



# Inner West Community Committee

Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall

**Meeting to be held in Burley Greenhow Community Centre, Haddon Road, LS4 2JB**  
Tuesday, 14th March, 2023 at 6.00 pm

**Councillors:**

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| L Cunningham  | - Armley;                  |
| J McKenna     | - Armley;                  |
| A Smart       | - Armley;                  |
| C Gruen       | - Bramley and Stanningley; |
| J Heselwood   | - Bramley and Stanningley; |
| K Ritchie     | - Bramley and Stanningley; |
| H Bithell     | - Kirkstall;               |
| J Illingworth | - Kirkstall;               |
| F Venner      | - Kirkstall;               |

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Bramley & Stanningley Ward

Joanne Fiddes

Bramley & Stanningley Ward

Stephen Garvani

Kirkstall Ward

Steve Harris

Kirkstall Ward

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*Images on cover from left to right:*

*Armley - Armley Mills; Armley Library (old entrance)*

*Bramley & Stanningley - war memorial; Bramley Baths*

*Kirkstall – Kirkstall Leisure Centre; deli market at Kirkstall Abbey*

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2			<p><b>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</b></p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, 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.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>RESOLVED – That, in accordance with Regulation 4 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 or Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as appropriate, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of those 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:-'</p>	

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## INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillor A Smart in the Chair

Councillors H Bithell, L Cunningham,  
C Gruen, J Heselwood, J Illingworth,  
J McKenna, K Ritchie and F Venner

### **CO-OPTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jonathan Butler, Stephen Garvani, Steve Harris, Stephen McBarron, Andy Rontree.

#### **33 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents**

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

#### **34 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public**

There were no exempt items.

#### **35 Late Items**

There were no late items.

#### **36 Declaration of Interests**

No declarations were made at the meeting.

#### **37 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies.

#### **38 Open Forum / Community Forums**

Young People from the Inner West Youth Forum and New Wortley Youth Board were present at the meeting and spoke to the Members of the Community Committee about the projects and volunteer work they had been involved in over the summer.

The young people explained that through the school they had been given the opportunity to meet the Mayor of Leeds and this had opened up further opportunities to become involved in volunteering projects around the Inner West area and take part in projects funded by the Inner West Community Committee.

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The projects they had been involved in included painting of the Armley Mural, assisting with the cleaning of the canal, bush crafting, archery and attended the gaming arcade club in Kirkstall and attended activities at Yeadon Tarn.

The young people explained that the opportunity of being part of the Youth Forum and Youth Board was a good experience, where they had made friends, learnt new skills and this could be added to their CV's. As part of the Youth Forum and Youth Board they had also been asked their views on what they would like to see in the area and what would make their area a good place to live. They had helped with ideas for the new equipment at Armley Park and welcomed the experience of working on projects with local councillors and other organisations.

It was the view that engaging with young people was best through the schools, social media, online surveys with Tik Tok and Instagram being their preferred ways of communicating. They said that they just wanted to be listened to and for their ideas to be considered as they were interested in what happened in their area and for their future.

The Councillors thanked the young people for attending and speaking with enthusiasm. They were pleased that funded projects and volunteering work had opened up opportunities for them and asked to be invited to attend other projects and volunteering work.

The Community Committee said that they would welcome more young people to attend and speak about their experience of being part of the Youth Forum and Youth Board. The Members showed their appreciation of their attendance with a round of applause.

The young people decided to stay for the next item to offer their views on the Local Plan Consultation.

*Councillors Heselwood and Venner joined the meeting at 18:15 during this item.*

#### **39 Minutes - 6th September 2022**

**RESOLVED** – To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022, as a correct record.

#### **40 Matters Arising**

##### Minute 27 – Highways Annual Improvement Consultation

Cllr Bithell wished it to be noted that the Highways Officer who had attended the last meeting had been helpful in assisting with items not on the list and wanted to thank him for his efficient response.



Minute 29 – Inner West Community Committee Finance Update Report  
It was noted that dates were needed for the workshops to discuss funding applications.

Minute 30 Inner West Community Committee Update Report  
Cllr Cunningham had requested further information in relation to the metal sheeting at the bin yard in Armley. Localities Officer to chase up on this information.

#### **41 Local Plan Update Public Consultation**

The report of the Policy and Plans Group Manager provided the Community Committee with a brief synopsis of the Local Plan Update Public Consultation, for general promotion and to gather input from the Elected Members and residents on any further engagement in the communities, to raise awareness and encourage participation in the consultation.

The officers attending the meeting were grateful that the young people from the Youth Forum and Youth Board had stayed for this item, as they wished to know their views on the consultation process and encourage them to be involved in the process.

It was acknowledged that the language in the Local Plan was 'dry'. However, the Council needs to determine what happens in the city and acts on policies of the city and the Government. It was the view that these policies were not strong enough and there was a need for this consultation on a wide range of issues. People were being asked to either support the ambitious changes for the city or object to the proposals.

There are a number of ways to engage in the process which included online, mobiles and Youtube video explaining what the Council is trying to change and achieve. It was also noted there was a separate survey aimed at younger people looking for input on important issues for them such as climate change and development. It was noted that there were 5 £10 shopping vouchers for younger people who complete the survey.

The Committee were advised that from consultation so far it showed that young people were concerned on climate change and housing. It was recognised that policies which had been adopted addressed issues such as zero carbon, housing, flood risk, and highlighted the need for blue and green infrastructure on new developments. The Council was also working on place making which looked for better designs, proximity to amenities and local facilities within walking distance to developments.

The public consultation aim was to involve areas and find out what the priorities are for the area. It was noted that the consultation period would finish on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022. The officers said that they would be happy to arrange a workshop in relation to climate change. There was still opportunity

to make changes and suggest different things or object to certain parts of the plan.

Member's discussions included:

- The Local Plan is important to the city, and there is also a need for smaller plans to link to it, such as neighbourhood plans. It was noted that neighbourhood plans looked at houses, streets and footpaths. It was acknowledged that most neighbourhood plans only went up to the ward boundary. It was suggested that links should be made with other neighbouring wards and linked into the Local Plan.
- Members were of the view that there should be safe access to green spaces, and this differed across the city.
- Members who had tried to access the consultation thought it was a lengthy process requiring at least 10 clicks to get onto the survey. They did not think it was user friendly and suggested that in future QR codes could be used. It was recognised that the survey could be completed in 4 clicks if the responses agreed with the proposals. However, Members were of the view that this did not allow for people to share their views on the proposals.
- Officers recognised there was a need for events, for young people and where residents could attend if they wished to. The Advanced Youth Work Practitioner who had accompanied the young people to the meeting offered to assist with any event for young people. Members were advised that the Voice and Influence Team had been consulted on the wording used for the Local Plan.
- Members noted that 740 people had taken part in the previous consultation and this was considered to be a good for planning issues.
- Officers took advice from the young people in attendance that schools, posters, social media were a good way to engage with young people on these types of issues.

**RESOLVED** – To note the content of the report and presentation and to provide assistance to promote the consultation in the Inner West Community Committee area.

## **42 Inner West Community Committee Finance Update Report**

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided 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 2022/23.

The Locality Officer presented the report and provided the following information:

- There is currently a remaining balance of £37,269.30. A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1
- Members were requested to consider the following applications

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Project	Organisation	Ward	Amount	Outcome
Leeds Hyde Park Sports Club	Leeds Hyde Park Sports Club	Kirkstall	£3,700	Approved
The Conservation Volunteers, New Toilet Block	Conservation Volunteers, Hollybush Centre	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£3,000 £1,000 per ward	Approved
Sandford Play Area Refurbishment	Parks and Countryside	Kirkstall	£5,187.06	Approved

- Paragraph 24 of the report listed the projects which had been approved through Delegated Decision since the last meeting.
- It was noted that no application had been declined.
- Members were advised monitoring information would be provided for the next Community Committee Finance Report.
- The Community Committee was asked to note that so far, a total of £27,148.50 has been allocated to projects, as listed in Table 2. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of £50,129.42 in the Youth Activity Fund.
- Small Grants & Skips Budget of currently a remaining balance of £1,418.02. Approved projects are detailed in Table 3 & Table 4
- The Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of £3,851.08 available to spend. Members were asked to note the capital allocation summarised in Table 5.
- The Community Committee is asked to note that there is £68,582.42 currently available to spend in the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) 2022/23 and projects funded were listed in Table 6.

Responding to questions from Members, the Community Committee were provided with the following information:

- As far as officers are aware at this point any funding left unspent from the Youth Activities Fund could be carried forward to next financial year.
- Officers had consulted with the Breeze Team in relation to the Saturday Night Project which had previously been held at Armley Leisure Centre. Unfortunately, they did not have the staff to run a project at this time. The Locality Officer suggested that they look at other organisations and projects and bring these back for Member's consideration.
- Councillors discussed the use of different skip companies for estate action days and the different experiences they had received. Members had suggested that one company should be agreed on by the Committee. Members were advised of a new process for the Small Grants and Skips Funds being presented to Cllr Harland. Officers said they would report back on the outcome of this.
- Members queried the amount remaining in the Capital Budget and the CIL Budget. Officers to check and report back.

- Members requested that information be provided to them in relation to spend by ward of Capital and CIL budgets for the past 5 years.

**RESOLVED** – To note:

- a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 21 - 23)
- c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 24)
- d. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 27)
- e. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
- f. Details of the Small Grants & Skips budget Budget (Tables 3 & 4)
- g. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
- h. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)

### **43 Inner West Community Committee Update Report**

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships brought to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee.

The Community Committee Champions provided the following updates:

*Children and Families*

- Cllr Gruen said that she was pleased that the Youth Summit was back to the format it had been before Covid. She said that the day had gone well, and she had received good feedback from the schools that had attended. She said that the mix of young people had been the best so far and all had engaged with the day.
- Members acknowledged that some parts of the day from their perspective could have gone better. It was suggested that before the next Youth Summit, Members should meet and discuss what could be improved on.

*Environment*

- The next meeting of the sub-group was scheduled for January, and it was proposed that the Cleaner Neighbourhoods team would attend. Cllr Ritchie said that it had been noted there had been a slow response in relation to leaf clearing in some areas and this could be discussed at the sub-group.

*Employment, Skills and Welfare*

- It was noted that regular updates are provided to the Committee in relation to employment and Universal Credit, and these would be provided at the next meeting.
- Cllr McKenna said that he was disappointed that as Community Champion he had not had an opportunity to be involved in cross council sub-groups which had operated previously. He was of the view that if the Community Champion Roles were to work properly these cross council sub-groups needed to be reinstated. The Locality Officer offered to check on this and report back.

*Community Safety*

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- Cllr Ritchie raised his concerns in relation to the proposed removal of alley-gates. It was his view that the use of alley-gates had been effective in reducing anti-social behaviour and that there would be cost implications in removing them, which would have a financial impact on the council's budget. He suggested that this be discussed at the next meeting of the sub-group.
- Members did query the accuracy of the numbers of anti-social behaviour especially in relation to Armley. Members were advised that this had been discussed at the recent Housing Advisor Panel and the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment was aware of the concerns and was to check the numbers and do work in this area.

Member's discussions also included:

- Cost of Living Engagement Events
- Bonfire Night Diversionary Activities and Planning. It was noted that Members had been disappointed in how the £2,000 had been used and requested more information.
- Members commented on the content of the report saying that the information provided was very informative.

**RESOLVED** – To not the content of the report

#### **44 Date and time of next meeting**

To note the next meeting of the Inner West Community Committee will be on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 6pm. It was suggested that the meeting should be held in Kirkstall.

*The meeting concluded at 19:30*

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## Report of the City Solicitor

Report to: Inner West Community Committee, [Armley, Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall]

Report author: Debbie Oldham, Governance Officer, 0113 3788656

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023

For decision

## Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2023/2024

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### Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to request Members to give consideration to agreeing the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2023/2024 municipal year.

### Main issues

### Meeting Schedule

2. The Procedure Rules state that there shall be at least four ordinary or 'business' meetings of each Community Committee in each municipal year and that a schedule of meetings will be approved by each Community Committee.
3. This report seeks to schedule 4 Community Committee business meetings for 2023/24, in line with previous practice. The proposed schedule has been compiled with a view to ensuring an even spread of Committee meetings throughout the forthcoming municipal year.
4. The following provisional dates have been agreed in consultation with the Localities team. As referenced earlier, this report seeks to schedule 4 Community Committee business meetings for 2023/24, in line with previous practice.

