

Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee:
Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

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To Note

Inner South Community Committee - Update Report

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

Sub Group Nominations

3. Members will have considered Appointments to Outside Bodies and Community Champions elsewhere on the Community Committee agenda. Members are now asked to make nominations to each of the Inner South Community Committee Sub Groups for 2023/24. The 2022/23 representatives are shown below:

Sub Group	Number of places	Current appointees	Community Committee Champion
Environmental & Community Safety	3	Cllr Iqbal, Cllr Truswell and Cllr Maloney	Cllr Iqbal
Children & Family	3	Cllr Almass, Cllr Wray and Cllr Burke	Cllr Almass
Health & Wellbeing	3	Cllr Wray, Cllr Scopes and Cllr Burke	Cllr Burke

Children and Families - Champion: Cllr G Almass

4. The Children & Families sub-group took place on 6th March 2023. A draft version of the YAF Consultation report was presented.
5. 380 young people aged between 8-17 completed the survey compared to 148 in the previous year.
6. The next Children & Families sub-group will be arranged after the Inner South Community Committee

Environment and Community Safety Champion: Cllr Iqbal (Environment & Community Safety)

7. An Environment & Community Safety sub-group took place on 4th April 2023.
8. The sub-group was provided updates by Anti-Social Behaviour Team, Police, Selective Licensing, Housing, Cleaner Neighbourhood Team and Refuse.
9. Following an update from Housing who advised they were struggling to recruit to their vacant roles. A meeting was arranged to look at how we could promote vacancies and help people in the local community apply for these jobs.
10. A Housing Leeds Job Event took place on place at Hamara Healthy Living Centre on 2nd May 2023.
11. The event was attending by local residents who were given information on the role available and advice on how to apply. Following the event 3 people secured employment.

Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care – Champion: Cllr Burke

12. A Health and Wellbeing sub-group took place on 24th February.
13. Work has continued with the hygiene project. Another toiletries order has been placed and these items will be put into hygiene packs and given to local organisations to distribute to residents in need.
14. Following the Inner South Community Committee a Health & Wellbeing sub-group will be arranged.

Update from Key Services

Police Update

Introduction – Inspector Mark Gamlyn

15. I am the new NPT Inspector for Leeds south and I have been in post for a few weeks. Neighbourhood Policing is a new area to me, but I have worked closely with NPT colleagues throughout my service in various capacities and I am confident that I have a strong, capable team who are and will continue to provide the best possible service to our communities.
16. I have been in West Yorkshire for 7 years now, having originally joined Nottinghamshire Police in 2011. In West Yorkshire, I have worked in various roles as an Inspector, including Response (at Elland Road, Morley and Pudsey), at HQ on projects and as a Temporary Chief Inspector. The last 2 years I have been a Hub Commander – a role which involves assessing the threat and risk of live incidents as they come into the district and determining the appropriate response, predominantly for violent crime, sexual offences and missing person reports. I am also a Public Order Bronze Commander and have worked on a range of events from Premiership football matches to protests and on mutual aid at events across the country.
17. Being new to the role comes with its challenges – namely managing the volume of emails and my diary, trying to meet everyone and putting plans in place to support colleagues and partners to respond to our shared ongoing challenges.

SAC Crime

18. You will see from the data below that there has been a spike in burglaries across the Inner South. This is a priority for us and as you may be aware, crime trends like burglaries are often linked to the same offenders across an area, particularly if one or more have recently been released from prison. We have worked with our proactive teams to target this. We have also increased patrols in hot spot areas and have tasked colleagues from specialist support teams to provide both visible and unmarked deployments. This has resulted in several arrests in the past few weeks which appears to have had an impact.

Day of Action

19. We recently conducted a day of action in both Inner and Outer South to target a number of key issues – drug supply, counterfeit goods, ASB and vehicle crime. Whilst we work targeting these issues on a daily basis, adding days of action allows us to call on resources from roads policing, off road bikes, intercept teams and partners from HMRC etc which we did in this case.
20. There were a significant number of vehicle stops resulting in FPNs, fines and vehicle seizures across the area - 2 arrests for burglary, 4 vehicle seizures, 2 FPNs, £1000 in cash was seized. We conducted warrants at several properties including HMRC-led operations at 2 shops which resulted in the seizure of 8240 counterfeit cigarettes, 2.45kg of illicit hand rolling tobacco and 214 illegal vapes with a total revenue duty evasion value of £5199.34, along with 89 litres of diverted/smuggled Vodka.

