

**Report of:** Head of Locality Partnerships

**Report to:** Inner East Community Committee:

**Burmantofts & Richmond Hill, Gipton & Harehills,  
Killingbeck & Seacroft**

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**To Note**

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

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### **Purpose of report**

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

### **Main issues**

- 3.** Updates by theme

#### 4. Environment & Community Safety – Champion Councillor Asghar Khan

##### Community Safety

##### Neighbourhood Policing Team Update

Serious and Acquisitive Crime Demand Data:

<b>Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Crime Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Burglary - business and community	4	3	1
Burglary - residential	19	24	5
Robbery	7	9	2
Theft from motor vehicle	16	6	10
Theft from the person	7	2	5
Theft of motor vehicle	7	9	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>7</b>

<b>Gipton and Harehills Crime Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Burglary - business and community	6	4	2
Burglary - residential	29	35	6
Robbery	6	2	4
Theft from motor vehicle	26	15	11
Theft from the person	8	7	1
Theft of motor vehicle	9	11	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Killingbeck and Seacroft Crime Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Burglary - business and community	7	5	2
Burglary - residential	31	12	19
Robbery	2	2	0
Theft from motor vehicle	3	4	1
Theft from person	7	3	4
Theft of motor vehicle	10	6	4
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>28</b>

## Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Demand Data:

<b>Burmantofts and Richmond Hill ASB Call Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Adult nuisance non-alcohol related	3	2	1
Alcohol	2	1	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	2	4	2
Nuisance car/van	1	1	0
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	3	5	2
Youth related	6	5	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>Gipton and Harehills ASB Call Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Adult nuisance non-alcohol related	4	4	0
Alcohol	5	1	4
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	1	1	0
Neighbour related	4	3	1
Nuisance car/van	3	0	3
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	3	0	3
Youth related	12	10	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>Killingbeck and Seacroft ASB Call Category</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 22</b>	<b>Jan - Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Adult nuisance non-alcohol related	2	0	2
Alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks/snowballing	1	0	1
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	5	2	3
Nuisance car/van	1	0	1
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	17	9	8
Youth related	13	6	7
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>

### Operation Dieselcrest – Local Priority Update:

**Ward Area:** All ward areas across the Inner and Outer East

To address anti-social motorcycles, vehicular nuisance and associated criminality across the Leeds East ward areas.

As part of Operation Dieselcrest we will proactively gather intelligence and identify those involved in the anti-social use of motorcycles, vehicles and associated criminality.

We will monitor and respond to incident demands, collate evidence, conduct disruption visits on known offenders, hold targeted days of action and arrest suspects identified.

In addition, we will collaboratively work alongside partner agencies to utilise all enforcement methods available, against those repeatedly involved in such behaviour.

**You said:**

You want to see positive action taken against offenders, involved in the illegal use of motorcycles, vehicles and associated crimes.

**We have:**

- Executed Misuse of Drugs warrants which resulted in the seizure of drugs and 6 motorcycles
- Seized a further 31 Motorcycles and 8 Quad Bikes
- Arrested 14 individuals
- Seized 3 vehicles and recovered 4 stolen vehicles
- Issued 15 Traffic Offence reports for speeding and other motoring offences
- Issued 3 Section 59 Warnings
- Conducted targeted days of action and an Operation, funded by the Inner and Outer East Community Committees
- Held crime prevention and engagement events, to raise awareness of motorcycle theft and security mechanisms

We continue to conduct targeted enforcement patrols, we are working alongside partner agencies and Operation Leodis, to take further enforcement actions.

LASBT Update

**Current Caseload by Ward**

Burmantofts & Richmond Hill = 35 active cases, an increase of 1 since the last period

Killingbeck & Seacroft = 22 active cases, an increase of 3 since the last period

Gipton & Harehills = 41 active cases, the same as the last period

**Cases opened in the last 3 months by ward and type**

Due to ongoing IT issues I am currently unable to report on this at this time

**Additional Information**

- Team Leodis (Police Officers working as part of LASBT) have completed their work in the Gipton area after concentrating on the problem of youths entering tower blocks to commit ASB and intimidating residents. As a result a total of 7 applications for partial closure orders were obtained and have closed off all the communal areas to anyone other than those who habitually reside in the block, their authorised visitors plus trades people, council staff etc. Monitoring reports a significant reduction in asb in these blocks. There was some displacement to other blocks in the Gipton area therefore a number of further partial closures have been obtained for those blocks as well. Early signs shows these two are working and residents report a considerable improvement
- Team Leodis, plus an officer from Housing and one from LASBT are to receive Chief Officer Commendations for their joint work in the Gipton area as described above. This will take place in March.
- Team Leodis is now working on Operation Dieselcrest which is working to tackle nuisance motorbikes across East Leeds. The team are looking at a number of hard hitting injunctions aimed at key individuals involved in this type of behaviour.
- Thus far Operation Dieselcrest has conducted the following:
  1. Executed Misuse of Drugs warrants which resulted in the seizure of drugs and 6 motorcycles
  2. Seized a further 31 Motorcycles and 8 Quad Bikes
  3. Arrested 14 individuals
  4. Seized 3 vehicles and recovered 4 stolen vehicles
  5. Issued 15 Traffic Offence reports for speeding and other motoring offences
  6. Issued 3 Section 59 Warnings
  7. Conducted targeted days of action and an Operation, funded by the Inner and Outer East Community Committees
  8. Held crime prevention and engagement events, to raise awareness of motorcycle theft and security mechanisms

## 5. Children & Families – Champion Councillor Katie Dye

### Inner East Youth Summit

On 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 the Inner East hosted their Youth Summit for the first time since the Covid pandemic. The event took place in the Civic Hall and there were around 70 children and young people there from 11 different schools in the Inner East Wards.

The summit was hosted by the Localities Officer (Oliver Taylor) and the Champion for Children & Families (Cllr Katie Dye) for Inner East. There was a fun 'Play your Carbon Right' game which got the room thinking about climate change and a money allocation activity which put the kids in the Councillors shoes. The children were also very keen to speak to their local Councillors and came up with some thought-provoking questions during the Q&A.

On the stalls in the hallway, there were the Police, Leeds by Example, Youth Service, RAF and the Voice, Influence and Change Team who were popular with the kids. Emily Alderson from the Voice Influence and Change Team gave a democracy workshop presentation which expressed the importance of voting and having your voice heard.

Once the workshops and activities concluded, the children and teachers were led to the Council Chamber where they met Councillor Robert Gettings and asked him about his role as Lord Mayor.