5. The proposed meeting schedule for 2023/24 is as follows:

- **Tuesday 4 July 2023 at 6pm**
- **Tuesday 5 September 2023 at 6pm**
- **Tuesday 21 November 2023 at 6pm**
- **Tuesday 12 March 2024 at 6pm**

## **Meeting Days, Times and Venues**

6. Currently, the Committee meets on a Tuesday at 6pm and the proposed dates (above) reflect this pattern.
7. Meeting on set days and times has the advantage of certainty and regularity, which assists people to plan their schedules. The downside might be that it could serve to exclude certain people i.e. members of the public, for instance, who have other regular commitments on that particular day or who might prefer either a morning or afternoon meeting or a meeting immediately after normal working hours. Therefore, the Committee may wish to give consideration to meeting start times which would maximise the accessibility of the meetings for the community.

## **Options**

8. Members are asked to consider whether they are agreeable with the proposed meeting schedule (above).

## **Corporate considerations**

### **10a. Consultation and engagement**

The submission of this report to the Community Committee forms part of the consultation process as it seeks the views of Elected Members with respect to the Community Committee meeting schedule.

In compiling the proposed schedule of meeting dates and times, the current Community Committee Chair and colleagues within the Localities team have been consulted.

### **10b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration**

In considering the matters detailed, Members may wish to give consideration to ensuring that the Community Committee meeting arrangements are accessible to all groups within the community.

### **10c. Legal implications, access to information and call in**

In line with Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, the power to Call In decisions does not extend to decisions taken by Community Committees.



## **Conclusion**

11. The Procedure Rules require that each Community Committee will agree its schedule of meetings and that there shall be at least 4 business meetings per municipal year. With this, Members are asked to agree the arrangements for 2023/24.

## **Recommendations**

12. Members are requested to consider the options detailed within the report and to consider and agree the Committee's meeting schedule for the 2023/24 municipal year (as detailed above).

## **Background information**

- Not applicable

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**Report of:** Head of Locality Partnerships

**Report to:** Inner West Community Committee  
[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

**Report author:** Patrick Mulcahy

**Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**For decision**

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

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### **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 2022/23.

### **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 West Community Committee this means that the money for the Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall wards will be administered by the Inner West Community Committee.
9. It was agreed at Inner West Community Committee on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 that CIL monies for Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall would go where it is needed across the Inner West Community Committee area, to be decided by the elected members of the Inner West. Members will have mindfulness of the area where development is and local sensitivity around this.
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 religion, gender, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; 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 Community 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;
- b. 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. As has been the case at the beginning of previous municipal years, the Committee is invited to review the conditions previously agreed and consider whether any amendments are required, prior to agreeing such conditions for operation in the forthcoming municipal year.

16. 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

17. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2022/23 was **£142,540.00**.

**Table 1** shows a carry forward figure of **£163,447.54** which includes underspends from projects completed in 2021/22. **£72,962.86** represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2021/22 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2022/23 is therefore **£233,024.68**. 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 **£27,136.78**. A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1 and is available on request.

**TABLE 1: Wellbeing revenue 2022/23**

	£
<b>INCOME: 2022/23</b>	<b>£142,540</b>
Balance brought forward from previous year 2021/22	£163,447.54
Less projects brought forward from previous year 2021/22	£72,962.86
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2022/23</b>	<b>£233,024.68</b>
<b>Area wide ring fenced projects</b>	<b>£</b>
Small Grants & Skips	£6,000
Community Engagement	£750
Grit Bins	£2,499.22
Youth Summit	£2,250
CCTV	£6,000

Festive Lights	£10,612			
<b>Total spend: Area wide ring fenced projects</b>	<b>£28,111.22</b>			
<b>Ward Projects</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>Armley</b>	<b>B&amp;S</b>	<b>Kirkstall</b>
<b>Per ward carry forward + new allocation</b>	<b>£233,024.68</b>	<b>£91,495.36</b>	<b>£78,404.49</b>	<b>£63,124.83</b>
Bramley Christmas Tree – <b>Parks &amp; Countryside / Forestry</b>	£1,780.00		£1780.00	
Kirkstall Festival - <b>Kirkstall Festival Committee</b>	£8,000.00			£8,000
Bramley Young Person's Social Prescribing Project - <b>BARCA Leeds</b>	£9,998.42		£9,998.42	
Art Camp - <b>Art Camp UK</b>	£7,632.00			£7,632
Summer Holidays Targeted Provision - <b>Leeds Youth Service</b>	£1,200.00	£400	£400	£400
New Grit Bin's – Armley - <b>SaltProv</b>	£354.44	£354.44		
Empower - <b>New Wortley Community Association</b>	£23,618.56	£23,618.56		
Explorer Tots - <b>KVDT</b>	£8,360.00			£8,360.00
Hollybush Wellbeing in Wellies - <b>Hollybush Conservation Centre</b>	£9,545.00	£3,182	£3,182	£3,182
Wythers Residential - <b>Leeds Youth Service</b>	£2,880.00	£2,880.00		
DAZL Bramley Dance Project - <b>DAZL</b>	£2,970.00		£2,970.00	
Two Family Fun Activity Day's & New Equipment - <b>West Leeds Activity Centre</b>	£8,500.00	£2,833	£2,833	£2,833
Armley Action Team Events 2022-23 - <b>Armley Action Team</b>	£21,618.00	£21,618.00		
Community Participation & Learning Programme 2022-23 - <b>Leeds Irish Arts Foundation (IAF)</b>	£1,080.00	£308.57	£462.86	£308.57
Leeds Money Buddies - <b>Burmantofts Community Projects</b>	£17,584.00		£8,792	£8,792
Queens Platinum Jubilee Benches - <b>Parts &amp; Countryside</b>	£5,051.40		£3,769.20	£1,282.20
Jubilee 2022 - <b>Bramley Care Bears</b>	£700.00		£700	
Kirkstall Planters - <b>Parks &amp; Countryside</b>	£770.00			£770
Bramley Urban Music & Arts Project - <b>The Music Box</b>	£5,040.00		£5,040	
Bramley Park Ice-Cream Van Play Item - <b>Parks &amp; Countryside</b>	£10,506.72		£10,506.72	
Bramley Open Arts Groups Leeds 2023 - <b>Fairfield Community Centre</b>	£4,640.00		£4,640.00	
Operation Mineral - <b>West Yorkshire Police</b>	£1,358.00	£452.66	£452.66	£452.66

NWCC 40th Anniversary Celebrations - <b>New Wortley Community Association</b>	£2,000.00	£2,000.00		
ASB and Speeding Operations - <b>West Yorkshire Police</b>	£6,035.20	£2,011.73	£2,011.73	£2,011.73
Armley Sculpture Trail - <b>Assembly House</b>	£1,500.00	£1,500.00		
SOS 15 Week - <b>Bramley Cluster</b>	£5,000.00		£5,000.00	
Armley Park Events 2022 - <b>Friends of Armley and Gotts Park</b>	£2,566.00	£2,566.00		
Leeds Hyde Park Sports Club	£3,700.00			£3,700.00
New Toilet Block	£3,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Grit Bins Bramley and Stanningley	£531.66		£531.66	
Christmas in the Community	£2,000.00	£2,000.00		
Go Karts	£2,209.20	£736.33	£736.33	£736.54
Fairfield Lane Grit Bin	£177.22		£177.22	
St. Anne's Way Skip	£161.90			£161.90
Upper Roadley Lane Grit Bin Refill	£80.62		£80.62	
<b>Total of schemes approved 2022/23</b>	<b>£212,330.82</b>	<b>£78,427.48</b>	<b>£73,508.48</b>	<b>£60,814.60</b>
<b>Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)</b>	<b>£27,053.044</b>	<b>£18,558.92</b>	<b>£5,734.02</b>	<b>£2,760.10</b>

## Wellbeing and Capital projects for consideration and approval

20. The following projects are presented for Members' consideration from 22/23 budget:

21. **Project Title:** Bramley After School Hub Klub (free to attend)

**Name of Group or Organisation:** Kidz Klub Leeds

**Total Project Cost:** £41,735.00

**Amount proposed: £4,232.00 (YAF)**

**Wards covered: Bramley and Stanningley**

**Project Description:** The grant will be used to support up to 40 primary school aged children through; term time weekly home visits, term time Hub sessions held at Bramley Baptist church (three different age range sessions), and termly community wide social action events from our venue called "activates" designed by and with full participation of the children in making them happen. The grant will also support three young people (11 – 18) who've been trained to be Kidz Klub volunteer and they will attend Bramley Hub Klub each week to help and be fantastic role models to the children attending. The community activate for this February is to gather children's input into a Leeds Active initiative to distribute activity cards to families with details of no cost, no equipment play ideas. The children at Bramley Hub Klub will help feed into the ideas of things children / families could do for play that won't cost a lot or involve a lot of equipment, ideas from our children will feed directly into the council team running the initiative. There will be an Easter Eggstravaganza "activate" for the following term and in the summer in the past the Hub Klubs have organised community wide family fun / sports day events, a community wide litter pick that brings a wide range of ages and cultures together, have planted wild flowers and produced street art all to improve the local environment.

22. **Project Title:** Raising Aspirations

**Name of Group or Organisation:** Barca-Leeds (Youth Work)

**Total Project Cost:** £1,582.50

**Amount proposed: £1,582.50 (YAF)**

**Wards covered: Bramley and Stanningley**

**Project Description:** The grant would be used to fund sessions for young people aged 11-17. The sessions would cover Boxing and Skills for Life. The aim for boxing is young people will learn discipline through the sport and the physical activity will help to improve

fitness levels and mental health. Opportunities to informally educate young people around crime, ASB, healthy lifestyles, nutrition and self-care will also be factored in. The Skills for Life sessions aim would be for young people to learn new and essential skills for life in an informal, non-judgemental environment. Through consultation with our LGBTQ+, Voice, Influence and Participation groups, young people would like to be informed and learn skills around the following topics:

- Cooking healthy, tasty meals/feed a family for a fiver.
- Budgeting – Managing finances, bills, food shopping, opening up a bank account, energy saving tips, providing identification, getting into debt etc.
- Self-Care – How to look after your physical and emotional well-being, setting boundaries, managing conflict.
- Sexual Health – Healthy/Unhealthy relationships, personal safety.
- Practical skills such as sewing, planning journeys, interview skills, covering letters and CV's.

23. Applications for 23/24 budgets will be considered at a workshop outside of the March Community Committee Meeting.

### **Delegated Decisions (DDN)**

24. Since the last Community Committee meeting on 22nd November 2022, the following projects have been considered and approved by DDN:

- New Wortley – Christmas in the community - £2,000 from Amrley Wellbeing
- Sandford Play Area Refurbishment - £5,187.06 from Kirkstall Capital Funds
- Go-Karts - £2,209.20 from Armley, Bramley and Stanningley and Kirkstall Wellbeing
- Fairfield Lane Grit Bin - £177.22 from Bramley and Stanningley Wellbeing
- St. Anne's Way Skip - £161.90 from Kirkstall Wellbeing
- Upper Roadley Lane Grit Bin Refill - £80.62 from Bramley and Stanningley Wellbeing

### **Declined Projects**

25. Since the last Community Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022, 0 projects have been declined:

### **Monitoring Information**

26. 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.

### **New Wortley Community Association – Christmas in the Community**

27. This project aimed to support 50 families to access food support over the Christmas period. This would be in the form of a hamper containing the ingredients to cook a Christmas lunch for up to 5 people (large chicken, potatoes, vegetables, pigs in blankets, gravy and a dessert together with a few treat items (crackers, chocolate, cake, etc.)



28. Although the initial aim was to support 50 families they actually supported 59 families in total but to additional last minute referrals received from children’s services, other community anchor organisations and the local elected members. They provided 50 Christmas lunch hampers as planned with the additional families receiving festive goodies hampers or toy vouchers.

### Youth Activities Fund Position 2022/23

29. The total available for spend in Inner West Community Committee in 2022/23, including carry forward from previous year, is **£72,237.92**.

30. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of **£27,148.50** has been allocated to projects, as listed in **Table 2**.

31. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of **£45,089.42** in the Youth Activity Fund. A full breakdown of the projects is available on request.

**TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2022/23**

	Total allocation	Ward Split 8-17 Population		
		Armley 2,629 Young People	B&S 2,745 Young People	Kirkstall 1,657 Young People
<b>Income 2022/23</b>	<b>£36,260</b>	£12,086.66	£12,086.67	£12,086.67
Carried forward from previous year	<b>£37,957.92</b>	£14,624.02	£15,487.96	£7,845.94
Total available (including brought forward balance) for schemes in 2022/23	<b>£74,217.92</b>	£26,710.68	£27,574.63	£19,932.61
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year	<b>£1,980</b>		£1,350	£630
Total available budget for this year 202/23	<b>£72,237.92</b>	£26,710.68	£26,224.63	£19,302.61

Projects 2022/23	Amount requested from YAF	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall
Armley Basketball Project @ Armley Leisure Centre	<b>£1,660</b>	£1,660		
Area Activity Programme 2022-23	<b>£6,635</b>	£5,639.75	£497.63	£497.62
Inner West Gaming Club	<b>£2,664</b>	£880.00	£880.00	£880.00
Mini Breeze	<b>£10,948.50</b>	£3,649.50	£3,649.50	£3,649.50

Community Youth Project	<b>£5,265.00</b>			£5,265.00
<b>Remaining balance per ward</b>	<b>£45,089.52</b>	<b>£14,881.43</b>	<b>£21,197.50</b>	<b>£9,010.49</b>

### Small Grants & Skips Budget 2022/23

32. The Inner West Community Committee approved a Small Grants & Skips Budget of £6,000. There is currently a remaining balance of **£39.99**. Approved projects are detailed in Table 3 & Table 4 below.

