wedge' arrangements supporting integrated locality working will provide the framework to deliver priority programmes.

CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING

DESCRIPTION OF ANY CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING / SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION:

ANY KEY CURRENT / FUTURE ISSUES FOR AREA COMMITTEE TO BE AWARE OF REGARDING SERVICE / FUNCTION

- Demographic pressures - school places, childcare places, raising the participation age, social care, health service referrals.
- School Improvement – a more limited role for the Local Authority in an improvement model which focuses upon school led improvement and institutional autonomy (academies / trusts) and less on the Authority as a provider of school improvement services.
- More radical ways of working are needed for universal youth work and proposals are being considered that promote integrated universal services for young people delivered in localities with strong leadership by area committees and with effective partnerships between the statutory, private and voluntary sector, to ensure that maximum services are delivered directly to young people for less cost.
- Integration with Health services with particular emphasis on maternity to 5 year old services initially.
- Intensive family support - new commissioning arrangement (from October 2011) based around the 3 area model.

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	Health and Wellbeing
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
<p>Health and well-being: the Council in partnership with NHS Leeds is required to play a lead role in improving health and tackling health inequalities for the people of Leeds including the delivery of high quality health and social care services. The Director of Adult Social Services in conjunction with the Director of Public Health holds accountability for these actions, by ensuring coordinated and focused activity across Council and public health services and with key partners such as, Practice Based Commissioners and the Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust.</p> <p>The new Health and Wellbeing City Priority Plan (2011-15) outlines strategic priorities which are to be reflected in delivery through local health and wellbeing plans. The plan emphasises the need to reduce health inequalities for the whole population of Leeds. The need for action to be visible and effective at the local level is acknowledged by the Council and its partners. Area Committees will play a key role in influencing local priorities and action, and monitoring the health and well-being related targets linked to the Leeds Citywide Plan.</p> <p>Adult Social Care and NHS Leeds will support Area Committees and the locality health and wellbeing partnerships in this work via the three locality health improvement managers (jointly funded by NHS Leeds and Leeds city Council). Adult Social Care and NHS Leeds Public Health will also liaise both directly and indirectly (through Healthy Leeds) with key partners and services to present regular reports on the outcomes being achieved at the local level and seeking member's views, through Member Health Champions on priorities and action plans.</p>	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
Resources to deliver Health and Wellbeing improvement priorities within the Leeds Strategic Plan	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
(E.g. service plan, development plan, service standards, action plan, local priorities Relevant Service Plans Health and Wellbeing Citywide Priority Plan 2011-2015 NHS Leeds Local Delivery Plan and World Class Commissioning Programmes (e.g. Staying Healthy, Partnerships, Health Inequalities, Infant Mortality)	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
Councillor Lucinda Yeadon	

RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:

DIRECTORS: Sandie Keene and Ian Cameron

CHIEF OFFICER: Brenda Fullard

LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Janette Munton

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:**

Over the next four years we will focus on delivering and monitoring the following strategic outcomes:

Outcome 1: Across the whole of the Leeds population healthy life expectancy will continue to rise

Outcome 2: In four years time the widening of the health inequalities gap will have halted

Outcome 3: The people of Leeds live healthy, safe and independent lives

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

To achieve our strategic outcomes our priorities in the city plan are to deliver the following themes over the next 4 years:

- Increase healthy behaviour and healthy lifestyles
- Improve the social determinants of health
- Transform health and social care services

Key Indicators are:

- Smoking cessation
- Reduce admissions to hospital and care
- Improved choice and independence

Details of key actions are currently being consulted on and will be endorsed by the Health Improvement Board at their meeting in July 2011.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

The City Council and NHS Leeds are working on a joint performance management system for these priorities

SOA level – citywide

Quarterly and annually

GOVERNANCE**DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:**

The primary focus should be the outcomes, improvement priorities and targets within the City Priority Plan relating to health and well-being.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Through membership of the local area Health and Wellbeing Partnerships, the Area Delivery Plan, and by working with key partners such as NHS Leeds and Practice Based Commissioning Groups. The Area Committee role is one of influence, and an important conduit for the early identification of health and wellbeing priorities for the local area.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

(E.g. formal and informal arrangements, frequency)

We are seeking to agree arrangements between the Council and NHS Leeds through the Health Improvement Board on joint reporting mechanisms for the health and well-being theme. The health and wellbeing locality partnerships are likely to continue providing reports to each Area Committee on at least an annual basis, and more frequently, as required, for those area committees covering SOA's with greatest health inequality indices.