Beeston & Holbeck Crime Statistics

	April Crime	May Crime
Burglary	14	18
Robbery	6	4
Theft from Motor Vehicle	11	15
Theft of Motor Vehicle	14	9
Hate crime	10	8
Hate incident	1	2

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	3
Cardinal Walk	
Town Street	
Malvern Road	
Neighbour Related	2
Woodlea Mount	
Nineveh Gardens	
Nuisance Car/Van	2
Lowfields Road	
Top Moor Side	
Nuisance Motorcycle/Quad Bike	29
Beeston Road	
Cross Flatts Park, Parkfield Avenue	
Cross Flatts Park	
Beeston Road	

Top Moor Side	
Beeston Road	
Dewsbury Road	
Beeston Road	
Holbeck Moor Road	
Domestic Street	
Cross Flatts Park, Parkfield Avenue	
Beeston Road	
Beeston Road	
Holbeck Moor Road	
Meynell Walk	
Beeston Road	
Cross Flatts Avenue	
Beeston Road	
Beeston Road	
Cross Flatts Avenue	
Southleigh Road	
Holbeck Moor Road	
Malvern Road	
Cross Flatts Avenue	
Cross Flatts Avenue	
Rydall Place	
Heathcroft Vale	
Heathcroft Vale	
Beeston Road	
Heath Road	
Youth Related	11
Old Lane	
Benyon Park Way	
Malvern Road	
Oakhurst Road	
Allenby Road	
Cross Flatts Street	
Cross Flatts Street	
Cottingley Green	
Buckton View	
St Matthews Street	
Dulverton Green	
Cross Flatts Terrace	
Grand Total	57

Local Meetings and Events

21. Holbeck Gala – 01/07/2023 – 13:00, contact Point – Holbeck Moor Road – 14/06/23
10:30 -12:30

Area Priorities

22. **To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs in the Beeston and Holbeck area.** We will be increasing high visibility patrols in the area and using a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply including executing warrants where we have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or crimestoppers-uk.org

23. **To continue to work in partnership to tackle the problems caused by on-street sex working in the Holbeck area of Leeds.** Dedicated officers will conduct intelligence led, high visibility patrols in the Holbeck area and will respond to community concerns raised through the dedicated phone number.

Updates from previous priorities

24. Weekly tasking meetings have been held with partners to create bespoke action plans for individuals involved in sex working. Enforcement action has been taken against individuals committing offences in the area.

Hunslet & Riverside Crime Statistics

	April Crime	May Crime
Burglary	21	18
Robbery	10	4
Theft from Motor Vehicle	17	16
Theft of Motor Vehicle	7	12
Hate crime	8	9
Hate incident	1	7

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	9
Colwyn Place	
Dewsbury Road	
Dewsbury Road	
Church Street	
Tunstall Road	
Woodhouse Hill Road	
Pontefract Road	
Hardy Street	
Dewsbury Road	
Alcohol	5
Lodge Lane	
Lodge Lane	
Lodge Lane	
Lodge Lane	
Linden Road	

Fireworks/Snowballing	1
Colwyn Mount	
Neighbour Related	4
Woodview Grove	
Trentham Grove	
Woodhouse Hill Road	
Lodge Lane	
Nuisance Car/Van	1
Maud Avenue	
Nuisance Motorcycle/Quad Bike	7
Arthington View	
Garnet Road	
Park View	
Belvedere Terrace	
Arthington Grove	
Belinda Street	
Hunslet Hall Road	
Youth Related	9
Arthington View	
Garnet Road	
Park View	
Belvedere Terrace	
Arthington Grove	
Belinda Street	
Hunslet Hall Road	
Grand Total	36

