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# **Inner West Community Committee**

Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall

Meeting to be held in Eric Atkinson Centre Wellington Gardens, Bramley LS13 2JA Tuesday, 19th November, 2024 at 6.00 pm

#### Councillors:

L Cunningham - Armley; A Parnham - Armley; A Smart - Armley;

T HinchcliffeA RaeBramley and Stanningley;K RitchieBramley and Stanningley;Bramley and Stanningley;

H Bithell - Kirkstall; A Rontree - Kirkstall; F Venner - Kirkstall;



**Co-optees** 

Jonathan Butler Bramley & Stanningley Ward

Lorraine Cooper Armley Ward
Stephen Garvani Kirkstall Ward
Steve Harris Kirkstall Ward
Tamsin MacDonald Kirkstall Ward

Stephen McBarron Bramley & Stanningley Ward

Catherine Hyde Armley
Mark Rollinson Armley Ward

Joanna Herbert Bramley & Stanningley 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

### AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).	
			(*In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Chief Democratic Services Officer at least 24 hours before the meeting.)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Section 100l 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.	
			2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			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:-	

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3		LATE ITEMS			
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.		
			(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)		
4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS		
			To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.		
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
			To receive any apologies for absence.		
6			OPEN FORUM / COMMUNITY FORUMS		
			In accordance with Paragraphs 4.16 and 4.17 of the Community Committee Procedure Rules, at the discretion of the Chair a period of up to 10 minutes may be allocated at each ordinary meeting for members of the public to make representations or to ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. This period of time may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. No member of the public shall speak for more than three minutes in the Open Forum, except by permission of the Chair.		
7			MINUTES - 3RD SEPTEMBER 2024	7 - 14	
			To receive the minutes of the Inner West Community Committee meeting held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024, for approval as a correct record.		
8			MATTERS ARISING		
9	Armley;		HEALTHWATCH LEEDS	15 -	
	Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the current Healthwatch Leeds Projects.	38	

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10	Armley; Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		LOCAL CARE PARTNERSHIPS  To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the Local Care Partnerships (LCPs).	
11	Armley; Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE FINANCE REPORT  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 2024/25.	41 - 50
12	Armley; Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		INNER WEST COMMUNITY UPDATE REPORT  The report of the Head of Locality Partnershipsbrings 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.	51 - 72
13			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING  To note the next meeting will be on Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 6pm. Venue to be confirmed.	

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			THIRD PARTY RECORDING PROTOCOL	
			Third Party Recording	
			Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts named on the front of this agenda.	
			Use of Recordings by Third Parties – code of practice	
			a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title.	
			b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete.	

#### INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

### **TUESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2024**

**PRESENT:** Councillor H Bithell in the Chair

Councillors L Cunningham, T Hinchcliffe, A Parnham, K Ritchie, A Rontree and

F Venner

#### **CO-OPTEES PRESENT**

Jonathan Butler, Catherine Hyde, Stephen McBarron, Mark Rollinson.

#### 15 Election of Chair

**RESOLVED** – To elect Cllr Bithell to the Chair for this meeting and future meetings of the Inner West Community Committee until the return of Cllr Smart.

### 16 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

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

There were no exempt items.

#### 18 Late Items

There were no late items.

#### 19 Declaration of Interests

No declarations of interests were made at the meeting.

### 20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received on behalf of Cllr Rae, Tamsin MacDonald (Co-opted Member -Kirkstall), Joanna Herbert (Co-opted Member – Bramley & Stanningley), Lorraine Cooper (Co-opted Member – Armley)

### 21 Open Forum / Community Forums

In accordance with the Community Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions within the remit of Community Committee.

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting to be held on Tuesday, 19th November, 2024

The following submissions were made:

 A resident of Kirkstall asked why the Kirkstall Ward was still represented at the Inner West Community Committee and had not moved to the Inner North West Community Committee, in line with Parliamentary boundaries.

The Chair, a Kirkstall Ward Member responded explaining that the Community Committees had never been linked to the Parliamentary boundaries and there would never be a perfect link to those boundaries or provide any particular benefits.

 A resident of Armley who had requested a handrail at steps leading down to Canal Road again asked the question why this had not been done.

Locality Officers had investigated this issue with Highways, however, there was debate about the location of the steps. The resident clarified the location, and it was noted that Cllr Cunningham had also responded to an email from the Locality Officer clarifying the location. More work would be undertaken by the Localities Team to try and address this issue. It was agreed that the Chair be copied into any emails in relation to this issue.

### 22 Minutes - 2nd July 2024

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, be approved as a correct record.

### 23 Matters Arising

Members were informed of the following in relation to:

 Minute 6 – Open Forum – Locality Officers had not been able to specify the exact location of the steps requiring a handrail to officers in Highways.

Clarification was provided on the location of the steps onto Canal Road during the Open Forum item at this meeting by the resident who had requested it and by Cllr Cunningham in an email to the Locality Officer.

- Minute 9 Community Committee Appointments
   In relation to the appointment to Clusters, the ACES Cluster is now called the Inner West Cluster On seeking representation to the Inner West Cluster from the Armley Ward Members, Cllr Cunningham offered to take up the appointment on the Inner West Cluster.
- Minute 10 Appointment of Co-optees to the Community Committee. Since the last meeting Rhea Bentley who was appointed as a co-opted member for the Armley Ward has resigned from the Community Committee. Members were advised that an email had been sent, thanking her for her support of the Community Committee.

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#### 24 Leeds Streets for All

The report of the Chief Officer, Highways and Transportation was to brief ward members on the Leeds Streets for All consultation findings.

Officers presenting the report provided the following information:

- The consultation had last six weeks and had asked what the community in Inner West wanted to see. The Data had been input to the system and the report issued for the Community Committee's feedback.
- Feedback on the approach, the process, and the details in the report provided by Inner West Community Committee was important if this structure was to be rolled out across all ten Community Committees.
- Traditionally it had been larger schemes which had been consulted on, however, it was noted that smaller local schemes were just as important if not more so to communities.
- It is proposed that the Leeds Streets for All will evolve over the years, and it was important for communities to become involved to ensure that the right investment in the community was ready to go, for when funding becomes available.

#### Discussions included:

- The proposed changes to Armley Town Street. The impact on the businesses, the consultation process for this scheme, and the impact on the surrounding area. The Localities Team were requested to check for updates and next stages of the changes for Armley Town Street and feedback. It was noted that an Armley Town Street Partnership has been set up. Ward Members requested an invite to future meetings.
- It was noted that the Chair of Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) is looking at the consultation process as it is not effective enough on demographics. And understanding the impact these have on conclusions drawn from the results.
- It was noted that during the consultation period the website had not been working properly and this could be an issue and may put people off providing their views.
- The Street Charter Meetings which include the involvement of disabled groups should be updated with information, as this could assist with the process.
- Members raised concerns in relation to the issues of parking especially in relation to untaxed vehicles and the delay in getting information from DVLA. It was noted that local authorities have powers to remove illegally parked vehicles. However, there was a need to have a reactive service to tackle the issue of illegally parked cars. It was suggested that the Locality Officer email the Principal Scrutiny Adviser for Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure, Investment and Inclusive Growth) to look at this for a potential item on the Boards work programme. Also checks to made to see if the CCTV van is back in service.

- Lighting on access routes to Kirkstall Forge Station are not good for those travelling on foot from the Bramley area. Members were advised that this issue was being looked at. It was recognised that work had been done in the city centre to address lighting and make the city centre safe. However, there is a need for discussions to take place with the Executive Member for Communities, Customer Service and Community Safety to address the outer ring of the city centre to ensure there is adequate lighting and that routes are safe for pedestrians.
- The Committee acknowledged that the cycle routes for the Leeds Bradford Road Connectivity Plans had been drawn up and were working except for Bramley and Stanningley. However, the design is there but requires funding. The Chair suggested that she would email the Cllr Pryor, Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Sustainability on behalf of the Community Committee to try and forward on the scheme.
- Ward Members requested regular updates on work being undertaken and proposals for schemes, so they could update their communities.
- The Committee recognised that the cycle routes had made it easy for cyclists and address some of the safety issues. However, it was the view that there were still improvements that were required, especially at junctions.
- It was noted that currently there was an issue with vandalism to the Beryl Bikes across the city and a communication in relation to the scheme was to be sent out by the Council.
- It was suggested by the Committee that the use of heat maps would be more useful to Councillors on the list of schemes where there are multiple locations.

The Chair thanked the officers for attending saying that this was a good piece of work for future planning and bids for funding. A request was made for Councillors to have sight of priorities for their wards and the criteria for funding bids.

**RESOLVED** – To note the content of the report.

### 25 Inner West Community Committee Finance 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 2024/25.

The Locality Officer presented the report and highlighted the following points:

- There is currently a remaining balance of £29,045.57 A full breakdown of the projects was listed in Table.
- Members were asked to consider the following projects:
  - Leeds 12 Youth Boxing Project from The Ministry of Boxing.
     Amount requested from YAF: £1,650.00.