The feedback from the day is mostly positive with some constructive criticisms included in there which will help to make next years summit even better.



## 6. Employment & Skills – Champion Councillor John Tudor

### Universal Credit

The number of people who are claiming Universal Credit (UC) due to unemployment, as of October 2022, in the Inner East Community Committee area is 10,228. Whilst the largest increase in claimants of UC was in June 2020 (64%), the number of claimants remains high and continues to increase. There is an increase of 132 claimants in October 2022 on the previous month.

The table below shows the number of people claiming Universal Credit (Not in Employment) in the Inner East Community Committee area and by ward.

	Universal Credit Claimants (Not in Employment) 16-64yrs							
	March 2020		June 2020		September 2022		October 2022	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
Leeds	23,631	4.5%	42,636	8.2%	42,762	8.4%	43,819	8.2%
<b>Inner East</b>	<b>5,658</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>9,300</b>	<b>16.9%</b>	<b>10,096</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>10,228</b>	<b>18.6%</b>
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	2,068	11.0%	3,254	17.3%	3,367	17.9%	3,421	18.2%
Gipton & Harehills	2,210	10.6%	3,908	18.8%	4,382	21.1%	4,384	21.1%
Killingbeck & Seacroft	1,380	8.9%	2,138	13.8%	2,347	15.2%	2,423	15.6%

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

### Employment and Skills Services

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

	Accessing Services		Into Work		Improved Skills	
	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)	2021/22 (Apr – Sept)	2022/23 (Apr – Sept)
<b>Inner East</b>	<b>1,448</b>	<b>2,045</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>569</b>
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	548	700	73	85	96	177
Gipton & Harehills	607	1,005	96	130	138	292
Killingbeck & Seacroft	293	340	61	42	57	100

*During April – September 2022*

- 8,359 people accessed the Service, 2,045 of whom were residents from the Inner East.
- Supported 1,462 people into work, 257 of whom were residents from the Inner East. Customers were supported into work across all sectors with the largest numbers in, arts, entertainment and recreation, construction, health and care, ICT, digital and comms.
- Supported 2,149 people to improve their skills, 569 of whom were from the Inner East.

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

All Jobshops are open, 5 days a week for face to face appointments which includes Seacroft, Burmantofts and Compton Community Hubs. The Community Hub Mobile bus runs Monday - Friday, the schedule stops include:

- Windmill Health Centre, Whinmoor Way, Leeds, LS14 5BD Friday 9:30 – 12:00
- East Park Medical Centre, East Park Road, Leeds, LS9 9JD Friday 13:00 – 15:30



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

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

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

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

Opportunities in Leeds is a weekly email service and features live jobs, Apprenticeships, and courses. To subscribe please visit: <https://bit.ly/opportunitiesinleeds>

For further information on Employment and Skills services and the support available please visit: <https://employmentskillsleeds.co.uk>

The Adult Learning programme continues to deliver an effective, broad, and inclusive curriculum to support the continuation of learning in collaboration with subcontracted partners. Courses were delivered through a range of models which include face to face, online and through distance learning, opening new opportunities for adults to learn and develop their confidence.

Between September – December 2022, in the Inner East, 108 courses were delivered at 19 venues. 447 residents have started a course. In addition, there were 17 courses delivered on-line.

For the Academic Year 2022/23 in the Inner East, 199 courses, including ESOL (English Speakers of Other Languages), Employability and Arts and Crafts, are planned at 21 different venues. 36 courses are also planned for online delivery.

A 10 week ESOL course for local residents commenced delivery on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022, at Kentmere Community Centre. Due to the success of the first course a second programme commenced on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January, supported by Seacroft and Manston Cluster. The course will support the continued learning of current customers and will also be open to new learners.

A Celebration of Learning Festival is planned for 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at the Carriageworks, for adult learners (and their children), to recognise everything they have been through during the last 2 years including personal achievements and home-schooling.

Developing You Health and Wellbeing, a pre-employability, work readiness, health and wellbeing programme which aims to help people to become happier, healthier and move closer towards employment.

For further information on courses available both online and face to face at community venues, please visit: <https://leedsadultlearning.co.uk>

Connecting Communities to Health and Care Careers focuses on narrowing inequalities taking the strengths and limitations of the Lincoln Green Employability Project, expanded to a one system approach across the sector adapting recruitment methods and building on the good practice models in the system. The programme aims to engage with, recruit and develop a diverse workforce from disadvantaged or underrepresented communities in Leeds to improve access to long term career opportunities, work experience, volunteering, education, and training in the sector. Since September 2022, 169 people have attended the assessment sessions. 41 have achieved a qualification, and 35 people have been supported into work. 38 people are being supported to improve functional skills to achieve the required level to move into employment within the sector.

For further information and please visit: [Leeds Health and Care](#)

*Between April – December 2022 Employment and Skills supported*

- *287 new businesses including recruiting new staff, providing support for staff facing redundancy, developing initiatives to address staff shortages and filling a high number of vacancies within key sectors.*

- *and attended careers events and parents evenings and delivered Apprenticeship awareness sessions, engaging with 7,674 young people, 367 parents and carers and 282 teachers.*

### **Delivered Events**

- **Financial Inclusion Event** took place on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 on the Mobile Community Bus at Wykebeck Valley Primary School and at Lidl in Gipton. The event aimed to help local residents maximise their income and assist in managing their debts and utilities. Housing Leeds, Yorkshire Water, Credit Union, Employment and Skills and Jobshop staff were present and supported residents accessing the event.
- **Leeds Digital Careers Festival 2022 (LDCF22)** took place week 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022, with support from Leeds based employers. Workshop sessions were delivered within the Priority Neighbourhoods at Community Hubs and Leeds City College, which connected people with live digital opportunities, information, and guidance, approx. 100 people attended. Presentations were also held at 12 schools across the city, to 1,269 young people from years 10, 11 and post 16. A careers event was held at Leeds First Direct Arena on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022 with 51 digital employers and training providers participating, approximately 1,700 people attended.
- **Leeds Creative Skills Festival (LCSF)** a weeklong festival of activities took place 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022 with a Creative Skills Showcase event held at the Leeds First Direct Arena on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The event, sponsored by Channel 4, 4Skills and Leeds City College, aimed to inspire young people to consider a career in creative skills and provided a platform for industry experts to deliver presentations and take part in topical panel discussions. A total of 63 employers, training providers and SEND support participated at the event, 2,200 people attended. Artforms Leeds, Leeds 2023, Grand Futures Leeds and Leeds Cultural Education Partnership attended the event as Friends of the Festival.