Local Meetings and Events

25. Hunslet TARA, Hunslet Festival and Contact Points - 13/06/23 & 04/07/23 10:00 – 12:00 Hunslet Community Hub

Area Priorities

26. **To reduce persistent begging in the Dewsbury Road area** – through proactive high-visibility patrols and partnership working, we shall work to engage with those involved in persistent begging in the area, encouraging those individuals to access support services and taking action against those who continue to persistently beg.
27. **To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs and the linked anti-social behaviour which affects those living in the community.** We will conduct high visibility patrols in the area and use a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply, including executing warrants where we have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Updates from previous priorities

28. As a result of increased patrols, crime prevention advice being given to residents and businesses in the Fox Way Industrial area we have seen a decrease in theft offences in this particular area however we will continue to monitor this and still provide high visibility patrols to deter offenders.
29. Drug supply – Officers have utilised a variety of policing tactics, including warrants and stop search to disrupt drug supply in the area. We have also worked with partner agencies resulting in closure orders being obtained in relation to problem addresses linked with drugs and drug related anti-social behaviour.

Middleton Park Crime statistics

	April Crime	May Crime
Burglary	34	26
Robbery	0	2
Theft from Motor Vehicle	11	10
Theft of Motor Vehicle	5	7
Hate crime	8	4
Hate incident	7	6

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	4
Lea Park Grove	
Middleton Park Circus	
Newhall Chase	
Manor Farm Drive	
Neighbour Related	2
Winrose Drive	
Windmill Road	
Nuisance Car/Van	1
Parnaby Road	
Nuisance Motorcycle/Quad Bike	25
Middleton Park Avenue	
West Grange Green	
Thorpe Road	
Thorpe Street	
Ring Road	
Thorpe Street	
Fenton Gate	
Parkwood Road	
Town Street	

West Grange Green	
Throstle Road North	
Town Street	
West Grange Green	
Throstle Road North	
Town Street	
Manor Farm Drive	
Orion View	
Throstle Row	
Shelldrake Drive	
Town Street	
Sharp House Road	
Sharp Lane	
Shelldrake Drive	
Middleton Park Grove	
Newhall Chase	
Middleton Way	
West Grange Green	
Belle Isle Road	
Middleton Park Road	
Youth Related	8
Blenkinsop Avenue	
Melton Close	
Holme Well Road	
Broom Road	
Throstle Road	
Middleton Park Circus	
Middleton Way	
East Grange Drive	
Grand Total	65

Area Priorities

30. We will be increasing patrols in the areas on conjunction with the off road motorcycle teams. **To target Anti-Social Vehicle use, speeding and inconsiderate driving of off road biker, scooters, quads and electric bikes in and around Sharp Lane / Middleton parks and Belle isle road near to the Aberfield's.**
31. **To disrupt and engage with nuisance youths at Acre road, Sisson's, Middleton park avenue area and the surrounding streets in particular the disruption and criminal damages to the buses.** If you have any information in relation to this issue please ring 101 or Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111 or crimestoppers-uk.org
32. To disrupt and engage with nuisance youths in the Middleton Park circus around the shops.
33. Monthly community meeting on the 1st Monday of each month, 1800hrs at the Middleton elderly aid in conjunction with the Middleton community group.

34. To target the anti-social behaviour around the shops and Bitmo on Belle Isle Road.

Updates on continuing priorities

35. Anti-social vehicle use– We have maintained a Police presence in the area and work is ongoing to trace the location the bikes are stored

CCTV Update

36. The Leedswatch service is currently undergoing a review which is looking at all aspects of the service, including the operation of the control room, effectiveness of its cameras.

37. The review is also to include a reporting strand which will serve to agree the way forward to provide information regarding CCTV to Councillors and Partners.

38. This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Inner South committee area, for the 23rd of November 2022 – 30th April 2023

39. 10 cameras were used to capture the incidents in Inner South area committee within this six-month period.

40. The introduction of the GDPR 2018 regulations reviewed the area of information sharing and therefore restricted the detail of what can be provided. As a result, the content of this report may not have the detail of specific incidents previously reported but provides a summary of the types of incidents within the area.

