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# **Outer South Community Committee**

Ardsley & Robin Hood, Morley, Rothwell

Meeting to be held in Morley Town Hall Monday, 19th June, 2023 at 4.00 pm

# Councillors:

M Foster

S Holroyd-Case

K Renshaw

R Finnigan

**B** Gettings

A Hutchison

W Kidger

O Newton

J Senior

D Chapman

S Golton

C Hart-Brooke

- Ardsley and Robin Hood;

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Morley North;

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- Morley South;

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Rothwell:

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# AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded)	
			(In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Hea of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.	
			2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:-	

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3			LATE ITEMS	
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.	
			(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)	
4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
			To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.	
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
			To receive any apologies for absence.	
6			MINUTES - 13 MARCH 2023	7 - 12
			To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2023	
7			OPEN FORUM	
			In accordance with Paragraphs 4.16 and 4.17 of the Community Committee Procedure Rules, at the discretion of the Chair a period of up to 10 minutes may be allocated at each ordinary meeting for members of the public to make representations or to ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. This period of time may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. No member of the public shall speak for more than three minutes in the Open Forum, except by permission of the Chair.	
8			COMMUNITY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2023/24	13 - 26
			To consider the report of the City Solicitor which invites the Committee to note the appointment of Councillor O Newton as Chair of the Community Committee for 2023/24 as agreed at the recent Annual Council Meeting, and which also asks the Committee to review and make appointments to those positions detailed in the report.	

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9			OUTER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - UPDATE REPORT	27 - 66
			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships providing an update on the work being undertaken by the Communities Team, based upon the priorities identified by the Community Committee, and details other key activities taking place including those regarding the Community 'Champions' roles, community engagement activities and partnership and locality working. Finally, the report also seeks appointments to the Community Committee's advisory Sub Groups for 2023/24.	
10			OUTER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - FINANCE REPORT	67 - 80
			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships providing an update on the budget position for the Community Committee's Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget, and invites the Committee to consider and determine any funding applications, as detailed.	
11			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
			Monday, 25 September 2023 at 4.00 p.m. Meeting to be heald at Blackburn Hall, Rothwell.	

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

### **OUTER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

MONDAY, 13TH MARCH, 2023

**PRESENT:** Councillor R Finnigan in the Chair

Councillors D Chapman, M Foster, S Golton, A Hutchison, W Kidger, L Mulherin, O Newton and K Renshaw

# 40 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals.

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

There was no exempt information.

### 42 Late Items

There were no late items. Supplementary information was submitted on behalf of Agenda Item 11, Outer South Community Committee Finance Report.

# 43 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations.

# 44 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors B Gettings, C Hart-Brooke and J Senior.

# 45 Minutes - 12 December 2022

**RESOLVED –** That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 December 2022 be confirmed as a correct record.

# 46 Open Forum

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

On this occasion no members of the public wished to speak.

# 47 Highways- Leeds Safe Roads Vision Zero

The report of the Team Leader, Safe and Sustainable Travel provided the Committee with an understanding of the recently adopted Vision Zero Strategy and its action plan and also the opportunity to gather input from Members and residents.

Gillian Macleod, Transport Development Services Manager and Vanessa Lancaster, Communications Officer were in attendance for this item. The Committee received a presentation on the strategy. The following was highlighted:

- The strategy had been launched in October 2022 and had an ambition for zero deaths on roads in Leeds
- Until 2013 deaths and serious injuries from road crashes had been steadily falling. However, that decline has now plateaued and the steady rise in numbers since had led to a rethink and refresh to the Local Authority's approach to road safety. The presentation highlighted the need for a new approach to road safety and an opportunity to enter into a dialogue as to what the Road Safety Team can do for each area, building on what had been offered in the past.
- The Vision Zero Strategy and Action Plan was adopted by the Executive Board in September 2022. It is the ambition that no one will be killed or suffer serious injuries on roads in Leeds.
- Traditionally road safety had talked about accidents, how to prevent fatalities and set out the reasons for accidents. However, the safe system approach now looks at system designs, road user hierarchy and a systematic approach to build a safer road system.
- Although, there is an encouragement for people to use healthy options
  of travel such as walking and cycling, these are classed as vulnerable
  road users.
- Everyone can assist in delivering a Vision Zero approach by taking responsibility to follow the Highway Code. The Council needs to lead by example and is looking at changes to road systems, traffic management, Transport Strategy, public health and education. Safe roads partnership includes West Yorkshire Police, West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service, National Highways, National Health Service, Ambulance Service, Road Safety Charities. The safe roads partnership activities include Police Operations and enforcement SPARC, SNAP, Amberland etc, National Highways, safety cameras. The proposal is for behaviour change campaigns and targeted communications.
- The Vision Zero Safe System Five Pillars of Action are safe speeds, safe roads, safe vehicles, safe behaviours and people and postcollision learning and care.
- It was noted that the Highway Code had been updated in 2022 and there were to be new criteria in relation to speed cameras which was being done nationally but Leeds was already in the process of making the changes. There would be more flexibility with the siting of cameras and areas of emerging risk would be considered.
- How Members and residents can have an input into helping to achieve Vision Zero.