### **Planned Events**

- **Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair (LARF)** will take place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to mark the start of National Apprenticeship Week, 97 employers and training providers have booked to exhibit. Publicity for the fair commenced in January 2023 and includes a mailing to parents of Leeds young people in years 10 - 13 and the NEET cohort. A series of sessions have been offered to secondary schools and colleges to help prepare students to get the most from the event. For further information and to book please visit: [Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair](#)
- **Jobsfairs** are planned to recruit for a range of posts within Leeds City Council at the following Community Hubs:
  - City Centre, Merrion House, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds LS2 8LX on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023
  - Armley, 2 Stocks Hill, Armley, Leeds LS12 1UQ on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023
  - Dewsbury Road, 190 Dewsbury Road, Leeds LS11 6PF on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023
  - Compton Centre, Harehills Lane, Harehills, Leeds LS9 7BG on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023
- **Reducing Re-Offending** in partnership with West Yorkshire Combined Authority an event is planned for Spring 2023 to support the children of current serving prisoners at HMP Wealstun and aims to raise employment and education aspiration levels of the children attending. A Construction event (w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023) will be held at HMP Leeds aiming to encourage employers to engage in recruiting prison leavers and to increase the number of prison leavers offered employment in the construction industry.
- **Community Engagement** Employment and Skills and Leeds City College have partnered to create a questionnaire, which will help to shape activities and information sessions to benefit the local communities, focusing on employment and skills. For further information please visit: [Community Activity Survey 2023](#)
- **SEND Next Choices**, getting ready for adult life event will take place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Leeds First Direct Arena. Young people who have special educational needs and disabilities will be able to attend with their teachers, parents and carers and find out about jobs, training, apprenticeships, college courses, voluntary work, leisure activities, finances, support agencies and benefits available in Leeds. For further information and to book please visit: [Getting Ready for Adult Life](#)



## 7. Health & Wellbeing – Champion Councillor David Jenkins

### Public Health Update

#### Learning and Cost of Living Events in schools in the Inner East

Following on from the successful events in the summer we have now run 6 Learning and cost of living events in the following schools: Brownhills Academy, Nightingale Academy, Harehills Primary, Brakenedge Primary, Hillcrest Academy and Shakespeare Academy. The aim was to support parents with ongoing struggles due to the cost-of-living crisis. Each school had between 12 and 18 organisations attending with organisations like Money Buddies, St. Vincent's support Centre, Better Leeds Communities, Yorkshire water, LCC Financial inclusion team, Employment and Skills, Credit Union to name a few each. COVID vaccinations were also offered with a total of 28 administered. Each school had over 100 parents attending. The events were funded by Health Partnerships team and Learning Partnerships. The funding was used to provide 100 goody bags for each school with personal health and hygiene products, hot soup recipe and ingredients, face painters and interpreters. The events are now being evaluated, and a report will be written in due course.

Contact [tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk)

#### 16 days of Action: Domestic Violence and Abuse events

To promote the 16 days of action campaign two events were held in December delivered by Shantona Women's centre and Leeds City Council public health team. The events took place at Compton Centre and the Bangladeshi Centre. The aim of the session was to highlight and support men and women who are experiencing domestic violence and abuse by providing help, information and support. The events also provided information on the healthy start voucher scheme, childhood vaccines, employment and skills; as well as face painting, hand massage and henna art. The event at Bangladeshi Centre also provided a classical dancing workshop with the women which focused on solidarity, friendship and supporting each other.

Thank you to the elected members at Gipton and Harehills who provided MICE funding for both events.

Contact [chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk)

#### LCC – Dept for Transport Active Travel Social Prescribing Project (2022-2025)

The Leeds Project will focus on the BHR PCN area. BHR has seen significant road, cycling and walking infrastructure development, yet residents face substantial challenges and physical barriers around accessing these developments. These relate to many factors, including community safety, cleanliness "crime and grime" concerns, alongside financial inclusion issues and poverty. This project provides a great opportunity to really understand how to shift walking/cycling behaviour and embed long term cultural change in some of the most disadvantaged communities in the country.

Through the feasibility study process, the following challenges were identified

- missed opportunities to refer people from social prescribing to cycling and walking initiatives
- lack of comprehensive and updated information and support for people to start and maintain walking or cycling
- economic challenges around cost and maintenance of a bicycle
- concerns around having somewhere suitable and safe for storage of a bicycle

Sadly, people perceive activities around walking and cycling as being 'not for them' and this is reinforced by a lack of accessible and pleasant urban trails which are maintained and well managed. This project will engage, listen and co-produce with communities, vibrant and sustainable community-based walking and cycling initiatives, through the realisation of seven key interventions. It is hoped that this project will make a real difference to the lives and well-being of BHR residents, and, in time, see Active Travel as integral to everyday life.

For more information, please contact Rachel Dukes, Advanced Health Improvement Specialist, Public Health. [Rachel.dukes@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Rachel.dukes@leeds.gov.uk)

LCP HATCH work programme.

The hatch Domestic Violence and Abuse (DVA) sub group has been running now for over a year is one of the priorities for HATCH members. An enormous amount of work has been achieved on the action plan which focuses on 4 areas –

- Increasing staff awareness of DVA via information and training events
- Delivering campaigns to raise awareness of DVA
- Setting up safe spaces in the community and developing DVA champions/ambassadors in the area
- Ensuring routine or triggered enquiry is used by the Primary Care Networks in Chapeltown and BHR.

The HATCH LCP recently met to discuss and review their work priorities including community mental health transformation, diabetes and DVA as well as identifying possible new priorities for the coming year. For more information on the work of the HATCH LCP contact Rachel Ainscough

[rachel.ainscough@nhs.net](mailto:rachel.ainscough@nhs.net)

A summary of the DVA work will be available in April. For more information on the DVA sub group contact [chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk)

## General health messages

### Winter pressures

A leading doctor in West Yorkshire is calling on people who haven't yet had their flu and Covid vaccinations to come forward as soon as possible.

There are significant pressures locally and nationally across the system, with recent figures showing one in every eight hospital beds being used by someone with either Covid or flu.

Almost two thirds of those eligible for a Covid booster in West Yorkshire have had the jab since the rollout started last autumn. However, that means there are still over 400,000 people at increased risk from the virus who have yet to get protected.

People can book an appointment online [here](#) or by calling 119, or find details of their nearest walk-in clinic [here](#).

You can read the full article [here](#).

