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# **Inner South Community Committee**

Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

# Meeting to be held in St Georges Centre, Middleton, LS10 4UR

Wednesday, 24th November, 2021 at 2.00 pm

## **Councillors:**

**G** Almass

A Gabriel

A Scopes

M Igbal

E Nash

P Wray

S Burke

K Groves

P Truswell

- Beeston and Holbeck:

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- Hunslet and Riverside:

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## AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded). (*In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.	
			2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:	
3			LATE ITEMS	
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration (The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)	

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4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
			To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.	
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
			To receive any apologies for absence.	
6			MINUTES	7 - 12
			To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> September, 2021.	
7			OPEN FORUM	
			In accordance with Paragraphs 4.16 and 4.17 of the Community Committee Procedure Rules, at the discretion of the Chair a period of up to 10 minutes may be allocated at each ordinary meeting for members of the public to make representations or to ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. This period of time may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. No member of the public shall speak for more than three minutes in the Open Forum, except by permission of the Chair.	
8			FINANCE REPORT	13 - 24
			To consider the report of the Head of Locality Partnerships that provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2021/22.	
9			UPDATE REPORT	25 - 42
			To consider the report of the Head of Locality Partnerships that provides an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.	

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10			CLIMATE EMERGENCY UPDATE 2021  To consider the report of the Chief Officer (Sustainable Energy and Air Quality) that introduces a presentation on the council's updated climate emergency strategy and progress.	43 - 44
11			HIGHWAYS - WINTER SERVICE UPDATE  To consider the report of the Executive Manager that introduces an update on the Highways Service and seeks to gather input from elected members and residents.	45 - 46
12			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING  The next meeting will take place Wednesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2021 at 2.00 p.m.	
			Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts on the front of this agenda.  Use of Recordings by Third Parties – code of practice  a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title.  b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete.	



## INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor A Gabriel in the Chair

Councillors G Almass, S Burke, K Groves, M Igbal, E Nash, A Scopes and P Truswell

## 12 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals.

## 13 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

#### 14 Late Items

There were no late items. However, some supplementary information to Item 8 (Finance Report) was published and circulated prior to the meeting (Minute 19 refers)

## 15 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

## 16 Apologies for Absence

Councillor P Wray submitted his apologies.

#### 17 Minutes

**RESOLVED –** That the minutes of the meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 be approved as an accurate record.

### 18 Open Forum

No matters were raised on this occasion.

## 19 Inner South Community Committee - Finance Report

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report that set out the delegated budget position for the Community Committee and invited Members to consider the minimum conditions and the wellbeing applications submitted.

A further wellbeing application had been submitted as supplementary information for Members consideration.

Representatives from community organisations were in attendance to answer questions from members regarding their applications for wellbeing funding as follows:

- Jo Sunderland, Re:establish
- Kate Singleton, St Luke CARES
- Alan Bolton, Director, Canal Connections CIC
- Peter Forrest, Project Manager, Leeds Lock Keepers House

Members commented that sessions described in the report for the Rise and Shine After School Clubs project appeared to be restricted by gender and sought assurance that the full range of activities would be accessible to all young people. It was confirmed that inclusivity is at the heart of the project and activities are not restricted to those included in the project summary.

Members noted that the Youth Space Development Project is reliant on successful funding bids from a range of sources, and requested an update on the progress of other bids. Members were advised that the majority of grants have been secured (BBC Children in Need, Youth Music, Leeds Community Foundation Strategic Grant), and the remaining funding bids are still in process.

The projects set out in the report were discussed and agreed as follows:

Project Title	Wards	Amount requested	Decision
Cottingley Lamp Post Banners	Beeston & Holbeck	£1,053.50 (Revenue)	Approved
Lock Keepers House CCTV & Smoke Detectors	Hunslet & Riverside	£4,344 (Revenue)	Approved
Reestablish Youth Space Development Project (The Loft)	Beeston & Holbeck (£3,720), Hunslet & Riverside (£280)	£4,000 (Capital)	Approved
Rise and Shine After School Clubs	Beeston & Holbeck (£3,819), Hunslet & Riverside (£2,994), Middleton Park (£2,787)	£9,600 (YAF)	Approved
Street Artworks (Utility Boxes)	Beeston & Holbeck	£2,000 (Revenue)	Approved

In reference to Small Grants funding previously allocated to Irish Arts, Members requested further information be requested from the group regarding the venue of performances in Hunslet and Riverside. It was confirmed that the Localities Officer would seek an update.

#### **RESOLVED -**

- a) That the details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted
- b) That the wellbeing proposals be approved as detailed above
- c) That the details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision be noted
- d) That the monitoring information of funded projects be noted
- e) That details of the Youth Activities Fund position be noted
- f) That details of the Small Grants Budget bed noted
- g) That details of the Community Skips Budget be noted
- h) That details of the Capital Budget be noted
- i) That details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget be noted

## 20 Inner South Community Committee - Update Report

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report that provided a summary of the work undertaken by the Communities Team based on the priorities identified by the Inner South Community Committee. A Facebook engagement update was appended to the report.

Community Committee Champions provided updates for their respective areas and feedback from recent sub group meetings, as set out in the report.

**RESOLVED** – That the contents of the report be noted.

### 21 City Plan Engagement

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report that introduced a verbal update on the development of a City Plan for Leeds in the Inner South Community Committee Area and an opportunity for input from elected members and residents to feed into the Plan.

The following were in attendance:

- Councillor J Dowson, Deputy Executive Member for the Leader's Portfolio
- Amy Beswick, Policy Officer

Councillor Dowson gave a brief introduction to the context behind the development of a new City Plan, highlighting the significant changes since the last City Plan was launched ten years ago – locally, nationally, and globally. The Policy Officer set out some of the key ambitions and drivers that will shape the new plan, and then sought feedback from Members on their priorities for Leeds over the next ten years.

Key themes from Members included:

Education, skills and good quality employment. Members recognised
education and training of young people, particularly in the most
deprived areas of the city, to be a key issue for Leeds moving forward.
It was noted that basic qualifications often act as a barrier to
progression for young people in the Inner South, and that the city plan

- should aim to address the inequalities that are exacerbated by the current education system, by working with partners to increase the variety and accessibility of training and career options to channel passion and ambition in young people.
- Whole city approach. Members were supportive of a whole city approach to the plan, recognising that the Council is limited in what it can achieve without the support of local businesses, third sector and other local organisations. Members specifically commented that the plan should include clear aims to support the financial stability of third sector organisations – and for all aims and ambitions within the plan to be supported by concrete action plans.
- Rethinking the City Centre. Members reported that residents of the Inner South often feel a disconnect with the city centre, largely due to the lack of public transport options. Related to this, Members felt that the new plan should incorporate a new vision for the city centre following the pandemic, potentially to address the housing shortage, but also to embrace the culture of Leeds and promote wellbeing.