Incidents Captured by CCTV Operators

Inner South Cameras incidents (23 rd November 2022 – 30 th April 2023)								
	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	Total incidents per category	
Alarm Activation							Alarm Activation	
Animals							Animals	
ASB	5	16	19	16	3	2	ASB	61
Domestic Dispute	1						Domestic Dispute	1
Drugs		1					Drugs	1
Enforcement							Enforcement	
Fire			1				Fire	1
Health & Safety					1	1	Health & Safety	2
Police Operation	2	3					Police Operation	5
Assault				1			Assault	1

Road Traffic		2	3				Road Traffic	5
Sexual Offences			1			1	Sexual Offences	2
Suspicious Events		1					Suspicious Events	1
Theft							Theft	
Travellers							Travellers	
Missing Persons				1			Mising Persons	1
Begging							Begging	
Total Per Month	8	23	24	18	4	4	Total sum of incidents	81

41. CCTV also contributes towards Police enquiries as requests are made for footage which may not have been observed “real time”. These incidents are not included in this report but can contribute towards arrests being made in the.

42. The Surveillance Camera Commissioner is appointed by the Home Secretary to ensure that surveillance camera systems in public places keep people safe and protect and support them.

43. Following changes to Data Protection legislation the council needs to ensure that all its CCTV systems are managed in line with the Commissioner’s recommendations to ensure there are no data breaches (this includes CCTV systems in all Leeds City Council assets including libraries, sports centres, council vehicles fitted with CCTV, etc.).

44. A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.

45. The compliance team also work closely with Information Governance to assist in ensuring all system owners are compliant with their codes of practice, policies, and procedures.

Public Health

Better Together

46. The Better Together partners provide a community development approach to improving health and wellbeing across the inner south, with particular emphasis on areas of high deprivation. A mixture of groups are delivered which include arts and crafts, exercise, cook and eat, parent and tots groups, peer groups and more. Some groups are ongoing and others are time limited or one-offs.

47. Beeston and Holbeck ward have 17 groups running currently running in venues such as Beeston Village Community Centre, St. Marys church, Ingram Gardens and St Matthews church. Attendance figures average at 19 people per group.

48. Riverside and Hunslet ward have 4 groups running currently with an average of 10 people attending. These groups are largely ran from Asha. Last quarter, the groups had a wide range of variety from art and crafts, mum and tots group and gardening group.
49. Middleton Park ward have 16 groups currently running in venues such as Middleton Family Centre, South Leeds Youth Hub, St Georges Centre and Cranmore and Raylands Community Centre and DAZL HQ. Across the groups, there is an average attendance of 12 people per session.

Your Space

50. Delivers a preventative public mental health project across the inner south and east of Leeds. Using an ABCD approach with co-production as a strong element, the Your Space team deliver groups in the community which simultaneously interest people while creating a safe environment to talk about mental health. Average group attendance is 7 per group.
51. Beeston and Holbeck ward currently have 1 women's wellbeing group running at St. Matthews.
52. Hunslet & Riverside ward have a chess group running out of Dewsbury Road Hub.
53. Middleton Park ward have a women's' book club and an art and crafts group, these are held in Cranmore and Raylands Community Centre and St George's Community Hub.
54. This current contract will cease on 30th June 2023, and a new Public Mental Health contract will begin. At the time of writing, the new contract lacks a name. Provision has remained for group development for local residents.

Hunslet & Riverside - Increasing appropriate community pharmacist use

55. When a patient with minor illness symptoms contacts their GP practice requesting an appointment the care navigator or receptionist will ask them a series of questions using a standard appropriate symptom checklist. If their symptoms are appropriate, the GP practice can refer them for a same-day consultation with a community pharmacist. With the patient's consent, the practice team can send an electronic referral message to the pharmacy the patient has chosen, to support safe follow up and audit.
56. Following the referral, the pharmacist will contact the patient the same day by phone and either carry out the consultation by telephone, or arrange for the patient to attend the pharmacy, if appropriate. Some patients may be offered a video consultation by the pharmacist.

