

Report of Area Leader – South East Leeds

Report to South Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: Monday 25th March 2013

Subject: 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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

This report presents an update on the key work taking place within the Outer South Leeds area, not covered elsewhere on the agenda

Recommendations

The Area Committee is asked to:

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

1.0 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To bring to Members' attention in a succinct fashion, a summary of key work which the Area Support 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.

2.0 Background information

- 2.2 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.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Area Chairs Forum

- 3.1.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2013 were approved at the meeting on 1st March 2013 and are attached at **Appendix 1**. The minutes of the meeting held on Friday 1st March will be presented to a future Area Committee.

4.0 Updates by theme: Children & Families

4.1 Children & Young People's Working Group Update

- 4.1.1 The Outer South Children & Young People's Working Group last met on 27th September and minutes were presented to a previous Area Committee. The group is currently reviewing its Terms of Reference and Membership to ensure that it is fit for purpose. Area Committee will be kept informed of progress.

5.0 Updates by Theme: Sustainable Economy and Culture

5.1 Community Centres Sub Committee

- 5.1.1 The Community Centres Sub Committee last met on 27th February 2013 and draft minutes are attached at **Appendix 2**.

5.2 The Point Steering Group

- 5.2.1 The Point Steering Group last on 5th March 2013 and minutes will be presented to a future Area Committee. The next meeting will take place on 1st July 2013, minutes will be presented to a future Area Committee.

6.0 Updates by Theme: Safer and Stronger Communities Board

6.1 Outer South Environmental Sub-Group

- 6.1.1 The Outer South Environmental sub-group met on 20th February 2013 and the draft minutes are attached at **Appendix 3**.

6.2 Outer South Recycling Service

- 6.2.1 The new recycling service will collect each type of waste on an alternate weekly basis. This means that the Green bin will get collected one week and the Black bin will get collected the next. This service will double the amount of recycling collections for residents of Leeds reducing the amount spent on landfill which is mostly landfill tax and have a positive environmental impact across the city. The Council has a clear vision to achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of greater than 55% of household waste by 2016 with a long term target to exceed 60%.

Approved Plans

- 6.2.3 The Council has agreed to introduce alternate weekly collections of recycling and residual waste to up to 56,000 properties in 2012/13. The provisional roll-out programme is as follows:

- 2012/13 - 55,000 households (approximate);
- 2013/14 - phased roll out to 75% of the city;
- 2014/15 - complete roll-out to remaining suitable properties to achieve service to 80% of households.

Rationale for Phase 1 area:

- 6.2.4 Those areas across the city that are more suitable for inclusion in Phase 1 of AWC have been identified by considering where:
1. The total weight of recycled material collected is high with a corresponding reduction in the amount of residual waste collected.
 2. Participation in recycling collections is high.
 3. There are less complex challenges of the inner city student areas, high rise properties, back to back properties
 4. 55,000 households in one geographical location to aid operational routing.
- 6.2.5 The precise boundary, size and property count of the Phase 1 pilot area will be determined as part of the detailed planning and route design stage.

Benefits:

Residents:

- Greater convenience for residents to participate in recycling as collection is more frequent. - Fortnightly
- Greater convenience for residents to participate in recycling as additional capacity provides the opportunity for a wider range of materials to be collected. Working with contractors consideration is being given to the inclusion of Tetra packs and mixed plastics

General:

- A potential increase in the overall NI 192 recycle rate.

- Cost efficiencies estimated at £2.5 million per annum based on a city wide roll out to 80% of properties.

Timing:

There is a planned roll out phase one of alternate weekly collections during Spring 2013.

7.2 **Community Safety**

7.2.1 Crime and Grime Partnership

The most recent meeting of the South Leeds Crime and Grime Partnership took place on 30th January. The focus of the meeting was exploring how it could develop a Restorative Practice approach in how it delivers its activity. Restorative Practice is an approach to partnership working and working with communities that has been embedded into the practice of Children's Services across Leeds. It is a conflict resolution model that emphasises the importance of strong relationships in order to promote better working and as a means of resolving conflict where it occurs. The next meeting is due to take place in April 2013.

7.2.2 The Outer South Area Committee continues to be represented on the Crime and Grime Partnership by its Environmental Champion (Cllr Karen Bruce) and Community Safety Champion (Cllr Neil Dawson).

7.2.3 Morley Police Station

Further to previous updates given to the Area Committee. There has been no further progress on this issue.

7.3 Wellbeing projects

7.3.1 Cold Calling Control Zones

Cold Calling Control Zones in Outer South have been launched in Morley North, Rothwell and Morley South. The final zone to be delivered in Ardsley Robin Hood will be consulted on from the beginning of March and is expected to be established by the end of March.