- Inner West Christmas Lights from LCC Communities Team / Leeds Lights. Amount requested from Wellbeing: £6,238.00 (Kirkstall - £3,000.00, Bramley and Stanningley £3,238.00)
- West Yorkshire Fire Youth Intervention's Programmes from West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. Amount requested from the Armley Wellbeing: £1,647.04.
- Armley Christmas Lights from LCC Communities Team / Leeds Lights. Amount requested from CIL: £2,339.50
- It was noted that since the last meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, no projects had been considered or approved by delegated decision notice.
- Since the last meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July only one project had been declined for Community Remembrance & Reflection Garden – Yorkshire Air Ambulance - £716.00 (238.66 per ward)
- Monitoring information would be provided at the next meeting.
- To note that so far, a total of £31,761.00 had been allocated to projects, as listed in Table 2, and that there is a remaining balance of £12,650.03 in the Youth Activity Fund (YAF).
- Table 3 provided information in relation to spend from the Small Grants.
- Table 4 provided information in relation to the community skips provided by the Committee.
- The Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of £1,957.27 available to spend, this was summarised in Table 5.
   Members were advised that once the capital injection has been allocated, they would be informed.
- The Community Committee is asked to note that there is £13,461.49 currently available to spend in the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) budget. Spend to date was summarised in Table 6.

During consideration of applications for Leeds 12 Youth Boxing Project and West Yorkshire Fire Youth Intervention's Programmes:

- Cllr Cunningham declared an interest in the Ministry of Boxing as she trains there.
- Cllr Parnham declared an interest as a member on the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority this year.

#### Members discussions included:

- The Leeds 12 Youth Boxing Project amount would be reduced from £1,650.00 to £1,140.00. Ward Councillors requested feedback on numbers attending.
- The Committee Members discussed the use of CIL for Christmas Lights. It was acknowledged that Armley had requested this for extra lights to be added to the top of Armley Town Street after discussions with the independent traders located at the top of Town Street. It was noted that the Armley Councillors had used Ward Based Initiative money to fund the Christmas lights at the bottom of Town street, however, the CIL money was for extra lights. They had chosen rope lights which were cheaper than the motif lights. Some Members were

against the use of CIL for this purpose. This prompted a lengthy discussion.

The Chair made a proposal that each ward use CIL money to the value of £2,339.50 towards lights in their wards, for this year only.

On the proposal being put to the vote it was unanimous, and this is noted in the resolution at point (b). The figures for the Christmas Lights approved for Kirkstall and Bramley and Stanningley earlier in the meeting would be adjusted to reflect the above decision.

- Cllr Ritche requested a copy of the '123 List' in relation to CIL.
- It was noted that the numbers attending the DAZL project had dropped, and it was requested that the Locality Officer chase up on leaflets, so this project could be promoted.

### **RESOLVED** – That:

- a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1) be noted.
- b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 21) considered as follows:

Project	Organisation	Amount	Ward	Decision
Leeds 12 Youth Boxing Project	The Ministry of Boxing	YAF: £1,650.00	Armley	Approved reduced amount of £1,140.00
Inner West Christmas Lights	LCC Communities Team / Leeds Lights.	Wellbeing: £1,559.00	Kirkstall - £660.50, Bramley and Stanningley £898.50	Approved
West Yorkshire Fire Youth Intervention's Programmes	West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service	Wellbeing: £1,647.04	Armley	Approved
Christmas Lights	LCC Communities Team / Leeds Lights	CIL: £7,018.50	Armley, Bramley& Stanningley and Kirkstall	Approved

- c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 23) be noted.
- d. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 27) be noted.
- e. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2) be noted.
- f. Details of the Small Grants & Skips Budget (Tables 3 & 4) be noted.
- g. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5) be noted.
- h. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6) be noted.

#### 26 Inner West Community Committee Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided an update of the work which the Communities Team were engaged in, based on the priorities identified by the Community Committee. Member also provided updates on the sub groups.

#### Children and Families Sub Group

The key theme was to be vaping. Cllr Bithell had spoken with Public Health and work would be undertaken to work with schools to address the issue of vaping and illegal vaping.

The Committee were informed that the Youth Summit will be taking place on 15<sup>th</sup> November, and Members were asked to contact their local schools for attendance at the event.

#### **Environment Sub Group**

Cllr Rontree informed the Committee that this year the sub group will be looking at green spaces and he was proposing 4 areas of work not just the parks, but also the riversides, and looking at events to generate revenue and forestry, looking at how the service is coping with limited resources and after storm damage.

Members were advised of a new email address for the Environment Team which had recently gone live - cleanerneighbourhoods@leeds.gov.uk

The Committee were informed of the following:

- The work on the MUGA at Stanningley was due to start this month.
- Cleaner Neighbourhoods had changed their Team Leader, Locality Officer to find out the name.
- The work on the Cragside Rec had now completed and the community loved it.
- Work on the play area at Jailey Fields was due to start in September.
- Section 106 money for Rodley Park had now been released.

#### Employment, Skills and Welfare Sub Group

- A request was made for contact with officers who provide the employment figures, as the Champions wished to receive more information.
- Week Commencing 9<sup>th</sup> September there was to be a SEND event which Cllr Ritchie will be attending.

#### Community Safety Sub Group

- The next meeting of the sub group will be on 9<sup>th</sup> October. First Bus to attend the meeting.
- The Capable Guardian is to be reinstated at Bramley Shopping Centre.
- The 72 buses will soon be running a 24 hour service.

Co-opted Members requested invites to the sub groups.

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It was acknowledged that the Community Committee used to have 2 themed reports as well as the substantive reports. It was noted that this would be the approach going forward.

It was noted that the LCP meetings had restarted. The Armley meeting had looked at causes of falls in the elderly, as this was higher than average in the Armley area. The meeting had been attended by LCC officers, NHS and Armley Helping Hands. The Bramley LCP was due to have it's meeting in September, the agenda will be looking at older people, and would include transport and ADHD support groups.

Paragraph 50 of the report highlighted the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, and it was noted that the Communities Team were investigating other funding streams.

The review of Community Committees was continuing and feedback for the review was requested from the co-opted members of the Committee. Contact details are: <a href="mailto:Laura.DowningGreen@leeds.gov.uk">Laura.DowningGreen@leeds.gov.uk</a>

**RESOLVED** – To note the contents of the report.

### 27 Date and time of next meeting

**RESOLVED** – To note the next meeting will be on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024, at 6pm. Venue to be confirmed.

The meeting concluded at 7:50pm

# Agenda Item 9





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

Report author: Patrick Mulcahy

Date: Tuesday 19th November 2024 To note

### **Healthwatch Leeds**

#### **Purpose of report**

1. To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the current Healthwatch Leeds Projects.

#### Main issues

- 2. The purpose of the presentation is to provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the current Healthwatch Leeds projects.
- 3. The committee is asked for assistance in providing feedback on the presentation, as well as assistance in terms of how best to promote the current Healthwatch Leeds projects to local communities in the Inner West area.
- 4. There will be an opportunity for Elected Members to provide suggestions for their locality and to ask questions.

#### Recommendations

5. The Inner West Community Committee is asked to note the presentation and offer any questions, as well as assistance in terms of how best to promote the current Healthwatch Leeds projects to local communities in the Inner West area.





The voice of people and communities in Leeds

healthwatch Leeds

Gemma O'Connell – Communications manager November 2024

# Who are we and what do we do?

We are the voice of people and communities that use health and care services in Leeds, particularly those who are facing the greatest health inequalities.

- We actively gather the views of people and communities in Leeds.
- We believe that community voices are not seldom heard but seldom asked so we make sure we reach out to those communities.
- We inform services of what is important to the people in Leeds and ensure that people and community voices are taken into account when services are planned or changed.
  - We work with organisations to create reports and suggest recommendations for improvements.
- We provide an advice, information and signposting service to help those who are struggling to navigate the health and care system and record enquiries on our database. We then feedback themes that we are hearing to relevant organisations.

# Latest projects







https://healthwatchleeds.co.uk/reports-recommendations/2024/community-mental-health-transformation-phase-2/

**What:** Giving adults in the four target LCP areas the opportunity to share their views about mental health, mental health services, their local area and a few key aspects of the CMHT service model. Feeding into a service designed for and with local people.

**When:** 1 – 30 November 2023

Where: Armley; Beeston and Middleton (Inner South); Bramley, Wortley and Middleton; Woodsley & Holt Park

### Who:

Our main target population: people who have (or have had) a mental health condition, carers of people with a mental health condition, and people who fall into both categories, in the four target LCP areas

Our main audience: Everyone involved in shaping the CMHT programme

### Other areas of focus

### Case studies:

With groups including men's groups, women whose children aren't in their care, older South Asian women, etc.

