

INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 2016

PRESENT: Councillor A Gabriel in the Chair

Councillors J Blake, K Groves, M Iqbal and
E Nash

35 APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

36 EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

37 LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

38 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS'

No declarations were made.

39 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Truswell, Davey and Congreve.

40 OPEN FORUM

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 on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. No matters were raised under the Open Forum.

41 MINUTES - 9th December 2016

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2016 be approved as a correct record.

42 Inner South Community Committee Wellbeing Budget Report

The South and East Area Leader submitted a report which sought to provide Members with:

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- Details of the Wellbeing Budget position;
- An update on both the revenue and youth activities fund elements of the Wellbeing budget;
- Details of revenue projects agreed to date;
- Details of Youth Activities Fund agreed to date;
- Details of Capital projects agreed to date
- Details of project proposals approved through the delegated decision process; and
- Members were also asked to note the current position of the Small Grants Budget.

RESOLVED

- To note the contents of the report;
- To note the revenue projects already agreed as listed at Table 1 of the submitted report;
- To note the Activities fund projects already agreed as listed in Table 2 of the submitted report;
- To note the capital projects already agreed as listed in Table 3 of the submitted report;
- That the following wellbeing projects be approved;

Project	Name of Group/Organisation	Amount Proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2015/16	Wards Covered	Decision
How to Festival 2016	Slung Low	£4,600	Beeston and Holbeck and City and Hunslet	APPROVED
Young Dads Project	Health For All	£1,920	All Three Wards	APPROVED
Choices Catering	Youth Service	£2,510	Middleton Park	APPROVED
Level Up Academy	Level Up Academy	£3,360	All Three Wards	APPROVED*

* Subject to feedback form the organisation on numbers attending and success of the project.

- To note the Small Grants situation in section 15 of the submitted report.

43 Inner South Community Committee Summary of Key Work Report

The South East Area Leader submitted a report which presented a summary of key work which the Communities Team had been engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that were not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Led by Community Committee Champions and lead officers, Members discussed the following:

Children's & Families Sub Group

The Sub Group met on 25th February 2016 and had considered the funding of Youth Activities and how this should be managed. Members were informed that any organisation can apply for funding for outings and events. Applications were considered and some further information was sought from some of the applicants. The next Children and Families sub group will take place on 31st March.

Employment Skills and Welfare

The opportunities for collaborative working with the government run organisation Ingeus who provide training and employment services in Inner South was noted.

The Committee were informed that 70% of people attending the Hunslet Club were going on to further education which was a resounding success.

It was noted that more work was needed to get people to engage with the Holbeck Project to be a success.

In terms of the South Leeds Debt Forum it was reported that demand for debt advice was high

Environment & Community Safety Sub Group

The Committee were addressed by Chief Inspector Mathew of West Yorkshire Police who outlined the new structure and staffing arrangements for the Policing of the South Inner Area of Leeds and the wider City. The Chief Inspector went through the budget cuts faced by the Police but commented that the 2016/17 budget had not been cut as expected which had resulted in the possibility of recruitment going forward.

Members sought assurance that the PCSO's funded by Leeds City Council would not be moved to tackle problems in other areas.

Members considered it important that the Sergeants in the Inner South became more available and visible to the community in order to promote confidence in West Yorkshire Police.

The Committee requested that PCSO's continue to issue fines for dog fouling where they observe it.

Members were provided with an update on Leeds Managed Approach to Street Sex Working.

Health & Wellbeing

It was confirmed to the Committee that Best Start Zones action plan had now been finalised.

The difference between social prescribing and Health Trainers was explained.

The Committee were also updated on reducing smoking prevalence rates and Bowel cancer screening.

Adult Social Care

Members were reminded that an Older Persons Day Celebration event was taking place on 21st March 2016 at the Civic Hall, Leeds, and that anyone over 50 should be encouraged to attend.

Holbeck Neighbourhood Forum

An update was provided on behalf of the Holbeck Neighbourhood Forum. The South and East Area Leader informed the Committee that Historical England wanted to review the neighbourhood plan before it is out for consultation.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Update

Members noted the small amounts of money paid to the Committee but were informed that this would build up to something more meaningful. The South and East Area Leader informed the Committee that a CIL working group is to be established which would focus on developing an infrastructure plan. Councillor Groves asked for a breakdown of all CIL money allocations to other areas.

Commemorating the First World War: Somme 2016

Members discussed the best way to use the £1,000 earmarked for events to commemorate the battle of the Somme and agreed to give this further consideration.

Community Centres

Members requested a further piece of work be done on the number of people and groups using the buildings available. The Committee noted that some

groups received grant funding from the Council and also then receive free lets at community centres.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the contents of the report be noted; and
- (b) Further work be completed in relation to the numbers of people and groups receiving free lets at community centres and whether or not they also receive Leeds City Council funding.

44 Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2016/2017

The report of the City Solicitor requested that Members give consideration to agreeing a Community Committee schedule for the 2016/17 municipal year and to also give consideration as to whether any revisions to the current meeting and venue arrangements should be explored.

The following dates and times had been proposed in the report:

15th June 2016
7th September 2016
7th December 2016
15th February 2017

Meetings to be held on a Wednesday with a 7.00 p.m. start time for the formal business meeting unless otherwise agreed in advance by the Chair.

Members also requested that the December and February meetings be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and the following dates agreed:

Wednesday 15th June 2016
Wednesday 7th September 2016
Wednesday 7th December 2016
Wednesday 15th February 2017

Formal business meetings to commence at 7.00pm.

45 Strong and Resilient Communities

The Head of Community Safety (Environment and Housing) presented a report of the Chief Officer for Communities which set out a refreshed approach, outlining how the Council will work better across its communities, directorates and partners, to deliver a more joined up approach to community

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cohesion & Prevent, that seeks to harness the combined effort of staff and activities across a continuum, ranging from universal work that takes place in all communities, through to more targeted work in specific areas of the city, to support and safeguard those who may be vulnerable to radicalisation and extremism.

Members agreed that it was important that new communities were encouraged to engage in community events alongside ensuring existing communities maintaining their identity.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the report be noted.