

NORTH EAST (INNER) AREA COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, 17TH MAY, 2013

PRESENT: Councillor G Hussain in the Chair

Councillors J Dowson, M Rafique, E Taylor,
S Hamilton, R Charlwood, A Sobel and
B Urry

91 Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed all in attendance to the Special Meeting of the North East (Inner) Area Committee.

In particular he also welcomed Ms C Grimshaw, East North East Area Officer who would be taking over the role of Mrs N Denson from May 2013. He also welcomed Ms H Gray, Governance Officer who would be taking over the role of Mr S Robinson from the new municipal year.

92 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

There were no disclosable pecuniary and other interests declared at the meeting.

93 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor C Macniven and Mr R Barke, East North East Area Leader.

94 Election of Area Committee Chair for the 2013/2014 Municipal Year

The Chief Officer (Democratic and Central Services) submitted a report on the election of Area Committee Chair for the 2013/14.

Appended to the report was a copy of Paragraph 5 of the Area Committee Procedure Rules which dealt with the process by which Chairs for Area Committees were elected (Appendix 1 refers).

It was reported that one nomination had been received for Area Committee Chair on behalf of Councillor S Hamilton.

RESOLVED-

- a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted.
- b) That Councillor S Hamilton be elected as Chair for the 2013/2014 Municipal Year.

95 Wellbeing Fund Revenue Budget 2013/14

The East North East Area Leader submitted a report providing Members with an update on the current position of the revenue Wellbeing funding for the Area Committee and highlighting the applications made for consideration by the Area Committee.

Appended to the report was a copy of the following document for the information/comment of the meeting:-

- Inner North East Area Committee Well-Being Budget 2012-13 (Appendix 1 refers)
- Inner North East Area Committee Well-Being Budget 2013-14 (Appendix 2 refers)

Sharon Hughes, East North East Area Improvement Manager and Nicola Denson, East North East Area Officer presented the report and responded to Members' comments and queries.

Detailed discussion ensued on the contents of the report and appendices.

Councillor S Hamilton raised that two of the items in Appendix 2 were incorrectly allocated to the Moortown ward pot. The East North East Area Officer reassured that this would be changed and the final new figures would be brought back to the June Area Committee when they had been consolidated with finance's figures.

RESOLVED-

- a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted.
- b) That the Happy Toddlers Happy Families grant be refused.
- c) That approval be given to funding the Opening Doors project for £8,500 in accordance with the report now submitted.
- d) That consideration of funding the Trembler Alarms initiative be deferred until the next meeting in June 2013 and that this issue be incorporated within the Community Safety progress report which would enable Members to receive more detailed information on the initiative.
- e) That this Committee notes the current budget position as outlined in Section 3.4 of the report.
- f) That Appendix 2 be altered as discussed and brought back to the June Area Committee.

(Councillor A Sobel joined the meeting at 3.15pm during discussions of the above item)

96 Date and Time of the Next Meeting

Monday 17th June 2013 at 4.00pm in the Reginald Centre, 263 Chapeltown Road, Leeds 7.

97 Chair's Closing Remarks

As this was the last meeting within the current Municipal Year, the Chair thanked Members and officers for their contributions and support during the past year.

Councillor J Dowson, on behalf of the Committee, expressed her appreciation to Councillor Hussain for his dedication and role as Chair during the past two years.

At the request of the Chair, Councillor J Dowson informed the meeting that a report on the Children's Services Youth Services budget and Cluster nominations would be submitted to the June 2013 meeting.

The Chair also made reference to Area Lead roles and of the fact that a further report on this issue would be submitted to the June meeting for consideration. In concluding, the East North East Area Improvement Manager made specific reference to the Old Peoples' Residential Programme and agreed to circulate details of this to Members outside the meeting.

In concluding the Chair informed the meeting that Mrs N Denson, East North East Area Officer would be leaving the Council on 24th May 2013. At the request of the Chair, Councillor B Urry expressed his appreciation of the kind support he had received from Mrs Denson during his first year as an Elected Member. Board Members conveyed their best wishes to Mrs Denson.

In concluding he also informed the meeting that Mr S Robinson, Governance Services would be leaving the Council on the Early Leavers Initiative at the end of May after 40 years service. Board Members conveyed their best wishes to Mr Robinson.

(The meeting concluded at 3.25pm)