**TABLE 3: Small Grants 2022/23**

Project	Organisation/Dept	Amount requested
PHAB 2022-23	PHAB	£298.03
Stress Removal and Enhance Wellbeing	Russians Speakers Group for Children	£500
Drop in and Draw	LCC, Project Development Workers	£432.00
Looking to the Future 'Emily'	BasementArtsProject	£150.00
<b>Total spent so far 2022/23:</b>		<b>£1,380.03</b>

**TABLE 4: Community Skips 2022/23**

Location of skip	Date	Total Amount Approved
Broadlea's Bramley, Multiple Locations	02/06/21	£1,171.38
Haley's Field Allotments	14/06/21	£232.82
Greenthorpe Allotment	01/09/21	£141.28
Queenswood, Multiple Localities	25/09/21	£976.15
New Wortley CC	06/09/2022	£147.44
Spens Environmental Action Day	20/09/2022	£390.46
Fairfield Action Day	05/11/21	£1,171.38
New Wortley CC	30/08/2022	£147.44
Spens Environmental Action Day	20/09/2022	£390.46
Greenthorpe Allotments	18/11/2022	£195.23
Skips for Kirkstall Environmental action Day	22/11/2022	£582.00
<b>Total spent so far 2022/23:</b>		<b>£4,646.65</b>

### Capital Budget 2022/23

33. The Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of **£464.02** available to spend. Members are asked to note the capital allocation summarised in **Table 5**.

**TABLE 5: Capital 2022/23**

Date	£
Remaining Balance April 2022	£27,055.95
Capital Injection May 2022	£8,500.00
Capital Injection	£1,800.00
<b>Balance remaining</b>	<b>£37,355.95</b>

Capital Spend 2022/23	Total amount
Burley Park Paths	£8,000
WLAC Jumbo SUPS (Stand Up paddle Boards)	£5,275.87
Kirkstall SID	£3,500.00
Burley Park Play Equipment Painting	£2,935.00
Sandford Road POS Boundary Fence	£11,994.00
Sandford Play Area Refurbishment	£5,187.06
<b>Capital Balance Remaining</b>	<b>£464.02</b>

### Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2022/23

34. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is **£68,582.42** currently available to spend.

**TABLE 6: Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) 2022/23**

<b>Remaining Balance March 2022</b>	£84,818.42
<b>Injection May 2022</b>	£97.50
<b>Total Available in 2022/23</b>	<b>£84,915.92</b>
Woodbridge Fold - Parking Bay's	£10,000.00
Bramley Baths - New Pool Cover	£6,236.00
Total Spend 2022/2023:	£16,236.00
<b>Remaining Balance 2022/23</b>	<b>£68,582.42</b>

### Corporate Considerations

#### Consultation and Engagement

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

#### Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

36. 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

37. 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**

38. 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**

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

### **Risk Management**

40. 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**

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

### **Recommendations**

42. Members are asked to note

- a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 20)
- c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 24)
- d. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 26)
- e. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
- f. Details of the Small Grants & Skips budget Budget (Tables 3 & 4)
- g. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
- h. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)



**Report of:** Head of Locality Partnerships

**Report to:** Inner West Community Committee  
[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

**Report author:** Patrick Mulcahy, Localities Officer

**Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**To note**

## **Inner West Community Committee Update Report**

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### **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.
2. 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.

### **Main issues**

#### **Updates by theme**

##### **Children and Young People: Champions Cllr C Gruen**

3. The Children and Young Person's Sub Group will meet next on 29<sup>th</sup> March.

##### **Environment: Champions Cllr H Bithell & Cllr K Ritchie**

4. The Environmental Sub Group met on 31<sup>st</sup> January where updates were received from Parks and Countryside in relation to the levelling up bid; Environmental Action Team in relation to the process for using cameras for enforcement; Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team to provide a service update; Refuse in relation to Route Rationalisation.

##### **5. Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Update**

## **Staffing**

6. On 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 a new Team Leader was appointed, covering the Inner West Area.

## **Enforcement**

7. Cases that require court intervention are still being delayed and are being referred to the nearest available Magistrates within the Yorkshire and Humber region.
8. Work is still ongoing in the “Little Scotland” bin yards and a project team from within Leeds City Council have been assisting Dave Fisher who is our lead. Removing rubbish and have started metal sheeting the yards these are regularly monitored.
9. The Armley team have been replacing the general litter bins in the area that are in a bad condition and will continue to do so also were funds are available we will continue this in other areas within the Inner West.
10. CNT continues to support the work that is carried out by volunteers in the area.
11. Graffiti team are continuing to work in the area and removing offensive graffiti and removing any graffiti of street furniture as they come across this working closely with the teams.
12. Poplar Court around the garages and flats has had some intense work littering was bad and the general cleanliness in the walkways which had been highlighted Cllr Jim McKenna as needing intervention from Housing and CNT. Resource will be made available for any clean-up work identified.
13. The team have worked very hard over the last few months in relation to de-leafing in relation which started 24th October 2022 the areas are mapped out following consultation for areas via Cllrs. Cllrs have been updated on progress on a fortnightly basis giving areas covered that fortnight. This is now coming to an end however, if Cllrs have any de-leafing issues, please could you email the details ([WestNWCllrPriority@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:WestNWCllrPriority@leeds.gov.uk)) The team are still working through the overgrown vegetation referrals when possible and will update those who have reported these as they complete the work.

## **Parks and Countryside Update**

### **Armley**

14. Armley play area was vandalised since the last meeting but the repair works have now been carried out.

### **Bramley and Stanningley**

15. The Rossi play item along with a new spinning bowl roundabout will be installed after Easter in Bramley Park.

16. Queens Jubilee benches have been installed at Stanningley Park, Bramley One Stop and Hawksworth One Stop. There is a bench due to arrive within the next couple of weeks ready to install at Bramley Park.

## **Kirkstall**

17. Ward Members granted funding for a more permanent solution to the fencing at Sandford Road POS on Argie Avenue which is palisade fencing. This has been ordered.
18. Kirkstall Abbey estate was awarded Green Flag Status.
19. Funding from the former Rising Sun Public House development has now been paid in and the amount paid will be used to refurbish some parks of the play area behind the development on Wolesley Road.
20. Love Leeds Parks are working on a project to create a blossom area in Burley Park which will include blossom trees seating and paths. They are funding and managing this project.

## **Employment, Skills & Welfare: Champions Cllr J McKenna & Cllr J Illingworth**

### **Universal Credit**

21. The number of people who are claiming Universal Credit (UC) due to unemployment, as of October 2022, in the Inner West Community Committee area is 5,814. Whilst the largest increase in claimants of UC was in June 2020 (70%), the number of claimants remains high and continues to increase. There is an increase of 210 claimants in October 2022 on the previous month.
22. The table below shows the number of people claiming Universal Credit (Not in Employment) in the Inner West Community Committee area and by ward.

	<b>Universal Credit Claimants (Not in Employment) 16-64yrs</b>							
	<b>March 2020</b>		<b>June 2020</b>		<b>September 2022</b>		<b>October 2022</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Rate*</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Rate*</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Rate*</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Rate*</b>
Leeds	23,631	4.5%	42,636	8.2%	42,762	8.4%	43,819	8.2%
<b>Inner West</b>	<b>3,244</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>5,511</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>5,604</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>5,814</b>	<b>12.0%</b>
Armley	1,547	9.1%	2,493	14.5%	2,641	15.4%	2,705	15.7%
Bramley & Stanningley	952	6.5%	1,619	11.0%	1,626	11.1%	1,709	11.7%
Kirkstall	745	4.6%	1,399	8.5%	1,337	8.1%	1,400	8.5%

*\*Rate shows the number of claimants not in employment as a percentage of the working age population*

### **Employment and Skills Services**

23. The table below shows the number of people supported by the Service from the Inner West Community Committee area and by ward.

	Accessing Services		Into Work		Improved Skills	
	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)
<b>Inner West</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>187</b>
Armley	348	438	76	92	63	62
Bramley & Stanningley	126	172	37	25	29	42
Kirkstall	223	296	52	37	65	83

During April – September 2022

- 8,359 people accessed the Service, 906 of whom were residents from the Inner West.
- Supported 1,462 people into work, 154 of whom were residents from the Inner West. Customers were supported into work across all sectors with the largest numbers in, arts, entertainment and recreation, construction, health and care, ICT, digital and comms.
- Supported 2,149 people to improve their skills, 187 of whom were from the Inner West.

24. Leeds Employment Hub is a single point of contact for all funded programmes and Jobshops which provides tailored and comprehensive support into employment or education to all Leeds residents. Employment Hub Advisors deliver the programme by providing one to one support, tailored preventative and remedial support to Leeds residents who are disadvantaged in the labour market. The Employment Hub Advisors are co-located within the Jobcentre Plus centres across the city.

25. All Jobshops are open, 5 days a week for face-to-face appointments which includes Armley and City Centre Community Hubs. There is a pop up Jobshop Tuesday at Bramley Community Hub, 09:00 – 17:00

26. The Service has several communication channels and social media accounts that promotes events, jobfairs, job vacancies, Apprenticeships, and courses. Please link to our accounts:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/eandsleeds>

Twitter <https://twitter.com/eandsleeds>

Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/eandsleeds>

27. Opportunities in Leeds is a weekly email service and features live jobs, Apprenticeships, and courses. To subscribe please visit:

<https://bit.ly/opportunitiesinleeds>



28. For further information on Employment and Skills services and the support available please visit: <https://employmentskillsleeds.co.uk>
29. The Adult Learning programme continues to deliver an effective, broad, and inclusive curriculum to support the continuation of learning in collaboration with subcontracted partners. Courses were delivered through a range of models which include face to face, online and through distance learning, opening new opportunities for adults to learn and develop their confidence.
30. Between September – December 2022, in the Inner West, 15 courses were delivered at 4 venues. 148 residents have started a course. In addition, there were 17 courses delivered on-line.
31. For the Academic Year 2022/23 in the Inner West, 28 courses, including Woodwork, Arts and Crafts and Health, are planned at 5 different venues. 36 courses are also planned for online delivery.
32. A 10 week ESOL course will commence delivery on 22nd February 2022, at Castleton Primary School. The course will support parents of the school and local residents to improve their skills.
33. A Celebration of Learning Festival is planned for 16th February 2023 at the Carriageworks, for adult learners (and their children), to recognise everything they have been through during the last 2 years including personal achievements and home-schooling.
34. Developing You Health and Wellbeing, a pre-employability, work readiness, health and wellbeing programme which aims to help people to become happier, healthier and move closer towards employment.
35. For further information on courses available both online and face to face at community venues, please visit: <https://leedsadultlearning.co.uk>
36. Connecting Communities to Health and Care Careers focuses on narrowing inequalities taking the strengths and limitations of the Lincoln Green Employability Project, expanded to a one system approach across the sector adapting recruitment methods and building on the good practice models in the system. The programme aims to engage with, recruit and develop a diverse workforce from disadvantaged or underrepresented communities in Leeds to improve access to long term career opportunities, work experience, volunteering, education, and training in the sector. Since September 2022, 169 people have attended the assessment sessions. 41 have achieved a qualification, and 35 people have been supported into work. 38 people are

being supported to improve functional skills to achieve the required level to move into employment within the sector. For further information and please visit: [Leeds Health and Care](#)

#### 37. Between April – December 2022 Employment and Skills supported

- 287 new businesses including recruiting new staff, providing support for staff facing redundancy, developing initiatives to address staff shortages and filling a high number of vacancies within key sectors.
- and attended careers events and parents evenings and delivered Apprenticeship awareness sessions, engaging with 7,674 young people, 367 parents and carers and 282 teachers.

### Delivered Events

38. **Financial Inclusion Event** took place on 7th September 2022 on the Mobile Community Bus at Wykebeck Valley Primary School and at Lidl in Gipton. The event aimed to help local residents maximise their income and assist in managing their debts and utilities. Housing Leeds, Yorkshire Water, Credit Union, Employment and Skills and Jobshop staff were present and supported residents accessing the event.

39. **Leeds Digital Careers Festival 2022 (LDCF22)** took place week 12th – 16th September 2022, with support from Leeds based employers. Workshop sessions were delivered within the Priority Neighbourhoods at Community Hubs and Leeds City College, which connected people with live digital opportunities, information, and guidance, approx. 100 people attended. Presentations were also held at 12 schools across the city, to 1,269 young people from years 10, 11 and post 16. A careers event was held at Leeds First Direct Arena on Thursday 15th September 2022 with 51 digital employers and training providers participating, approximately 1,700 people attended.