# age 2

# **Appendices**

Focus on four communities:

- Men
- LGBTQ+
- In-work population
- People of faith

# Community Mental Health Transformation What we heard in Armley

### Quality of current mental health support

When support was felt to be less effective, this was often because it was infrequent, time-limited and/or it took a long time to access

# Reasons for not getting support

Respondents felt services either weren't there, or weren't there for them and their needs

## The impact of the area on residents' mental health

Fear of crime, anti-social behaviour (drug dealing/use), unsuitable/cramped housing, neighbour issues

# What we heard in Armley

## Comfortable places

Preferences included traditional NHS-oriented venues and more community-based venues

Where community venues are used, offer reassurance about privacy

# Page 24 Phone lines

Only a minority would be consistently comfortable with a phone line

Concerns about accessibility of phone lines to people struggling with their mental health: feeling that it's easier to open up to someone when you can read their expression

Accessibility issues covered by AIS

Concerns based on previous use of phone lines

What we heard in Bramley, Wortley and Middleton

## Quality of current mental health support

Mostly a positive or mixed experience (suggestion for improvement: communication about what to expect)

# Reasons for not getting support

Respondents felt services either weren't there, or weren't there for them and their needs

## The impact of the area on residents' mental health

Anti-social behaviour and neighbour issues

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# Community Mental Health Transformation Key findings

The impact of the area on residents mental health

- Fear of crime
- Antisocial behaviour
- Drugs and alcohol use
- Unsuitable/cramped housing
  - Neighbour issues
  - Green spaces
  - Quiet spaces
  - Community spaces

# Community Mental Health Transformation What's next

The new model of community mental healthcare has been piloted in three areas of Leeds since March 2024. The original plan was to extend this further in two distinct waves.

But this has now changed and from February 2025, parts of the new model will be rolled out citywide.

As a result, people in Leeds living with mental and emotional health difficulties will experience more joined-up community mental health services and support, with easier access to the support they need.

Areas already providing care under the new model include:

- West Leeds (served by West Leeds Primary Care Network\* (PCN))
- HATCH (served by Burmantofts, Harehills and Richmond Hill PCN and Chapeltown PCN)
- Leeds Student Medical Practice (LSMP) and The Light PCN



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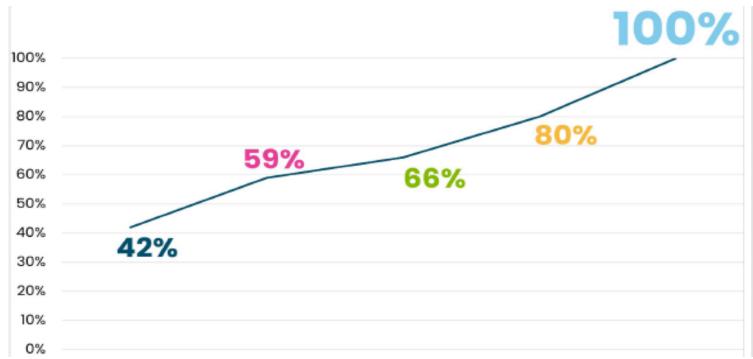
# **Key findings**

- 1. Who orders online? Almost half (49%) of the people ordered their repeat prescriptions online. But fewer people from ethnic minority backgrounds (22%), older age groups, and low-income areas were using digital options.
- What went well? People liked using digital options when they worked, praising online ordering and pharmacy services.
   What didn't work? Many found online systems confusing or didn't have
  - **3. What didn't work?** Many found online systems confusing or didn't have the skills needed. There was also inconsistent communication from GP surgeries and pharmacies, making it unclear how to order.
  - **4. Help needed:** Confidence in ordering prescriptions online was significantly lower among older people, minority ethnic groups, people living in low-income areas, and individuals with disabilities or long-term health conditions, as shown by the graph below. Some people had to rely on others to order their medication, affecting their independence

# **Key recommendations**

- Keeping non-digital options available: GP surgeries need to offer ways to order without using a computer or app (like over the phone or in person).
- 2. Spread the word: Surgeries and pharmacies should make people aware of electronic repeat dispensing and provide support to people to order online.
- **3. Be consistent:** Make sure information about how to order prescriptions is clear and the same everywhere.
- **4. Better tracking:** Explore new ways to keep people informed (like text updates) on when their prescriptions are ready.

Digital confidence by multiple characteristics: People reporting they were 'not very confident' or 'not confident at all' to order a prescription online.



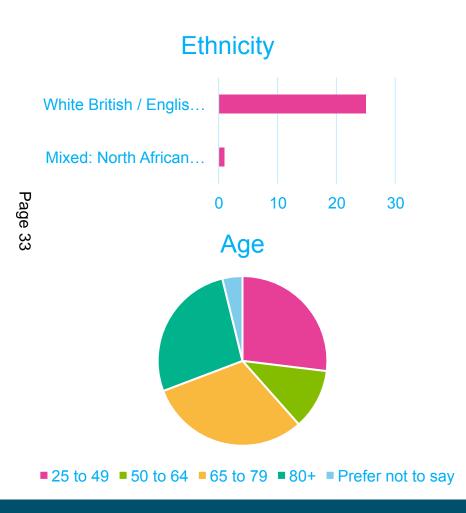
All responses

Aged 65+

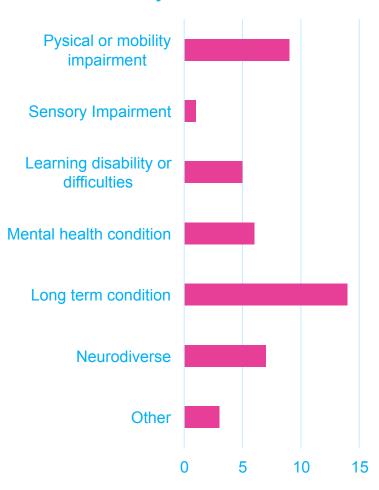
Aged 65+ and have a physical or mobility impairment

Aged 65+, have a physical or mobility impairment and live in a low-income area Aged 65+, have a physical or mobility impairment, live in a low-income area and are in a minority ethnic community

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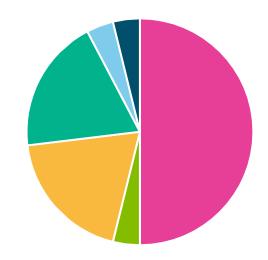


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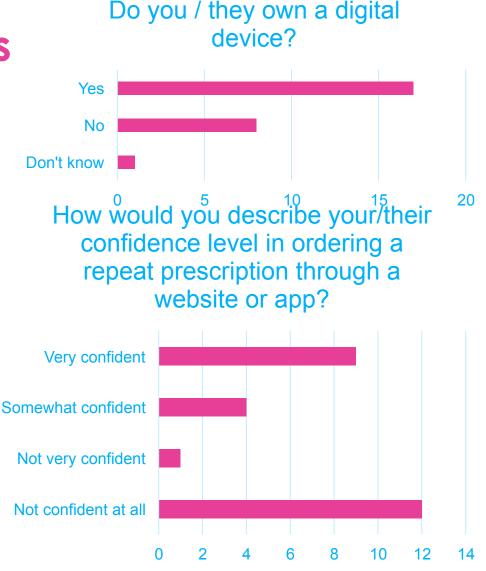


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How did you try to order your most recent repeat prescription?

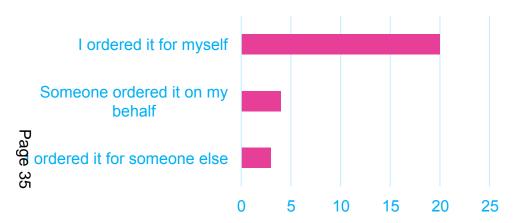


- Online (eg via NHS app, PATCHES or Systemonline)
- In person at your GP survery using the paper slip
- Through a pharmacy
- Phoning the GP surgery
- Emailing the GP surgery
- Electronic repeat dispensing



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Who was the prescription for?



Reasons why people ordered for someone else

- They always have done it for me
- I don't know how
- I find it difficult to order because of a disability or health condition
- It saves me an extra trip out if the pharmacy orders my repeats

### Conclusion

The report shows that apps and online systems are becoming popular but aren't working for everyone. More must be done to make it easier and more inclusive, especially for those who struggle with digital access.

The findings of this report apply to all health and care shifts to digital services and show that the further the shift to digital services, the further they exclude people who face the greatest health inequalities.

# Questions / discussion?

Thank you!

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## Agenda Item 10





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

Report author: Patrick Mulcahy

Date: Tuesday 19th November 2024 To note

## **Local Care Partnerships**

#### Purpose of report

1. To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the Local Care Partnerships (LCPs).

#### Main issues

- 2. The purpose of the presentation is to provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the Local Care Partnerships that operate within Inner West Leeds.
- 3. The committee is asked for assistance in providing feedback to the representative on how LCPs currently operate, as well as assistance in terms of how members and LCPs can work together to the benefit of LCPs.
- 4. There will be an opportunity for Elected Members to provide suggestions for their locality and to ask questions.