**RESOLVED –** That the contents of the report and presentation, along with Member's comments, be noted.

## 22 Library Service Update

The Chief Officer (Community Hubs) submitted a report that provided an overview of the activity of Leeds Libraries during the past 18 months and outlined the key priorities for the service as part of our Service Recovery Strategy.

The following were in attendance:

- Andrea Ellison, Chief Librarian
- Katrina Pickering, Strategic Library Manager

The Chief Librarian introduced the report, providing a brief overview of the key messages within the report, including the changes to the structure of the service and innovative projects and schemes that have taken place throughout and beyond the pandemic, as well as the priorities for the service over the coming year. Members were also advised that it is intended for each of the Community Committees to receive a future report with more detail of activity in each ward.

Members were supportive of the variety of projects delivered and resources available through the library service, and noted the need for more communications to advertise services to the communities of Leeds.

In response to a query, Members were assured that the frontline library staff all remain in post following the structure review of the service.

**RESOLVED –** That the contents of the report, along with Members comments, be noted.

## 23 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th November 2021 at 2.00 p.m.

At the end of the meeting, Members joined the Chair in thanking Lyn Bambury, Localities Officer for the Inner South, for her hard work and support during her years of service and wished her a happy retirement.



## Agenda Item 8





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee

(Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside and Middleton Park)

Report author: Bali Birdi, Senior Localities Officer (07712 214727)

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 For decision

## **Inner South Community Committee - Finance Report**

## **Purpose of report**

1. This report provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2021/22.

## Main issues

- 2. Each Community Committee has been allocated a wellbeing budget (revenue and capital) and Youth Activities Fund which it is responsible for administering. The aim of these budgets is to support the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the area and provide a range of activities for children and young people, by using the funding to support projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities.
- 3. A group applying to the Wellbeing Fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria, including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and financial controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.
- 4. Wellbeing funding cannot be paid retrospectively. An application form must be submitted and approved by the Community Committee before activities or items being purchased through wellbeing funding are completed or purchased.
- 5. The amount of wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.

- 6. Capital (CRIS) injections are provided as a result of council assets being sold. 5% of the sale price (up to a maximum of £100k) of a council asset is pooled city-wide and redistributed to the Community Committee areas on the basis of deprivation. The Community Committee will receive a new capital injection every 6 months.
- 7. Each Community Committee has also been allocated a Community Infrastructure Levy budget. For each CIL contribution, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% is needed for administration and 15-25% goes to be spent locally. The money will be vested with the local Town or Parish Council if applicable, or with the local Community Committee and spend decided upon by that body. This local money is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund' and should be spent on similar projects to the Wellbeing Fund (capital).
- 8. In the Inner South this means that the money will be administered by the Inner South Community Committee.
- 9. Following consultation, the Communities Team will work with members of the Community Committee, to develop a plan to spend CIL funding on local infrastructure projects, on a case-by-case basis.
- 10. Projects eligible for funding by the Community Committee could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives, or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010, projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation: the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.
- 11. Any request for funding would involve discussions with appropriate ward members. Where projects do not have support from the Community Committee and are not approved, applicants are offered further discussions and feedback if this is requested.
- 12. In order to provide further assurance and transparency of all decisions made by the Community Committee, any projects that are not approved will be reported to a subsequent Community Committee meeting.

- 13. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment to take such decisions.
- 14. The Community Committee has previously approved the following 'minimum conditions' in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when such conditions have been satisfied:
  - a) consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken.
  - a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors); and
  - c) details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members' information.
- 15. Members are reminded that the necessary scrutiny of applications to satisfy our own processes, financial regulations and audit requires the deadline for receipt of completed applications to be at least five weeks prior to any Community Committee. Some applications will be approved via Delegated Decision Notice (DDN) following consultation with Members outside of the Community Committee meeting cycle.

## **Wellbeing Budget Position 2021/22**

- 16. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2021/22 was £174,320 a 15% reduction on the previous year. This works out at £58,106 per ward.
- 17. **Table 1** shows a carry forward figure of £149,934 which includes underspends from projects completed in 2020/21. £82,710 represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2020/21 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2021/22 is therefore £241,544. A full breakdown of the projects approved or ring-fenced is available on request.
- 18. It is possible that some of the projects may not use their allocated spend. This could be for several reasons, including the project no longer going ahead, the project not taking place within the dates specified in the funding agreement, or failure to submit monitoring reports. Due to this the final revenue balance may be greater than the amount specified in Table 1.
- 19. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of £89,911.17.

TABLE 1: Wellbeing Revenue 2021/22

	£
INCOME: 2021/22	£174,320.00
Balance brought forward from previous year	£149,934.00
Less projects brought forward from previous year	£82,710.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2021/22	£241,544.00

		Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
New allocation per ward (£58,106) + underspends	£	£76,173.00	£87,175.00	£78,196.00
Small Grants	£6,500.00	£3,000.00	£1,500.00	£2,000.00
Community Skips	£2,500.00	£2,000.00		£500.00
Community Engagement	£5,500.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	£1,500.00
Holbeck Priority Neighbourhood	£5,000.00	£5,000.00		
Beeston Hill Priority Neighbourhood	£8,000.00		£8,000.00	
Belle Isle & Middleton Love Where You Live	£8,000.00			£8,000.00
Inner South Youth Summit	£3,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Total spend: Area wide ring-fenced projects	£38,500.00	£13,000.00	£12,500.00	£13,000.00

Ward Projects	Total	Ward Split			
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Midsummer Night's Showcase	£500.00			£500.00	
Hunslet AFC Planning Costs	£234.00		£234.00		
Inner South Area Activity programme for 21/22: West Leeds Activity Centre	£1,650.00		£1,650.00		
Baton Rouge Majorette Training	£680.00			£680.00	
Holbeck Moor Football Club	£2,152.00	£2,152.00			
This is Middleton Park Booklet	£970.00	£242.50	£242.50	£485.00	
Holbeck Gala	£3,000.00	£2,000.00	£1,000.00		
Friends of Middleton Park Summer Programme	£1,893.00			£1,893.00	
Beeston & Holbeck Christmas Lights	£10,064.00	£10,064.00			
Belle Isle & Middleton Christmas Lights	£10,066.00			£10,066.00	
Hunslet Carr Christmas Lights	£4,135.00		£4,135.00		
CCTV Cameras	£6,000.00	£4,000.00	£2,000.00		
Hunslet & Riverside Grit Bin Refills	£1,600.00		£1,600.00		
Stourton Park and Ride CCTV Camera Running Costs	£4,060.00			£4,060.00	
Hunslet Community Gala	£4,080.00		£4,080.00		
Monday Evening Project	£18,900.00	£3,150.00	£10,350.00	£5,400.00	
Beeston Festival	£5,000.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00		
Holbeck Foodbank	£3,000.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00		
Hunslet Club Summer Gala 2021	£3,000.00		£3,000.00		
Middleton Crescent Gate	£458.33			£458.33	
St Lukes Local Environmental Project	£3,570.00	£1,261.40	£2,308.60		
Hunslet Christmas Motifs - Church Street	£2,656.00		£2,656.00		