57. The pharmacist will take the patient's clinical history and ask about symptoms and any current medication. Following the consultation, the pharmacist will offer clinical advice and may sell the patient an over the counter product if appropriate and they agree.
58. Pharmacists are trained to recognise 'red flag' symptoms suggestive of more serious illness and after initial triage, where symptoms do suggest something more serious, the pharmacist will help the patient to arrange an urgent GP appointment using the practice's dedicated professional number or escalate to an urgent care setting such as the emergency department, if needed.
59. The pharmacist will make a record of the outcome of the consultation and send it to the patient's GP via secure digital message.
60. To support the referral scheme the Public Health Locality and Primary Care Team are looking to organise a workforce session to highlight the role of the pharmacy and what your local pharmacist can offer.

Middleton Park ward – LEAP

61. LEAP has gone live. Nurses in Middleton/Hunslet PCN have been trained to make suitable referrals. There is also a self-referral portal available on the Active Leeds website: <https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/3AXJ10/>
62. Groundworks are also mobilising their garden project providing a gentle exercise opportunity and will commence soon in their development of BITMO's Community Garden.

Domestic Violence task and finish group

63. The group continues to meet and are working up aim and objectives. The overarching aims are:
- Prevention
 - Raising community and professional awareness of services and referral pathways
 - Supporting those experiencing domestic violence and abuse
 - Support for people who are abusive in relationships.

Green Spaces

64. Groundworks are mobilising the garden project in partnership with BITMO and will be working with local residents to develop a community garden space.

Public Health Messages - Lunch Club Grants

65. Leeds City Council Public Health provide an annual lunch club grant that funds approximately 90 clubs with an anticipated total of 3,000 beneficiaries combined. This supports the authority's Best Council Plan (2020 – 2025); to be age friendly by promoting opportunities for older people to be healthy, active, included, and respected; and to be the best city for health and wellbeing by weighting grant

allocations based on deprivation to reduce health inequalities supporting the improvement of the health of the poorest the fastest.

66. Additional Public Health funding was provided in 2022/23 to enable clubs to do more to support their community over winter. This included offering more hot meals, home delivery of hot meals, registering as a 'Warm Space', and providing information and advice about keeping safe and warm during winter.

67. To find out what local lunch clubs are funded in your area, please visit:

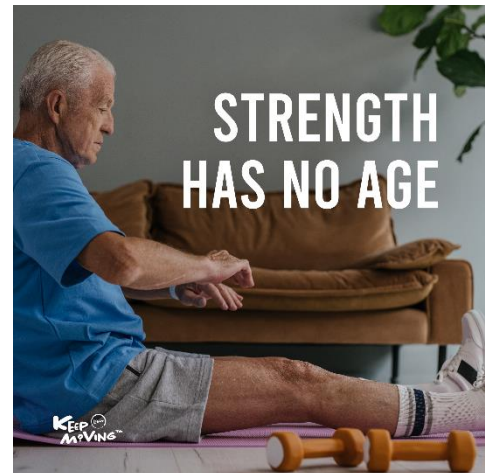
<https://www.leedscf.org.uk/>

Active Leeds: Strength Campaign

68. Strength training is for everyone no matter your ability or disability. It's a crucial ingredient for leading an active, independent life. As you get stronger, you should find yourself able to do other things to increase your overall activity levels, whether at home or in the community.

69. Have a go at home using pieces of furniture, outside in parks, or at the gym if that's where you're comfortable! Why not try using a park bench to practice some 'sit-to-stands' to build your leg strength or clear a space at home to do some floor-based exercises.

70. Visit the Active Leeds webpage for a range of examples of how to start your strength journey: <https://active.leeds.gov.uk/HealthProgrammes/Pages/Active-Strength.aspx>



Leeds Stop Smoking services update

71. From 1 April, the Leeds Stop Smoking Service is available to support smokers to reduce their nicotine dependency and quit for good.