A winter wellbeing comms toolkit is available with copy and assets for bulletins and social media. You can access the toolkit in the Weather and Health campaign 2022 folder [here](#).

- The winter wellbeing [webpage](#) gives information about staying safe and well.
- The cost of living [webpage](#) has information about the support that is available.
- The warm spaces map can be accessed [here](#).

### Flu and Covid

Key messages continue to focus on safe behaviours:

- Get boosted with Covid and flu vaccines
- Stay at home and avoid close contact with others if you're not feeling well
- Wash your hands regularly
- Let fresh air in if you're meeting indoors

Vaccinations against flu and Covid are available to all front-line staff.

LCC colleagues can make an appointment for a vaccination [here](#).

General information on the flu vaccine is available as follows:

- Information on eligibility can be found [here](#).
- A list of pharmacies offering the flu vaccination is available [here](#).

Covid information is available via the following links:

- General info about Covid-19 vaccines is available [here](#)
- Information on the autumn booster programme is available [here](#)
- Further information including autumn booster FAQs is available [here](#)
- Visit [Walk-in vaccination clinics](#) for a full list of options across Leeds.
- Appointments are available from the National Booking Service [here](#).

## **Cost of Living information and available grants**

### **Household Support Fund Leeds – Cost of Living Grants**

*Forum Central launches grants to support individuals in hardship over winter.*

Grants of up to £1,000 and £5,000 are being administered by Forum Central, and distributed to organisations who support Communities of Interest including cultural diversity, people with mental health difficulties (including Young People), learning disabilities, physical and sensory impairment and older people.

There is no deadline – applications will be assessed weekly until all funds allocated. All grants must be spent by March 2023 and [there is still funding available](#).

The Household Support Fund (HSF) is a Central Government fund, provided to Local Authorities to support individual households with access to food and fuel over the winter period. A priority of this fund will be to support people with food and fuel costs. For example, fuel meter top-up cards and payments or the provision of energy efficient equipment.

Alongside Leeds Community Anchor Network and Leeds Food Aid Network, Forum Central will be distributing a proportion of this funding to third sector partners to enable this support to reach those most vulnerable. In order to work quickly, a rolling grant programme will be available.

Further information about the fund can be found [here](#).

Please use this [online form](#) where possible.

## Local Care Partnership Update

### **Tackling Health Inequalities**

- Health Inequalities funding has been provided to support targeted reductions in Health Inequalities for specific population groups linked to the CORE20Plus5 approach, alongside inclusive recovery from the pandemic
- LCPs have scoping out how a community grants fund could be used to tackle localised health inequalities within their local areas. By using asset-based approaches, the aim is to get money closer to local people.
- Funding must focus on benefitting the population living in most deprived LSOAs (i.e. 10% areas)
- Funding is allocated to those third sector and grassroot organisations working and operating within the local community(ies) or to local people
- Within HATCH LCP, there is to be launch of the community grants scheme whereby partners can apply for small and medium sized funding pots to enable organisations to increase their capacity in supporting people with the cost of living increase.
- In York Road and Seacroft and surrounding areas LCPs, funding is being shared out across local organisations to support communities in a way that feels right locally. Eg: increase in warm spaces, activities for families, around food and enhancing budget and cookery skills.
- There is a specific scheme within Seacroft and surrounding areas LCP - Seacroft working together, to narrow inequity in uptake of primary care services that save lives.

Stage one: Focussing on those affected by severe and enduring mental illness, improving uptake of bowel and cervical cancer screening and management of hypertension. There is a new clinical lead in place to support taking this work forward.

### **Digital Health Hubs**

- York Road LCP is recruiting for a digital health hub development worker to work across the network to generate volunteers and embed the model in the area.
- Digital Health Hub Network. First tried in Beeston and Middleton. It takes the Digital Health Hub model which is well established at Cross Gates Good Neighbours and builds on this by creating a network that collaborate together, giving coverage across a whole LCP area. York Rd started to develop what this might look like in their area and HATCH is now exploring this. Seacroft will be in the third wave of roll out
- Hubs can be libraries/one stops, third sector community buildings, housing association or social housing shared spaces, etc. Can offer help to get online, digital champions, confidence building, equipment loans, data, how to access specific health apps. Offer can vary from one to another.

### **Asset Based Community Development**

- York Road and HATCH LCPs have held sessions together as partners to explore a greater understanding of Asset based community development (ABCD), understanding the strengths of this approach and how partners are currently working now v what could be changed to move to an ABCD approach

### **Refreshing priorities**

- Within HATCH and Seacroft and surrounding areas, partners are doing a stocktake around existing priorities and agreeing where energies and focus could be over coming months. Within HATCH LCP, there are early ideas around food to be a focus, linking in with the city's food strategy consultation. Also around providing more opportunities for partners to meet and engage in local settings to further enhance relationships and learn together.

## 8. Burmantofts & Richmond Hill – Priority Ward

### Christmas Celebrations

#### Lincoln Green Christmas Tree Event

Christmas Tree Festive event took place at Lincoln Green Square on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December. The event was a real success in bringing the whole Community Together.

A special thank you to BRH Cllrs, Touchstone, Bridge Community Church, St Vincent's Choir, Project Hope, Youth Partnership Team, and West Yorkshire Police.



#### East End Park Festive Singing Event

A Christmas tree Gathering took place on the 10<sup>th</sup> December. The event was a collaboration between Opera North, Your Space, Richmond Hill Primary Academy, East End Park Bowling Club. Residents were invited to hear the delights of the Richmond Hill Academy Choir, take part in a singing session with Opera North, sing some festive favourites together and enjoy some seasonal refreshments. The singing and music took place around the Christmas Tree and Lights at East End Park, which the BRH Cllrs funded for the Community.

A special thank you to all the partners that pulled this together and made this happen, Opera North, Touchstone, Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Anchor, East End Park Bowling Club, Richmond Hill Primary Academy Choir, and West Yorkshire Police.





### **Cost of Living**

As we enter the new year, the increase in cost of living continues to touch many people, and some may only be starting to feel the impact.

Please visit [https://www.leeds.gov.uk/campaign/cost-of-living?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.leeds.gov.uk/campaign/cost-of-living?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) website for support and advice on housing, food, fuel and health, as well as details of events taking place across Leeds to support local residents.

