

Report of the South East Area Leader

Report to: Inner South Community Committee (Beeston & Holbeck, City & Hunslet, Middleton Park)

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Inner South Community Committee Update Report

Purpose of report

1. To bring to Members' attention, a summary of work which the Communities Team are engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee, that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda. It provides opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

Background information

2. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings including project work, community engagement, partnership work, functions delegated to Community Committee, Community Champions roles and actions, integrated working and locality working.

Main issues

Updates by theme: Children's Services, Community Champion: Cllr Angela Gabriel

Children & Families sub-group

3. A Youth Summit has been arranged by the Children and families sub group. The Summit will take place on **30th January 2018 at the Pavillion Centenary at Leeds United**. All the primary schools and High Schools have been invited to bring young people from their schools to participate. The aim of the day is to provide taster sessions of activities for young people and ask them to identify which they would like to see in their area. This can then be used to target the Wellbeing and Youth Activities Fund.

Updates by Theme: Employment, Skills & Welfare, Community Champion: Cllr Kim Groves

Employment, Skills and Welfare Board

4. There will be a final meeting of Inner South Employment & Skills Board to celebrate its achievements over recent years and inform members of the board that a new city-wide board is to be established in the new-year. The city Employment & Skills Board will report to Community Committees on progress particularly in relation to work in priority and targeted neighbourhoods.

South East Debt Forum

5. A meeting of the Joint Leeds Debt Forum was held on 20th October 2017 at St Georges Conference Centre. The theme was "Finding Breathing Space" - a proposal that is being championed by StepChange. This would give breathing space to households struggling with high levels of debt when they first get into financial difficulties and so give them a chance to get back on track. Speakers included StepChange, Investors in Pupils and Ebor Gardens Advice Centre.
6. Workshops were very well attended and included the topics of Gambling, Benefit Changes, Illegal Money Lending and Advice Access. Feedback from the workshops will be included in a report which will be disseminated and will influence direction of travel for the forum in future.

Updates by theme: Environment, Community Champion: Cllr Adam Ogilvie

Instaplanta

7. At the recent Community Committee meeting and then at the Environmental sub group, whilst discussing Instaplanta, the issue of who advertises on the planters was raised as a concern. Having checked the current council advertising guidance it was noted that it only covers advertising content and not who can or cannot advertise. The guidance is currently being updated.

Update by theme: Community Safety, Community Champion Cllr Mohammed Iqbal

CCTV

8. The CCTV for Cross Flatts Park and Tempest Road was delayed as remedial work to rectify the ducting was required. It is anticipated that at the time of this meeting the BT works will be completed and the cameras installed and live.
9. Safer Leeds are funding the costs of three LeedsWatch cameras in Holbeck, in and around the managed area zone. The camera locations are:
 - Holbeck Lane (outside Springwell Court),

- Holbeck Lane / Water Lane junction
- Springwell Street / Springwell Road junction

The cameras will be installed in coming months.

Updates by theme: Adult Social Care and Health & Wellbeing, Community Champions: Cllr Paul Truswell and Cllr Patrick Davey

Winter Wellbeing

10. The Public Health England Cold Weather Plan for England gives advice on preparing for the effects of winter weather on people's health. There are too many avoidable deaths each winter in England primarily due to heart and lung conditions from cold temperatures rather than hypothermia.

The Cold Weather Plan for England helps to raise the public's awareness of the harm to health from cold, and provides guidance on how to prepare for and respond to cold weather which can affect everybody's health.

What is Leeds doing?

- Organisations and frontline workers are encouraged to identify vulnerable people and target them with high impact interventions to keep people well and warm. There is a winter wellbeing checklist and a cold weather intervention checklist available in Leeds to act as a guide.
- Those who work with vulnerable people are encouraged to sign up to Met Office Cold Weather Alerts.
- Encouragement is given for frontline workers to take appropriate action according to the Cold Weather Alert level in place and use professional judgement.
- Opportunities should be taken for closer partnership working with the voluntary and community sector to help reduce vulnerability and to support the planning and response to cold weather

Public Health are also supporting this work by partnering with Leeds Community Foundation to offer Winter Wellbeing grants across the city. The panel for the grant awards was held on 23rd October with successful applicants being informed by the beginning of November. Successful applicants in Inner South include Basis Yorkshire, Groundwork Leeds, Holbeck Elderly Aid and Rags to Riches

Best Start

11. Best Start remains a city priority and there is currently work being done to refresh the city wide Best Start Plan. A big part of this is looking at how the Best Start messages are communicated across the city. A Best Start Prompt Card is available to all those engaging with parents and grandparents during the weeks immediately before and after birth. The card highlights six simple messages about how you can give your child the best start in life.