40. **Leeds Creative Skills Festival (LCSF)** a weeklong festival of activities took place 14th – 18th November 2022 with a Creative Skills Showcase event held at the Leeds First Direct Arena on Thursday 17th November 2022. The event, sponsored by Channel 4, 4Skills and Leeds City College, aimed to inspire young people to consider a career in creative skills and provided a platform for industry experts to deliver presentations and take part in topical panel discussions. A total of 63 employers, training providers and SEND support participated at the event, 2,200 people attended. Artforms Leeds, Leeds 2023, Grand Futures Leeds and Leeds Cultural Education Partnership attended the event as Friends of the Festival.

### Planned Events

41. **Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair (LARF)** will take place on Monday 6th February 2023 to mark the start of National Apprenticeship Week, 97 employers and training providers have booked to exhibit. Publicity for the fair commenced in January 2023 and includes a mailing to parents of Leeds young people in years 10 - 13 and the NEET cohort. A series of sessions have been offered to secondary schools and

colleges to help prepare students to get the most from the event. For further information and to book please visit: [Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair](#)

42. **Jobsfairs** are planned to recruit for a range of posts within Leeds City Council at the following Community Hubs:

- City Centre, Merrion House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds LS2 8LX on Wednesday 25th January 2023
- Armley, 2 Stocks Hill, Armley, Leeds LS12 1UQ on Friday 3rd February 2023
- Dewsbury Road, 190 Dewsbury Road, Leeds LS11 6PF on Thursday 9th February 2023
- Compton Centre, Harehills Lane, Harehills, Leeds LS9 7BG on Thursday 16th February 2023

43. **Reducing Re-Offending** in partnership with West Yorkshire Combined Authority an event is planned for Spring 2023 to support the children of current serving prisoners at HMP Wealstun and aims to raise employment and education aspiration levels of the children attending. A Construction event (w/c 23rd January 2023) will be held at HMP Leeds aiming to encourage employers to engage in recruiting prison leavers and to increase the number of prison leavers offered employment in the construction industry.

44. **Community Engagement** Employment and Skills and Leeds City College have partnered to create a questionnaire, which will help to shape activities and information sessions to benefit the local communities, focusing on employment and skills. For further information please visit: [Community Activity Survey 2023](#)

45. **SEND Next Choices**, getting ready for adult life event will take place on Thursday 29th June 2023 at Leeds First Direct Arena. Young people who have special educational needs and disabilities will be able to attend with their teachers, parents and carers and find out about jobs, training, apprenticeships, college courses, voluntary work, leisure activities, finances, support agencies and benefits available in Leeds. For further information and to book please visit: [Getting Ready for Adult Life](#)

## **Community Safety: Champion Cllr H Bithell & Cllr K Ritchie**

### **LeedsWatch**

46. The next LeedsWatch update will be provided for the next Community Committee meeting as the agreement is that they will report at six-monthly intervals.

### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

#### **Armley**

47. Active cases: 15

Top 3: Noise (4), Threats of/actual violence (2), Criminality (2)

48. Armley and New Wortley has recently seen an increase in youth related ASB and crime. The issues are predominately around the high-rise blocks in the area, LASBT are working with partners on some early intervention work along with wider agency support to try and tackle the ongoing issues.
49. They are currently enquiring with police regarding a serious on the Moorfield estate, enquiries are still ongoing currently and are at a very early stage.

### **Bramley & Stanningley**

50. Active cases: 26  
Top 3: Threats of/actual violence (9), Domestic violence/noise (4), Rowdy behaviour (4)
51. Issues with youths in the area have started to become a troublesome problem again so there is currently a lot of working ongoing around this. We are working with partnering agencies to try and tackle the youth related ASB and Crime in the area. A number of youths are subject to injunction orders, some of which have been breached recently and we are currently working to action these breaches. This has been the primary focus of LASBT in the area and continues to be so, particularly as team Leodis are not currently working in the area anymore.

### **Kirkstall**

52. Active cases: 12  
Top 3: Hate Crime (3), Verbal abuse (3), Noise (2)
53. They've not been involved in any new action days this quarter as the only one that has been carried out was around an area which is predominantly Housing Association properties, so their staff were involved on this occasion rather than LASBTs. The cases within the area now are a mainly either noise or verbal abuse/threatening behaviour cases. They also have 2 cases which are perceived by the victims to be hate related.
54. They do have a couple of ongoing legal cases for the area. They've an injunction trial due early next month in relation to a long running ASB case. The injunction application is in relation to a former LCC tenant who had previously caused ASB at their home which led to a closure order & the tenancy being ended. However, the former tenant has returned to the street on several occasions to cause issues for residents which is why they're seeking an injunction to keep them away. This application is being contested which is why it is going to trial. They also have a possession case we're putting the finishing touches to which is in relation to drug related issues.

### **West Yorkshire Police**

#### **Armley**

55. Partnership working in New Wortley due to increases in youth disorder, drug dealing and damage. We continue to work with partner agencies and are formulating an

action plan to tackle the issue. The police have carried out several drug warrants over the last few weeks and increased visibility in the area.

56. Town Street has remained a focus and tackling street level drug dealing and criminality. Several proactive operations have taken place resulting in arrests for a wide range of offences. They are working with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team for exclusion orders against the key offenders.

57. Concerns have been raised around the Cecil's area in relation to parking and officers have patrolled the area and issued tickets to offenders breaching regulations.

### **Bramley & Stanningley**

58. Over the festive period and going into the new year, a number of properties and vehicles were targeted by offenders in the Bramley area. In January, following multiple arrests, a 41-year-old male was sentenced to 12 months in prison for burglary and vehicle crimes.

59. The police continue to work with partner agencies to reduce and tackle reports of ASB. The enforcement of anti-social behaviour injunctions will continue to take place and action taken where required.

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61. Acting on community intelligence, a number of drugs warrants have been applied for and executed across the area. A S23 misuse of drugs warrant was executed week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> February and a cannabis farm located within a property. Enquiries are ongoing to identify who is responsible and the investigation continues.

### **Kirkstall**

62. Work continues across the ward to tackle anti-social vehicle use and related offences. Over the last few weeks, arrests have taken place for offences including driving whilst disqualified, fail to stop and theft of motor vehicle.

63. Work continues around the detail park, trying to prevent incidents and identify those responsible for theft and other similar offences. Over the last few weeks, officers have identified and arrested several people for theft from shop, robbery, assault and burglary.

64. Days of action have taken place, working with other partners to tackle community issues. Other days of action will take place in the coming weeks and months.

### **Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Champion Cllr L Cunningham**

#### **Public Health Update**

65. Due to the rising Public Health issue of residents living with obesity within the Inner West Wards and are struggling with weight management, exacerbated by the sedentary nature of the recent coronavirus pandemic local partners have created three free, fun and friendly options to help communities enjoy healthier lives by achieving a healthy weight. With funding from Local Care Partnerships, local business and Leeds City Council Public Health this initiative runs in tandem with established evidence based parenting programmes like HENRY (Healthy Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young) and clinical interventions at hospital weight management interventions. More information about HENRY course in Leeds can be found here [School Wellbeing & Online Healthy Families Programme - Leeds | HENRY](#) ). Trinity comprises of three choices for residents, they are;

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67. Please see *appendix 1* for full details of projects taking place within Inner West.

## Priority Neighbourhoods

### Cost of Living Community Events

68. On Wednesday 15th February a community event was held at Strawberry Lane Community Centre. Housing Leeds and Armley Helping Hands organised the event aimed at engaging with the community and providing information/signposting for a wide range of support services available. Food and drink was available, face-painting and crafts for children, and lots of information from partner services and organisations who can support people in these challenging times.

69. The event was extremely well attended, with community members of all ages mixing in a positive environment, but it also provided an excellent opportunity for informal engagement and to promote vital services and support that is available should anyone feel they need it. This partnership work will continue, and further events are planned.

### Cost of Living Community Event



## Armley Forum

70. Armley Forum took place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at Armley Community Hub. The meeting was chaired by Cllr Jim McKenna who was joined by approximately 15 residents as well as Cllr Lou Cunningham and Cllr Alice Smart.
71. Officers from the Neighbourhood Police Team provided the forum with recent statistics on crime and antisocial behaviour in the area. Questions were also fielded on a range of local concerns.
72. The Local Housing Manager gave the forum an update from Housing Leeds. Information was provided on recent staff patch changes and communications that were going out to tenants to introduce their local Housing Officer and opportunities for tenants to get involved in estate walkabouts. Annual Tenancy visits have been progressing well, identifying issues and vulnerable tenants.
73. Cost of Living events led by Housing Leeds continue to be supported by a wide range of partner services and organisations with the aim of supporting communities with everything from financial pressures, food, benefits advice, housing and tenancy issues, employment, social isolation and much more. Details were given of the next event planned in partnership with Armley Helping Hands on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February at Strawberry Lane Community Centre.
74. Details of a British Gas initiative to support LCC tenants with energy costs was provided. The scheme, open to all LCC tenants, has provided £100k of vouchers to support tenants with the rising costs of gas and electricity. Tenants do not need to be a British Gas customer and could claim 3 vouchers for the year. Information was also provided on a support package for tenants in rent arrears.

75. Armley Action Team provided an update on their work to provide support services from some council owned commercial units on Gelder Road. The space will include a charity shop (Bundles), Baby Bank and a food pantry as well as providing vital community space for various provision and activity. A key aim of the initiative is to provide volunteering opportunities for local young people, building confidence, empowering them with responsibility and providing important work experience and skills. The project was well received by the forum and Fran invited community members to the official opening of the units on Saturday 4th February 2023.
76. The next Armley Forum date is 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 with the full agenda yet to be decided. Parks & Countryside have been invited to provide an update at the March meeting.

### **Area Plan Workshop**

77. Communities Team officers are leading work to develop an Area Plan for each of the six target wards in Leeds that contain the 12 Priority Neighbourhoods. In Armley, a workshop is being planned to bring key services, organisations, and stakeholders together to discuss the data, challenges, and opportunities, that will enable us to set priorities and develop an Area Plan that will underpin locality working in the area.

### **Leeds City Council Youth Service**

78. Young people from Inner West both enjoyed taking part in the annual Youth Summit. Young people got chance to see the council chamber and speak to ward members and the Lord Mayor. They were also given chance to say how they would spend the YAF funding for the next financial year. Several young people signed up to become members of Leeds Youth Council. 4 members of The Inner West Youth Committee attended November's Inner West Community Committee to discuss items on the agenda and wider issues affecting their community.
79. Ongoing challenges around young people's involvement in anti-social behaviour have been jointly managed through our involvement in area tasking and partnership opportunities. The WNW Youth Service Team continues to respond to issues highlighted in PWA Tasking Meetings by delivering mobile sessions in areas with reported youth nuisance.
80. The WNW Team made a significant contribution to the multi-agency bonfire plan and are pleased to report some very positive intervention and partnership work over the bonfire period. Input included intervention days with West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue and West Yorkshire Neighbourhood Policing Team and a fire intervention day at Kirkstall Fire Station. The WNW team delivered a further 3 community engagement sessions with the police providing information to parents and young people on how to stay safe, ways to report nuisance and potential consequences of breaking the law.
81. Events covered included Remembrance Day, The Word Cup and Christmas. Sessions were delivered that enabled young people to learn about Remembrance



Day and the meaning of the poppy. The sessions gave young people the chance to remember those who fought and lost their lives. Youth workers used large screens and projectors to enable young people to cheer on England in the World Cup. In the run up to Christmas youth workers took the opportunity to cover religious festivals and beliefs as part of their youth work programmes. Young people learnt about different cultures and beliefs using quizzes and presentations. More than 60 Young people enjoyed a full Christmas dinner with their friends cooked and served by their youth workers.