In response to questions and comments, discussion included the following:

- Partnership working which included looking at behaviour change, engineering and enforcement.
- New operations in place including the collection video clips.
- Education work in schools.
- Funding was a key issue and there was not any significant funding input for the strategy. There was some City Regions Safe Roads Funding and grant funding bids were being looked at.
- Concern that Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) were often out of order and the difficulty in getting them repaired.
- The lack of enforcement of 20MPH zones.
- Date from SIDs was not collected and they were situated as a visual deterrent to speeding.
- Increased and improved bus services could help towards Vision Zero as there would be less vehicles and pedestrians. Bus services were not included in the strategy but there was consideration of bus safety standards.
- Concern regarding parking on pavements and at junctions which forced pedestrians on to the road. Legislation regarding pavement parking was currently under consideration.
- The possible use of Siemens speed enforcement system this could be explored but would need to be facilitated within existing resources.
- The criteria for pedestrian crossings was being reviewed. In locations
  where the criteria was not met there were other possibilities for funding
  such as the Active Travel funding.

**RESOLVED** – That the report and presentation be noted.

# 48 Outer South Community Committee Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships brought Member's attention to work which the Communities Team was involved in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided opportunities for questioning or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

Kimberly Frangos, Localities Officer presented the report.

The following was discussed:

- The Children & Families Sub-Group would meet in May to discuss Youth Activity Fund applications prior to the June meeting to bring their recommendations. This meeting will include Young people from the Outer South Youth Matters Group.
- Gildersome Meeting Hall was now open.
- Concern regarding the recording and reporting of anti-social behaviour.
   Shaun Bridge of the Anti-Social Behaviour team responded and explained the process for recording anti-social behaviour and the

- involvement of partners. Members were asked to contact him directly with any concerns.
- Sgt James Hinchliffe of the Neighbourhood Policing Team addressed the Committee. He reported that though burglary across Outer South was lower than other areas there had been some spikes. New patrols were in place to tackle this. He also informed the Committee that there was a list of officers waiting for training as part of the off road bikes team and other measures to counteract problems with off road bikes and quads.

**RESOLVED** – That the report be noted.

# 49 Community Committee Youth Summit/Youth Activity Fund Consultation Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Committee with an initial update on the Outer South Youth Summit. A full report will be brough to the June 2023 meeting.

The report also provided an update on the Youth Activity Fund Consultation and asked that consultation with young people conducted via the Youth Summit and Youth Activity Fund survey informs the Youth Activity Fund spend for the 2023/24 financial year.

Kimberly Frangos, Localities Officer presented the report.

It was reported that the Youth Summit event held on 27 February was attended by 77 young people from 12 schools and was a successful day with positive feedbacks and comments. The consultation survey remained open until 31 March 2023.

The Chair thanked all those involved in the event, in particular Councillors Renshaw, Kidger and Senior.

# **RESOLVED -**

- (1) That the reflections from the last 12 months be noted.
- (2) That details of the Youth Activity Fund consultation survey be noted.
- (3) That it be noted that the Youth Activity Fund survey informs the Community Committee's Youth Activity Fund of r2023/24.
- (4) That it be noted that any projects funded by the Community Committee from the Youth Activity Fund focus on the themes and activity priorities identified in the Youth Activity Fund Consultation Survey in 2023/24.

# 50 Outer South Community Committee Finance Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2022/23.

Kimberly Frangos, Localities Officer presented the report.

Members attention was brough to the project applications and the proposed ring fences for the 2023/24 financial year. With regards to the application for the Outer South Garden Maintenance Scheme provided by Morley Elderly Action, it was confirmed that there would not be a price increase for customers. The defibrillators proposed for Ardsley and Robin Hood would be situated at Winthorpe and St Gabriel's Community Centres.