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION**PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12:**

City Council co-ordination accountability – Directors of Adult Social Services and Public Health and co-ordinated via the Health Improvement Board. Joint arrangements with NHS Leeds and other key stakeholders are to be established through the newly formed Health and Wellbeing Shadow Board. However, in the interim existing arrangements will continue under the Leeds Partnership and the Joint Strategic Commissioning Board under the aegis of the partnership.

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	Managed within Health and Wellbeing Board and Locality Health and Wellbeing Partnerships etc)
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

Health and Well Being City Priority Plan (draft pending final endorsement)

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

The health and well-being theme within the Strategic Plan has links to all five Directorates within the Council. There is a particularly strong link with Children's Services, as many of the specific targets relate to children and young people. However the outcomes we are working to achieve in the medium to long term relate to the whole population.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

NHS Leeds and Health Service Trusts. Adult Social Care works closely with a range of public sector partners including West Yorkshire Police, Department for Work and Pensions, West Yorkshire Passenger Transport

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	Conservation Area Reviews
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
<p>A programme to (1) review existing conservation areas; in each case to assess its special character, to propose any changes to its boundary and to make proposals for its management. (2) propose new conservation areas with similar appraisal/management plans. All to be the subject of public consultation before becoming operational.</p>	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
<p>The work is being undertaken by the Sustainable Development Unit within the City Development Directorate</p>	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
<p>A quarterly written update on progress</p>	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
<p>Cllr Richard Lewis</p>	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	
<p>DIRECTOR: Martin Farrington</p>	
<p>CHIEF OFFICER: Steve Speak</p>	
<p>LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Phil Ward</p>	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:**

Please see SDU Service Plan 2010-11

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

To produce up-to-date conservation area boundaries, appraisals and management plans

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

Quarterly reporting

GOVERNANCE**DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:**

Review of conservation areas.
Ward members directly involved in consultation process.
Area committee overview and financial support through previously agreed Well Being allocations.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

Quarterly written report

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION**PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12:****TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:**

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	Centrally managed by SDU, with contacts in each Area
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	

ANY KEY CURRENT / FUTURE ISSUES FOR AREA COMMITTEE TO BE AWARE OF REGARDING SERVICE / FUNCTION

Of the 16 agreed conservation area reviews for the 2008/9 financial year, Morley Town and Morley Dartmouth Park is still outstanding and on-going into the 20011/12 financial year. This requires further consultation and is hoped to be completed in the 2011/12 financial year.

Conservation areas which are still outstanding from the 2009/10 financial year are Guiseley Town and Guiseley Park Gate (due to be amalgamated in the Guiseley Conservation Area, and to be completed in the first quarter of 2011/12) and Thorp Arch Trading Estate (subject to on-going discussions).

Of the 9 reviews commissioned this financial year, none has been completed due to outstanding issues with Equality Impact Screening. Six are programmed to be completed in the first quarter of 2010-11, namely Aberford, Bramhope, Rawdon Low Green, Rawdon Little London, Rawdon Littlemoor and Woodlesford. The remaining outstanding conservation areas from the 2010/11 financial year are Horsforth Cragg Hill and Woodside (subject to a delegation to Council and a report in response due to be discussed at Executive Board in June 2011), Yeadon (requires further consultation) and Rawdon Cragg Wood (requires further consultation).

The relevant Area Committee is aware of the required extensions for each conservation area.

There is the opportunity for Area Committees to fund a continuation of the programme beyond 31 March 2011 to review further designated conservation areas and to consider new ones. Currently funding has been agreed for the review/designation of 3 conservation areas: Scholes, Shadwell and Tranmere Park. Discussions continue over further commissions for the year. There is an indication that a further "mini appraisal" may be funded for the central part of the existing Headingley Conservation Area.

HEADLINE CITYWIDE FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR RESPONSIBILITIES**Citywide Budget For Service / Function 11/12****£000s****Net Revenue Budget****23.0****Net Capital Budget****Nil****Key Funding Sources**

Funding Provider	£000s	%
LCC	23.0	100
Net Budget	23.0	100

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT THE BUDGET REPRESENTS:

Revenue funding for salaries, on-costs and supplies.