Environmental Enforcement Officer	£9,891.00	£4,945.50	£4,945.50	
Cottingley Lamp Post Banners	£1,053.50	£1,053.50		
Lock Keepers House CCTV	£4,344.00		£4,344.00	
Street Art Works Cottingley in Bloom	£2,000.00	£2,000.00		
Disabilities Families of Middleton	£1,000.00			£1,000.00
CCTV - Acre Road	£2,088.00			£2,088.00
Money Buddies	£3,188.00			£3,188.00
Hunslet Club Halloween/Christmas			£1,900.00	
Ward Projects (Totals)	£113,132.83	£34,868.90	£48,445.60	£29,818.33
Total spend: (Area wide + ward projects)	£151,632.83	£47,868.90	£60,945.60	£42,818.33
Underspends (2021/22)	£-514.99	£-514.99		
Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)	£89,911.17	£28,304.10	£26,229.40	£35,377.67

### Projects for consideration and approval

There following projects are presented for Members' consideration:

20. **Project title:** Inner South Pedal Cycle Security

Name of group/organisation: West Yorkshire Police

Total project cost: £2,920.00

Amount proposed from budget 2021/22: £1,460.00 (Wellbeing - Revenue) Wards covered: Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

**Project Description:** In response to a number of cycle thefts in the ward, West Yorkshire Police are seeking funding to purchase 500 "selectamark products." These products are fitted to bikes at events and the code is then registered on the National Cycle Database. The Digital Policing Department has enabled a secure portal on Officers handheld devices, meaning if a stolen bicycle is recovered, they can immediately identify the owner. Furthermore, the aim is that the marking will make the bike less desirable to thieves as security marking has been shown to drastically reduce offences of theft.

**Community Committee Priorities:** Best City for Communities; Best City for Health & Wellbeing.

21. Project title: Drop-In & Trips

Name of group/organisation: Reestablish

Total project cost: £133,255.20

Amount proposed from budget 2021/22: £7,800 (YAF) Wards covered: Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside

**Project Description:** The project aims to 'create opportunities for change' for young people from areas of high deprivation surrounded by criminality, domestic violence, drugs and loss. It aims to engage those who often fall through the gaps of other provision and/or struggle in, or have disengaged from school. Support would enable the group to run dropin sessions, sport and creative art sessions twice a week; on a Monday & Thursday evening, 5.30pm to 7pm and 7.30pm to 9pm, as well as trips and holiday activities.

**Community Committee Priorities:** Best City for Communities; Best City for Health & Wellbeing; Best City for Children & Young People.

22. **Project title:** Imaginative Intelligence Warriors

Name of group/organisation: Slung Low

Total project cost: £14,715

Amount proposed from budget 2021/22: £3,000 (YAF)

Wards covered: Beeston & Holbeck

**Project Description:** Slung Low has formed an alliance with Ingram Road Primary school, turning over authority for commissioning arts events to a group of pupils and supporting teaching staff with a more creative curriculum. The programme of work is a profound change for both the company; placing young people's voices at the heart of both creative and strategic processes and for the community; laying a nationally recognised and celebrated theatre company and their energy open to a community. By working with and for the children, the company is hoping to reach parts of the community that would have remained out of their reach. This way of working allows the Imaginative Intelligence Warriors of Holbeck to 'dream big'!

The group are asking for funding for the activities the children imagine in the spring term, January to March 2022. Some ideas already expressed include; decorations to brighten Holbeck and arts-specific subject weeks and exhibitions. Funding would mean that the organisation can give young people budget support and constraints, which also teaches problem solving and compromise.

**Community Committee Priorities:** Best City for Communities; Best City for Health & Wellbeing; Best City for Children & Young People.

## **Delegated Decisions (DDN)**

- 23. Since the last Community Committee on the 1st September 2021, the following projects have been considered and approved by DDN:
  - a) Disability Families of Middleton £1,000 Revenue (Middleton Park)
  - b) Hunslet Club AFC Fencing £8,878 Capital (Hunslet & Riverside)
  - c) CCTV Acre Road £2,088.00 Revenue (Middleton Park)
  - d) Money Buddies £3,188.00 Revenue (Middleton Park)
  - e) Hunslet Club Halloween/Christmas £1,900.00 Revenue (Hunslet & Riverside)

#### **Declined Projects**

24. Since the last Community Committee on the 1st September 2021, no projects have been declined.

## **Monitoring Information**

- 25. As part of their funding agreements, all projects which have had funding approved by the Community Committee are required to provide update reports on the progress of their project. These reports are so that the Community Committee can measure the impact the project has had on the community and the value for money achieved.
- 26. Detailed below is a project update that the Communities Team has received since the last meeting of the Community Committee.

#### **Beeston Festival**

- 27. Beeston Festival successfully went ahead on Saturday the 18th September in Cross Flatts Park, Beeston. The event consisted of music acts across 2 stages, acts in the arena, as well as wondering entertainment such as clowns and a giant sloth. There were also inflatables, sports and arts and crafts aimed at children and young people.
- 28. A host of animals were also in attendance, including birds of prey, farm animals and donkey rides. There was a bazaar with around 80 stalls selling food, drink (non-alcoholic only), crafts and various produce. For 2021 there was an environmental theme, with various activities to promote this, such as a mural of "Future Leeds", a uniform and clothes swap, a local climate hub, as well as other activities. Eco-friendly cups, plates and napkins were also used in the cafe and BBQ area, with an environmental levy applied to the food vendors to encourage them to adopt sustainable awareness.





## Youth Activities Fund 2021/22

- 29. The Youth Activity Fund is allocated based on population data at ward level, for young people aged between 8-17 years of age, using the latest data (from 2019) from the Office of National Statistics.
- 30. The total Inner South YAF budget approved for 2021/22 was £54,640. The ward balances which are below, are based on the number of 8-17year olds per ward.
- 31. The total available for spend in the Inner South Community Committee 2021/22, including carry forward from previous year, is £68,534.41.
- 32. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of £35,470 has been allocated to YAF projects in 2021/22, as listed in **Table 2**.

33. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of £33,064.41 in the Youth Activity Fund.

**TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2021/22** 

		Ward Split			
	Total YAF		8-17 Population		
	Allocation	£3,152.00	£3,123.00	£4,320.00	
	2021/22 (£54,640)	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park	
Carried forward from previous year	£32,679.89	£15,364.21	£10,011.54	£7,304.14	
Total available (including brought forward balance) for schemes in 2020/21	£87,319.89	£31,619.21	£26,116.54	£29,584.14	
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year (2019/20)	£18,785.48	£5,378.50	£8,626.50	£4,780.48	
Total available budget for this year (2021/21)	£68,534.41	£26,241.21	£17,490.04	£24,803.66	
Projects 2020/21	Amount requested from YAF	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park	
Hamara & Youth Service Project	£3,930.00		£3,930.00		
Space Pizza Collective	£1,860.00	£1,035.00	£825.00		
Beeston Youth Group (Health for All)	£7,550.00	£7,550.00			
Mini Breeze Events in Middleton and Cross Flatts Park	£10,950.00	£1,825.00	£1,825.00	£7,300.00	
Rolling with Holbeck Moor	£1,580.00	£1,580.00			
Rise & Shine After School Clubs	£9,600.00	£3,819.00	£2,994.00	£2,787.00	
Total Spend (Area wide/ward projects)	£35,470.00	£15,809.00	£9,574.00	£10,087.00	
Underspends					
Remaining balance per ward	£33,064.41	£10,432.21	£7,916.04	£14,716.66	

## **Declined YAF Projects**

34. Since the last Community Committee on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021, no YAF projects have been declined.

## **Small Grants Budget 2021/22**

35. At the last Community Committee ward members approved a small grants budget of £6,500. There is currently a remaining balance of £2,763.88 detailed in Table 3.

TABLE 3: Small Grants 2021/22

Starting totals 2021/22	£	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
	£6,500.00	£3,000.00	£1,500.00	£2,000.00
PHAB Youth and Community Group	£422.79			£422.79
Irish Arts	£500.00	£166.66	£166.67	£166.67
Igbo Union Family Fun Day	£500.00	£166.66	£166.67	£166.67
Friends of Skelton Grange	£500.00	£166.66	£166.67	£166.67
Kidz 'n' Co	£500	£166.67	£166.67	£166.67
Chronic Pain Peer Support Group	£480.00		£240.00	£240.00
Friends of Holbeck Cemetery	£500.00	£500.00		
Mother Goose Pantomime	£333.33	£166.67	£166.66	
Total allocations against projects	£3,736.12	£1,333.31	£1,073.34	£1,329.47
Balance remaining per ward	£2,763.88	£1,666.69	£426.66	£670.53

## **Community Skips Budget 2021/22**

36. The Inner South Community Committee approved a Community Skips Budget of £2,500. There is currently a remaining balance of £1,581.78 detailed in Table 4.

**TABLE 4: Community Skips Budget 2021/22** 

Location of skip	Total Amount	Beeston & Holbeck	Middleton Park
Location of skip	£2,500	£2,000	£500
Cottingley in Bloom	£105.77	£105.77	
Old Lane Allotments	£346.97	£346.97	
Holbeck Gala	£184.11	£184.11	
Whitehouse Farm Allotments	£281.37		£281.37
Total	£918.22	£636.85	£281.37
Remaining balance	£1,581.78	£1,363.15	£218.63

## Capital Budget 2021/22

37. The Inner South Community Committee has a Capital budget of £32,132.68 available to spend as a result of new capital injections. Members are asked to note the capital allocation broken down by ward and summarised in **Table 5**.

TABLE 5: Capital Budget 2021/22

			Ward split	
	(£)	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
Remaining Balance March 2021	£22,561.68	£8,643.00	£6,459.94	£7,457.50
Injection April 2021	£19,100.00	£6,367.00	£6,367.00	£6,366.00
Starting Totals 2021/22	£41,660.68	£15,010.24	£12,826.94	£13,823.50
Hunslet Carr Information Boards			£1,950.00	
Re-establish Youth Space Development Project (The Loft)		£3,720.00	£280.00	
Hunslet Club AFC Fencing			£8,878.00	
Total Spend	£14,828.00	£3,720.00	£11,108.00	
Remaining balance	£26.832.68	£11,290.24	£1,718.94	£13,823.50
Injection October 2021	£5,300.00	£1,766.66	£1,766.66	£1.766.68
Remaining balance	£32,132.68	£13,056.90	£3,485.60	£15,590.18

## Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2021/22

38. The Inner South Community Committee is asked to note that there is £50,359 total available. Members are asked to note the capital allocation broken down by ward and summarised in **Table 6**.

TABLE 6: CIL Budget 2021/22

		Ward Split		
	£	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
Starting Totals 2021/2022	£76,589.00	£33,323.00	£26,275.00	£16,991.00
Sandon Mount Barrier, Fence and Landscaping	£4,175.00		£4,175.00	
Holbeck Moor MUGA Lighting	£20,000.00	£20,000.00		
Litter Free Beeston	£2,055.00	£2,055.00		
Totals	£26,230.00	£22,055.00	£4,175.00	£0.00
Remaining balance	£50,359.00	£11,268.00	£22,100.00	£16,991.00

## **Corporate Considerations**

## **Consultation and Engagement**

39. The Community Committee has previously been consulted on the projects detailed within the report.

## **Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration**

40. All wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

## **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 41. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for wellbeing funding are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
  - 1. Vision for Leeds 2011 30
  - 2. Best City Plan
  - 3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
  - 4. Children and Young People's Plan
  - 5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
  - 6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

### **Resources and Value for Money**

42. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

### Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

43. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

#### **Risk Management**

44. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

#### Conclusion

45. The Finance Report provides up to date information on the Community Committee's budget position.

## Recommendations

- 46. Members are asked to note:
  - a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
  - b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 20 22)
  - c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 23)
  - d. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 27 28)
  - e. Details of the Youth Activities Fund position (Table 2)
  - f. Details of the Small Grants Budget (Table 3)
  - g. Details of the Community Skips Budget (Table 4)

- h. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
- i. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)

## Agenda Item 9





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee:

(Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park)

Report author: Bali Birdi, Senior Localities Officer (07712 214727)

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 To Note

## **Inner South Community Committee - Update Report**

## Purpose of report

- 1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
- This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

## **Updates by theme**

#### **Children and Families: Champion Cllr Almas**

3. In preparation for the planning for this municipal year's Youth Summits, the Communities Team recently met with the Voice & Influence Team. At this meeting, the Voice and Influence Team offered their support to reflect on previous year's events and learning to inform future ways of working. However, they expressed their concerns around staff reductions and service pressures, which would impede their ability to support the Youth Summits going forward. They also shared concerns around bringing young people together from different schools/groups for a physical event, as there continues to be concerns over COVID-19 infection rates, particularly in schools. We are seeking the latest advice on this matter.