72. Smokers wishing to access the service will be given a choice of treatment based on need and preference, including nicotine replacement therapy and e-cigarettes. They will work with a trained smoking cessation coach to develop a personalised plan with

a pre-agreed quit date. Support extends to a year after each person's quit date to make sure people are given the best possible chance to stop smoking permanently.

73. New posters and promotional materials will be available shortly to replace any previous One You Leeds Assets.

74. Referrals are now being accepted onto the new service. You can directly refer by emailing leeds.stopsmoking@nhs.net visiting www.leedsstopsmoking.co.uk or by calling 0800 169 4219.

Maternal whooping cough vaccine

75. Data for 2022 shows the average vaccine uptake of the whooping cough vaccine by pregnant women across England has dropped to 61.5%, its lowest level since 2016.

76. The vaccine is given to pregnant women to help protect their babies against whooping cough from birth during their first weeks of life.

77. The advice for pregnant women is to speak to their GP or midwife if they aren't sure whether they have had the vaccine.

78. You can read more at: www.gov.uk/government/news/7-year-low-in-maternal-whooping-cough-vaccine-uptake-puts-newborns-at-serious-risk-of-hospitalisation

Covid spring booster campaign

79. Spring Covid boosters started at the beginning of April and are being offered to:

- Adults aged 75 years and over
- Residents in a care home for older adults
- Individuals aged 5 years and over who are immunosuppressed

80. This spring booster programme runs until 30 June.

81. Eligible people will receive a national invite, but in some areas of Leeds the GP practices will not be offering spring booster clinics. Instead, pharmacies and other healthcare providers will be running clinics, but will not have the ability to send invitations directly to eligible people. The areas are:

- Burmantofts, Richmond Hill and Harehills
- York Road
- Beeston
- Middleton and Hunslet (note: a few practices in this area are sending out invites)
- Woodsley
- Holt Park

82. Support for the uptake of the spring booster is requested by: talking to people about the eligibility criteria, supporting people to book the vaccine, and promoting awareness amongst staff.

83. Key messages are as follows:

- Whilst we are learning to live with Covid, the virus still presents a serious threat for many people and is continuing to cause severe illness and hospitalisation for thousands of people every week.
- The Covid vaccines have saved countless lives and help prevent people becoming seriously ill or needing hospital care. Protection from the vaccines - or having had Covid - decreases over time, particularly in older people or those with weakened immune systems.
- Vaccinations are available for everyone aged 75 and over, people who live in care homes for older adults and people aged 5 and over who have a weakened immune system due to a particular health condition or treatment.
- Eligible people will be invited to book an appointment or can use the National Booking Service.
- Anyone aged 5 and over who has not yet had their first or second Covid vaccination will also be able to get one during this time. After 30 June first and second

84. You can read more about spring vaccinations and the vaccination programme at: www.westyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk/nhs-covid-19-vaccination-programme

85. Vaccinations can be booked at: www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination/

Changes to Covid testing

86. Changes to Covid testing came into effect on 1 April. These aim to ensure testing focuses on those at highest risk and supports the management of outbreaks in high-risk settings including health and social care.

87. You can read more at: www.gov.uk/government/news/covid-19-testing-approach-from-april-2023

88. Information and advice for health and care professionals is available at: www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-information-and-advice-for-health-and-care-professionals

Closure of Covid app

89. The NHS Covid app, which alerts close contacts of a positive case and provides the latest health advice about the virus, closed on 27 April. Current users were notified of this through the app.

90. Over the past year, the success of the vaccination programme, increased access to treatments and high immunity in the population have enabled the government to target its Covid services, meaning the app is no longer needed.

Community Engagement – Beeston & Holbeck Ward

Voter ID leaflet delivery

91. Due to the new rules that photographic identification is required in order to vote within an election in the UK, the communities team delivered over 700 Voter ID leaflets to houses in the Holbeck area, in preparation for the local council elections which took place at the beginning of May.

Community Safety leaflet delivery

92. The Holbeck Community Safety newsletter was distributed to residents of Holbeck on 12th May 2023. The newsletter featured an update from the Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team, Forward Leeds, information on Cuckooing on what support is available and an update on the Streets for People scheme.