DESCRIPTION OF THE FORMULA USED FOR APPORTIONING BUDGET ACROSS DIFFERENT AREAS:

Agreed costings of between £3k and £8k dependent on size of each area and whether community group directly involved with the work

REASONS WHY THIS PARTICULAR FORMULA WAS SELECTED:

Consistency, fairness and need for budgets to be in place at start of programme to allow temporary staff to be engaged

DETAIL OF ANY SIGNIFICANT SERVICE / BUDGET VARIATIONS ACROSS THE CITY:

Variations as shown in table below result from previous decisions taken by the Area Committees

AREA COMMITTEE BREAKDOWN – Conservation Area Reviews

		City Wide	East		North East		North West		South		West	
			Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer	Inner	Outer
Service Standards and Performance												
<i>Number of completed CA reviews</i>	Target for 11/12		0	0	0	8	0	2	0	0	0	1
	Mid year progress											
	Year end outcome		0	0	0	8	0	2	0	0	0	1
Resource Availability												
Percentage of budget allocation												
Net Revenue Budget	Budget for 11/12		0	0	0	12,000	0	11,000	0	0	0	0
	Mid year progress											
	Year end outcome		0	0	0	12,000	0	11,000	0	0	0	0

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	Regeneration Projects & Programmes
DESCRIPTION	
HEADLINE INFORMATION:	
<p>The Regeneration Programmes teams' primary function is to respond to the Council's Narrowing the Gap agenda through the development and implementation of housing investment and major regeneration programmes across Leeds. This includes maximising major opportunities for growth and prosperity that all citizens of Leeds can share.</p> <p>Priority area based programmes include East Leeds, Aire Valley, South and West Leeds and the Leeds Bradford Corridor. Other projects include the PFI housing scheme in Beeston Hill and Holbeck and Little London, the Town and District Centre schemes operating across 17 neighbourhoods, the Chapeltown Corridor, and Townscape Heritage Initiative Schemes in Chapeltown, Armley and Lower Kirkgate.</p>	
OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES:	
<p>The service is resourced through mainstream staffing and revenue budgets of the Council (and Bradford MDC in relation to the Leeds Bradford Corridor), private sector investment and in some areas with additional match funding secured e.g. T&DC schemes through the ALMO's, Town Councils in some cases, and the Heritage Lottery Fund (currently Armley and Chapeltown with Lower Kirkgate to be added subject to a successful funding bid at the end of 2011).</p> <p>Procurement of the PFI scheme, including staffing costs, land assembly, feasibility and specialist advisor input is funded through the Council. PFI Credits are provided by central government to attract private sector investment in works and services over a 20-30 year period.</p>	
TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE AVAILABLE AT AREA COMMITTEE LEVEL:	
<p>Reports and briefings will be provided to engage, consult and inform Members at key stages of project and programme development and delivery i.e. start up, initiation, delivery, closure and evaluation.</p>	
EXECUTIVE MEMBER:	
<p>Councillor Richard Lewis (Development) Councillor Peter Gruen (Neighbourhoods and Housing)</p>	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	
<p>DIRECTOR: Neil Evans CHIEF OFFICER: Christine Addison LEAD OFFICER FOR FUNCTION SCHEDULE: Franklin Riley</p>	

OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

LINK TO LEEDS STRATEGIC PLAN OUTCOMES:

Thriving Places: Improved quality of life through mixed neighbourhoods offering good housing options and better access to services and activities/

Harmonious Communities: More inclusive, varied and vibrant communities through empowering people to contribute to decision making and delivering local services.

The specific indicators that relate to this function are currently unclear because the operating context is in transition :

- the Vision for Leeds is about to be launched
- the City Priority Plans are in development
- it is not clear which indicators Leeds will report on to Central Government
- the new Locality Working operating arrangements and focus are just evolving
- it is clear that the Function Schedules need to be reviewed and redrafted to reflect the new priorities and operating arrangements

It is therefore proposed that when the Function Schedules have been reviewed and redrafted appropriate indicators will be identified and included.

IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES:

Thriving Places: Increase the number of 'decent homes', increase the number of affordable homes; develop extended services, using sites across the city to improve support to children, families and communities.

Harmonious Communities: Increase the sense of belonging and pride in local neighbourhoods that help to build cohesive communities.

GEOGRAPHY & FREQUENCY OF RELEVANT LOCAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

(E.g. SOA, ward, quarterly, yearly)

Regeneration Programmes operates on a city-wide basis in priority regeneration areas.

Local performance information will be provided to Area Committees at key points in the life cycle of the projects, where this takes place within and/or impacts on the Committees' areas i.e. start up, delivery, closure, evaluation. The timing of this will vary between individual projects and programmes.