### **RESOLVED -**

- (1) That details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted.
- (2) That the following Wellbeing proposals be approved:
  - Bowling Green Redevelopment Morley Cricket & Sports Club -£5,750.00
  - Lewisham Park Community Centre Exercise Equipment Outer South Youth Services - £6,000.00
  - Ardsley and Robin Hood Public Access Defibrillators Project Communities Team - £3,152.00
  - Morley South Public Access Defibrillators Project Communities Team - £3,152.00
  - Litter Bins for Morley North Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team -£147.03
  - Leeds Little Free Library for Winthorpe RA Community Centre Communities Team - £1,450.00
  - Outer South Garden Maintenance Scheme Morley Elderly Action - £35,724.00
  - Breeze in the Park Breeze £15,200.00
  - DAZL Outer South: Culture in my Community Dance Action Zone Leeds - £4,138.20
  - All Weather Shelter for Scatcherd Park Scatcherd Park Crown Green Bowling Club - £850.00
  - Coronation and Memorial Benches Parks and Countryside -£11,135.00
  - Defibrillator Rothwell Communities Team £1,676.00
  - Hug in a Mug Community Café £900
  - Rothwell & District Carnival Committee Annual Insurance Policy
     £750.00
- (3) That the following Wellbeing Budget 2023/34 ring fences be approved:
  - Small Grants £5,000.00
  - o Community Engagement £500.00
  - Community Skips £2,000.00
  - o Rothwell Celebrations £15,000.00
  - Outer South Christmas Trees and Lights £16,000.00
  - Youth Summit £600.00
- (4) That details of projects approved by Delegated Decision be noted.
- (5) That monitoring information of funded projects be noted.
- (6) That details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) be noted.
- (7) That details of the Small Grants Budget be noted.

- (8) That details of the Community Skips Budget be noted.
- (9) That details of the Capital Budget be noted.
- (10) That details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget be noted.

# 51 Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2023/2024

The report of the City Solicitor asked Members to consider the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2023/24 Municipal Year.

The following dates were proposed:

Monday, 19 June 2023
 Monday, 25 September 2023
 Monday, 11 December 2023
 Monday, 11 March 2024
 Proposed Venue: Morley Town Hall
 Proposed Venue: Gildersome
 Meeting Hall
 Proposed Venue: Northfield

Community Centre

All meetings to commence at 4.00 p.m.

**RESOLVED –** That the Outer South Community Committee meets at 4.00 p.m. on the following dates in the 2023/24 Municipal Year:

- Monday, 19 June 2023
- Monday, 25 September 2023
- Monday, 11 December 2023
- Monday, 11 March 2024

# 52 Chair's Closing Remarks

The Chair expressed thanks to Councillor Mulherin who would be attending her final meeting of the Community Committee. Councillor Mulherin was thanked for her contribution to the Committee and the community over the past twenty years.

# Agenda Item 8





**Report of: City Solicitor** 

Report to: Outer South Community Committee (Ardsley & Robin Hood; Morley North;

Morley South and Rothwell)

Report author: Andy Booth 0113 37 88665

Date: 19 June 2023 For decision

# **Community Committee Appointments 2023/2024**

# **Purpose of report**

1 The purpose of this report is to note the appointment of Councillor O Newton as Chair of the Community Committee for 2023/24 as agreed at the recent Annual Council Meeting, and also to invite the Committee to make appointments to those positions detailed in section 6 / the appendices.

# Main issues

# Noting Appointment of Community Committee Chair for 2023/24

1. Members are invited to note the appointment of Councillor O Newton as Chair of the Community Committee for 2023/24, as agreed at the recent Annual Meeting of Council.

# <u>Appointments to Outside Bodies including Cluster Partnerships, Housing Advisory</u> <u>Panels and Local Care Partnerships</u>

- 2. Attached at Appendix 1 is the current schedule of organisations as delegated to the Community Committee.
- 3. Most recently, Member Management Committee agreed in 2019 that appointments to Local Care Partnerships be delegated to Community Committees for determination.

# **Appointments to Community Committee 'Champions'**

4. The Constitution requires that Community Committees appoint Member 'Champions' in several designated areas. Currently, these areas are: 'Environment & Community Safety'; 'Children's Services'; 'Employment, Skills & Welfare'; and 'Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care'.

# **Appointment to Corporate Parenting Board**

5. In recent years Community Committees have been used as the appropriate body by which local Elected Member representatives are appointed to the Corporate Parenting Board.