Community Engagement – Hunslet & Riverside

Beeston Hill Community Association – ‘Have Your Say’

93. The new Beeston Hill Community Association held their residents ‘Have Your Say Event’ on Monday 22nd May 6:30pm at Hamara Healthy Living Centre.
94. Local residents had the opportunity to meet their newly appointed committee members and put forward ideas for the area and how you can collectively make positive changes. The topics for consideration included the following Community Safety/Crime, Health & Wellbeing/Leisure facilities, Community Events/engagement, Cost of living/Employment & Skills, Children & Young People. The comments and ideas shared will form part of the Local Partnership Plan for the ward.

Community Engagement – Middleton Park Ward

Green Spaces

95. The trees and branches along the back of the houses at Sissons Woods have been cut back.
96. A meeting took place on 5th June to discuss Groundworks plans for green space improvements. Groundwork will consult with residents and report back to Ward Members.

Community Engagement – Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside

Let's Move: South Leeds

97. The first Leeds Move South Leeds Festival took place on Saturday 13th May at Cross Flatts Park, 9am- 1pm with over 350 people attending and enjoying a programme of activities. To celebrate the many ways people can move more, and to see what's on offer across South Leeds, Get Set Leeds Local have been working alongside Communities Team, Communities Project Development worker, Councillors, and local partners to develop this new community event. Local providers showcased ways that all ages can be active in and around South Leeds.

98. Community and third sector organisations, sports groups, local partners put on a range of fun activities including: walk/jog/run at parkrun, cycling, roller skating, yoga, crown green bowling, table tennis, Rollerskating / skateboarding, treasure hunt, basketball, football, cricket, paddleboarding, Street Play in the Park, Tai Chi, Police bike tagging and much more.

99. Free snack bags donated by Morrisons supermarket were available for the first 150 people taking part in treasure hunt which included prizes for the most involved. All activities were free, and the event was supported by Inner South Community Committee, Morrisons, Decathlon and community partners.

Priority Ward Partnership Planning Workshops

100. Partners from across Leeds City Council, 3rd and voluntary sector who work locally in Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside ward were invited by Safer Stronger, Communities Team to the Priority Ward Partnership Planning (PWPP) workshop.

101. The sessions began with scene setting on how Locality Working is making a difference, how it has been recognised in a recent Local Government Association inspection and how partnership working can make a difference. The session created an opportunity to come together to collaboratively share views around the current strengths, challenges and opportunities in terms of neighbourhood improvements locally.

102. Data from the Social Progress Index was presented to partners to give context to assist in the priority setting moving forward.

103. This was the first step towards creating a Priority Ward Partnership Plan that will be a shared document which sets out our ambitions for our neighbourhoods and communities over the period of 5-7 years.

104. Beeston & Holbeck held their workshop on 12th April 2023 which was hosted at Jamyang Buddhist Centre on Ingram Road. The Priority Ward Partnership Plan has identified the following priorities:

- Community safety
- Environment and Green Space
- Community Pride, Voice and Culture

105. Hunslet & Riverside held their workshop on 16th March 2023 hosted by Hillside, Beeston Road. The Priority Ward Partnership Plan has identified the following priorities:

- Safer, Cleaner, Greener
- Health, Wellbeing & Welfare
- Community Pride, Voice and Culture

106. The next steps around priority setting are to engage partners who were unable to attend the initial Priority Ward Partnership Planning session to allow the opportunity to have full involvement from partners within the community to ensure we have a cross agenda focus.
107. Following on from these conversations we will ensure the priorities reflect the partnerships voice to ensure continued support and a collaborative approach moving forward.
108. The feedback collated through the Priority Ward Partnership Plan will continue to help to better understand the complex issues presented by partners working in wards and allow a collaborative approach to identifying areas of challenge, as well as opportunities for outcome-based solutions that form the basis of a focused work programme.

Community Engagement: Social Media

109. **Appendix 1** provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

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

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

111. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

Council Polices and City Priorities

112. 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

Resources and Value for Money

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

Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

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

Risk Management

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

Conclusions

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

Recommendations

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

Background documents¹ None

¹ 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.