GOVERNANCE

DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY COVERS:

Each programme will have its own approved governance structure. Area functions will operate within that structure in order to influence key actions and decisions.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS – HOW WOULD LOCAL MEMBERS DEAL WITH THE PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITY:

Responsibilities to include;

Influencing:

- programme development and delivery arrangements

Assisting:

- consultation on project proposals
- monitoring of key milestones (via Area Management re T&DC)
- equality impact assessments
- risk management (to resolve issues and offer guidance)
- project evaluations (to assess local impact and realisation of benefits)

Endorsing:

- scope of project and business plans
- locally based communication plans
- project closures prior to Programme Board sign off.

Practical arrangements to ensure Area Committees are able to fulfil the responsibilities will be dealt by way of regular reports, briefings/presentations and consultation.

HOW / WHEN WOULD THE SERVICE / FUNCTION REPORT TO THE AREA COMMITTEE:

(e.g. formal and informal arrangements, frequency)

Through approved governance structures and as part of the normal cycle of Board meetings.

Where appropriate or requested, additional briefings or reporting will take place as part of the Area Committee planned cycle of meetings. Briefings to ward members will also be provided on an individual, ward basis or through another consultative vehicle such as the Chapeltown and Armley Heritage Action Groups which are chaired by ward members.

MANAGEMENT AND CO-ORDINATION

PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION IN 2011 / 12:

The Director of Environment & Neighbourhoods is responsible for the strategic management and leadership of Environment & Neighbourhoods incorporating Regeneration Programmes. Operational management for Regeneration Programmes is led by the Chief Regeneration Programmes Officer (CRPO).

TYPE AND DETAIL OF PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Centrally Managed Service With Management Contacts for Each Area	Undertaken by the Chief Regeneration Programmes Officer or Programme Managers on behalf of the Director of Environment & Neighbourhoods.
Locally Managed Service With Some Central Support/Technical Expertise/Co-Ordination	Liaison between Locality Working and Regeneration Programmes will take place at all staff levels as appropriate to the project, programme or service.

LINKS TO KEY PLANS / STRATEGIES / LEGISLATION / STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:

Leeds City Council Business Plan
 Regeneration Service Plan
 Leeds Housing and Regeneration City Priority Plan
 Local Development Framework and Core Strategy
 Regional Economic Strategy 2006-2015
 Leeds Renaissance Framework
 Area Delivery Plans

LINKS TO OTHER CITY COUNCIL SERVICES:

Planning & Development; Highways; Democratic & Legal; Asset Management; Economic Services, Culture & Leisure, Housing Strategic Landlord, Procurement.

LINKS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNER SERVICES:

Arms Length Management Organisations (ALMO's)
 NHS Leeds
 Environment Agency
 HCA

CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING

DESCRIPTION OF ANY CONTRACT / COMMISSIONING / SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS FOR SERVICE / FUNCTION:

The following commission may be undertaken:
 Architectural Design Services - for physical design and survey work (e.g. landscaping).
 Highway Design Services - for physical design and survey work (e.g. highways improvements).
 Strategic Asset Management - for land transactions and valuations.
 Legal and Democratic Services - for conveyancing and legal agreements with third parties.

Area Committee Roles – 2011/12

FUNCTION:	Advertising on Lampposts
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Advertising on Lampposts	<p>Function is suspended until April 2012</p> <p>The council had agreed a 15 year contract for the installation of advertising on lamp posts in 2008. A 20% share of the income generated from this contract was due to come back to Area Committees to support local priorities. However, in February 2009 the company awarded the contract went in to administration. During the liquidation process, the hoardings on lamp posts were sold to a new company, City-ads Leeds, who will operate a much reduced service on an interim basis until a more permanent arrangement is put in place.</p> <p>A new company to deliver this contract was due to be selected through a competitive tender process, with the contract commencing around December 2011. The delay in tendering for the renewal of the contract is to enable the advertising market to recover from the economic downturn and thereby yield the Council (and Area Committees) with the best possible financial return.</p> <p>City-ads is a fledgling business, aspiring to build their advertising portfolio against an extremely difficult economic backdrop for the industry. An income share arrangement has been agreed but the returns are not expected to be significant. Initial indications are that the Council will receive around £300 per quarter, rising to around £1,000 per quarter as the business grows over the next 12months.</p> <p>It was therefore agreed that this function is suspended until April 2012 when a new contractor has been agreed, as the administrative costs of dividing the limited income that will be received to each of the 10 committees, is highly likely to outweigh the actual return that each committee will receive.</p>
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