# **Schedule of Appointments**

6. The Committee is invited to review the details in the table below together with the accompanying information which follows / is appended, and determine appoints for the 2023/24 municipal year:

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Current Appointee(s)
Morley Town Centre Management	3	Cllr A Hutchison
Board		Cllr J Senior
		Cllr R Finnigan
Ardsley & Tingley Cluster	3	Cllr K Renshaw
		Cllr W Kidger
		Cllr M Foster
Morley Cluster	3	Cllr W Kidger
		Cllr R Finnigan
		Cllr J Senior
Rothwell Cluster	3	Cllr D Chapman
		Cllr S Golton
		Vacancy
Housing Advisory Panel	4	Cllr M Foster
		Cllr A Hutchison
		Cllr J Senior
		Cllr D Chapman
Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell LCP	1	Cllr S Golton
Morley LCP	1	Cllr R Finnigan
Champions/Lead Members		
Environment & Community Safety	1	Cllr A Hutchison
Children's Services	1	Cllr W Kidger
Employment, Skills & Welfare	1	Cllr K Renshaw
Health & Wellbeing and Adult Social	1	Cllr S Golton
Care		
Corporate Parenting Board	1	Cllr W Kidger

# **Options**

# **Outside Bodies**

- 7. The Community Committee is invited to determine the appointments to those Outside Bodies as detailed within the table at section 6 / the appendices. The Council's Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules can be made available to Members upon request, however, a summary of the rules can be found at sections 8-13:
- 8. The Community Committee should first consider whether it is appropriate for an appointment to be of a specific office holder<sup>1</sup> either by reference to the constitution of the outside body concerned (if available), or in the light of any other circumstances as determined by the Community Committee. Such appointments would then be offered on this basis.
- 9. Nominations will then be sought for the remaining places, having regard to trying to secure an overall allocation of places which reflects the proportion of Members from each Political Group on the Community Committee as a whole.
- 10. All appointments are subject to annual change unless otherwise stated within the constitution of the external organisation, which will therefore be reflected on the table at Appendix 1. Each appointment (including in-year replacements) runs for the municipal year, ending at the next Annual Council Meeting.
- 11. A vacancy occurring during the municipal year will normally be referred to the Community Committee for an appointment to be made, having regard to the principles described above.
- 12. Community Committees may review the list of organisations to which they are asked to make appointments at any time and make recommendations, as the Committee feels appropriate.
- 13. Any appointments to those Outside Bodies detailed in the appendices / section 6 which are made by the Committee at today's meeting are subject to the authorised Committee approving at its first meeting of the municipal year that arrangements for such appointments remain unchanged and that they continue to be made by this Community Committee.

# **Local Housing Advisory Panels**

14. Ward Members play an important role in helping HAPs undertake their activity; sharing wider Community Committee priorities, giving updates about key pieces of work or projects, helping HAPs establish their priorities and by sharing local knowledge about community or environmental issues. Council nominations also help HAPs consider every opportunity to join HAP funding resources with local Community Committee or other funding sources for the benefit of communities.

The Outer South Community Committee in their 2023/24 round of nominations, is therefore requested to:

a. Nominate up to 1 Ward Member per Ward within the Outer South HAP area

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For example it may be considered necessary or otherwise appropriate to appoint a specific Ward Member

- b. To undertake the above on the basis that all nominations are for full members, with HAP voting rights.
- c. Take into account the number of Council homes in each Ward. For Wards with relatively few Council homes, nominations are sought on an optional basis (see Appendix 2)

# **Local Care Partnerships**

- 15. Local Care Partnerships (LCPs) bring health and care providers together with other partners and local communities to improve people's experience of care to be more personalised and joined up. The second purpose is to tackle the health inequalities that exist both within local communities and across Leeds. LCPs are aligned to Primary Care Network boundaries; NHS funded collaborations of GP practices working together locally to share resources and extend their offer. Further information on Local Care Partnerships and their current priorities can be found on their website: www.leedslcps.org.uk
- 16. From July 2019 forwards Community Committee meetings agreed individual arrangements for representation from Members at LCP meetings. Members raised that representation on LCPs could helpfully be aligned with the existing Community Committee Health Champion role for some committees, as well as consider how wider elected members were included. Community Committees recognised there were already good relationships in place between some Members and individual GPs but that the picture varied significantly from GP practice to GP practice.
- 18. In previous years, appointments to LCPs have been made using a 'best fit' approach to membership, mapping the geography of LCPs to Community Committee boundaries. Appendix 3 captures this best fit. Frequency of meetings varies from one LCP to another (current arrangements are captured in Appendix 3). Whilst some meet monthly, increasingly partners come together on a bimonthly or quarterly basis with working groups in between. All LCPs also have working groups or task and finish groups to take forward their key priority strands of work. During COVID, meetings were virtual which has resulted in a greater breadth of partners being able to attend and contribute regularly. This includes participation by Members. Moving forward, to strike a balance between attendance and ability to network and strengthen local relationships, the LCPs have moved to a model of a mix of in person meetings (at least three per year per LCP) and online meetings (mainly by Teams, some by Zoom).
- 19. Members are an integral part of LCPs and it is requested that the links between LCPs and Community Committees are retained and strengthened. Community Committees are therefore requested to nominate members to those LCPs aligned to their Committee.