7.3.2 Feeling Safe in Rothwell

Rothwell NPT is continuing to deliver the Feeling Safe project to deliver security advice and products to vulnerable residents. NPT staff joined with staff promoting the Cold Calling Zone in order to maximise the crime reduction messages and reassurance being delivered to the community.

8.0 **Updates by Theme: Health and Well being**

8.1 The South East Health and Well being partnership met on the 24th January 2013 and the draft minutes are included at **Appendix 4**. The next meeting is scheduled for 28th March 2013, minutes will be presented to a future Area Committee.

9.0 Updates By Theme: Housing and Regeneration

9.1 Conservation Audits

9.1.1 Following a further round of public consultation that ran from January to March 2012, all consultation responses are being reviewed and considered and amendments made to the appraisal and proposed boundary as appropriate. The project was discussed at Planning Board on 29 November 2012. The appraisal and boundary review may also be considered by Executive Board. If approved, the revised boundary will be designated and the appraisal will be adopted as a material consideration in the planning process.

10.0 Localism

10.1 Neighbourhood Planning

10.1.1 Neighbourhood Plans are being developed in Oulton & Woodlesford, Carlton Village and Rothwell. Area Committee have provided support in the form of a Small Grant to Oulton & Woodlesford. More detailed updates will be sought for future meetings.

10.2 Community First Grants

10.2.1 Ardley & Robin Hood Community First Panel

10.2.2 From an allocation of £50,865 the following grant requests have been submitted.

Funded Group	Recommended Amount	Paid Amount	Disposition
Tingley TARA Tenants and Residents Association	2,350.00	2,350.00	Approved
East Ardsley United Cricket Club	1,600.00	1,600.00	Approved
Lowry Road in Bloom	1,000.00	1,000.00	Approved
Meadows in Bloom	1,000.00	1,000.00	Approved
Winthorpe Residents Association	1,058.00	1,058.00	Approved
St Gabriel's Youth and Community Group	1,500.00	1,500.00	Approved
St Gabriels Community Centre	299.00	0.00	Pending
Robin Hood Residents Association	1,500.00	1,500.00	Approved
Lowry Road In Bloom	1,500.00	1,500.00	Approved
Christ Church Lofthouse PCC Graveyard Group	1,485.59	1,485.59	Approved
Grand Total	13,292.59	12,993.59	

10.2.3 Morley South Community First Panel

10.2.4 From an allocation of £33,910 the following grant requests have been submitted.

Funded Group	Recommended Amount	Paid Amount	Disposition
Morley Rugby Football Club	1,010.00	0.00	Pending
Morley Amateur Operatic Society	1,992.00	1,992.00	Approved
St Peters Church Hall users Group	2,500.00	2,500.00	Approved
12th Morley Scout Group	800.00	800.00	Approved
Morley Camping Venture	500.00	500.00	Approved
Newlands Methodist Church	400.00	400.00	Approved
Siegen Close Residents association	420.00	420.00	Approved
St Andrews Community Hall Steering Group	2,300.00	2,300.00	Approved
St Marys United Reformed Church	1,000.00	1,000.00	Approved
Grand Total	10,922.00	9,912.00	

10.2.5 'Pending' means the project has only recently been submitted to CDF and needs to be processed, or that the group have not yet returned their grant acceptance form to CDF.

10.2.6 'Approved' means that the group have returned their grant acceptance, so if it is 'Approved' but without a payment it either means that it is scheduled for payment shortly, or that there is a query relating to the payment details.

11.0 **Integrated Locality Working**

11.1 Community Heroes Event

11.1.1 At the December Area Committee members agreed to support an event for Outer South Tenants and Residents Associations. Details of the event are:

Event date: 16th April 2013
Location: Blackburn Hall, Rothwell
Timing: 5.00 pm – 8.00 pm

11.1.2 Invitations have now been sent to community groups and arrangements for the event are progressing. Area Committee will continue to receive updates.

12.0 **Corporate Considerations**

12.1 **Consultation and Engagement**

12.1.1 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 received at the Area Committee.

12.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

12.2.1 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.

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

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

12.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

12.3.1 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

12.4 Resources and Value for Money

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

12.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

12.5.1 All decisions taken by the Area Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are not eligible for Call In.

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

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

12.6 Risk Management

12.6.1 This report provides an update on work in the Outer 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.

13.0 Conclusions

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

14.0 Recommendations

14.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

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

15.0 Background documents¹

15.1 There are no background documents associated with this paper.

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.