### **Parks & Greenspaces**

Funding has been secured from BRH Cllrs, Parks and the Housing Advisory Panel for Improvements to take place in the following Parks and Play areas:

1. Raincliffe Recreation Ground
2. Saxton Park
3. Nowell Mount Play area
4. East End Park

Consultations took place with residents with the outcome to update existing play equipment and areas. This will involve the installation of some new play equipment, Improvements to the safety surfacing, painting surrounding barriers and updating the East End Park Bike track. All parks improvements as above have been completed except for East End Park which will commence shortly and be completed by May.



Raincliffe Recreation Ground



Nowell Mount







Saxton Gardens







### **Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Events**

Two events have been planned to take place in the BRH ward these are:

Burmantofts Communities Festival (Previously named as Burmantofts Gala) will take place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June.

Lark in the Park will take place on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Both events are annual fun day for families in the communities of East End Park, Cross Green and Richmond Hill that has been running for 5 years. It is organised by local people, organisations, agencies, and partners who all have a direct interest in the local area.

The aim of the day is to celebrate life in these neighbourhoods and to provide a positive memory for those who attend. Activities on the day will include -- sports, inflatables for young people, Mini-Breeze, East Leeds FM, Leeds 2023. Planning meetings with Cllrs. Stakeholders and Partners are taking place to pull the events together.

### **Ping Pong For You – Good News Story**

Thursday sessions at the Compton Centre are consistently popular with young people with 12 players per session on average attending.

Some of the young people are now taking more of, a lead role setting up, putting away, helping beginners with how to play.

The 4.30 to 5.30 at Shakespeare School, is also very popular, although numbers did drop when it became very dark and the weather was poor.

A match held has been at Shakespeare School against Bishop Young School which was extremely well attended.

Shakespeare School under 11s boys and separately under 11s girls have recently become West Yorkshire champions and in the individual events Shakespeare boys reached the semi-finals.

Shakespeare girls team went to the north of England finals in Blackburn which they Won!

The national finals are in Wolverhampton on 22/23rd April.

### **Mental Health Leeds**

Courses are available and being paid for by Mentally Healthy Leeds.

Please see link for details:

<https://www.commlinks.co.uk/training/courses/>

Courses include:

Mental Health First Aid, SAFE Talk, ASIST, Trauma Informed Practice.

Please contact Clare Powell ([clarep@touchstonesupport.org.uk](mailto:clarep@touchstonesupport.org.uk)) to book a place.

## 9. Gipton & Harehills – Priority Ward

### Neighbourhood Planning

Progress continues to be made with establishing the Harehills Forum and Neighbourhood Plan. The group now has 27 members and has recently established a constitution form the group and made an application to designate the geographical area the forum want their Plan to cover.

The application for the proposed area of designation can be view online at:

[www.leeds.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/harehills-neighbourhood-plan](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/harehills-neighbourhood-plan)

If you would like to give your view about the proposal to designate the forum, the webpage above include a link to a brief online survey. The deadline to give your view on the proposal is 5pm on Monday 20 March 2023.

### Harehills Winter Welcome

The Second Harehills Winter Welcome took place on Saturday 3rd December. This years Winter Welcome saw activities taking place at locations across Harehills. During the day there was a Xmas craft market at the Thackwray Medical Museum and a free a lantern making workshop at the Compton Centre. In the evening Space2 ran decoration making for young people in St Aiden’s church hall whose kitchen also hosted Food Cycle who provided free hot drinks, soup and pakoras for those attending the event.

Banstead Park hosted the evening event hosted by Fever FM local performers took to the stage to showcase their talents and free food, drinks, and Xmas goodie bags were available for everyone the attended.

The event was a great team effort of the council, local groups and residents working together to bring something positive to the ward and hopefully the Winter Welcome will be back for its third year in 2023.



### Warm Spaces

Great work has been taking place across the ward the support residents around cost of living over the winter months. Funding awarded by the Inner East Community Committee has been used to help East Leeds Project transform a squash court at Fearnville Leisure Centre into a warm space for the community and space for arts workshops. Funding was also awarded to Gipton Together to for a Christmas party at the Henry Barran Centre where families were gifted a “Winter Warmer” pack with helpful items such has hats, gloves, hand warmers as well as helpful signposting advice for different support available around cost of living.

The Safer Stronger Communities Team supported the Gipton Neighbourhood Improvement Partnership (GNIP) to produce a timetable of warm spaces that can be accessed throughout the week at various locations across Gipton. A printed version of the timetable was delivered to over 5,000 homes across Gipton as well as promoted online. The feedback from the timetable has bene positive and the GNIP plan to produce a similar leaflet in the spring promoting wider support and activities available.

## 10. Killingbeck & Seacroft - Priority Ward

### Seacroft Community Kitchen: Energy Saving Cooking Courses

The Community Kitchen project at Kentmere Community Centre is in full first set of courses were highly popular and completed recently, with a slow cookers, batch cooking and efficient / healthy recipes. Participants slow cooker as part of the programme if required, along with recipe cards ingredients. The second set of courses is currently underway and takes approach, with a focus this time on the use of air fryers, producing meals at low costs.



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The project aims to appease the impact of the cost-of-living crisis, and address local insecurities relating to food and cooking healthily. No previous cooking experience is required, and all equipment and ingredients are provided. Attendees of the food courses are also linked in with the local food pantry for additional support if required.

Information can be found at <https://weareseacroft.org.uk/energy-saving-cooking-course/>

### St Richards Church Foodbank

The foodbank at St Richards Crypt (Ramshead Hill) continues to operate in response to high demand in the local area. Organised by a team of local volunteers and the Trussell Trust, and with support and publicity through the We Are Seacroft Partnership, the foodbank is open on Tuesdays from 12.30pm-2.30pm. Food and toiletries can be obtained by presenting a foodbank referral voucher. The church also runs a Tea & Toast Café beforehand from 11.30am, where everyone is welcome to attend, socialise, and meet other people.



Information can be found at: <http://weareseacroft.org.uk/east-leeds-food-bank/>

### Chapel FM: Through Our Eyes

Chapel FM continue to host a fantastic range of groups, workshops, and training at their site in Seacroft. One new group that has recently started is 'Through Our Eyes', a music group designed for all abilities. The focus of the group is to bring music accessibility to the local community, especially for those with disabilities who may not be able to access other music programmes. The sessions have been very popular so far, enabling people with or without disability to come together and enjoy shared interests whilst learning new skills. The sessions are member-led, meaning that all members have influence over how the sessions are run. The group meet every Monday 1pm-4pm at Chapel FM.



Information can be found at: <https://www.chapelfm.co.uk/?s=through+our+eyes>



## Denis Healey Centre Community sports offering

For all your sports and fitness needs, the Denis Healey Centre is the place Organised by Seacroft Community on Top (S.C.O.T), the centre is bustling wide range of activities every week, designed to get you being active and well.