4. A Children's and Families Sub Group meeting has a provisional date booked in for the 29th November 2021, to enable further discussions to take place, in light of this information.

## Environment and Community Safety: Champions Cllr Gabriel (Environment) & Cllr Iqbal (Community Safety)

- 5. The Inner South Environmental and Community Safety Sub Group met via MS Teams on 5th October 2021.
- 6. A discussion took place on various issues including anti-social behaviour and rough sleeping, which were fed in to LASBT. As we were leading up to Bonfire Night, a conversation also took place on the strategy that Housing Leeds would be implementing to tackle issues with anti-social behaviour on housing land, including removal of combustible materials over this period.
- 7. Parks & Countryside provided an update on tree planting and the creation of a woodland site in the Middleton Park ward, where various sites have been identified. All the woodland creation elements have been accepted as part of the White Rose Forest Delivery Pathway and will acquire external funding. An Environmental Impact Assessment is currently being prepared, which is a legal requirement and officers from the Forestry Commission have been invited to attend a site meeting to discuss the project in detail before the Environmental Impact Assessment is submitted in October.
- 8. The Selective Licensing Team gave an update on the visits that have been conducted throughout the Selective Licensing Scheme, as officers are now mopping up the last remaining properties to be inspected. The team have managed to inspect 1,000 houses and have made some significant improvements to homes. They have also offered other support to tenants, such as signposting to other organisations and agencies, including providing information on how to access benefits.
- 9. Waste Management provided an update on their brand-new depot which is being built at the back of the RERF facility. This three-story building will be ready for spring of 2022 and has been purpose built and designed. Work is also due to start in the near future on a piece of work called the 'route review', meaning that the whole of the city will have their bin routes looked at.

# Health & Wellbeing and Adult Social Care: Champion Role (Vacant) & Chair of Health & Wellbeing Sub Group Cllr Burke

10. Health & Wellbeing Sub Group planning meetings have taken place and terms of reference for the group have now been officially agreed. Another sub group meeting will be arranged in the near future and conversations will start around the possibility of ring fencing some monies via the Community Committee, to focus on key health and wellbeing themes (mental health & wellbeing and Vitamin D promotion), identified via Public Health but also as a result of localised conversations with communities in Inner South, through various engagement activities.

- 11. The first engagement activities looks likely to be around Vitamin D promotion, delivered via a leaflet that can be distributed to organisations such as churches, community groups, local supermarkets, as well as via mailing lists and social media.
- 12. These engagement activities will require volunteers to get involved, as the aim is that these activities will also include providing samples of Vitamin D 'gummies' at fetes and events to promote this important message. Informal conversations will also take place around health and wellbeing that will allow the sub group to discuss and focus on other key themes that have been identified through these activities.

#### **COVID-19 Focused Work**

- 13. Public Health is continuing to focus its work on reducing or eliminating the barriers some communities face in accessing COVID-19 vaccinations, alongside work to support 'Living with COVID-19'.
- 14. An analysis of vaccine uptake revealed several areas with lower uptake, so Public Health are now looking at measures to assist with some of these access barriers including, locating pop-up vaccination sites in community places situated near the residential areas of concern and pop-up women's only vaccine sites, in partnership with Asha.
- 15. Focused work on exploring the needs of the community to support living with COVID-19 has commenced and will feed into discussions on how to maintain COVID-19 safety. The testing centres at St Georges Centre and Rowland Road Working Men's Club continue to be used by the community and is being closely monitored.

## **Better Together**

- 16. The Better Together providers are now delivering an enhanced model of support using a combination of COVID-19 related support for those in greatest need, as well as providing group provision, community engagement and outreach.
- 17. Overall 198 people engaged with Better Together group provision, with 25 different groups running over the past quarter. The groups tended to be physical activity based, friendship groups or art and craft groups, with an average attendance of 8 people per group (a mixture of face to face and digital groups). The Better Together providers are continuing as the lead provider for the Inner South Test and Trace Service.

#### **Your Space**

18. Quarterly figures are due for submission at the end of October and will be reported with the next community committee report.

### **Beeston & Middleton Local Care Partnership**

## The Digital Health Hub Group

19. The Digital Health Hub Group are pushing forward in their plans and are supporting the work with the successful organisations.

## The Mental Health and Wellbeing Group

20. The Mental Health and Wellbeing Group met for its first face to face meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October, where the members of the group took part in a workshop using a population health management approach.

## The Health Inequalities Bid Group

21. The Health Inequalities Bid Group is continuing, with new links made and leaflets distributed. Several groups are now running with the aim of increasing confidence and identifying training i.e. 'Coffee and Connect' morning at Holbeck Together.

## The Big Leeds Chat

- 22. The Big Leeds Chat came to Beeston Festival to talk to people about how the past 18 months have felt for everyone; what could improve their health and wellbeing and what would make Beeston a healthy, happy place to live. 63 conversations were recorded over the day and the data will now be analysed by Healthwatch who will provide a Beeston and Middleton Local Care Partnership summary, however preliminary analysis has shown a mixture of positive and negative experiences of living through the pandemic.
- 23. Issues raised included finance, bereavement, stress and mental health. People generally thought having access to free healthy activities would improve their health, suggesting dance nights, board and card games nights, as well as physical activities. These were repeated when asked for suggestions on making Beeston a healthier and happier place to live, alongside more family activities and specific youth activities.

#### **COVID-19 Grants**

- 24. The Public Health COVID-19 grants aim to ensure that COVID-19 messages and support are targeted at those at increased risk and mortality from infection. They support local community groups to connect safely and promote vaccine uptake, testing and support for isolating if needed.
- 25. The distribution of the grants have been led by Forum Central (in a consortia that includes Voluntary Action Leeds, Healthwatch and Leeds Community Foundation). Community Champions have been empowered to deliver and develop evidence-based messages and keep people connected during the pandemic and they have been able to quickly adapt to trends and communicate key messages through innovative and effective approaches.