# **Community Committee 'Champions'**

- 20. The Community Committee Champions role aims to provide a local "lead" perspective and further facilitate local democratic accountability; particularly in conjunction with the relevant Executive Member. It is formally defined as covering the following areas:
- To provide local leadership and champion the agenda at the Community Committee;

- To represent the Community Committee at relevant meetings, forums and local partnerships;
- To build links with key services and partners;
- To provide a link between the Community Committee and the Executive Member to ensure local needs are represented, issues are highlighted, best practice is shared and to facilitate local solutions to any issues;
- To maintain an overview of local performance; and
- To consult with the Community Committee and represent local views as part of the development and review of policy.
- 21. As set out in the Constitution, the Community Committee is invited to appoint to the Community Lead Member roles detailed in section 6.
- 22. Given that these roles may need to be tailored to best reflect specific local needs and circumstances, Community Committees may wish to consider splitting 2 of the roles namely:
  - Environment & Community Safety with one Member focusing on the environment agenda and another on community safety.
  - Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care with one Member covering the public health and wellbeing agenda and another focusing upon adult social care.
- 23. Further to this, the Champions' Role Profile, as ratified at the Community Committee Chairs' Forum in 2022 and as presented to Community Committees last municipal year is detailed below for information:
- Lead on the oversight and delivery of a themed programme work across the Community Committee Area
- Work with elected colleagues, partners and local people to drive improvements across the committee area within the remit of the Champion theme
- To provide regular updates to the Community Committee and bring any emerging or priority issues relating to the theme to the attention of the committee
- To chair themed sub-groups, and where appropriate provide oversight on requests for grant funding relevant to the theme
- To lead on the dissemination of information and raise awareness of agreed issues relating to the theme
- Provide political influence in the delivery of the theme in the committee area
- To work with the relevant Executive Member and other themed champions across the city to address city wide priorities associated with the theme
- Support the development of local and cross committee themed projects where appropriate
- Attend and represent the Community Committee at themed events and other activities as appropriate

# **Corporate Parenting Board**

- 24. Under the Children's Act 1989, all local Councillors are corporate parents, this means they have responsibilities relating to the quality of services for those children who have been taken into care by the local authority (children looked after).
- 25. Executive Board has previously agreed a clear framework for the corporate parenting role in Leeds which is set out in the Leeds Corporate Parenting Strategy 2021 2024. This includes ensuring a core group of councillors with a special interest in leading the work on Corporate Parenting who are nominated to the 'Corporate Parenting Board'. This Corporate Parenting Board includes representation from each of the 10 Community Committees alongside partners from relevant statutory and third sector organisation, and takes particular responsibilities relating to influencing, performance monitoring, and governance of those issues and outcomes that affect looked after children.
- 26. In 2021 Leeds published the City's Corporate Parenting strategy which sets out the priorities for ensuing that our children in care and care leavers receive the highest quality services and support. This strategy is overseen by our Corporate Parenting Board, which also ensures that our 'Promises' to children in care and care leavers are delivered. The Board considers information including fostering services, residential care, looked after children's educational attainment and their voice and influence across the city. Representatives on the board are expected to link back to their Community Committee and champion the importance of effectively supporting the work of the board. The Corporate Parenting Board is an important partnership within the overall framework of support and accountability for looked after children's services and is chaired by the executive member for children's and adult services.
- 27. The Community Committee is asked to appoint one representative to the Corporate Parenting Board for the duration of the forthcoming municipal year and to promote attendance and engagement with the Corporate Parenting Board. The Committee may consider it appropriate to combine the role with that of the Committee's Children's Services 'Champion'.
- 28. It should be noted that membership of the Corporate Parenting Board is encouraged for any Elected Members with a particular interest in the outcomes of looked after children, therefore whilst each Community Committee is asked to appoint one Member (to ensure an even geographic spread), it is possible for additional Members to participate. Therefore, additional Members with a particular interest are advised to make the relevant officers aware.