The Best Start Communications sub-group are currently looking at different groups they should be talking to and any forums they can engage with to promote the messages to the widest possible audience.

As part of Baby Week an event ran at Dewsbury Road Community Hub on Thursday 14th and Friday 15th September with representation from VCFS and activities delivered through LCC libraries service. Turnout was low however 13 people had not accessed DRCH before and signed up to the library service and joined new activities.

Health Inequalities Fund

12. Leeds South and East CCG have funded a range of Mental Health courses across the South East of the city. The delivery of these free courses has begun and will be offered until July 2018. The courses are open to all who live or work in the area and care has been taken to cover a variety of venues to make access easy for all.

One You Leeds

13. A new free healthy living service called “ [One You Leeds](#) “ which helps people improve their lifestyle and health, launched at the start of October.

One You Leeds will offer programmes for people who want to change their lifestyle behaviour including: stopping smoking, managing their weight, eating more healthily, learning how to cook and being more physically active.

The service will provide support in a range of ways including face to face appointments, group sessions and phone support and clients will be able to work with a coach to tailor make a package that suits their needs.

Although One You Leeds will prioritise delivery of face to face services in the areas of the city where poor health relating to lifestyle choices is worse, services can be accessed by **any** resident in Leeds. The service will also offer a range of online self-help material.

Frontline staff can refer clients to the service using the referral form on the health professional area of the website:

Online at www.oneyouleeds.co.uk/health-professionals-referral

Or clients can self-referral:

Online at www.oneyouleeds.co.uk/sign-up or by calling: 0800 169 4219

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Leeds Let's Get Active (LLGA)

14. In this financial year, Leeds Let's Get Active Community Offer has delivered 30 physical activity groups in 10% most deprived communities in inner south and outer east Leeds. Quarter two (July – September 2017) has seen 415 participants making 1352 attendances to safe and effective physical activity opportunities. In inner south new groups have included a men's football session at Middleton leisure centre which was developed in partnership with an occupational therapist working at Aire Court, a community mental Health service. This session has become so popular that it has been incorporated into the leisure centre facility offer as an ongoing activity. A further LGBTQ

walking football session has been developed at Middleton leisure centre and will begin in November.

Better Together

15. Monitoring returns from Q2 demonstrate that the service has engaged 1939 people through outreach and 584 through group activity – making good progress towards targets. New activities this quarter include an English conversation group for migrants, asylum seekers and BME communities in Cottingley and a cooking group being delivered at ASHA. The service compiles a quarterly joint leaflet promoting all activities which is disseminated to community venues and other partners to support in engaging new people. In addition to completing wellbeing wheels and SWEMWEBs which allow the collection of case studies and measure the change in self-reported emotional health and wellbeing, quarter 2 has seen Better Together supporting 2 people into local employment, 6 people into local formal volunteering roles and 4 to access further debt/housing related support.

Community Engagement

Holbeck Residents Forum

16. The Holbeck Residents Forum was held on 3rd October 2017 at St Matthews Community Centre. Topics for discussion included Highways Improvements, with particular focus on M621 alterations near Holbeck and the traffic calming/parking restrictions being carried out by LCC and the Managed Approach.

17. The meeting attracted around 150 people who expressed concerns that that street sex workers were now operating outside the managed approach area in the residential areas, and at all times of the day.

Residents were being affected by

- Anti-social behaviour and indecency close to residential areas
- Sex related litter
- Drug needles discarded in a range of locations

The representative of the “Save our eyes” Facebook group spoke at the meeting setting out these issues, and showing a number of photographs which illustrated the concerns.

18. In addition to local ward members Cllr Debra Coupar Executive Member Communities, James Rogers Director Communities and Environment and Chief Supt Paul Money for West Yorkshire Police, were present agreed to take action to respond to the concerns and to improve outcomes in Holbeck. A project manager has been appointed to concentrate the effort on delivering improved outcomes, and an action plan is being developed which focuses on

- Working with local residents from ‘Save Our Eyes’ and stakeholders (Holbeck Elderly Aid, St Luke’s Primary School and the church) to jointly own the work to improve outcomes

- Responding to the working outside the area, outside of times, and to indecency in residential areas
- Patrolling to reassure residents and businesses and deal with issues
- Deliver improved cleansing response

It was agreed to report back to a further residents meeting in 3 months. That meeting will take place in January 2018

Love Where You Live

19. As part of the Love Where You Live project, a community action day for the Blakeney and Rosedales took place on Friday, 10th November 2017. The event was delivered in partnership with Belle Isle Tenant Management Organisation, Parks & Countryside, Cockburn West Yorkshire Cadets, Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team and local residents. Activities on the day included bulb planting, painting barriers, litter picking and garden clearance.