- 26. The COVID-19 grants have focussed on reducing health inequalities, targeting those at increased risk from infection and increasing vaccination uptake. There has been some consistent challenges, which the grants have tried to address; challenges around accessing accurate, appropriate and accessible information, financial issues, ability to isolate, social isolation and boredom, mental health and concerns about changes to restrictions.
- 27. Larger grants were made available to local Inner South Neighbourhood Networks and other local organisations such as; Belle Isle Senior Action, Middleton Elderly Aid, Hamara, Holbeck Together and MHA Communities South Leeds, to deliver specific work with older people in the community. In terms of COVID-19 small grants, a number of local organisations have been funded; Ciaran Bingham Foundation Trust, Health for All and DAZL.

## **COVID-19 Community Champions**

- 28. Registration is still open for the COVID-19 Community Champions project on Be Collective: <a href="https://bit.ly/3cdmtpN">https://bit.ly/3cdmtpN</a>. Leeds City Council are working in partnership with Voluntary Action Leeds, Forum Central and Hamara to deliver the COVID-19 Community Champions, so are looking for people who live or work in Leeds who want to support their friends, family, neighbours and community to have the information about COVID-19 vaccines. The aim is to work with a diverse range of community champions who are keen to get involved, whether they are already an active volunteer for an organisation, or are new to volunteering. You can read more about the role of Community Champions <a href="https://example.com/here.">here</a>.
- 29. If you have any questions, please get in touch with us by emailing: <a href="mailto:communitychampions@leeds.gov.uk">communitychampions@leeds.gov.uk</a>

#### Winter Planning

- Public Health takes a life course approach and aims to increase the effectiveness of
  interventions throughout a person's life. It focuses on a healthy start and targets
  people at critical periods when they are more vulnerable to the effects of cold weather
  e.g. pregnancy and older age. Cold weather presents risks to certain groups as listed
  below but living with COVID-19 can add and pose additional risk to those who are
  clinically and socially vulnerable, including:
  - pregnant women
  - people living with frailty
  - people with long term conditions
  - those who are extremely clinically vulnerable
  - children under the age of 5

### **Becoming a Workforce Winter Friend**

Anybody working or volunteering in Leeds is encouraged to familiarise themselves
with the 9 evidence based, high impact interventions to support their colleagues,
service users, friends and families stay safe. A short animation programme is being
refreshed for 2021 and is due to be launched mid-November. It includes information
and signposting for Influenza vaccines (being updated to include COVID-19), checking
medications, keeping your home warm, physical activity, hot food and drink and social
connectedness.

## **Winter Wellbeing Checklists**

30. To support winter friends and the wider workforce to have proactive conversations about winter, <u>Winter Wellbeing Checklists</u> are available for adults and for children and families. They are a useful tool to help those 'at risk' of illness due to cold weather.

## **Community Engagement: Beeston & Holbeck**

#### **Beeston Festival**

31. Beeston Festival took place on Saturday 18th September 2021 and members of the Communities Team were in attendance enjoying the sights, sounds and smells of a brilliant community event, whilst attempting to get attendees to participate in a quick survey which was designed to get a feel of what people thought of their local neighbourhood. 25 responses were obtained and the Communities Team also used the opportunity to advertise local residents groups and encouraged people to provide their details so that they could pass these on to other relevant groups, in an effort to help bring like-minded people together. The analysis of the questionnaire results will be made available in due course.

#### **Holbeck Core Group**

- 32. The Holbeck Core Group met on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and gave partners an opportunity to update on work and initiatives that had been progressing in the area. A presentation was delivered by colleagues from Active Leeds about the Get Set Leeds Local Project and the Active Through Football Initiative.
- 33. Customer Service colleagues informed they were now reconvening a full service at Dewsbury Road Community Hub, following the restrictions that had been imposed due to COVID-19. They will also be introducing longer opening hours from the 1st November, opening from 9am to 7pm over 4 days a week, Monday to Thursday.
- 34. "The Get Online Week" which is an annual digital inclusion campaign will be celebrated at the hub from the 18<sup>th</sup> October. The campaign will be supported by reintegrating digital sessions for service users who are wanting to apply for jobs and learn digital skills.

- 35. The £3.7million Group Repair Scheme which sets to improve homes in the Recreations, has started working on 142 back-to-back properties. The scheme which is being managed by the Private Sector Housing Team will make improvements to roofs, windows, doors and undertake other energy efficiency works to help make homes safer and warmer.
- 36. Highways provided an update on the £1 million Streets for People Project that was being developed to make improvements to the street scene in the Recreations area of the priority neighbourhood. Following a series of drop in engagement events, residents' views have been taken into account to develop the scheme further. The next stage is to undertake a letter drop to households as part of the consultation proposals.

## Community Engagement: Hunslet & Riverside

- 37. Ward Member and officer engagement at residents forums, tenants and residents associations, member surgeries and consultations have led to positive projects and initiatives including:
  - 22 damaged litter bins replaced
  - Beeston Hill Wombles launched
  - Hunslet Carr Wombles launched
  - Supporting community litter picking groups
  - Love Where You Live schemes underway
  - Friends of Brickfield Action Group
  - New community litter pick kits
  - Dewsbury Road improvements
  - Clearance of a significant number of blocked gullies at Beeston Hill/Hunslet
  - 14 defibrillators installed with the final location currently awaiting installation
  - Supporting voluntary, community sector network for the ward

#### Play Streets Enablement Project: Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside

- 38. Play Streets offer a space for play for children on their own street, for a couple of hours, usually once a month, using a temporary traffic order to limit vehicular traffic. Play Streets are led by residents and managed by volunteers and the ethos of the Play Streets Enablement Project is to engage directly with locally trusted organisations, to facilitate links with residents who may be interested in organising Play Streets and would benefit from support to do so.
- 39. The project has been developed by the Public Health Children and Families Team at Leeds City Council, using funding from the Physical Activity Ambition/Get Set Leeds Fund, with a completion date of December 2021.
- 40. There are now 6 regular Play Streets in the Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet and Riverside wards as a result of this project at the following locations:

- Barton Road/Barton Place
- Maud Avenue
- Westbourne Avenue
- Disraeli Terrace/Biswell Street
- Lodge Lane
- Crosby Place

## **Community Engagement: Middleton Park**

- 41. The community consultation for the New Forest Village Plantation improvements went ahead at St George's Community Hub in late September. The event was used to feedback the findings of the initial Plantation Improvements survey and provide residents with the opportunity to discuss their ideas and priorities with the Parks & Countryside Team. Large maps of the greenspace, stickers and post-it notes allowed for creative and engaging conversations to take place, particularly with young people.
- 42. Over 25 residents attended the event throughout the day and the Parks & Countryside Team were able to affirm residents' priorities and key locations for action. A Greenspace Improvement Plan will now be drafted in conjunction with ward members and fed back to residents for their ongoing involvement.
- 43. Middleton Leisure Centre is set to open its 3G football pitches to local young people on Friday evening's, starting in late October. The 'free play' sessions will be led by LCC Youth Service and will involve engagement from the local Neighbourhood Policing Team. This partnership initiative has developed in response to recent youth anti-social behaviour and criminal damage at the leisure centre.