The DHC Community Gym is seeing more and more people come along the fantastic facilities. For just £1 per session or £5 per month the gym fantastic value and access to the local community. S.C.OT are also Bootcamp sessions on Monday and Thursday evenings for just £2 per which is proving hugely popular and growing in attendance each week Participants have fed back that they really enjoy the communal sense of achievement gained through this exercise class.

S.C.O.T FC are now also running 3 league teams, as well as a kids' women's session, and a men's football session all on Saturdays. Due to influx in popularity, the centre is currently appealing for any football boots that could be donated for participants of these groups.

The most recent development at the centre is the introduction of S.C.O.T.'s Dance Session, for ages 6-11 led by a qualified instructor every from 4.30pm – 5.30pm. This is the latest in a series of affordable, accessible, and engaging physical activity classes at the centre, designed support people during the cost of living crisis and keep the local community active and healthy.

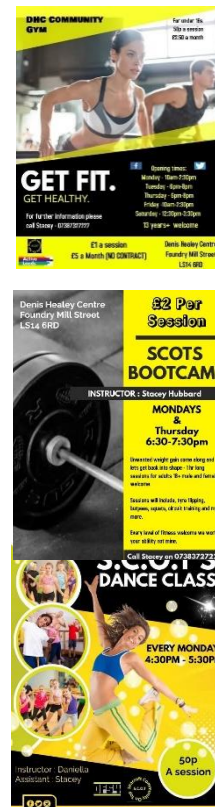
For all the latest information and how you can get involved at the centre, visit the Seacroft Community on Top Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2387469998135636>

## Community Public Access Defibrillators in Seacroft

With recent Wellbeing funding support from Killingbeck & Seacroft Ward Members, January saw two more Community Public Access Defibrillators (CPADs) receive new replacement pads and batteries in ward. These units are based at St Richards Church (Ramshead Hill) Seacroft Village Hall (York Rd). As a result, the units have been reactivated on the Circuit website and are now recognised as ready for by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service. These devices provide essential out-of-hospital healthcare support to neighbourhoods, and support communities to be safer, and more resilient to challenges.

For more information on CPADs maintenance, installation and registration please see the Circuit website, <https://www.thecircuit.uk>

To access online training relating to CPR for free, use the British Heart Foundation RevivR online tool [RevivR \(bhf.org.uk\)](https://www.bhf.org.uk)

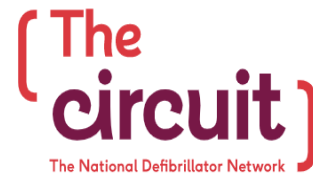


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## 11. Leeds 2023

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

### **Projects in communities**

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

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

Neighbourhood Hosts are currently working for six hours a week, which includes their time spent in training and this reduces to three hours from September. The Neighbourhood Host scheme has been designed to increase the capacity for hyper-local community engagement in each of the wards, and to create opportunities for people across the city to participate in activity as part of the Year of Culture. Each host is supported by an Anchor Organisation, an organisation based in their ward / a nearby ward, providing mentoring and guidance along the way. Elected Members are invited to support the Neighbourhood Hosts and their community by:

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

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

- Burmantofts and Richmond Hill – Jeniffer Makau supported by Touchstone
- Gipton and Harehills – Kelly Hamilton supported by Space 2
- Killingbeck and Seacroft – Lisa Savage supported by LS14 Trust

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

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

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

### **Opportunities for schools**

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

resources for schools can be found on the LEEDS 2023 website <https://leeds2023.co.uk/creative-learning>

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

- Ebor Gardens Primary, Leeds Artist Show
- Mount St Mary's High, Authors Abroad
- Shakespeare Primary, Leeds Artist Show
- Trinity Academy Leeds, Authors Abroad
- Leeds East Academy, Authors Abroad

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

### **Other events and projects taking place in Inner East area**

The signature project Smeaton 300 will be taking place in Killingbeck and Seacroft ward in collaboration with East Leeds project and East Leeds communities between June and December.

## **12. Community Libraries/Hubs**

All Community Hubs and Libraries across Leeds are 'Warm spaces' this initiative is to provide a warm welcome with free hot drinks and games where residents can spend some time with company.

We are collaborating with Zero Waste Leeds on the Winter Coat appeal and are drop off and collection points for redistribution of winter coats/fleeces etc more information can be found here [Leeds Winter coat appeal - Zero Waste Leeds](#)

We have recently recruited and welcome Bushra Javed to our vacant Project Development Manager position leading on Health and Wellbeing initiatives Citywide with a responsibility for East North East sites, The Reginald Centre Community Hub and Library, The Compton Centre Community Hub and Library and Seacroft Community Hub and Library. Further information and update to follow in next report.

### **The Compton Centre:**

#### **Weekly sessions:**

**Grab a Jab**-Vaccination clinic runs every Monday from 9am till 12pm. First, second and booster COVID vaccinations for anyone eligible, 5 years and above

**Bat & Chat**-Bat & Chat session every Mondays 12.30pm & Thursday from 3.15pm. Anyone welcome to come learn how to play ping pong and have a chat, run by PING PONG 4U.

**ESOL Classes**-ESOL classes for beginners and Advanced session every Monday.

**CAB drop-in surgery**.CAB hold a weekly surgery Tuesday 9am-12pm. Pre booked appointments needed.

**GRT Parenting Group**-Tuesday 9am-12pm to promote Health and wellbeing.

**GRT/St Vincent's surgery**.GRT drop-in surgery-Gypsy Roma Traveller Team continue to hold a drop-in surgery every Wednesday 10-12 to assist the EU communities with utilities, EUSS, School and DWP form filling

**Fresh Start**-part of the GRT Team offer session for EU children not in school every Wednesday 10-12pm.

St. Vincent's Outreach session at Compton Centre- continue to hold an immigration surgery every Wednesday 10-12pm who link in with the GRT team.

**Haamla Every Wednesdays** -Haamla is a unique service that provides essential support for pregnant women, and their families, from minority ethnic communities, including asylum seekers and refugees, throughout their pregnancy and postnatal period. It aims to improve access within maternity services, empower and inform women of the choices available during their pregnancy and birth, thereby improving their health and wellbeing

**Youth Service** Youth serve continue to run youth provision every Wednesday 4pm -6.30 pm. They also run a Girls support group on a Thursday 4pm -6pm.