## **Town Centres Update**

82. A meeting was held on 15th February between the Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator (NCC), a representative from Armley Action Team and LCC Regeneration who are leading on the Levelling Up bid though which the government commissioned High Streets Task Force have shown an interest in Armley. The meeting offered an opportunity to investigate how the HSTF proposals could most effectively link with processes already underway to help develop opportunities for the town centre. It was agreed Regeneration would ensure HSTF took into account partnerships already operating to help Armley shopping area including the NCC's Action Plan, police - chaired Community Safety meetings and the developing work of Armley Action Team including spring planting for In Bloom, street theatre linked to Interplay theatre and the developing offer of the Gelder Rd units including community group room hire, help for families and preparations to launch a food bank. Also, on 15th the NCC met the new manager at Armley Action Team. There are currently four empty units on Town Street however the need to increase footfall and sales is clear. NCC has raised this need with LCC Communications and will now progress an action plan to help increase footfall for Armley.
83. As part of ongoing support for business areas across the city, the NCC is planning to call in to all businesses on Kirkstall Road on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. This will include finding out how business and footfall is progressing and whether there is a wish for a business development group in the area. Highways have advised that a meeting has been held this week with Members that the Local Centres Project (LCP) funded benches are being fabricated and a contractor will install them throughout March. A localised consultation letter for each bench location is to be drafted and sent imminently, with Ward Members seeing this before it goes out.
84. Of the 64 shopping areas covered by LCC, trader's groups have been set up in most priority areas however not yet in Bramley. Attempts have been made however a group of about 6 neighbourhood centre stakeholders need to be found to lead the team and link in with similar work in other shopping areas in Leeds. (The challenge for Bramley is that most shops are contained in the privately owned shopping centre.) A contact who has formerly tried to launch such a group, but now works in a different part of the city, is meeting with the NCC to see if between them a way can be found to develop ever stronger connectivity with Bramley businesses.

85. Businesses in the three wards, along with the other 30 wards around the city, receive the weekly update of news to help local businesses and develop local neighbourhood centres.

86. The table below was provided by the Town Centre Manager to show marketing opportunities for Media and Signage within Armley.

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Action</u></b>
<b><u>Media</u></b>	
Discussion with LCC Comms Unit	Initial discussions have been held which included Christmas marketing but explore opportunities for future partnership
Inner West Community Committee facebook, Armley Good Stuff, Armley Community Hub, Armley Helping Hands.	Send regular positive news items and encourage others to do likewise
West Leeds Dispatch	Covers stories in an editorial way reporting positive and negative stories
Regional Media – Newspaper, radio and TV	Covers stories in an editorial way reporting positive and negative stories if they catch the media’s interest

<u>Signage</u>	
Signage	Are there opportunities for more posters and displays?
Main display board	Armley Action Team have already identified the opportunities for major marketing on the billboard beside Westerley Croft.
Millennium Square	The large TV screen in the city centre can be used to promote district based community events provided the right quality of images can be supplied.
<u>FORTHCOMING OPPORTUNITIES</u>	
Stage & Pocket Park	Events have launched and due to recommence at easter with ongoing funding from the Arts Council.
Street Market	Armley Action Team is set to run another street market at Easter 2023. This will be very positive for the area.
In Bloom projects	Armley Action Team set to oversee Spring planting in all tubs along the High Street and new ones on Gelder Rd
Capable Guardians	Publicity, ongoing work,
Ongoing marketing of Christmas events including Independents days	

## Updates from Key Services

### Leeds 2023 Neighbourhood Hosts

87. The LEEDS 2023 year of Culture was launched at “The Awakening” event held at Headingley Stadium on 7 January, attracting national and worldwide media attention. The programme for the first season of the year has been announced <https://leeds2023.co.uk/whats-on> with seasons 2 and 3 to be announced later in the year.

### Projects in communities

88. The signature event **MY LEEDS 2023**, funded by the Paul Hamlyn Foundation, involves the appointment of a Neighbourhood host for each ward. The **Neighbourhood Hosts** are participating in a paid training scheme during which they will:

- Develop their skills in community engagement, event management and producing
- Design and deliver a community grants scheme
- Collaborate with their community and co-create activity in each ward across the summer
- Acts as a community ambassador, creating opportunities for people in their ward to engage with LEEDS 2023.

89. Neighbourhood Hosts are currently working for six hours a week, which includes their time spent in training and this reduces to three hours from September. The Neighbourhood Host scheme has been designed to increase the capacity for hyper-local community engagement in each of the wards, and to create opportunities for

people across the city to participate in activity as part of the Year of Culture. Each host is supported by an Anchor Organisation, an organisation based in their ward / a nearby ward, providing mentoring and guidance along the way. Elected Members are invited to support the Neighbourhood Hosts and their community by:

- Sharing with the Neighbourhood Host their knowledge of the ward and experience engaging with communities
- Sharing possible opportunities for engagement with ward members
- Making introductions, where appropriate, to members of the community who could further support activity.

90. The Neighbourhood Hosts and anchor organisations for the wards in this Community Committee area are:

- Armley – Kimberley Frangos supported by Armley Helping Hands
- Bramley and Stanningley – Dean Patrick supported by BARCA
- Kirkstall – Nathan Shipley supported by Kirkstall Valley Development Trust

91. The **community grants scheme** was launched in early February. Designed collaboratively by the Neighbourhood Hosts, the community grants scheme will support participation in one of the 33 My Leeds activities being produced across the summer. Residents are invited to apply for a community grant via the LEEDS 2023 website. All grant proposals will be considered by a panel of Neighbourhood Hosts and funds allocated accordingly. The grants are open to anyone over 18 with a UK bank account, and LEEDS 2023 are hoping to receive a high number of applications from a diverse range of people and organisations. Elected Members' support in sharing the opportunity across their wards would be greatly appreciated.

92. Across season one, LEEDS 2023 are encouraging communities and schools to take part in **Waking the Artist**, a city-wide exhibition of art by people of Leeds. Community groups are invited to take part by making art and creating a display in their local library, community space or window. Communities can lead their own art-making workshops or are able to book a free facilitator or resource pack to support their engagement. Display labels and more information is available at:

<https://leeds2023.co.uk/take-part/waking-the-artist>

### **Opportunities for Schools**

93. Every child and young person of school age in Leeds is getting the chance to take part in the Year of Culture. LEEDS 2023's **creative learning programme** features free activities for learners in all key stages, including classroom resources, facilitated workshops, participatory activities, and opportunities for learning outside the classroom. With links to the curriculum, the programme supports teaching across a variety of subject areas and helps learners develop their creativity. Learning resources for schools can be found on the LEEDS 2023 website

<https://leeds2023.co.uk/creative-learning>

94. Over 1500 learners and 20 schools engaged through the ballot for The Awakening, including participation in Leeds Artists Show. Spring term will see over 2300 pupils across 40 schools take part in facilitated workshops, including an **interschool slam poetry competition, Common Wealth theatre, and Leeds Young Film**. The following schools have either participated in an activity or are already booked onto an activity in the Spring term:

- Armley Park Primary, Off the Curriculum
- Dixons Unity Academy, Authors Abroad
- Leeds West Academy, Leeds Young Film and Authors Abroad
- Pudsey Primrose Hill Primary, Leeds Artist Show

95. In addition, LEEDS 2023 are encouraging and enabling schools to take part in **The Wild Escape** in partnership with Leeds Museums & Galleries, which will see children across the city engage with museum collections, learn about conservation and create their own art.

### Community Hubs

96. An update will be provided for the next meeting

### Housing Leeds

97. An update will be provided for the next meeting

### Anti-Social Behaviour

98. An update will be provided for the next meeting.

### Inner West Housing Advisory Panel

Budget for 2022/23	£49,127.70
Carry Forward from 2021/22	£26,242.04
<b>Total 2022/23 Budget</b>	<b>£75.369.74</b>

Approved Budget Spend 22/23	£60,360.12
<b>Available Budget</b>	<b>£15,009.62</b>

HAP	Number of projects submitted	Number of projects approved	Amount committed by Panel	% Committed
Inner West Total	53	35	£60,360.12	80.09%

### Community Engagement: Social Media

99. **Appendix 2** provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner West Community Committee Facebook Page.

### Corporate Considerations

### Consultation and Engagement

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

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

2. 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**

3. 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:
  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**

4. 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**

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

### **Risk Management**

6. 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**

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

### **Recommendations**

8. The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and comment as appropriate.
9. The Community Committee is asked to take note of paragraphs 88 through 95, as Leeds Neighbourhood Hosts are in attendance at the Committee.

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

10. None.

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<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.

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**INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE UPDATE-LEEDS CITY COUNCIL - PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Health & Wellbeing**

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**Trinity Project-Weight Management for Local Children, Young People and Families**

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Explanation of each project is below.

**FLOURISHING FAMILIES**

**FAMILY COOKERY CLUB**

(One of Three Interventions from the Trinity Project) (Updated 07-02-23)

**Introduction**

**How it works.**

Local families can be referred on to the course or can refer themselves. It operates in the following way.

1. This popular intervention is a structured programme consisting of

- a. **4 x 6-week** courses centred around nutritional education, cooking on a budget and fuel-efficient meal production for local families from poorer neighbourhoods.
  - b. This would cater for 24 families in total by year end.
2. Advice, help, support, referral, and signposting to a whole host of services around health, financial inclusion, and fuel poverty is also involved in the course.

### **How does it help with Health Inequalities?**

- This project will operate within the neighbourhoods experiencing the greatest health inequalities. These inequalities in health are long-lasting, persistent, and driven by social, economic, and environmental inequalities. Over the last forty years review after review from the Black Report (1980) to Marmot (2010, 2020) and Due North (2014), have all described these inequalities and set out clear recommendations for action to tackle them. Health inequalities are not inevitable, they are preventable. (Source; discussion paper: Build Back Fairer: Opportunities for using a Marmot approach in Leeds). One of these recommendations involves ensuring a healthy standard of living for all. Recipe Station contributes to this aim.

Flourishing families allows local people to increase their knowledge and skill base in assembling nutritious, easy, and affordable meals irrespective of income, education, and comprehension. This is all irrespective of where they live, who they are and how they are treated (Health Inequalities Triangle) Economically challenged residents do not have to travel to initiatives such as the excellent Ministry of Food and consequently save on significant travel costs. In turn a healthy diet and increased awareness leads to a healthier life, fewer long-term conditions in later life, less reliance on Primary Care and the path to self-sufficiency and increased resilience.

### **Who will provide the free cooking equipment?**

The Home Plus Service can provide the equipment or a equipment lending library in West Leeds

#### **Venue:**

Most effective in schools as teachers can identify those families struggling most with the cost-of-living crisis. It has a strong preventative element as families on the cusp of financial hardship are also engaged.

Flourishing Families go to where the people of the highest need are. They are conscious of residents not being able to afford travel and having the mindset of not leaving the estate. The sessions do not breach more than a ½ mile radius of the where the intended audience live.

#### **Impact:**

**The Flourishing Families are justifiably proud of achieving 100% repeatability meaning that 100% of families engaged in the programme can successfully replicate these simple healthy dishes 100% of the time!**

**Capacity:**

This project can accommodate up to twenty-four families over the year.

**G-C-M FAMILIES PROJECT 2023**

**GROW-COOK-MOVE HEALTHY FAMILIES PROJECT (GCM) PROJECT- (HOLLY BUSH-BRAMLEY BATHS-BARCA-FULL CIRCLE)**

(One of Three Interventions from the Trinity Project) (Updated 07-02-23)

**Introduction**

The Healthy Families Cook & Grow Project is a local place based 6 x 6-week programme during term time, which helps local families from our poorer neighbourhoods reconnect with how their food is grown, experience the health benefits of the natural environment, learn how to cook delicious, nutritious, quick, and easy meals on a budget and enjoy gentle and fun physical activity such as swimming irrespective of ability and knowledge and skills. All to contribute to achieving and maintaining a healthy weight. As a bonus to the course the growing section of the course can be dipped into for 52 weeks of the year.

**Ambition**

**Our Aim is to create an environment for local children, young people, and families (adults) where healthy living and maintaining a healthy weight becomes easier, fun, and achievable.**

**Aims:**

The broad aims of the project are to.

1. Increase the capacity of evidence-based family provision where children, young people and families can learn about where fresh and healthy food comes from, learn about preparing, cooking, and assembling quick, easy, nutritious, and affordable healthy dishes which can be easily replicated at home in an energy efficient or cold assembly way.
2. Provide opportunities for local children, young people, and families to become more physically active whilst reconnecting with nature and the natural environment and enjoying all the physical and emotional health benefits this brings.
3. Maximising the benefits for families, children, young people, and the wider community by strong partnership working within the third sector. This achieves more outcomes for our families, adds more value from funding and capacity to run the project for 52 weeks of the year.

**How it works.** Professionals working with families can refer them into the project. This includes GPs, Social Workers, Mental Health Councillors / Therapists, Youth Workers, and Charity Workers

Local families can be referred by any professional working with them where support with healthy eating/healthy cooking, physical activity, mental and emotional health, and general healthy lifestyles is required. It operates in the following way.

### **During Term Time**

(Mondays 3.30-5.00pm)

1. Operated jointly by Barca and Bramley Baths this session comprises of.
  - a. An hour of fun and accessible physical activity run by Bramley Baths. This may be at different locations. Followed by.
  - b. ½ hour of Barca Recipe Station where ingredient bags and recipe cards are handed out for those who require them. Discussion and feedback will happen on the cooking of the recipes and how the previous weeks recipe went, with a view to helping them adapt more varied, healthier cooking habits. There is also an opportunity for families to ask for advice and support on the cost of living and any other relevant issues for the families.

