

Report of Area Leader – South East Leeds

Report to South Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: Monday 26th March 2012

Subject: A Summary of Key Work

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Ardsley and Robin Hood Morley North Morley South Rothwell
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. This report presents a summary of key work taking place within the Outer South Leeds area, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Recommendations

2. The Area Committee is asked to:
 - a) Note the contents of the report and make comment as appropriate

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To bring to Members' attention in a succinct fashion, a summary of key work which the Area Management Team are engaged in based on priorities identified by the Area Committee, that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda. It provides opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

2 Background information

- 2.1 Members will recall at the July 2011 Area Committee, a revised title and format for this report was introduced based on proposed changes to the Leeds Initiative partnership and planning framework for the city and in an effort to be more focused on current priorities.

3 Main Issues

3.1 Area Chairs Forum

The minutes from the meeting held on Monday 13th January 2012 are attached for Members information at **Appendix 1**.

3.2 Updates by theme: Children & Families

Joseph Priestley College Update

Sally Blunt (Deputy Principle at Leeds City College), has submitted a report elsewhere on the agenda which provides an update on the merger.

Children & Young People's Working Group Update

The Outer South Children & Young People's Working Group last met on the 19th January, minutes were presented to the last meeting. The next meeting of the group is planned for the 24th May.

3.3 Updates by Theme: Sustainable Economy and Culture

Community Centres Sub Committee

The Outer South Community Centres Sub Committee last met on the 9th November 2011. The minutes were presented for Members information at the 5th December meeting. The next meeting is planned for Wednesday 16th May 2012 at Morley Town Hall.

3.4 Updates by Theme: Safer and Stronger Communities Board

Environmental Services Delegation

An update report that introduces the development of SLA 2 is to be considered elsewhere on the agenda.

The minutes of the Outer South Environmental Sub Group which was held on 29th February are attached at **Appendix 2**.

Community Safety

The Morley and Rothwell Crime and Grime meetings continue to develop with good attendance and contributions from partner agencies. A review is being undertaken to determine progress to date and next steps to build on this. The report of the review will be presented to a future meeting of the Area Committee.

The most recent quarterly update on the Area Committee funded West Yorkshire Police – Off Road bikes scheme is attached as **Appendix 3**.

The Burglary Action Plan has now been agreed and is attached **Appendix 4**. In summary it presents a range of activity to tackle burglary across south Leeds. It does not intend to capture all the work that is being delivered, rather it highlights key pieces of work that will have a significant impact. There are three key themes and these are: Reducing Offending, Preventing Victimisation and Communication.

Members will be aware that a proposal to deliver a project to address the issue of “Europrofile” burglary was approved at the February meeting. It had been hoped to enhance this project with Aire Valley Homes through an application to the Area Panel for match funding. However, due to the low number of AVHL properties that have been the target of Europrofile burglary, AVHL have decided not to pursue an application to the Area Panel pending further research into the impact of the Europrofile issue on their tenants. Members are asked to approve the delivery of the CASAC project on its own without the match funding previously referred to.

Middleton Park Strategic Advisory Group

Minutes of the meeting of the Middleton Park SAG was 23rd November, were presented to the last meeting of the Area Committee. No date has been set for the next meeting.

3.5 Updates by Theme: Health and Well being

The South East Health and Well being partnership last met on the 24th November 2011, the minutes were presented to the last meeting of the Area Committee.
Appendix 5.

3.6 Updates by Theme: Housing and Regeneration

Conservation Audits

Morley Conservation Area Appraisal: Following responses received during the initial public consultation, it has been necessary to hold another round of consultation to report back to the community and hold a formal public meeting to allow further debate of the proposals. A further six week public consultation took place from 30th January to the 9th March. During this period there was an exhibition in the library with paper copies of the draft appraisal and modified proposed boundary available to view. The appraisal was also available to view at the One Stop in the Town Hall. The draft appraisal is also available online. A public meeting was held at the Town Hall on Thursday 16th February 7pm. The public consultation was fully publicised with a press release, posters and a mailing to all properties within the areas of proposed boundary change.

Following the public consultation the responses received will be considered and amendments made to the appraisal and proposed boundary as appropriate. The revised boundary changes and appraisal will be written up for consideration of Chief Officers at the next available Planning Board meeting – likely to be 27th March and may also be considered by the Executive Board. If approved the revised boundary will be designated and the appraisal will be adopted as a material consideration in the planning process.

3.7 Integrated Locality Working Localism

Community First Panels

Outer South panels for Ardsley Robin Hood and Morley South have now met and agreed their terms of reference, the application process and the local priorities. It is expected that the next cycle meetings will make decisions on applications submitted.

Members were previously told that the deadline for approved applications to be submitted to the Community Development Foundation (CDF) was 31st March, due to the level of funding that needs to be spent across the UK the deadline has been moved to 30th June 2012.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 Projects are developed to address priorities in the Area Committee Business Plan. The production of this plan is informed by Local Councillors and local residents. All projects developed are in consultation with Elected Members and local communities. Approval for any contribution from the Well being budget is secured at Area Committee.

4.2.1 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 Community groups submitting a project proposal requesting funding from the Well being budget have an equal opportunities policy and as part of the application process, complete a section outlining which equality groups the project will work with and how equality and cohesion issues have been considered.

4.2.2 Internal and statutory partners are committed to equality and cohesion and all projects they are involved with will have considered these issues.

4.2.3 A light touch Equality Impact Assessments is carried out for all projects.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 The projects outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the following council policies:

- Vision For Leeds
- Children and Young Peoples Plan

- Health and Well being City Priority Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Regeneration City Priority Plan

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 There are no resource implications as a result of this report.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 All decisions taken by the Area Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are eligible for Call In.

4.5.2 There are no key or major decisions being made that would be eligible for Call In.

4.5.3 There are no legal implications as a result of this report.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 This report provides an update on work in the Inner South and therefore no risks are identifiable. Any projects funded through Well being budget complete a section identifying risks and solutions as part of the application process.

5 Conclusions

5.1 The report provides up to date information on key work areas of the Area Committee.

6 Recommendations

6.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

- a) note the contents of the report and make comment as appropriate.

Background documents¹

Summary of Key Work, 8th February 2012

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.