**Leeds City Credit Union-weekly surgery**-LCCU run a weekly surgery-Thursdays 9am-12pm.

**Weekly Digi drop ins**, Thursdays 1.30 – 2.30pm: Need help to use your tablet, smartphone or computer to try something new, say hello or get tech savvy? Come along with your device or use a library PC and talk to our friendly librarians who will help you get started. Learn how your device can help you improve your health, access library services to read eBooks and magazines online and even save you money. This is a free event, no booking required

**Story and Rhyme Time**-Story and rhyme time is weekly on Fridays 10.30am – 11.30am, a fun interactive session for families with children under 5 years old. This is also followed on by a toy library session and play and stay each week where toys, crafts are currently available for the children to play with on site.

**Stay and play** every Friday 11.30am to 12.30pm

**Money Buddies**-Money Buddies Sessions every Friday 9am-12pm. This is a drop-in service where customer can access financial and debt advice and receive representation on specific issues.

**Leeds Pathways**- LCC Leeds Pathways support team who deliver a couple of weekly drop in sessions for young people at The Compton Centr.

**Ongoing surgeries-**

**PACT-Community Safety Meeting**- This is an opportunity for residents of Gipton & Harehills to meet with Police and Partner agencies to discuss local issues and also set what the policing priorities are moving forwards-Tuesdays every 6 weeks.

**Outreach pop up**-Senior Customer Services officer from The Compton Centre, do an outreach 'Pop – up' Job shop at The Old Gipton Fire Station, who attends fortnightly on Wednesday's, promoting services of Community Hubs & Libraries and engaging with customers to help with Employment Support. .

**Secret Cinema Club**-Cinema club as resumed at Compton, the cinema club runs monthly 4pm till 6pm, Free event, with popcorn and juice, all welcome.

**In Main library:**

**Knitting & Glow**-Your Space run a knitting & Crochet session weekly, free for all to join.

**Manbassador**-A local group for men run by ZEST-Men's health unlocked, men can come along meet other men locally and across the city, learn new skills, take part in a range of interesting activities, become part of the mens Health Unlocked Network, Help create a new magazine in Leeds.

Group meets at The Compton Centre weekly.

**Leeds Baby Bank**

Leeds Baby Bank continue to run a drop in service every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month. Leeds Baby Bank donate Nappies, wipes, toiletries, infant food by age, Leeds Baby bank also except donations of cots, prams, stair gates, Moses baskets, high chairs.

**Health & wellbeing Blood Pressure Campaign**-as part of NHS & The university of Leeds a Health & wellbeing Blood Pressure pop up will take place through Nov to Dec 2022-customers can get advice on Health & Wellbeing, have their blood pressure taken to check for Hypertension. .

**Digital Skills Event workshop**-free for anyone who is interested in a career in the digital sector

**Journalism course returns due to popular demand-Community Reporter Course**- John Baron's fantastic offer of a 6-8 week free course to upskill the community reporting skills, plus some additional help to launch their own news to produce a free community newspaper for East Leeds.

## December 2022

**National Day of Romania**-Assistant Hub manager of The Compton Centre Diane Nicholson and Jane Ingleby SCSO from Compton were invited along with the GRT team and St Vincents by Cllr Robert W Gettings MBE JP and the Lady Mayoress, Cllr Lesley Gettings to thank us all for all the work we have done and still doing with the Roma/Romanian community.

**Workshop for the Roma families**-The workshop with an artist from the theatre company prior to the families coming to the show, The workshop was [Story Seekers with Libellule Theatre | Leeds Inspired](#) The families were then invited to the performance of The Story maker's Apprentice which was exclusive for them at Leeds Central Library [L | Leeds Inspired](#).

**Winter festival**- 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. Hubs and libraries partnership event featuring Santa's grotto, crafts, face painting, a performance by Story Trails, hot chocolate and LED card making activities. Around 150 attendees.

**Roma Christmas party**-GRT Team with Santa, music, food, crafts and young person playing violin Christmas tunes.

**In Children's library:**

Woodland Primary school class visit-to learn about the libraries.

19<sup>th</sup> Dec and 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Librarian-led Healthy holidays sessions linking into STEAM skills with festive themed Lego challenges and storytelling.

**Cost of Living** event with Housing at Wykebeck Valley Road-Senior officer for The Compton Centre attended a cost of living event with Housing.

**Christmas Wreath making-RHS** (The Royal Horticultural Society) ran free workshops at the Compton centre; Bulb planting session, Lavender bag making and Wreath making.

**16 days of Action**-Public Health ran an event at The Compton Centre for 16 days of actions violence against women and girls, they were stalls to advise of Training & Employment Opportunities, Domestic Violence & Abuse Information, free face painting and hand massage, Food and refreshments were also available.

**Healthy Holidays**-Ran over the Christmas period for 4 days. Children were provide wot breakfast, warm lunches and Healthy actives and culture.

**January 2023**

**Code Club**-Free activity- Librarian led at The Compton Centre-Discover an easy way to follow projects which helps you learn a variety of coding languages by making games, robots, animation, and websites in a supportive environment. Code Club is a global network for families.

**Touchstone**-Mens Games Group, Commencing 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 23

**Health & care sector information day**-E&S ran an information day at The Compton Centre to introduce customers to jobs within the Health & Care sector.

**Lego Club**-Librarian led- This is a drop-in session for families, running monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday. The sessions will be themed and based on a specific project or idea, as opposed to open-ended play,

**East Side Story community newspaper**-Ran by community Advocate for the community, very popular run sessions.

**Public safety and Policing in Harehills**-Purpose of the event is John who is part of the community is working with Leeds Trinity University, Leeds Church Institute and David Oluwale memorial association to host the event which is intended to bring the diverse people of Harehills together to find ways to solve the local issues affecting them. As the event is intended to facilitate community cohesion, there was an opportunity to serve food at the event, particularly dishes which reflect the diversity of the area.

**Fostering pop up**- A fostering advisor & foster carer ambassador was on site offering advice and guidance

**February 2023**

**Gipton and Harehills Neighbourhood Policing Team Contact Point**- Gipton and Harehills Neighbourhood Policing Team will be holding community contact points, every three weeks at the Compton Centre form 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 11am-12pm.

**Playboxes**- Arrival of new mini Playbox to support Wellbeing pod and Story & Rhyme, and allow children and families the opportunity for high quality creative play (with opportunities for speech and language and maths development) using everyday objects, that can be replicated at home. Designed by Playful Leeds in partnership with Leeds Libraries. The Playboxes are out in the children's area daily.