### **During School Holidays**

(Monday's 10.00am to 2.00pm)

1. These Monday four-hour sessions are highly flexible and run throughout the year allowing families a valuable opportunity to see the growing cycle throughout the year and appreciate and benefit from the rhythm of the seasons. It also allows a 12-month opportunity for professional workers to refer families into. This session is highly adaptable where participants learn about growing, where their food comes from and the natural environment with all the physical and emotional health benefits being reconnected with nature brings. The session may be an hour play, an hour learning about planting/ growing an hour cooking and an hour of making (e.g., bird feeders / art /sculpture etc).

### **Local Partnerships**

This project is a multiple partnership created by BARCA ([Home | Barca-Leeds](#)) a local third sector organisation who operate in the West of Leeds with over 25 years of community experience, Hollybush Conservation Centre a magical nature centre with an amazing array of growing, conserving and creative experiences based around the natural world [Hollybush Conservation Centre | The Conservation Volunteers \(tcv.org.uk\)](#), Bramley Baths ([Bramley Baths | Community run Edwardian bath house - since 1904.](#)) a community run, award winning charity providing a whole host of services around physical activity and emotional

health. Full Circle ([Full Circle \(Funeral Directors in Leeds, West Yorkshire - Our Local Services \(fullcirclefunerals.co.uk\)\)](http://FullCircleFunerals.co.uk) another local caring community based funeral and bereavement service and Leeds City Council Public Health ([Public health \(leeds.gov.uk\)](http://PublicHealth.leeds.gov.uk)), Locality and Primary Care Team. This intervention runs within Leeds 10% most deprived neighbourhoods.

### **How does it help with Health Inequalities?**

- This project will operate within the neighbourhoods experiencing the greatest health inequalities. These inequalities in health are long-lasting, persistent, and driven by social, economic, and environmental inequalities. Over the last forty years review after review from the Black Report (1980) to Marmot (2010, 2020) and Due North (2014), have all described these inequalities and set out clear recommendations for action to tackle them. Health inequalities are not inevitable, they are preventable. (Source; discussion paper: Build Back Fairer: Opportunities for using a Marmot approach in Leeds). One of these recommendations involves ensuring a healthy standard of living for all. Recipe Station contributes to this aim.

The G-C-M project facility allows local people to increase their knowledge and skill base in assembling nutritious, easy, and affordable meals irrespective of income, education, and comprehension. This considers any inequalities they may experience because of **where they live, who they are** and **how they are treated** (Health Inequalities Triangle). Economically challenged residents do not have to travel to initiatives such as the excellent Ministry of Food and consequently save on significant travel costs. In turn a healthy diet and increased awareness of such leads to a healthier life, fewer long-term conditions in later life, less reliance on Primary Care and the path to self-sufficiency and increased resilience. It allows families to move more, become physically active in a fun way and strengthening their emotional health. This project embeds habits for a healthy life and helps families cope with some of the challenges they face.

### **Capacity:**

This project can accommodate up to twenty family members per six-week session.

### **RECIPE STATION-(BARCA)**

(One of Three Interventions from the Trinity Project) (Updated 07-02-23)

### **Introduction**

The Recipe Station is a mobile place-based intervention which allows residents on our poorer estates to access advice and free ingredients on how to prepare delicious and healthy affordable meals. It is an intervention which is dropped into the very heart of the community. It operates on different priority estates at different times and days of the week.

### **How it works.**

There is no requirement to book, residents can just show up. It operates in the following way.

3. Recipe Cards are available for residents on how to create delicious, healthy, simple, and affordable meals for the family. Each recipe is tried and tested and designed to use the least amount of fuel to prepare.
4. A free bag of ingredients to replicate the meals at home.
5. Advice, help, support, referral and signposting to a whole host of services around health, financial inclusion, and fuel poverty.

Recipe station was created by BARCA ([Home | Barca-Leeds](#)) a local third sector organisation who operate in the West of Leeds with over 25 years of community experience. Recipe station and variations of it to fit local criteria has been running successfully for over ten years within Leeds 10% most deprived neighbourhoods.

### **How does it help with Health Inequalities?**

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### **Who will provide the free cooking equipment?**

The Home Plus Service can provide the equipment for local families struggling to buy energy efficient cooking equipment.

### **Capacity:**

The station can accommodate up to twenty walk- in residents a day

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## Inner West Community Committee

### FACEBOOK highlights

1 November 2022 – 2 March 2023

## Appendix 2

### Inner West Community Committee

Since 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 the Inner West Community Committee Facebook page has gained: **17 new followers**, and now has a total of **1,748 followers**.

This means that this is the **2<sup>nd</sup>** 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.

Having said that, all posts can be read without any further interaction!

The most popular post since the 1<sup>st</sup> November is the post promoting the Armley Forum. It has been shared 4 times and has reached a total of 404 people.

The following below are screenshots of the most popular three posts since the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022. Alongside this are the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

## 1st Place – LCC Inner West Community Committee Post

**Inner West Community Committee Post: 483** people had this post delivered to them and it had **0** post clicks, with **1** likes, comments and shares.





Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee

22 November 2022 · 🌐

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Inner West Community Committee Meeting takes place TONIGHT, 6pm at Armley Hub, 2 Stock Hills, Armley, LS12 1UQ.



### Inner West Community Committee

Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall


**Meeting to be held in Main Lobby Armley Hub, 2 stocks Hills, Armley LS12 1UQ**  
Tuesday, 22nd November, 2022 at 6.00 pm

**Councillors:**

L Cunningham	- Armley;
J McKenna	- Armley;
A Smart	- Armley;
C Gruen	- Bramley and Stanningley;
J Heselwood	- Bramley and Stanningley;
K Ritchie	- Bramley and Stanningley;
H Bithell	- Kirkstall;
J Illingworth	- Kirkstall;
F Verner	- Kirkstall;

Please do not attend the meeting in person if you have symptoms of Covid 19 and please follow current public health advice to avoid passing the virus onto other people.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Armley Forum Post

**Armley Forum: 326** people had this post delivered, with **0** post clicks with **0** likes, comments and shares.


**Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee**
...  
 15 November 2022 · 🌐

Tonight, we have the Armley Forum at Armley Hub at 7pm!



Chair: Councillor Jim McKenna

No.	Agenda Item	Lead(s)
1.	Welcome and apologies	Cllr McKenna
2.	Youth Provision	Stephen Harper (Youth Services)  Amanda Sykes (BARCA)
3.	Police Update – Neighbourhood Policing Team	West Yorkshire Police (WYP)
4.	Money Buddies and Loan Sharks campaign	Robert Andrews Norah Gibson Money Buddies
5.	Housing - Housing update	Paul Hodges – Housing Team Leader
6.	AOB: Next Steps and closing remarks	Cllr McKenna
7.	Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	All to note

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Leeds Food Strategy Post

**Leeds Food Strategy: 176** people had this post delivered to them. There were **2** post clicks and **0** likes, comments and shares.

 Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee  
· 7 December 2022 ·

How can we help people in #Leeds eat food that is healthier, affordable, and better for the planet?

That's the goal of a new citywide food strategy developed in partnership with representatives from across the city's food system.

The draft Leeds Food Strategy sets out plans to ensure we have a vibrant food economy where everyone can access local, healthy, and affordable food that is produced in ways that embrace innovation and improve the natural environment.

\*You\* can help us to make sure this approach is right for Leeds by taking part in our online consultation questionnaire by the 18th December. Every response will be considered and each one will help improve our plans.

Find out more and take part at the link below

<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/plans-and.../leeds-food-strategy>

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The graphic for the Leeds Food Strategy 2022 features two children in a garden. A girl on the left is wearing a white tank top and blue shorts, holding a wooden spoon. A boy on the right is wearing a yellow hoodie and has his arms raised in a fist. They are surrounded by various vegetables like tomatoes, cucumbers, and onions. To the right, there is a bird perched on a red apple. The text 'Leeds Food Strategy' is written in large, colorful letters, with '2022' below it. There are also icons of a person holding a globe and a butterfly.



**Report of:** Rosie Revell, Team Leader, Safe and Sustainable Travel

**Report to:** Inner West Community Committee

Armley, Bramley and Stanningley, Kirkstall

**Report author:** Rosie Revell

**Tel:** 0113 3784105

**Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**To Note**

## **Highways- Leeds Safe Roads Vision Zero**

### **Purpose of report**

1. To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an understanding of the recently adopted Vision Zero Strategy and its action plan and to gather input from elected members and residents.

### **Main issues**

2. The presentation is intended to provide the Inner West Committee with an understanding of the current road safety situation in their area. Until 2013 deaths and serious injuries from road crashes had been steadily falling. That decline has now plateaued and the steady rise in numbers since has led to a rethink and refresh to the Local Authority's approach to road safety. We know we must do something differently.
3. The presentation will highlight this need for a new approach to road safety and enter a dialogue as to what the road safety team can do for each area, building on what we have offered in the past. It will invite a discussion as to what the Committee feel they can do to help in achieving Vision Zero in their area.
4. The agenda item will then widen to allow those attending to have an opportunity to provide feedback to how we can work in partnership with them to achieve the aims of the strategy and action plan.

### **Recommendations**

5. Elected members are asked to note the contents of the report, presentation and Vision Zero Strategy/Action plan



**Report of: Chief Officer, Highways and Transportation**

**Report to: Inner West Community Committee**

**Report author: Andrew Hall - Project Lead, 0113 3783600**

**Date: 8 March 2023**

**For decision and to note**

## **TRANSPORT STRATEGY INVESTMENT PLANS LOCAL UPDATE**

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### **Purpose of report**

1. To present a proposal for the development of community committee area focused action plans that draw together key funding proposals for new local area transport investment.
2. An introduction to a new Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities project for local sustainable mobility and the plans for a roll out to community committee areas.

### **Main issues**

3. This report and presentation complements briefings on other aspects of the highways and transportation service by providing an update on funding and changes to the project pipeline for transport strategy focused schemes at the local level.
4. Resources for the delivery of the Connecting Leeds Transport Strategy are received from multiple funding streams for new transport capital investment which complement resources it provides and receives highways for maintenance and traffic management. The main sources of funding for sustainable local area transport are received through the West Yorkshire Combined Authority through the government's City Regions Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) and Active Travel England.
5. The key resources of relevance to local input and the decision making process are as follows:-
  - a. CRSTS programmes 2022/2027:-
    - i. Better Places: Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities. This is a new project for improving sustainability mobility and access to local services.

- ii. Safer Roads: Provides resource for the Vision Zero strategy deliver for road casualty reduction and safer movement and mobility.
    - iii. Other programmes including Asset Management, Network Management and Transformational Projects will complement more locally specific schemes.
  - b. Active Travel Fund – the national resource to support sustainable travel networks through implementation of Local Cycling and Walking Investment Plans (LCWIP).
  - c. Other funding from the Council, developers and national resources such as Levelling Up and Towns Funds will also provide discrete locally specific schemes.
6. As Members know, all the highways capital funding the Council provides or receives is detailed annually in the capital programme. Subsequently, as work progresses Members are consulted on schemes affecting their wards, such as highway maintenance, traffic management and larger strategic schemes. The transport strategy covers this investment at the strategic level, but presently there is no local plan for the funding as it applies specifically to local community areas and wards. This is becoming more relevant for new projects such as the CRSTS funded Better Places programme.
7. In the light of the changing funding and strategy landscape, options for identifying a better approach for sharing programmes and enabling greater engagement in targeting the transport strategy and funding with a focus on local issues and priorities. Accordingly a proposal (described in the presentation) is being considered for the development of individual Local Area Transport Plans for each community committee area, with the purpose of:-
- a. Providing one plan at the local level that sets out local aims and proposals.
  - b. Encouraging more purposeful engagement and dialogue.
  - c. Enabling transparency and alignment to Connecting Leeds strategy and resources.
8. The proposed Local Area Transport Plans will be simple “informal” documents that set out key ambitions for mobility and transport investment for the wards in the community committee area. The documents will reflect the city ambitions and be aligned with the Big Moves priorities in the Connecting Leeds Transport Strategy and be prepared with due regard to the Council’s obligations to the Combined Authority, the Department for Transport and other key partners.
9. The plans will be prepared in consultation with committee members by Highways and Transportation officers in conjunction with the locality teams. In addition, it would be the intention to use the Connecting Leeds web-based Common Place suite for public and stakeholder consultation, as used for previous strategy consultations and on an ongoing basis for new major projects.
10. It is envisaged that once completed the plans will be updated and reviewed periodically as local, city or city region resources and plans change. In order to match staff resources to plan development it is proposed to bring forward to area committees in groups of three



or four thereby allowing reporting to be spread over three quarters to potentially complete the first round by December 2023 with completion of subsequent rounds of sign-offs for Local Area Transport Plans during 2024.

