

INNER EAST ENVIRONMENT SUB GROUP
DATE/ TIME : 15th May, 1pm, Reginald centre
CHAIR: Cllr Graham Hyde

1.0 Present: John Woolmer (JW), Hayley Thackwray (HT), Councillor Graham Hyde (CGH), Councillor Arif Hussain (CAH) Carly Grimshaw (CG), Mark Mills (MM), Mick Johnson (MJ), Andy Gibson (AG)

Apologies: Councillor Asghar Khan (CAK).

ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
<p>2.00 <u>Minutes of previous meeting and apologies</u></p> <p>2.1 It was discussed that Environmental Sub Groups need to be scheduled for around two weeks prior to each Area Committee meeting, on a Tuesday at 1pm and diarised for the coming municipal year.</p>	CG
<p>3.00 <u>Derelict Sites</u></p> <p>3.1 MM handed out a flow chart of the procedure for dealing with derelict sites, a list of the sites the Working Group is focussing on in the Inner East and a report on their work so far.</p> <p>3.2 The Project Group has a resource of £500,000 to use for enforcement against private site owners or initiatives to improve health and safety and immediate visual improvements on LCC owned sites.</p> <p>3.3 Councillors were asked to review the list of derelict sites and voice any amendments or additions to the list.</p> <p>3.4 It was agreed that the list would be brought to the three Ward Member meetings so that all 9 Councillors could review the list and any additions should be sent through to mark.mills@leeds.gov.uk. MM is going to brief George Moody MP on the sites and the work of the project group.</p> <p>3.5 MM to attend the next IE Environmental Sub Group to give further updates on progress against the sites.</p>	CG/MM
<p>4.00 <u>Environmental Delegation</u></p> <p>EIZ's</p>	

	<p>4.1 JW updated that work has started on the Environmental Improvement Zones, Chapeltown commenced as a trial a couple of weeks ago and the Sandhursts were started yesterday. Every house in the EIZ is being visited, given information on their responsibilities and a visual Environmental Audit carried out. Officers will then send out Fixed Penalty Notices to all of those in breach of legislation.</p> <p>4.2 A pack of information will be given to ward members with all the paperwork being distributed to residents in their wards and maps and detail relating to the EIZ's in their ward.</p> <p>4.3 What has been learnt from the Savilles trial is that residents are aware that it is other residents that are to blame for the litter issue, not Leeds City Council and they are supportive of action being taken.</p> <p>4.4 A discussion was had regarding which order the EIZ's should be tackled in and it was agreed that although the order of activity would rotate between wards, the order that those in Harehills should be tackled is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hovinghams and Dorsets • Carnacs, Rossalls & Nices • Sandhursts <p>CAH suggested that after all of the surveys have been given out on the Hovinghams and Dorsets then a public meeting should be called at either the Pakistani Centre or Bilal Centre for the public to ask John questions and understand what will be happening in the area.</p> <p>4.5 It should be raised at the next BRH Ward Members meeting, which order they would like the ones in their ward tackling.</p> <p>Litter picking routes</p> <p>4.6 CGH raised that a clear protocol needs to be set for bin men to pick up spillages that occur when they are collecting the rubbish as a lot of the 'litter' that occurs has been spilt by bin men.</p> <p>4.7 It was suggested that it is already part of their contract to clear up spillages and that there is a bonus deal attached to this.</p> <p>4.8 CGH requested that JW speak to Senior Management in the Refuse Service and that they attend the next sub group meeting to discuss how they can better work with the Locality Team in keeping the streets clean.</p> <p>ENEHI</p> <p>4.9 JW discussed that he would like to have an officer who can coordinate an education programme to residents and in schools to compliment the enforcement action but that he does not have enough resources for this. It is expected to cost around £30,000.</p> <p>4.10 CGH recommended that he write a report to both the Area Committee and ENEHL board on the subject of 'Grot spots' and raise the issue in this as there is the potential for partnership working with ENEHI and</p>	<p>CG</p> <p>CG/JW</p> <p>JW</p>
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	future delegations that are likely to be agreed for the Area Committee to result in additional resources.	
5.00	<p><u>Any other business</u></p> <p>5.1 HT confirmed that the new litter bins which have been ordered for Seacroft will be installed in the next 4 weeks.</p> <p>5.2 JW mentioned arrangements for the Olympic Torches routes. There will be a city wide team made up of Locality staff from the three wedges who will move around the city ahead of the torch ensuring that the route is clear.</p>	HT
9.00	<p>TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>9.1 Tuesday 14th August 2012 - 1pm – 3pm at The Reginald Centre</p>	