**Zest**-Held a Time to Talk pop up

**Seacroft Community Hub and Library**

**Weekly sessions-**

**Registrars** –run weekly, pre booked appointment only.

**Better Leeds Communities** to start Debt and Financial advice surgery 9.30-12.30 Friday's Attended team meeting to talk about what they can offer, can also advise on benefits and housing.

**CAB**-Prebook appointments

**Story and Rhyme Time** -Our very popular story and rhyme time is held every Thursday at 10.30am – 11.30am its interactive for children under 5 years old.

**Digital121 Drop-in** 'Get online. Get connected.' Fortnightly Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am 13th, 27 th September and 11 th October 1 st , 15th, 29th November and 13th December Seacroft Community Hub & Library Need help to use your tablet, smartphone or computer to try something new, say hello or get tech savvy? Come along with your device or use a library PC and talk to our friendly librarians who will help you get started. Learn how your device can help you improve your health, access library services to read eBooks and magazines online and even save you money. This is a free event, no booking required

**Warm Space-** Every Community Hub & library offer a warm space and a warm welcome this winter, Offering complimentary hot drinks and board games. We also aim to provide an additional layer of support targeted at those struggling with food, clothing and energy bills .

**Digital Skills Event workshop**-free for anyone who is interested in a career in the digital sector

**Outreach Pop up**-Senior Customer Services officer from Seacroft Community Hub & Library do an outreach 'Pop – up' Job shop at The Old Gipton Fire Station, who attends fortnightly on Wednesday's, promoting services of Community Hubs & Libraries and engaging with customers to help with Employment Support. .

**Crafts@Seacroft**-Free Craft/knitting/crochet group in collaboration with Stroke Association to get those recovering back out in the community to meet new people. Every Tuesday's 1.30-3.30pm

**Cinema Club**-Monthly cinema club These screenings will be supervised by staff who work at the hub.

**The Seacroft Family History Group** back to Seacroft Community Hub & Library on a fortnightly basis from Thursday 13:30-15:30, using Ancestry on our public pc's.

**SE Crossgates Readers Group Meeting-** Due to the refurb, CR Readers Group have relocated to SE. This will be a regular meeting on **the first Wednesday of every month** and has been set up as a recurrence on the calendar. This is an organised group and not a drop in

### December 2022

**Winter festival-** 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. Hubs and libraries partnership event featuring Santa's grotto, crafts, face painting, hot chocolate and LED card making activities. Around 50 attendees.

### January 2023

Arrival of new mini Playbox to support Wellbeing pod and Story & Rhyme, and allow children and families the opportunity for high quality creative play (with opportunities for speech and language and maths development) using everyday objects, that can be replicated at home. Designed by Playful Leeds in partnership with Leeds Libraries

Fri 13<sup>th</sup>, Tue 17<sup>th</sup>, Tue 24<sup>th</sup>, Fri 27<sup>th</sup>In partnership with Active Leeds, customers and staff were able to get their blood pressure checked, and given tips and advice on healthier lifestyles. It was really successful having it in the main public area and generated lots of interest and conversations with customers.

**Police Contact point drop-in** Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Jan – fortnightly drop-in for residents to raise and concerns with PCSO – having the PCSO visible, encourages customers to come forward and chat to them.

### February 2023

13<sup>th</sup> Feb – performance by Opera North – Little Listeners: Mini Vixen. Free half-term event in children's library, with a sold out attendance of 40 adults and children, introducing children to opera within an accessible community setting.

**Covid vaccination** clinic (drop-in) Grab a Jab-3.2.23 – 14 people took up the vaccine

10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> Feb next dates

**Cost of Living Event-** partners attended who are invested in supporting local residents to navigate the tough times ahead, advice about monetary advice, heating, wellbeing, accessing food/warm meals etc -Cllr contributed £150 toward resources and slow cooker as a raffle prize- Crafts were available for children to entertain them while parents/carers spoke with parents available.

## **Burmantofts Community Hub and Library**

**IPad lending Scheme**-Still ongoing- The eligibility criteria is that the resident/customer lives in Burmantofts or Richmond Hill area and are digitally excluded for any reason.

**Digital drop in session**-every fortnight-Librarian led-Free to all.

**CAB drop-in surgery**-CAB hold a weekly drop-in surgery. Pre booked appointments needed.

**BRH Neighbouring Policing Team contact point** at Burmantofts Hub- their community contact points to be held every 3 weeks from 10am-11am Thursday mornings.

**Warm Space**- Every Community Hub & library offer a warm space and a warm welcome this winter, Offering complimentary hot drinks and board games. We also aim to provide an additional layer of support targeted at those struggling with food, clothing and energy bills .

### **December 2022**

**Winter festival**- 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. Hubs and libraries partnership event featuring Santa's grotto, crafts, face painting, hot chocolate and LED card making activities. Around 80 attendees

### **January 2023**

**Parent Voice**-Customer Service Officer attended Shakespeare School at a parent voce event to promote the Hub Library.

**Lego Club is coming to Burmantofts!** This will be a drop-in session for families, running monthly from 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Jan. The sessions will be themed and based on a specific project or idea, as opposed to open-ended play. Lego is a great STEM activity, so this is almost a precursor to our Code Club for younger kids.

### **February 2023**

Fortnightly Digi drop ins, Wednesdays, 1,.30 – 2.30pm: Need help to use your tablet, smartphone or computer to try something new, say hello or get tech savvy? Come along with your device or use a library PC and talk to our friendly librarians who will help you get started. Learn how your device can help you improve your health, access library services to read eBooks and magazines online and even save you money. This is a free event, no booking required.

14<sup>th</sup> February - Superhero saves the day. Superhero workshops linking in with the Leeds Literature Festival and featuring the book series Marv by Alex Falase-Koya. Workshops with a series of STEAM challenges including superhero character creation and mask design, tower-making challenge and parachute making.

## **13. Community Engagement: Social Media**

**Appendix 1** - Provides the committee with information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner East Community Committee Facebook page, along with the 3-ward based Coronavirus Facebook help pages. The report highlights key themes promoted through social media posts, as well as topics addressed relevant to the period of time.

The report covers from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

### **Corporate Considerations**

## **14. Consultation and Engagement**

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



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

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.

## **16. Council Policies and City Priorities**

Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

- Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
- Best City Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

## **17. Resources and Value for Money**

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

## **18. Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

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

## **19. Risk Management**

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

## **20. Conclusions**

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

## **21. Recommendations**

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

## **22. Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

None.

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