11. In the meantime, while the plans are prepared, established projects and programmes will continue to progress as discussions on the local area transport plans take shape. It is appreciated, however, that some of the CRSTS funded projects are new and without a consultation precedent, one of which is Better Places: *Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities*.
12. Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities aims to strengthen neighbourhood connectivity opportunities for making shorter journeys more sustainably and healthily. The aim is to embed the *twenty-minute neighbourhood* concept in city planning to help people to meet their day-to-day needs within 20 minutes journey from home by access to better places for walking, wheeling and cycling; and linking into public transport.
13. The early development and scoping of the project has commenced to identify potential sites and priorities using the settlements listing in the Local Development Framework, with an initial focus on the larger towns and centres. Funding will run to March 2027 and, to expedite progress and learning, it is proposed to select two or three “pilot” locations which build on existing transport investments with a good fit to the project. It is also intended that these early schemes will be exemplars to build a strong case for Combined Authority funding to continue rolling out twenty-minute neighbourhood transport schemes citywide.
14. As regards Community Committees, therefore, the timetable for reporting will be aligned to the areas likely to have the best fit for hosting a successful “pilot” scheme. This approach will prepare for the evolution of the project to more locations as local area plans are developed and area committees are fully briefed.
15. In terms of the Inner West area, existing investments on the A647 and A65 corridors provide good examples of complementary transport match funding. Armley has potential as a candidate locations site for short listing having benefitted from the thinking behind recent funding bids. Bramley and Kirkstall may be less suited as pilot schemes but both remain locations of interest as the project rolls forward.

## **Recommendations**

16. Members are requested to:
  - a. Note and comment on the content of this report and the presentation.
  - b. Endorse the proposals for the development of Area Local Transport Plans.
  - c. Note and comment on potential priorities for local schemes in the *Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities* project.

## **Background information**

- Briefing note, Better Places: Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities
- Prospective sites for “pilot” schemes, Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities

## LEEDS CREATING HEALTHIER STREETS, SPACES AND COMMUNITIES PROJECT

1. The Council has secured funding from the Combined Authority's City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement for a new Creating Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities project.
2. The project provides for new investment in neighbourhood connectivity to support opportunities for making shorter journeys more sustainably and healthily. It aims to embed the *twenty-minute neighbourhood* concept in city planning helping people to meet their day-to-day needs within 20 minutes journey from home by access to better places for walking, wheeling and cycling.
3. A capital fund of circa £6.2 million is available. This is expected to fund several demonstration schemes across the city and, depending upon demand, smaller schemes spread more widely across neighbourhoods. Content will be shaped by the kind of proposals that come forward. It is anticipated that the project will leverage match funding and be a catalyst for more schemes as future funding emerges. The project will progress in phases running to the end of 2026.
4. The project will be innovative, taking new approaches to combining physical elements into demonstration schemes with measurable benefits that engender positive changes towards more active and healthy local travel behaviours with low carbon impacts for local journeys.
5. Proposals will be assessed and prioritised by the transport benefits they provide communities and the "Big Move" priorities established in the Council's Connecting Leeds Transport Strategy, planning and regeneration policies and the Combined Authority's policies and will need to:-
  - Demonstrate a strong contribution to low carbon connectivity at the local level.
  - Link well with other transport, community development, renewal and wellbeing projects.
  - Have technical and financial value and be capable of delivery within project timescales.
  - Be capable of monitoring and evaluation that demonstrates successful outcomes and benefits.
6. Scheme packages need to provide a wide range of benefits, from large exemplar schemes giving wide travel benefits to the community such as connectivity to town and centre amenities or small schemes connecting to a public transport hub, school or college. Measures might include:-
  - New pedestrian crossings and allied improvements
  - Footway improvements and connections
  - "Modal filters" to manage through traffic
  - Cycle connections and allied improvements to junctions
  - Optimisation of traffic signals for walking, cycling and buses
  - Improve legibility for example routes to bus stops and new cycle parking
  - Small scale access and connectivity measures that don't fit in other programmes
  - Complementary environmental improvements
7. The project will be shaped by engagement with ward members; previous consultations and feedback; and existing knowledge of community aspirations to help understand the possibilities. This will lead to further community participation in shaping and developing the final schemes. Once priorities are agreed the project will be returned to the Combined Authority for approval and full funding to allow a rolling programme of design, construction and learning to proceed.
8. The first step of engagement will be to invite ward members to suggest potential locations for "pilot" schemes preceding the identification of further priority locations in scope for the funding.

**STRATEGY CHECKLIST FOR SCHEME PROPOSALS**

This list acts as a guide to the range of project attributes that could contribute to a neighbourhood connectivity scheme. It is not a pass or fail exercise, but one designed to tease out and estimate the opportunities, limitations and risks associated with proposals with the aim of understanding how well they might work to create a 20 minute neighbourhood.\*

<b>Success criteria**</b>	<b>Description (examples)</b>
<i>Connectivity Attributes – At least 3</i>	
Retail and services	Access to shops, banks, offices, cafes and other services.
Education	Schools, colleges and other centres of learning.
Public amenities	Libraries, One-stop centres, job centres etc.
Recreation, sport and leisure	Green and spaces, sports centres and clubs, cinemas etc
Community amenities	Community halls, places of worship, food banks etc
Transport / mobility hubs	Links bus and rail stations, cycle hire, car club, taxi ranks
Transport networks	Accesses bus stops, connections to rail, cycle routes etc
Links to other transport schemes	Takes advantage of existing and new transport schemes
New site developments	Adds to sustainable connectivity of the site.
<i>Policy attributes – At least 3</i>	
Equalities and inclusion***	Provides for improved mobility and tackles exclusion.
Carbon reduction	Shows potential for reduction in transport emissions.
Health and wellbeing	Encourages healthy lifestyle and links to health facilities.
Regeneration and planning	Support policies and sustainable neighbourhood renewal.
Streetscape	Simplifies streets better suited to place and active travel.
<i>Delivery attributes - All</i>	
Community support	Evidence of support and capacity to champion change.
Constructability risk	Potential for unforeseen / unmanageable risks.
Legal and regulatory risk	Potential for issues with statutory processes etc.
Strength of business case	Creates good transport outcomes, meets project criteria.
Value for money and cost risk	Measures financial value / chance of cost escalations etc

Notes:

\*The “20 minute neighbourhood” describes a liveable place where people want to spend more time locally, working at home if possible, using public green space, cycling and walking instead of using cars and connecting with neighbours. It is a place where people can meet their everyday needs within a short walk, cycle or bus ride with multiple community benefits including tackling climate change, improved health and wellbeing, increased social connections and a stronger local economy.

\*\* The success criteria are for larger schemes, reduced requirements would be applied to smaller schemes.

\*\*\* Essential attribute

# Hierarchy of Centres – Designated Towns, Local Centres and Smaller Settlements (Leeds LDF)

Map 4 Hierarchy of Centres



**Key**

- City Centre
- Town Centres

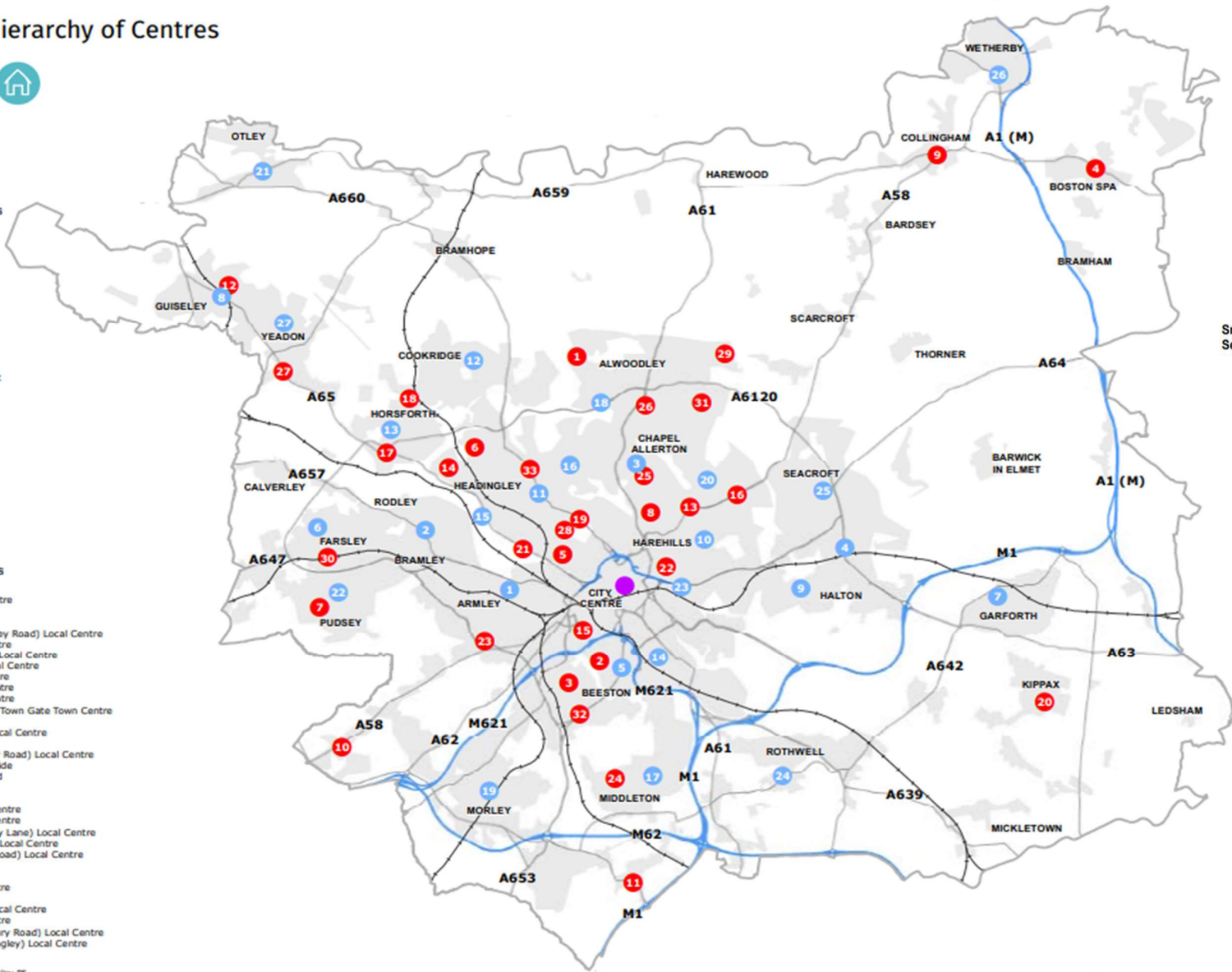
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- 2 Bramley
- 3 Chapel Allerton
- 4 Cross Gates
- 5 Dewsbury Road
- 6 Farsley
- 7 Garforth
- 8 Guiseley, Otley Road
- 9 Halton
- 10 Harehills Lane
- 11 Headingley
- 12 Holt Park
- 13 Horsforth, Town Street
- 14 Hunslet
- 15 Kirkstall
- 16 Meanwood
- 17 Middleton Ring Road
- 18 Moor Allerton
- 19 Morley
- 20 Oakwood
- 21 Otley
- 22 Pudsey
- 23 Richmond Hill\*
- 24 Rothwell
- 25 Seacroft
- 26 Wetherby
- 27 Yeaton

**Local Centres**

- 1 Alwoodley King Lane
- 2 Beeston Hill Local Centre
- 3 Beeston Local Centre
- 4 Boston Spa
- 5 Burley Lodge (Woodsley Road) Local Centre
- 6 Butcher Hill Local Centre
- 7 Chapeltown (Pudsey) Local Centre
- 8 Chapeltown Road Local Centre
- 9 Collingham Local Centre
- 10 Drighlington Local Centre
- 11 East Ardsley Local Centre
- 12 Guiseley Oxford Road/Town Gate Town Centre
- 13 Harehills Corner
- 14 Hawksworth Estate Local Centre
- 15 Holbeck Local Centre
- 16 Hollins Park (Easterley Road) Local Centre
- 17 Horsforth New Road Side
- 18 Horsforth Station Road
- 19 Hyde Park Corner
- 20 Kippax
- 21 Kirkstall Road Local Centre
- 22 Lincoln Green Local Centre
- 23 Lower Wortley (Granny Lane) Local Centre
- 24 Middleton Park Circus Local Centre
- 25 Montreal (Harrogate Road) Local Centre
- 26 MoorTown Corner
- 27 Rawdon, Leeds Road
- 28 Royal Parks Local Centre
- 29 Slaid Hill Local Centre
- 30 Stanningley Botton Local Centre
- 31 Street Lane Local Centre
- 32 Tommy Wass (Dewsbury Road) Local Centre
- 33 Westwood (Far Headingley) Local Centre