Beeston Hill Residents Forum

20. The most recent meeting was held on 7th November 2017 at Hamara Healthy Living Centre. The main issues discussed included traffic calming in and around Tempest Road; getting people to use local pocket parks. West Yorkshire Police were in attendance and gave an update on community safety issues, in particular youth crime and drug related crime in the area. Local residents had the opportunity to ask questions and seek reassurance around recent incidents. Residents also had the opportunity to speak to Waste Management Team and report any cleansing issues that required attention. An action log of issues raised by residents to date keeps track of how we have responded to these concerns and progress is reported at the next residents meeting. Following concerns from residents CCTV cameras have been installed in hotspot areas, improvements work is being planned for the local pocket parks and traffic calming measure initiatives on Tempest Road.

Community Centre's

Community Centre Discounted Lets

21. The table below provides details of all free lets booked for the period January to April 2017.

	Community Centre	Organisation	Start date	End date	Community Rate	Discount 75%	Charge 25%	
1	Watsonia Pavilion	Beeston in Bloom	14.06.17	14.06.17	£ 25.00	£ 18.75	£ 10.00	minimum charge £10
2	Watsonia Pavilion	Beeston in Bloom	28.06.17	28.06.17	£ 25.00	£ 18.75	£ 10.00	minimum charge £10
3	Middleton CC	Middleton Mini Tots	01.09.17	23.03.18	£ 700.00	£ 525.00	£ 175.00	
4	Middleton CC	Middleton Park Youth Service	29.09.17	28.09.17	£ 650.00	£ 487.50	£ 162.50	

5	St. Matthews CC	IS Youth Service	02.10.17	05.03.18	£ 75.00	£ 56.25	£ 18.75	
6	Watsonia Pavilion	Beeston in Bloom	26.09.17	26.09.17	£ 25.00	£ 18.75	£ 10.00	
7	St. Matthews CC	Holbeck Gala Committee	02.12.17	02.12.17	£ 80.00	£ 60.00	£ 20.00	
8	Watsonia Pavilion	The Bridge - Health for All	16.10.17	31.03/18	£1,656.00	£1,241.54	£414.46	
9	Watsonia Pavilion	DAZL Dance	03.10.17	27.03.18	£115.00	£86.25	£28.75	
					£ 3,351.00	£ 2,512.79	£ 849.46	

General Updates

Third Sector Leeds Goes Local

22. The most recent Third Sector Goes Local event in South Leeds was held at Tiger 11 on 13th September 2017, with the topic discussion being on community cohesion, community resilience and the Prevent programme. Attached, as **Appendix 1**, is the report from that meeting.

23. The Third Sector Partnership are currently considering the theme for the next meeting, scheduled April 2017. The themes being considered are:

- Inclusive Growth Strategy
- Brexit/Devolution
- Universal Credit

Social Media and communications

24. **Appendix 2**, provides information on posts and the number of people reached on Inner South Community Committee Facebook page.

Ward Profiles

25. The ward profiles for the 3 Inner South wards are attached at the end of this report for information.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

26. On the 21st October 2015 the Council's Executive Board approved a process for the allocation of CIL in Leeds. Any planning application approved prior to the 6th April 2015 do not qualify for a CIL contribution. As part of this payment schedule, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% for administration and 15-25% goes to a Community Committee or the relevant Town or Parish Council. This 15-25% of the CIL

receipt (25% if there is an adopted neighbourhood plan, 15% if there isn't) is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund'. In the absence of a Town or Parish Council, the Neighbourhood Fund element of CIL is allocated to the Community Committee.

27. Inner South Community Committee is asked to consider the process they wish to use for allocating the Community Committee element of the Neighbourhood Fund in Inner South. There are 2 options available:

- any funds raised through CIL are retained by the ward in which it is generated
- any funds raised through CIL, regardless of the ward in which they are generated, are split evenly amongst the 3 wards

Recommendations

28. The Community Committee is asked to:

- a) Note the contents of the report and make comment as appropriate.
- b) Determine how CIL is allocated in Inner South

Background documents¹

There are no background documents associated with this paper.