#### Recommendations

5. The Inner West Community Committee is asked to offer any questions, as well as assistance in terms of how best members and LCPs can work together to the benefit of LCP in the Inner West area.



## Agenda Item 11





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

Report author: Patrick Mulcahy

Date: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 For decision

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

#### **Purpose of report**

1. This report provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2024/25.

#### 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. Until the UK left the European Union, the EU's State Aid rules controlled how UK and discretionary EU funding was provided to enterprises and entities that engage in economic activities. Now the UK has left the EU, it is no longer bound by the State Aid rules and has developed its own domestic subsidy control regime, The Subsidy Control Act 2022. As the Subsidy Control Act 2022 has potential implications for the Community Committees as funding bodies, a 'subsidy control' assessment will be undertaken on all funding requests received by the Community Committees.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13.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.
- 14. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment to

- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.
- 17. For the committee's awareness, urgent delegated decisions on wellbeing funding also covers small grant decisions. In agreement with the Executive Board Member for Communities, Community Committee Chairs & also in accordance with the communication that was sent out to all committees/Elected Members in March 2023, the approval threshold for small grants has now increased from the 1st April 2023; up to £1,000.00 per ward. This approach will ensure consistency in terms of administering small grants, in accordance with the committees' minimum conditions.
- 18. 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.
- 19. 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 2024/25**

- 20. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2023/24 was £110,114.00. Table 1 shows a carry forward figure of £104,638.03 which includes underspends from projects completed in 2023/24. £82,737.95 represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2023/24 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2023/24 is therefore £132,014.08. A full breakdown of the projects approved or ring-fenced is available on request.
- 21. 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.

22. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of £17,219.70 A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1 and is available on request.

**TABLE 1: Wellbeing revenue 2024/25** 

	£							
Balance brought forward from previous year 2023/24	£104,638.03							
Less projects brought forward from previous year 2023/24	£82,737.95							
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2024/25	£132,014.08							
Ward Projects	Total:							
		Armley		В&9	5	Kirk	Kirkstall	
Per ward carry forward + new allocation								
Small Grants and Skips	£6,484.34	£	970.00	£	1,803.33	£	3,711.01	
Bramley Moorside Youth Group (Moorside Tara Rent)	£1,470.00	£	-	£	1,470.00	£	-	
IW Generalist Advice Service	£21,947.00	£	7,315.66	£	7,315.66	£	7,315.68	
Kirkstall Art Trail 2024	£4,000.00	£	-	£	-	£	4,000.00	
Kirkstall Festival 2024	£8,000.00	£	1,500.00	£	1,500.00	£	5,000.00	
Kirkstall School Transition Club	£2,215.00	£	-	£	-	£	2,215.00	
Wellbeing in Nature	£8,241.00	£	2,747.00	£	2,747.00	£	2,747.00	
Accessible Toilets in Bramley Shopping Centre	£8,500.00	£	-	£	8,500.00	£	-	
Hanging Baskets Day	£2,000.00	£	2,000.00	£	-	£	-	
Inner West ASB and Road Safety Operations 2024-25	£4,980.00	£	1,660.00	£	1,660.00	£	1,660.00	
Armley Spring Market & Armley Festival 2024	£9,550.00	£	7,000.00	£	1,050.00	£	1,500.00	
Art Camp @ Shire Oak Primary School 2024-25	£4,158.00	£	-	£	-	£	4,158.00	
Bramley Community Arts Festival 2024	£1,600.00	£	-	£	1,600.00	£	-	
Empower	£5,000.00	£	5,000.00	£	-	£	-	
New Wortley Festival 2024	£1,500.00	£	1,500.00	£	-	£	-	
ALC Youth Space	£5,924.00	£	5,924.00	£	-	£	-	
Bramley Figure Drawing & Portraiture Class	£4,250.00	£	1,416.66	£	2,046.30	£	787.04	
Bramley Festive Light Switch on Event	£4,000.00	£	-	£	4,000.00	£	-	
West Yorkshire Fire Youth Interventions Programmes	£1,647.04	£	1,647.04	£	-	£	-	
Bramley Christmas Tree	£1,330.00	£	-	£	1,330.00	£	-	
Living in Bigger Bodies	£2,520.00	£	-	£	1,260.00	£	1,260.00	
IW Christmas Lights	£1,559.00	£	-	£	898.50	£	660.50	
Total of schemes approved 2023/24	£137,735.95	£41	,505.33	£59	9,150.25	£37	7,080.37	
Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)	£17,219.70	£592	2.92	£3,	519.20	£13	,107.58	

## Wellbeing and Capital projects for consideration and approval

23. The following projects are presented for Members' consideration from 24/25 budget:

1) Project Title: On the Verge Organisation: On the Verge Total Project Cost: £1,500.00

Amount requested from Wellbeing: £1,500.00

Wards Effected: Bramley and Stanningley

Project Description: We will work with identified vulnerable children that are at risk of being involved in crime or be groomed into CCE. Some of our work will be focused on children with additional needs as they are five times more likely to become involved in crime and are more vulnerable to grooming by gangs and criminals. Statistics show that an alarmingly high number of young people across the UK are turning to a life of crime. In 2020 – 2021 8,800 young people were convicted of a crime for their first time, their first step into the Youth Justice System, and within the same year 3,500 proven knife or offensive weapons offences involving young people were recorded. Our mentorship programme has proven to be a powerful tool in educating and deterring young people from the grooming process and entering a life of crime and providing the opportunities and pathways needed for change.

2) Project Title: Gilbert and Sandford external railings painting

Organisation: LCC Housing Leeds Total Project Cost: £13,848.00

Amount requested from CIL: £13,848.00

Wards Effected: Kirkstall

Project Description: The grant will fund the painting of all external railings on the

Sandford and Gilbert housing estate in Kirkstall.

- 24. Since the last Community Committee meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 3 projects have been considered and approved by DDN
  - Bramley Christmas Tree £1,330.00
  - 10 Stone Steps Handrail £1,619.68
  - Living in Bigger Bodies £1,260.00

#### **Declined Projects**

25. Since the last Community Committee on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 0 projects has 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.
- 27. The Kirkstall Festival and preceding fundraiser both went ahead as planned on 12th and 13th July.
- 28. Tickets for the fundraiser were sold out in advance so in terms of achieving one of its key objectives, raising money to help keep the Festival running this year and in the future, it was a success. Income from ticket sales exceeded the costs of putting on the event and it was well attended on the night.
- 29. The Festival itself took place on 13th with all planned activities and entertainment taking place despite somewhat mixed weather. There were rain showers in the morning and over

lunch time period with the weather improving in the afternoon. Fewer people came for the full day but overall attendance was up around 10% on 2023 at c15,000. Apart from a short period after opening it was busier than last year with attendance at any given time about 8,000 through the rest of the day. The weather had less of an impact than last year on income to the Festival generated on the day, particularly from programme sales, and to participants such as caterers, stallholders and commercial entertainment such as the fairground.

- 30. There were around 30 performers and activities in 7 locations around the Abbey grounds on Saturday, plus two performers at Friday's event. These include Music From the Attic, Roots Alive, Pick N Mix, Ormsheim Vikings, Ferris Irish Dance Academy, Bramley Sapphires, City of Leeds Pipe Band, Pete White's Suitcase Circus, a Dog Show, Tailwagger Dog Display Team, Leeds Canoe Club, Leeds Morris Men and Kirkstall Crusaders
- 31. There are photographs on the Instagram account that can be accessed and used; https://www.instagram.com/kirkstallfest/reels

#### **Youth Activities Fund Position 2024/25**

- 32. The total available for spend in Inner West Community Committee in 2024/25, including carry forward from previous year, is £83,067.63.
- 33. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of £34,161.00 has been allocated to projects, as listed in **Table 2**.
- 34. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of £12,771.98 in the Youth Activity Fund. A full breakdown of the projects is available on request.

**TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2024/25** 

		Ward Split 8-17 Population				
	Total allocation	Armley 2,629 Young People	B&S 2,745 Young People	Kirkstall 1,657 Young People		
Income 2024/25	£	£	£	£		
Carried forward from previous year	£52,406.63	£20,259.25	£20,275.15	£11,872.23		
Total available (including brought forward balance) for schemes in 2024/25	£83,067.63	£30,479.59	£30,495.48	£22,092.56		
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year	£40.125.00	£15,102.00	£19,953.60	£5,1560.00		

Total available budget for this year 2024/25	£42,825.03	£15,377.59	£10,541.88	£16,932.56	
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Projects 2024/25	Amount requested from YAF	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall
Armley Basketball Project	£ 3,120.00	£ 3,120.00	£ -	£ -
Bramley Youth Clubs	£ 1,200.00	£ -	£ 1,200.00	£ -
DAZL Bramley Dance Programme 2024	£ 3,861.00	£ -	£ 3,861.00	£ -
Breeze in the Park Event 2024	£ 11,400.00	£ 3,800.00	£ 3,800.00	£ 3,800.00
LS12 Creative	£ 6,270.00	£ 6,270.00	£ -	£ -
Armley Youth Clubs	£ 750.00	£ 750.00	£ -	£ -
KVDT Boxercise	£ 5,160.00	£ -	£ -	£5,160.00
Leeds 12 Youth Boxing Project	£ 1,140.00	£ 1,140.00	£ -	£ -
Living in Bigger Bodies	£ 1,260.00	£ -	£ -	£ 1,260.00
Remaining balance per ward	£12,771.98	£4,203.54	£1,855.88	£6,712.56

## Small Grants & Skips Budget 2024/25

TABLE 3: Small Grants 2024/25

Project	Organisation/Dept	Amount requested
Leeds Summer DalesBus 2024	Dales and Bowland Community Interest Company	£1,000.00
Summer Holiday Targeted Provision	Youth Service WNW	£2,910.00
Kirkstall Planters	LCC Communities Team / The Arium	£770.00
Community Participation and Learning Programme – Inner West	Leeds Irish Arts Foundation	£1,146.66
Bramley Play Day 2024	BARCA	£900.00
Kinder Leeds	BARCA	£400.00
PHAB	Prince Philip Centre PHAB Club	£109.83
Christmas Activities	Youth Service IW	£650.00
Massage to Health	Russian Speakers Group for Children	£500.00
Total spent so far 2024/25:		£8,386.49

TABLE 4: Community Skips 2024/25

Location of skip	Location of skip Date	
Location of skip	Date	amount
Bramley Parochial Church Council	TBC	£260.00

Sandford Road, LS5 3BU - On the grass verge in front of the playground, Gilbert Close, LS5 3BX - On the grass, halfway down Gilbert Close, nearest house No 63	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	£397.68
Kepstorn Close, LS5 3EL - on the grass in front of the maisonette blocks Station Parade, LS5 3HG - on the highway opposite number 24	1 <sup>st</sup> October	£437.68
Total spent so far 2024/25:		£1,095.36

### Capital Budget 2024/25

35. The Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of £1,957.27 available to spend. Members are asked to note the capital allocation summarised in **Table 5**.

**TABLE 5: Capital 2024/25** 

Date	£1,957.27
Remaining Balance April 2024	£4,892.83
Capital Injection 2024	£0.00
Capital Injection 2025	£
Balance remaining	£1,957.27

Capital Spend 2024/25	Total amount			
Community Events in Armley and Gotts Park	£2,935.56			
Capital Balance Remaining	£1,957.27			

### Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2024/25

36. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is £105,459.21 currently available to spend.

TABLE 6: Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) 2023/24

	£
Remaining Balance March 2024	£69,498.13
Injection 1	£62,538.40
Total Available in 2024/25	£69,498.13
Tennis Court Improvements – Burley Park	£10,876.64
Stanningley Park MUGA Resurfacing	£36,000.00
NWCA – Strengthening Local Connections & Centre Refurb Project	£9,160.00
IW Christmas Lights	£7,018.50
10 Stone Steps Handrail (Canal Road)	£1,619.68
Total Spend 2024/2025:	£64,674.82

#### **Corporate Considerations**

### **Consultation and Engagement**

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

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

38. 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**

- 39. 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

40. 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

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

#### **Risk Management**

42. 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

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

#### Recommendations

- 44. Members are asked to note
  - a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)

- b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 21)
- c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 23)
- 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)

## Agenda Item 12





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

[Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall]

Report author: Patrick Mulcahy

Date: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 To note

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

#### **Purpose of report**

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

#### Main issues

#### Updates by theme

#### Children and Young People: Champions Cllr A Rae and Cllr H Bithell

3. The Children and Young Person Sub-Group have met with Public Health and Trading Standards regarding Vaping in U18s. The sub-group are currently waiting for when the Tobacco Bill is put to Parliament. Outcomes: Letter to Wes Streeting has been drafted re Tobacco Bill; Details of Enhanced Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education training has been passed onto Inner West Schools; A greater understanding has been gained around the issues with lack of licenses required for shops to sell vapes.

4. The Inner West Youth Summit took place, on 15<sup>th</sup> November, at the Civic Hall. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

#### **Environment: Champion Cllr A Rontree**

5. The Environmental and Community Safety Sub-Group met on October 9<sup>th</sup> and the environmental items discussed by the group and LCC's Parks Operations Manager were Storm Lilian, Parks and Green Spaces.

#### **Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Update**

#### **Street Cleansing and Enforcement**

- 6. Due to having to make cutbacks to meet the council required savings, we are currently having to hold vacancies and are dealing with raised levels of sickness at this time.
- 7. A restructure of the Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team is currently taking place, once complete we will be able to fill some vacancies and set out a new pattern of working to deliver the best service possible.
- 8. We are still having to manage resources closely to ensure our statutory duties and main priorities are covered on daily basis, service requests involving de-weeding or cutting of vegetation are taking the longest due to being lower priority than most of our other responsibilities, service requests are prioritised based on risk to public health.
- 9. The student changeover project went well building on the back of a successful project last year and implementing lessons learned. Between CNT and refuse we collected 1,447.98 tonnes in the 2 weeks either side of 2024 student changeover date. The same period in 2023, we took 1,698t. Waste has decreased by 14.7% this year, which suggests the education/enforcement partnership working approach is making a difference.
- 10. Plans are in place for the Leeds Abbey Dash to pre clean the route to support the event.
- 11. The amount of service requests Inner West wards receive for enforcement is very high, but we have a constant flow of cases concluding as new cases come in, we do prioritise based on the level of risk to public health and the severity of issues reported.
- 12. We are currently receiving a lot of enforcement requests for overgrown vegetation which we can only enforce upon when the vegetation is causing an obstruction. We do have a street warden who works alongside enforcement by using an educational approach to tackle waste issues when enforcement action isn't appropriate.

#### Leafing

- 13. This year's leafing programme will run for 14 weeks and has been planned in.
- 14. We have recently taken delivery of some new road sweepers. Each ward will have allocated days where numerous sweepers and staff will be addressing leafing with structured mapped approach.
- 15. Councillors can continue to send priorities/concerns via the members inbox as they have in previous years, and these will be picked up locally by the team leaders. Initial priorities will be high footfall areas and hotspots causing the biggest risks.

#### **Parks and Countryside Update**

- 16. Burley Park Improvements are in progress.
- 17. Stanningley Park MUGA resurfacing is still awaiting start.
- 18. The New Play Area for Jailey Fields has been complete, and the official opening was 30<sup>th</sup> October 2024.
- 19. Rodley Park improvements was due to start on site on 7th November.
- 20. The Rodley Park Fencing project for fencing in front of the War Memorial has been completed.
- 21. Bramley Falls Play Area Refurbishment is due to start in November.

#### Employment, Skills & Welfare: Champions Cllr K Ritchie & Cllr T Hinchcliffe

22. We receive an annual update on this topic, as per the agreement with the service. An update was provided for the September Committee meeting.

#### Community Safety: Champion Cllr T Hinchcliffe

23. The Environmental and Community Safety Sub-Group met on October 9th and the environmental items discussed by the group and colleagues were; Burglaries, Walk and Talk Project alongside a general update (West Yorkshire Police) and Bonfire Night Plans (West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service). Outcomes: Eurolocks poster was received from WYP to distribute on IWCC Facebook page, WYP were asked to attend the Community Safety Meetings, Parks agreed to revisit the Forestry system for Members alongside the Group Office.

#### LeedsWatch

- 24. This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Inner West area committee, for the six month period, 1st April 2024 to 30th September 2024
- 25. The following cameras were used to capture incidents in the Inner West area;
  - 98 Hawksworth Wood

- 180 Mistress Lane
- 181 Ley Lane
- 300 Cragside Walk
- 301 Broadlea Grove
- 371 Broadlea Hill
- 26. The introduction of the GDPR 2018 regulations reviewed the area of information sharing and therefore restricted the detail of what can be provided. As a result, the content of this report may not have the detail of specific incidents previously reported but provides a summary of the types of incidents within the area.
- 27. CCTV also contributes towards Police enquiries as requests are made for footage which may not have been observed "real time". These incidents are not included in this report but can contribute towards arrests being made in the Inner West Area.
- 28. The Surveillance Camera Commissioner is appointed by the Home Secretary to ensure that surveillance camera systems in public places keep people safe and protect and support them.
- 29. Following changes to Data Protection legislation the council needs to ensure that all its CCTV systems are managed in line with the Commissioner's recommendations to ensure there are no data breaches (this includes CCTV systems in all Leeds City Council assets including libraries, sports centres, council vehicles fitted with CCTV, etc.).
- 30. A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.
- 31. The compliance team also work closely with Information Governance to assist in ensuring all system owners are compliant with their codes of practice, policies, and procedures.