## Middleton Park Neighbourhood Improvement Board

44. Middleton Park Neighbourhood Improvement Board used to meet every quarter to drive forward partnership projects focused around ward-based improvements. In response to the wide variety of partnership projects in the ward and the pace at which neighbourhood improvements need to be implemented, the board has been replaced by monthly ward-based briefings. These monthly task and finish style meetings provide a regular space in which partners can come together to drive projects forward at pace.

#### **Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator**

45. The Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator undertakes annual counts of vacant units in all district centres. These are only vacant premises in the district centres and of course figures constantly vary as people are constantly occupying or leaving premises. The annual autumn count provided a view of general trends and so far this year, despite the dire predictions following lockdowns, the number of occupied premises is holding up.

- 46. The Dewsbury Road Town Team has been very active and increasingly developing a very positive working relationship with Councillors and partners on initiatives to further benefit the shopping area, including additional litter bins and suggestions for ongoing improvement to cycleways. Also progressing are the Town & District Centres projects for Dewsbury Road which include planting, artwork, a pram shelter, benches and cycle racks. It is hoped all these projects will be completed before summer 2022.
- 47. The street furniture at Middleton Circus is to be repainted using Welcome Back to High Streets funding, obtained from Central Government. A contractor has been appointed and the work will be carried out in early spring 2022.
- 48. Belle Isle Tenants & Residents Association is working with Regeneration to repaint some of the Council shopfronts. Work on this is expected to start soon.
- 49. The Middleton Park Traders Group is preparing for its next meeting. This will be the first one it has held since the start of lockdown. Items to be discussed include ways forward with the planters on Middleton Circus as Parks & Countryside are unable to maintain them. It has been agreed with Parks & Countryside that some of the planters will be relocated to other locations away from the shopping area, for maintenance by community groups and schools.

## **Community Engagement: Social Media**

 Appendix 1 provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page and COVID-19 Facebook Groups.

#### **Corporate Considerations**

## **Consultation and Engagement**

2. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information detailed within the report.

## **Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration**

3. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

## **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 4. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
  - Vision for Leeds 2011 30
  - Best City Plan
  - Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan

- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

### **Resources and Value for Money**

5. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

## Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

6. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

## **Risk Management**

7. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all projects and wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

#### Conclusions

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

#### Recommendations

9. The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and comment as appropriate.

## Background documents<sup>1</sup>

10. None.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

**Appendix 1** 



# Inner South Community Committee Facebook Page and COVID-19 Groups

## **Highlights**

13th September 2021-10th October 2021

## **Inner South Community Committee Facebook Page**

Since 13th September 2021 the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page has gained: **8 new page 'likes'** (and currently has) **1,241 likes** (as of 10th October 2021). It has gained **7 new followers** since the last update, making a total of **1,512 followers** in total.

This means that this is the **second** most popular Community Committee page.

There are two things to note in general:

- 'reach' is the number of people the post was delivered to
- 'engagement' is the number of reactions, comments or shares

Engagement tends to be a better way of gauging if people are interested and have read the posts because they wouldn't have interacted with it otherwise. For example, a post might reach 1,000 people but if they all scroll past and don't read it, the engagement is 0 and it hasn't been an effective way for the Community Committee to communicate.

However, all posts can be read without any further interaction.

The **most popular post** since the 13th September 2021 was the posting regarding *Monthly Craft and Homemade Food Market* This has:

- been shared 14 times
- reached a total of 1,969 people

The following (below) are screenshots of the three most popular posts since the 13th September 2021. Alongside it is the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

## 1st Place - Monthly Craft and Homemade Food Market

**1,969** people had this post delivered to them and it had **41** post clicks, with **49** reactions, comments and shares.

Top Post!!



#### 2nd Place - The BIG Leeds Health & Social Care Jobs Fair

**419** people had this post delivered, with **2** post clicks with **13** likes, comments and shares.

2nd most

popular post



**3<sup>rd</sup> Place** – Important information regarding 2021 Leeds City Council public bonfires **151** people had this post delivered to them. There were **23** post clicks and **1** reactions, comments and shares



## **COVID-19 Ward Based Facebook Groups**

The Communities Team have set up **33** ward based **Coronavirus Help Facebook Groups** as a way of promoting services, supporting communities and cascading information in an attempt to tackle the Coronavirus pandemic. Key charities, voluntary groups, community groups, Councillors, as well as the wider population in the local community are all invited to join the pages.

To date, **Beeston**, **Holbeck & Cottingley Hall** has **424** members, **Belle Isle and Middleton** has **91** members and **Hunslet & Riverside** has **116** members

## **Belle Isle and Middleton Coronavirus Help Group**

**FACEBOOK** highlights

13th September 2021-10th October 2021

Since 13th September 2021 the Belle Isle and Middleton Coronavirus help group has gained: **2 new page 'members'** (and currently has) **91 page members**.

The following below is a screenshot of the top post since the 13th September 2021. Alongside it is the figures for how many people have 'seen' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

## **Top post – Leeds Mobile Testing Unit Deployments**

**13** people have seen this post.

Leeds Mobile Testing Unit deployments from Monday, 13th through to Sunday, 19th September inclusive. Opening times for all sites will be 09:00 – 15:00:

Monday 13th September

- Cinder Moor, Woodhouse, Leeds
- · Burley Road Pay & Display car park, Leeds
- Pudsey Civic Hall, Pudsey, Leeds/Bradford
- · Rowland Road WMC, Leeds

Tuesday 14th September



## **Hunslet & Riverside Coronavirus Help Group**

**FACEBOOK** highlights

13th September 2021-10th October 2021

Since 13th September 2021 the Hunslet & Riverside Coronavirus help group has gained: **0 new page 'member'** (and currently has) **116 page members**.