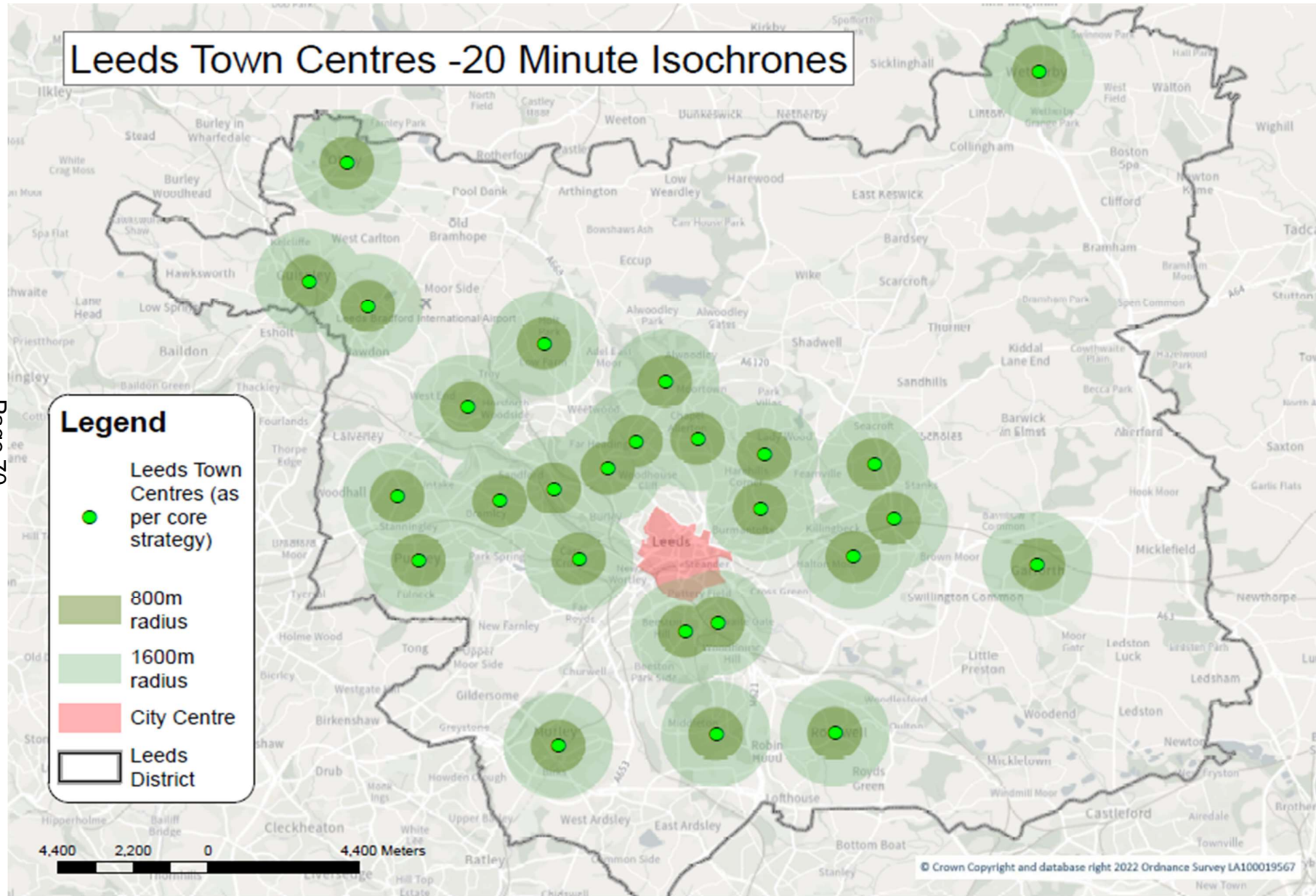
**Smaller Settlements**

- Allerton Bywater
- Bardsey
- Barwick-in-Elmet
- Boston Spa
- Bramham
- Bramhope
- Calverley
- Collingham
- Drighlington
- East Ardsley
- Gildersome
- Kippax
- Lofthouse/Robin Hood
- Micklefield
- Mickleton Methley
- Pool-in-Wharfedale
- Scholes
- Swillington
- Tingley/West Ardsley



\*Indicative location refer to Policy P5

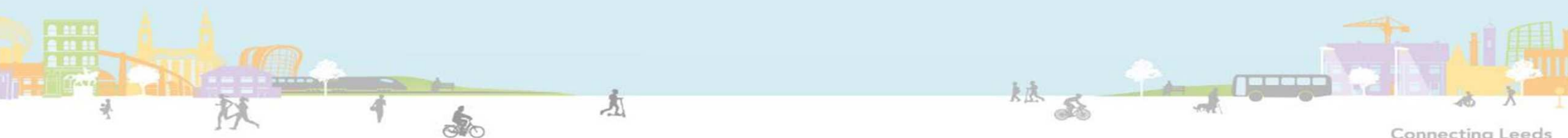
# Hierarchy of Centres showing 20 minute travel time (walk, cycle etc) distances for Designated Town Centres



# Inner West Community Committee Briefing

## Local area transport investment planning

- Background
- Proposal for Local Area Transport Plans
- New funding – Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities project
- Over the next nine months we will be visiting all Community Committees



# Local Area Transport Plans

## Connecting Leeds Transport Strategy

Big Move: Creating healthier streets, spaces and communities

## Concerns & aspirations

safer Streets for all  
improved air quality  
reduced noise  
convenient walking routes  
easy routes to school  
reviving local centres  
easy access to public transport  
managed parking

## Governance

- Executive Board
- Community Committees
- H&T programme board
- Funding programmes

## Local Area Transport Plan

**One Plan** - Builds on annual programme approach, Connecting Leeds Brand Success & LCWIP

- Co-produced
- Local buy in
- Managed expectations
- Co-ordinated approach
- Efficient delivery

## Funding

- CRSTS
  - Vision Zero / Road Safety
  - Ped Crossings
  - Accessibility
  - Better Places
  - Transformational projects
- ATF
  - Capability fund
  - Tranche 4,5 etc
- S106 / developer contributions
- Local funds
- Residual WYTF projects
- LUF



# Funded

# Future Funding Opportunities

## Local Area Transport Plan

One Consultation Process  
Multiple Strategy Outputs  
Pipeline for future investment

*(Highway maintenance and operations not included)*

### CRSTS Better Places Fund

- 2 to 3 large schemes
- Additional smaller schemes

### Vision Zero

- Safer Roads programme
- Pedestrian Crossings
- Speed reduction
- Active modes

### ATE Capacity Fund

- LCWIP development

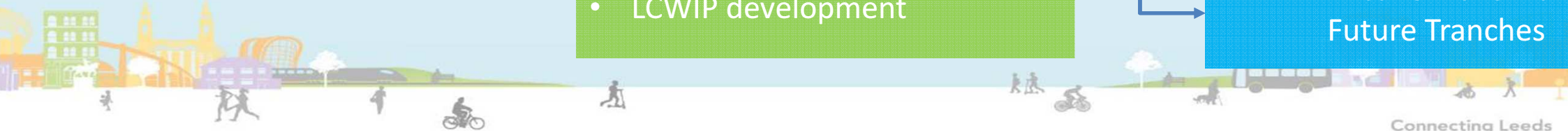
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### Other Competitive Government Grants

### S106 / S278 for development

### Local Area Funding

### ATE Active Travel Fund Future Tranches



# Community Committee

# Public

# H&T Service

Principles Agreed

Issues, Opportunities & suggestions from commonplace and local workshops

Draft Plan & scheme development

Consultation on Draft Plan

Plan & Schemes revise following feedback

Draft Plan presented alongside public feedback

Plan Endorsed at Community Committee

Publish Plan

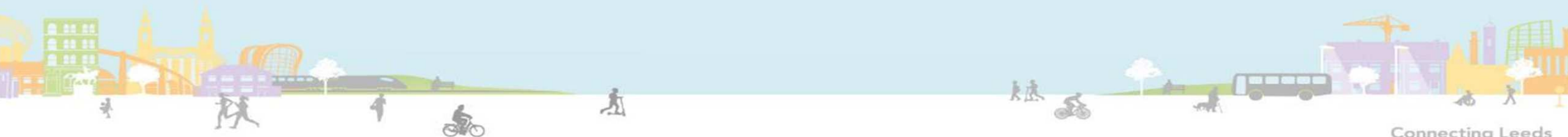
Funding & delivery pack

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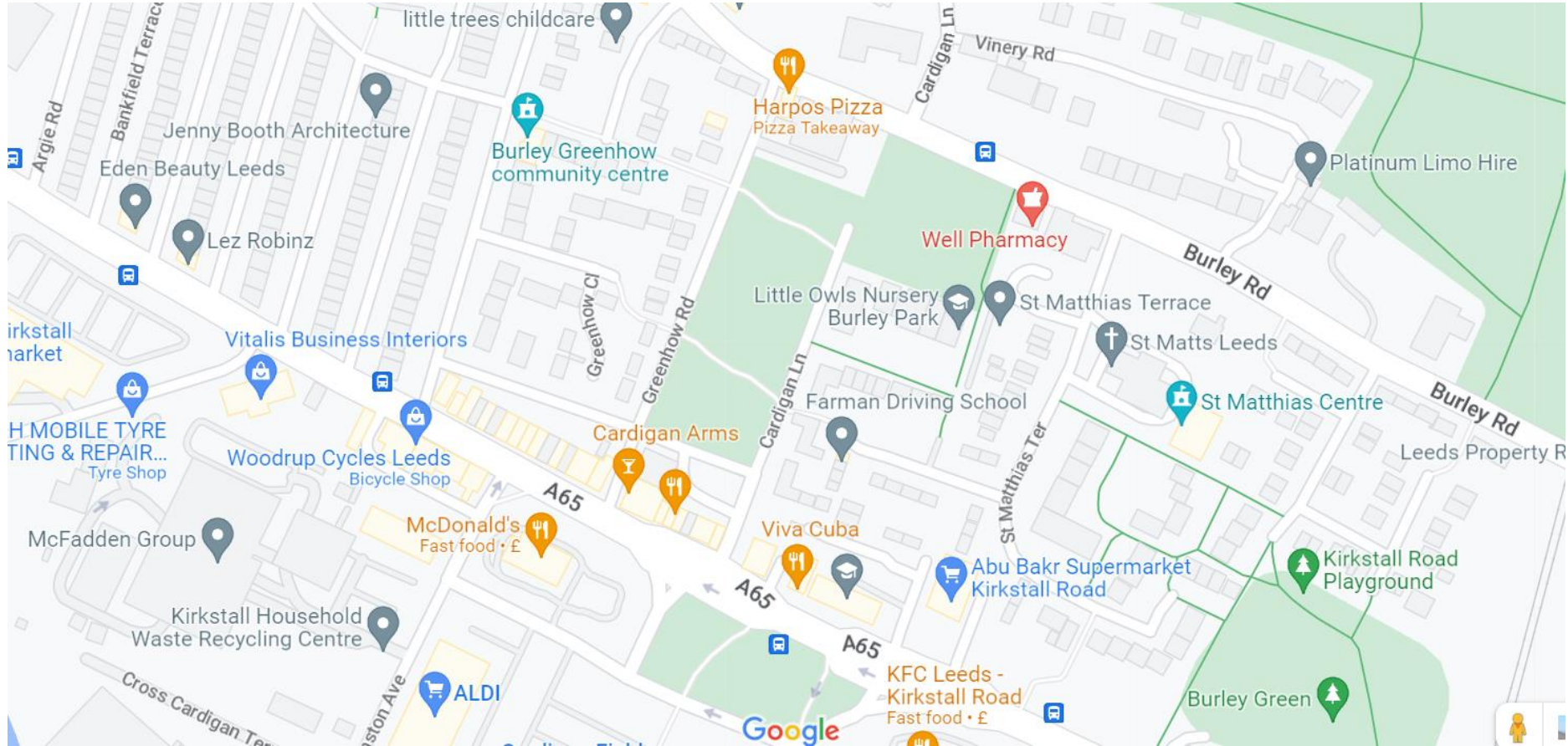
# Leeds Healthier Streets, Spaces and Communities Project

- £6.2 million funding from WYCA, City Regions Sustainable Transport Settlement 2022/2027
- Based on twenty-minute neighbourhood concept for improved walking, wheeling and cycling accessibility to local centres
- Aim is to begin with pilot projects linked with existing funded transport schemes to maximise synergies for a bigger impact
- The pilots will demonstrate success to build the case for further funding to reach out to other areas
- In Inner West possible opportunity areas are:-
  - Armley centre where scope exists for a pilot twenty – minute neighbourhood scheme to link with concepts and plans to regenerate Town Street.
  - Kirkstall centre where past highway investment could present future opportunities for a scheme to provide sustainable connectivity into the local communities.
  - Bramley also shares the characteristics of a centre where a twenty-minute neighbourhood could offer new opportunities for local connectivity.



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Burley Greenhow Community Centre, Haddon Road, LS4 2JB



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