32. The table below lists the incidents captured 1st April 2024 – 30th September 2024

	Inner West									
Camera Number	98	180	181	300	301	371	Total incidents per category			
Alarm Activation							7			
ASB		1			1		2			
Cash In Transit										
Drugs					1		1			
Enforcement					1		1			
Fire			1	1		1	3			
Health & Safety		1	1				2			
Metro										
Police Operation					3	2	5			
Public Order		1					1			
Road Traffic		3	1				4			
Sexual Offences										
Suspicious Events										
Theft				1			1			
<b>Total Per Camera</b>		6	3	2	6	3	20			

#### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

33. Cases categorised in the threats/actual violence section will include anything where a threat has allegedly been made, this does not necessarily mean the allegations are true so whilst these numbers may look concerning it does not necessarily give the true reflection, but cases must be investigated.

#### **Armley**

- 34. 26 cases Most of these cases are linked to 'Threats/actual violence' followed by 'Vandalism/Damage to Property' and 'Drug/substance misuse'.
- 35. There is nothing of note in Armley now, from a LASBT point of view we are not dealing with any specific recurring issues out of the ordinary.

#### **Bramley and Stanningley**

- 36.22 cases Most of these cases are linked to 'Threats/actual violence' and so this form of ASB remains a high concern within the Bramley ward. We still have several youth related cases however general youth ASB and crime in the area is lower than previous levels we were experiencing.
- 37. LASBT are working closely with West Yorkshire Police following numerous reports of ASB at a memorial site in the Bramley area. This is a sensitive issue that we are working with the family on and hope to shortly have a plan to address the problem.

#### Kirkstall

38.17 cases - 'Threats/actual violence' are the most common reason for cases now.

#### **West Yorkshire Police**

## **Armley**

Armley Ward (E05011385)	Current 6 Weeks	Previous 6 Weeks	Change	01 Jan 24 – 21 Oct 24	01 Jan 23 – 21 Oct 23	Change	Same 6- week period (2023)	Change
Arson	6	4	2	32	32		4	2
Burglary - business and community	5	4	1	35	56	21	8	3
Burglary - residential	31	32	1	189	152	37	16	15
Criminal Damage	44	67	23	361	484	123	66	22
Robbery	10	8	2	47	58	11	6	4
Shoplifting	35	41	6	249	419	170	79	44
Theft from motor vehicle	9	22	13	168	126	42	11	2
Theft of motor vehicle	8	11	3	95	105	10	6	2
Total	148	189	39	1176	1432	256	196	47
ASB	49	42	7	304	351	47	48	1

## **Bramley and Stanningley**

Bramley Ward (E05011387)	Current 6 Weeks	Previous 6 Weeks	Change	01 Jan 24 – 21 Oct 24	01 Jan 23 – 21 Oct 23	Change	Same 6- week period (2023)	Change
Arson	2	1	1	13	22	9	4	2
Burglary - business and community	1	4	3	28	31	3	6	5
Burglary - residential	43	24	19	214	207	7	40	3
Criminal Damage	27	26	1	216	234	18	36	9
Robbery	4	3	1	25	25		5	1
Shoplifting	21	18	3	237	276	39	48	27
Theft from motor vehicle	8	11	3	116	95	21	10	2
Theft of motor vehicle	8	4	4	56	81	25	11	3
Total	114	91	23	905	971	66	160	46
ASB	46	37	9	272	311	39	58	12

### Kirkstall

Kirkstall Ward (E05011402)	Current 6 Weeks	Previous 6 Weeks	Change	01 Jan 24 – 21 Oct 24	01 Jan 23 – 21 Oct 23	Change	Same 6- week period (2023)	Change
Arson	4	0	4	13	35	22	1	3
Burglary - business and community	5	2	3	32	60	28	18	13
Burglary - residential	8	12	4	105	114	9	18	10
Criminal Damage	23	23		190	195	5	19	4
Robbery	13	10	3	39	18	21	3	10
Shoplifting	92	59	33	543	371	172	60	32
Theft from motor vehicle	18	15	3	154	84	70	19	1
Theft of motor vehicle	13	11	2	84	76	8	10	3
Total	176	132	44	1160	953	207	148	28
ASB	31	38	7	240	208	32	52	21

## Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Champions Cllr K Ritchie and Cllr A Parnham

#### **Armley Local Care Partnership (LCP)**

39. The partnership is currently focussing on frailty as Armley is a hot spot on hospital falls heat maps for admissions due to falls, predominately for those 84 years and over. Partners are currently conducting research on this issue and have issued a questionnaire for staff, carers and residents to isolate the main cause of falls and start some collaborative preventative work. For more information or to see the original frailty presentation please contact: rachel.shaw36@nhs.net

#### West Leeds LCP

40. This local care partnership which covers Bramley is also likely to focus on obesity as it is a city wide. It is also currently refreshing its objectives and will be covering asthma and mental health as areas of targeted activity. For more information or if you would like to get involved, please contact: rachel.shaw36@nhs.net

#### **Emotional Health Guides for Inner West**

41. A series of simple experimental guides have been developed for Inner West to aid LCC Hub Staff in the correct sign posting for residents experiencing emotional health issues. They are Bramley Rise, BLQ Rise (which also covers Kirkstall) and Armley Rise.

#### Would you like to know more about the health of your area?

42. There is a new publicly accessible health and wellbeing tool that anyone can use should you wish to know more about your area. It based on GP recorded statistics and covers amongst other data sets the following.

- Population and Demographics of your area
- Child Obesity
- Health Conditions
- Hospital Admissions
- Mortality
- Life expectancy
- Interactive Maps for your ward and links to other useful data sets.

#### **Priority Neighbourhoods**

#### **Wyther Park Estate Action Day**

43. As part of a concerted partnership effort to engage with residents on the Wyther Park Estate in Armley, planned and coordinated through the Safer, Cleaner Greener Partnership and Wythers Sub Group, an Action Day was held on the morning of Wednesday 30th October. The event continued the momentum and visibility for partners from the event held in late May and on this occasion the theme was the environment. The day was well supported by a range of local partners with representation from Communities Team, Public Health, Cleaner Neighbourhoods, Youth Service, Housing Leeds, PCSOs, Barca, the Illegal Money Lending Team and local Councillors. The Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team did a sweep of the target streets supported by door-to-door engagement by partners informing people of the partnership presence and handing out leaflets with information on how to contact services to report environmental issues or seek assistance with waste removal. Additional information regarding the dangers of Loan Sharks and family support services was also included, and the Youth Service had a stall handing out free pumpkins for Halloween. The engagement was well received by residents and a debrief will be held in the coming weeks to collate feedback, identify actions and plan further future events.

#### **Jailey Fields Play Space Celebration Event**

- 44. In the last IWCC Update Report an update was provided regarding the progress of the Jailey Fields Play Space Project. At the time of the last Committee meeting in September, construction of the new playground at Oak Road Recreation Ground (aka Jailey Fields) was about to commence and the final works were completed in mid-October. On the afternoon of Wednesday 30th October, New Wortley Community Association hosted a celebration event to officially open the new play space and to recognise this significant success for the New Wortley Community.
- 45. Many families from New Wortley joined the celebration with children dressed in Halloween themed costumes. There was a Halloween Treasure Hunt, hot chocolate and hot dogs for the children as well as the excitement of the new playground. The playground was officially opened with a short ceremony to cheers from the gathered crowd. The honour of cutting the ribbon was given to Ben from the New Wortley Youth Board who along with his fellow board members was instrumental in starting the 'Make Jailey a Park' journey which ultimately led to this much needed investment. Ben was joined by Cllr Mohammed Rafique (Executive Board Member for Climate,

Energy, Environment and Greenspaces), Andrea Edwards (CEO of New Wortley Community Association), Kim Frangos (Chair of New Wortley Residents Association) and local Elected Members Cllr Andy Parnham and Cllr Lou Cunningham. Funding for the celebration event was provided by Get Set Leeds Local (GSLL) through Active Leeds.

- 46. The celebration event marked the successful end of a very long journey. Passionate locals have been calling for improvements and championing the potential of Jailey Fields for many years with New Wortley Residents Association (NWRA) and New Wortley Community Association (NWCA) acting as advocates for this strong community voice. The Young people on the NWCA Youth Board carried out consultation in 2022 on their ambition to 'Make Jailey Fields a Park', helped to shape the design and supported the funding bid with a video.
- 47. The new play facility boasts a mix of play equipment for a range of ages, including swings, slide, carousel, climbing equipment, agility play trail and see-saw. In addition, refurbishment of the existing youth shelter has been carried out and benches installed. Wider use of the greenspace has also been promoted through a nature trail element, with ten nature themed rubbing posts spread around the park and an accompanying colourful lectern sign, encouraging children and families to combine play with learning about the natural environment and wildlife.
- 48. The importance of this project cannot be understated. Successes like this for communities like New Wortley can be hard to come by but this investment shows what can be achieved with persistence, passion and true partnership working. The Safer Stronger Communities Team would like to thank Veolia Environmental Trust and the Armley Ward Councillors for providing the project funding, our partners on the Project Team (NWCA, NWRA, LCC Active Leeds, LCC Parks & Countryside), and of course the young people of the New Wortley Youth Board for showing pride in their community and setting a fine example to others with their campaigning. Finally, we would like to thank the community of New Wortley for supporting the project, continuing to believe, and for turning out to celebrate what is an important milestone for New Wortley and a great example of what can be achieved when we work together.