The following below, is a screenshot of the top post since the 13th September 2021. Alongside it is the figures for how many people have 'seen' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

## **Top post – Leeds Mobile Testing Unit Deployments**

**12** people have seen this post and it had **1** like.

Leeds Mobile Testing Unit deployments from Monday, 13th through to Sunday, 19th September inclusive. Opening times for all sites will be 09:00 – 15:00:

## Monday 13th September

- Cinder Moor, Woodhouse, Leeds
- Burley Road Pay & Display car park, Leeds
- · Pudsey Civic Hall, Pudsey, Leeds/Bradford
- · Rowland Road WMC, Leeds

Tuesday 14th September



## Beeston, Holbeck & Cottingley Hall Coronavirus Help Group

**FACEBOOK** highlights

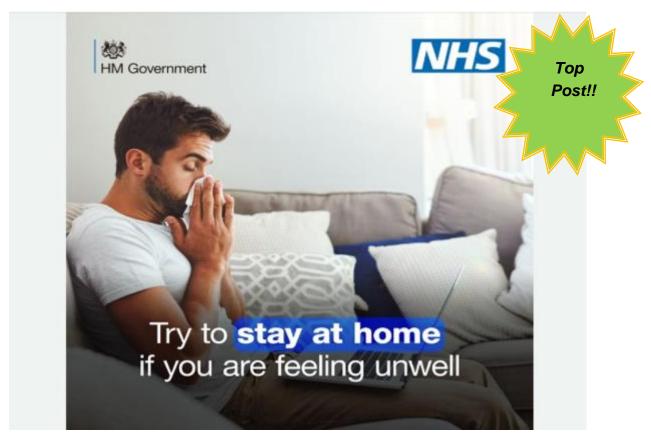
13th September 2021-10th October 2021

Since 13th September 2021 the Beeston, Holbeck & Cottingley Hall Coronavirus help group has gained: **2 new page 'members'** (and currently has) **424 page members**.

The following below, is a screenshot of the top post since the 13th September 2021. Alongside it is the figures for how many people have 'seen' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

Top post – To help protect the most vulnerable, stay at home if you are feeling unwell.

**56** people have seen this post.





## Agenda Item 10





Report of: Chief Officer for Sustainable Energy and Air Quality

**Report to: Inner South Community Committee** 

Report author: Polly Cook - Chief Officer Sustainable Energy & AQ

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 To note

**Title: Climate Emergency Update 2021** 

## **Purpose of report**

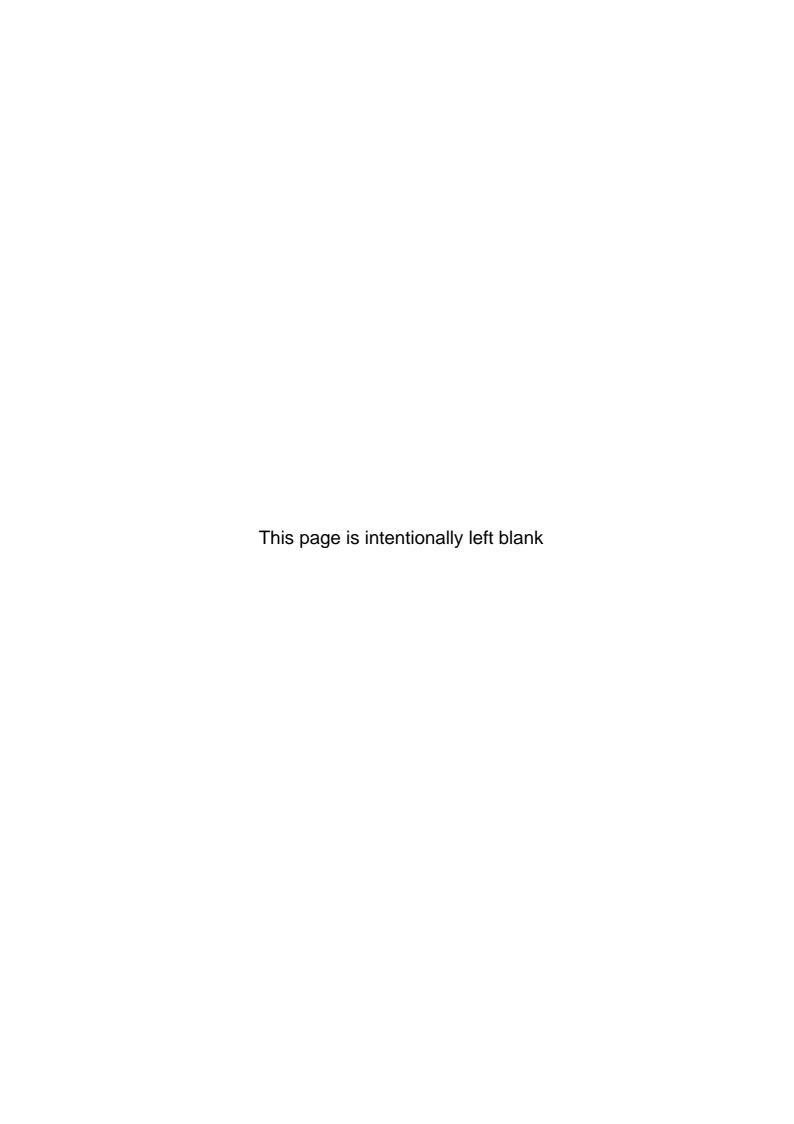
1. To provide the Inner South Community Committee with a presentation on the council's updated climate emergency strategy and progress.

#### Main issues

- 2. The PowerPoint presentation is provided at the specific request of the Chair.
- 3. The presentation will provide an update on the council's climate emergency strategy and recent progress to reduce emissions. This will include an overview of measures being taken to retrofit homes and buildings, installation of electric vehicle infrastructure and biodiversity measures such as tree planting. Information about what measures are taking place locally will also be shared.
- 4. Discussions will also include an overview and insight of the White Rose Forest Strategy for Leeds.
- 5. There will be an opportunity for elected members to provide suggestions for their locality and to ask questions.

#### Recommendations

6. The Inner South Community Committee is asked to note the contents of the presentation.



## Agenda Item 11





Report of: Simon Swift, Executive Manager

Report to: Inner South Community Committee

Report author: Jeremy Lunn, Group Operations Manager (07891 272230)

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 To note

Title: Highways – Winter Service Update

## **Purpose of report**

1. To provide the Inner South Community Committee with an update on the Highways Service and to gather input from elected members and residents.

#### Main issues

- 2. The report and presentation are intended to provide the Inner South Community Committee with an update of the Highways Service, following a recent winter service review.
- 3. The report focusses specifically on the winter service fulfilled by Highways, including snow clearance and road gritting.
- 4. The report and presentation provide the Inner South Community Committee with an overview of the winter service website, linking the discussion to local issues relevant to the specific Committee area.
- 5. The agenda item also provides elected member and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback to the Highways Service relating to the winter provision offered and approaches to communication and engagement going forward.

## Recommendations

6.	Elected Members are asked to note the contents of the report and presentation that will be provided by officers from the Highways Team.