#### **Bonfire Diversionary Funding**

49. Inner West wards benefited from £1,375.00 worth of targeted diversionary activities, working with Youth Services, BARCA and New Wortley Community Association to help reduce and combat ASB within the wards. This has proved beneficial once again with reports showing there were largely no issues within Inner West.

#### **Armley Gyratory Update**

50. The Chair has met officers on site at Armley gyratory to discuss some of the issues residents are reporting around the lines and lane changes that take place on the roundabout.

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

51. The WNW team continues to deliver over 45 sessions per week with most aiming to give young people something positive to do as opposed hanging around the streets. 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. The WNW Team continue to work closely with the neighbourhood policing teams with some very positive intervention and partnership.

- 52. The West Team continue to deliver inclusive youth groups where young people feel welcome and secure and can celebrate their identity especially those aspects that make them different from others such as their culture, ethnicity, sexual orientation, ability, health, and education involvement in juvenile justice.
- 53. A large team of youth workers supported this year's Leeds Pride event engaging with more than a thousand people throughout the day and into the evening. Staff were able to publicise the youth offer and give out useful health information. The introduction of the youth mobiles vans was a big success as they provided a safe space for young people to talk to youth workers and learn about how to get involved. We were also able to provide phone charging facilities and much needed refreshments on the day.
- 54. Weekly sessions include a dedicated Tuesday evening youth project aimed at those with additional needs and the 90 Minute programme specifically designed to work with young people involved in low level crime and known to the police. This quarter a group of 15 young people aged between 16 and 18 have taken part in a skills builder programme. This group is pleased to support young people who are young careers, looked after, have mental health service involvement, and have educational health and care plans.
- 55. This quarter young people from WNW helped design and deliver their youth work programmes by choosing activities and accredited programmes. Members of The West Youth Committee enjoyed a trip to the Bradford Alhambra Theatre to watch Aladdin.
- 56. Our work with Partnerships to provide sporting opportunities include the Armley Basketball Project with LDMA Basketball and Football Project with Leeds Utd Kicks. The Friday evening Kirkstall Self Defence and Boxing Project continues to be popular. Our Sexual health offer continues to get larger with a member of the team now working in several colleges offering the 3 in 1 service.
- 57. During August the Youth Service ran a project with ITV which aimed to make the film and tv industry more accessible to those from lower socioeconomic backgrounds and to reduce class inequality in the screen industry. Young people attended 3 workshops led by Emmerdale Cast members including Dancing on Ice and Emmerdale star Roxy Shahidi, William Ash (Emmerdale, Soldier, Waterloo Road) and Ash Palmisano. ITV arranged a full day where the whole cast and crew came in on their day off to film and record in the studios.
- 58. Bafta nominated film director and writer Suri Krishnamma commented "Thanks so much for your kind words and positive feedback. It was pure joy working with your group. You have some exceptionally talented individuals in there so I do hope those who have the desire will keep going in what is obviously a hugely competitive and challenging industry. Above all, the respect and discipline your actors gave to the process was really impressive and I know I speak for many of the crew who came away inspired by what we saw."

59.ITV Academy prepared some useful industry information for the young people to take away and several young people left commenting how they felt inspired and encouraged to keep pursuing their dreams in the industry.

#### **Summer Holidays, Trips and Activities**

- 60. Young people from Inner West enjoyed various trips and visits during the holidays including, kayaking, raft building, bowling, Lazer zone, York Maze and Flamingo land.
- 61. Exciting new pieces of work due to start soon including a Living within a larger Body Project, a Health and Wellbeing Session at Dixons Academy and a transition to High School Project at KVDT.

#### **Town Centres Update**

- 62. The Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator (NCC) has forwarded Home Bargains contact details so Highways can liaise with them if they wish to try and alter the recently installed sealing off their car park. Armley Action Team (AAT) and NCC recently had a catch up on Town Street projects which will hopefully result in the launch of a new trader's group for Armley. (The last one ended when the chair retired and closed her business in Armley, and we could not find a replacement.) The NCC is attending the next AAT meeting on Tuesday 29th October.
- 63. The next meeting of the Bramley Business Forum will be on Monday 4th November and the NCC is attending. Recent figures published record Bramley is in the worst 10 for shop theft. On one hand this is bad however the figures reflect the number of reported thefts which is something the trader's group have worked on with the police and councillors including the NCC and Capable Guardians visiting businesses and explaining the importance of reporting crimes. Several businesses confirmed that since the publicity of reporting incidents they now report every single one. This is an example which other areas of the city would do well to follow: Through reporting every crime Bramley appears on the top 10 ASB areas but this is beneficial as the police then have the mandate to ever more increase policing. The NCC has promoted Bramley as an excellent example for other areas to follow.
- 64. The NCC has not received any issues to be resolved in Kirkstall, but this could be because there is no traders group for the area.
- 65. Kirkstall, Bramley and Armley businesses who have provided their email addresses are sent the weekly email help for businesses.

#### **Updates from Key Services**

#### **Community Hubs**

66. This week has seen the relaunch of warm spaces across all our hubs and libraries, between now and the end of February we will be offering free tea and coffee and a

- place to be warm on each of the days we are open, this is a very welcome addition for our customers, and we have already started to receive compliments regarding it.
- 67. The 4th of November will also see us partnering with Zero Waste Leeds with their winter coat appeal at Armley and Bramley Community Hubs, this is where customers in need can come in and help themselves to a free coat for each family member.
- 68. We are also happy to announce that Bramley has also started hosting a uniform exchange where children from the local schools are able to access preloved uniform if they require it.
- 69. We are currently putting together the Christmas programme of Healthy Holidays hosted by Armley, in addition to this Christmas events are being planned in for each of the sites (more details of this will be released as soon as possible).
- 70. Unfortunately, we have experienced some antisocial behaviour at Bramley Community Hub, this damaged the door, bins and defib unit. The door has had a temporary repair to allow us to continue opening whilst a permanent replacement is being sorted.
- 71. The Job shops continue to see an increase in footfall with helping people who comes into the centres in finding work. Due to staffing levels we have had to temporarily pause the popup at Bramley Community Hub on Thursdays however it is hoped this will be reintroduced shortly.
- 72. We continue to work with a number of partners, some of whom are currently doing surgeries within the hubs including, Money Buddies, NWCC, Barca and many more. In recent months we are pleased to have been able to add Better Leeds Communities to this list at Bramley Community Hub.
- 73. The wellbeing hub at Armley continues to be a success, this is a space that has been designated to work with the NHS to provide some of their services such as Maternity and 0 19 Children's Health where there is a need for extra space in the community. The demand for the space is increasing so we are currently looking at the possibilities of other space being used.
- 74. We continue with our regular events with each hub hosting weekly story time and digital drop ins where our librarian team are on hand to provide advice and assistance on all things digital. In addition to our social zones where there is a structured activity placed each day with the help of our partners, we are also hosting weekly groups for ABCD promotion, Mental health support, ESOL sessions, Collective Art, Sewing, Men's Mental Health Art Group, LGBTQ and What's your Game? Games groups.
- 75. The Family hub team has started moving in at Armley and we are beginning to work on the how we join up the working of the different departments. The purpose of family hubs is to bring together multiple organisations to make it easier for families to get the help they need.

#### **Housing Leeds**

**Annual Tenancy Contact Update** 

- 76. We are now in third and final year of the ATCI/NTCI pilot Programme. Process continues to go well within Inner West. We have in the region of 4K visits to undertake this year and all teams are currently on target or above target at the current stage.
- 77. As anticipated, it is getting harder to access as the year progresses, but we will look to take enforcement action through legal services to help gain access. It's important we do escalate these cases; these are the properties we haven't been able to access over the three years and in some cases longer.
- 78. We continue to pick up support and safeguarding issues highlighted from these visits and have put some important intervention in place for these residents.
- 79. Inner West are in a really good position and local teams have plans in place to achieve the targets set. To date Inner West have completed 1,992 successful visits across the three wards' Since April, an increase of 602 since our last report in September.

#### **Walkabouts**

- 80. Local Teams have been out and about over the summer working with tenants, local ward members and those residents who want to attend the walkabouts and block sweeps with their respective Housing Officers. Officers have also taken part in action days across the wards.
- 81. If other residents are interested in getting involved, then please contact your local Housing Office and we can pass your details through to the correct Housing Officer.

#### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

- 82. All teams continue to work together with LASBT, West Yorkshire Police and 3rd party organisations to help tackle and reduce crime related activity and Anti-social behaviour within Armley.
- 83. We still encourage all residents to report all Anti-Social Behaviour breaches by calling the Police and Leeds City Council. Residents can do this by reporting all Anti-Social Behaviour breaches by calling 0113 222 4402 (Weekdays, 9am to 5pm, except Wednesdays when we're open from 10am), Outside of office hours (6pm 3:30am and weekends) call 0113 376 0337 or reporting this online via Report antisocial behaviour or hate crime leeds.gov.uk If you've been a victim of crime you should report this to the police on 101, or 999 if it's an emergency.

#### **Garage Appraisal**

84. All garages across the city are current being reviewed, and rag rated to advise of the current condition of the site. This is to feed into a Garage project review that is being completed for the city and allows the team to appropriately let garages that are in a good condition.

#### **Armley Update**

85. Armley currently have 15 active cases across the ward (down on the last report) with the most common theme being noise nuisance.

#### **Bramley Update**

86. Bramley currently have 12 active cases across the ward (Increased from last time we reported). Themes continue to be neighbour disputes and noise nuisance.

#### **Kirkstall Update**

87. Kirkstall currently have 13 active cases across the ward (down one on last time we reported). Themes continue to be neighbour disputes and noise nuisance.

#### **Tenancy Engagement Offer**

- 88. Following the dismantling of the Housing Advisory panels. The team who used to work in this department have been restructured which has seen our former Tenant Engagement Officers (TEO), Paul Densley, move to the stock condition team. We have now been allocated Rukhsana Mahmood as our new TEO and Rukhsana is keen to meet ward members and resident alike. We are still waiting on what the new role will look like, but Rukhsana will be the person to go to if you or other residents wish to set up any tenants and resident groups or wish to join the Housing Leeds tenant voice panel. The tenant voice panel will allow you to
- Consult with tenants and residents on services, policies and procedures.
- Help hold us to account on our performance.
- Make sure our engagement activity helps improve services.
- Help design services to meet the needs of customers.

#### **British Gas Fuel Voucher Scheme**

89. Leeds City Council have managed to secure 300K of Fuel Vouchers for this coming Winter. The vouchers are for Leeds City Council residents to access and to help with the current financial challenges to allow people to heat their homes. These vouchers will be allocated in a similar criterion to last year.

#### **Tenant Portal/Golden Thread**

- 90. The tenant portal pilot has gone well, and we are keen to see this progress and get more residents digital! All new residents are given the log in details at sign up and is open to existing residents via an online registration. When you register to manage your tenancy online you can;
- book a non-emergency repair.
- view the details of any repairs you've had done in the last 28 days.
- view your up-to-date account.
- download a statement.
- view information about your tenancy
- request permission for a range of items such as keeping a pet or making alterations to the property.
- 91. Those existing residents who want to make use of the new tenant portal can do so by contacting their local Housing Office, who will be able to provide them with the

- required details and help you through this process or register online: Manage your tenancy online (leeds.gov.uk)
- 92. In addition to the tenant portal, Residents who reside in High Rise building across the Inner West Wards can access the High-Rise Building Safety portal as well.
- 93. My High-Rise Building Safety is where you can find important safety information about your flat and block. This information is how we keep you, your neighbours, and your block safe. Within the hub you can:
- View building and fire safety information
- Raise building safety concerns.
- Request information and records in other formats

#### **Area Updates/Good news Stories**

#### **Armley**

- 94. The Reema Programme (Raynville's) continues to go well, and residents are engaging in quality conversations in looking at rehousing and how we can help them with this. We are ahead of our target for rehousing these customers.
- 95. The lift upgrade works at Westerly Croft and Rise remains on course for completion by the targets set. The Right-hand side lifts are now complete and services all floors.
- 96. Housing Officer income working hard to support tenants in financial hardship to maximise their income, tapping into food parcels and fuel vouchers. Food parcels now kept on site locally for delivery to those customers who cannot travel.
- 97. Planned works have started a new project to change the locks to the communal doors on our A1F flats to help improve access and fire safety.
- 98. Our stock condition officers are current surveying stock within Armley to ensure we meet decency and provide good quality homes.
- 99. Group repair scheme for the cedars Leeds City Council has secured funding to carry out external repairs and improvements to 55 Leeds City Council home whilst improving the street scene.

#### **Bramley**

- 100. Bramley have two Housing Assistant vacancies which are to be considered at the next round of recruitment, however, are at full capacity for Housing Officer with our new starter due to arrive early November.
- 101. Following a referral to strategy and investments improvements have been to pathways on Landseer Road to make a pathway more accessible to the public.
- 102. The introduction of the resident permit parking zone scheme here is to remove external parking pressures and create better availability for residents. To allow for regular enforcement to take place repeater signs must be placed at regular intervals stating the parking restrictions. This will cover Landseer Green, Snowden Vale, and

part of the Rosefields. Tenants have been consulted and requests made to apply for residential parking permits.

- 103. Further British Gas award for fuel vouchers expected early November, staff are now working to identify residents who qualify and benefit from the scheme to start making calls when the funding is live.
- 104. Fortnightly training sessions continue with the Housing Officers on a variety of topics, to improve the team's knowledge, learn from each other and go back to basics. The team have enjoyed these interactive sessions and have discussed learning outcomes with the residents. Most recently we will be discussing mutual exchanges to help improve the service we provide with customers.
- 105. Partnership meeting continue with police, LASBT, social services to discuss problematic areas and strategies to combat this as a collective. We have been working with guardians for extra patrols in hot spot areas.

#### Kirkstall

- 106. Works completed to Moor Grange Court high rise block which has included full external insulation programme and works to heating and walkways. Works now underway to reinstate recycling compound on site.
- 107. New heating systems and sprinkler systems installed at the Claytons high rise blocks. Final works to complete the scheme including boxing in and decorative elements ongoing.
- 108. Income Housing Officer working closely with tenants across the area to maximise their income.
- 109. Team identifying tenants who would benefit from assistance through the Housing Support Fund.
- 110. Team undergoing training to familiarise them with the expectations of the housing Regulator.
- 111. Two Housing Officer vacancies and lettings Team Leader vacancy out for recruitment.

#### **Community Engagement: Social Media**

1. **Appendix 1** 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.

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

9. None.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.



# Inner West Community Committee FACEBOOK highlights

4th September - 30th October 2024

#### **Inner West Community Committee**

Since 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 the Inner West Community Committee Facebook page has gained: **4 new followers** and now has a total of **1,934 followers**.

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 **4**<sup>th</sup> **September 2024** is the post promoting the Bramley Forum Agenda post. It has received 5 likes and shared 3 times and has reached a total of 3,471 people.

The following below are screenshots of the most popular three posts since the **4**<sup>th</sup> **September 2024**. Alongside this are the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

#### 1st Place - Bramley Forum

**Bramley Fourm Agenda: 3,471** people had this post delivered to them with **8** likes, comments and shares.

Join us on Thursday for the Bramley Forum! We are joined by partners from West Yorkshire Police, Housing Leeds, LCC's Capable Guardians, West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service and Bramley Baths!



Chair: Councillor Tom Hinchcliffe

No.	Agenda Item	Lead(s)
1.	Welcome and apologies	Cllr Hinchcliffe
2.	Police Update	West Yorkshire Police
3.	Housing Update	Jessica McCulloch – LCC Housing
4.	Capable Guardians overview	Stuart Cameron – LCC Capable Guardians
5.	Bonfire Diversionary Plans	Claire Wright - WYFRS
6.	AOB: Next Steps and closing remarks - Bramley Baths 120th Anniversary	Cllr Hinchcliffe  Alaina Dunne – Bramley Baths
7.	Dates and times for future meetings: 30th January 2025	All to note

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Local Guys, Making Pies!

**Local Guys, Making Pies: 813** people had this post delivered to them. There were **16** likes, comments and shares.

Local guys, making pies! This is a FREE course taking place at Leeds Cookery School!



## Local guys, making pies

It doesn't matter if you're a baking-beginner or a pastryperfectionist, Men's Pie Club is where you can come to get stuff off your chest and put something great in your belly.

At the weekly clubs you can get stuck in and make your own delicious pie. We even supply all the ingredients and know-how you need, with a Men's Pie Club organiser always on hand to help - usually our fantastic Lead Pie Men, who keep things ticking over.

This course is FREE to all people who have been residents of Leeds for 3 years or more, aged 19+.



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A warm and witty new show for children and their grown-ups about football, team-work and the joy of joining in.

Football Freddie tells the story of Freddie Farren, a little girl who loves football but is too nervous to join in a game in her local park. Out of a magical photograph steps Freddie's Great-Great-Great Uncle Fred, a real footballer from the olden days. Uncle Fred takes Freddie back in time and they relive footballing glories of old. With Uncle-Fred's encouragement, Freddie renews her confidence and enthusiasm and everyone joins in a good old-fashioned kick around.

Football Freddie is a magical new show for children and their families. The production features playful storytelling, friendly audience participation and integrated audio description alongside original sound design and vibrant set and costumes.

Age recommendation 3-7 Running time approx, 55 minutes