# **Children's Services Cluster Partnerships**

29. Clusters are local partnerships that include, amongst others: the Children's Social Work Service, schools, governors, Police, Leeds City Council youth service, Youth Offending Service, Children's Centres, Housing services, third sector, health, local elected members and a senior representative from children's services. Local clusters are key to the Leeds Children and Young People's Partnership arrangements.

# 30. They aim to:

- enable local settings and services to work together effectively to improve outcomes for children, young people and their families;
- build capacity to improve the delivery of preventative and targeted services to meet local needs;
- create the conditions for integrated partnership working at locality level;

- promote the Children & Young People's Plan and the ambition of a child friendly city across the locality.
- 31. A "well-coordinated locality and cluster approach results in early identification and extensive work with families according to need." (Ofsted report, March 2015).
- 32. Clusters began life as extended services for schools and have grown to engage a wide range of partners who provide early help and early intervention and prevention. In April 2011, the Children & Families Trust Board and Schools Forum agreed the adoption of a minimum standard for the terms of reference across the cluster partnerships, which included elected members as standing members of the governance group for each partnership.
- 33. Elected Members also sit alongside a senior leader (Local Authority Partner) from the Children's Services directorate to be part of the Council's representation on each cluster partnership.
- 34. In June 2013 Member Management Committee delegated the nomination of Elected Member representatives to local Children's Services Cluster partnerships to Community Committees. This was with the aim of establishing a clear formal link between those Committees and Clusters. It was also with the intention of building closer working arrangements to better support the needs children and families across the city.

# **Corporate considerations**

# a. Consultation and engagement

This report facilitates the necessary consultation and engagement with Community Committee Members in respect of appointments to the designated positions and Outside Bodies. Given that the Community Committee is the relevant appointing body, there is no requirement to undertake a public consultation exercise on such matters.

# b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

Both the Community Committee Champion roles and the Corporate Parenting role aim to champion, address and monitor issues arising in their respective fields, whilst also providing clear links with the relevant Executive Member, Council officers and partner agencies. As such, these roles would also look to address any equality, diversity, cohesion or integration issues arising in their specific areas.

Also, Council representation on Outside Bodies and Children's Services Cluster Partnerships will enable those appointed Members to act as a conduit in terms of promoting the Council's policies and priorities.

# c. Council policies and city priorities

Council representation on, and engagement with those Outside Bodies, partnerships and organisations to which the Community Committee has authority to appoint, is in line with the Council's policies and priorities.

# d. Legal implications, access to information and call in

In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, the power to Call In decisions does not extend to those decisions taken by Community Committees.

If a Councillor is nominated to an Outside Body by the Council then that Councillor receives full indemnity from the Council. For example should someone attempt to take civil action against a Councillor personally in their role as a Council appointed trustee/director of an Outside Body; then the Council would cover the cost of defending the action against that Councillor, and if the action were successful the Council would cover any compensation which the Councillor had to pay. The only exceptions to this are for "fraud, or other deliberate wrongdoing or recklessness", or for a criminal offence (although the indemnity would cover defending criminal proceedings, if no conviction resulted). The indemnity applies to a company, trust, or charity and whether a Councillor is nominated as a director or trustee. If a Member becomes a trustee or director but has not been nominated by the Council, then the indemnity will not apply, and the Member should check that the trust, company etc. has got appropriate insurance cover for its trustees/directors.

# e. Risk management

In not appointing to those Outside Bodies listed within the report, there is a risk that the Council's designated representation on such organisations would not be fulfilled.

# Conclusion

35. The Community Committee is asked to consider and determine the appointments to those designated Outside Bodies, partnerships and organisations as detailed within the report and appendix.

# Recommendations

- 36. The Community Committee is asked to consider and confirm appointments to those positions detailed in section 6 / the appendices, having regard to the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules, as summarised in this report;
- 37. The Committee is also invited to note the appointment of Councillor O Newton, as Chair of the Community Committee for the duration of 2023/24, as agreed at the recent Annual Meeting of Council.

# **Background information**

None

Outside Body	No of Places	Review Date	No of places to review	Current appointees		Review Period
Archbishop Margetson Trust Fund	5	Jun-24		Robert Gettings	Y	3 years
		Jun-24		H Wilman	N	3 years
		Jun-24		Z Keighley	N	3 years
		Jun-24		Mrs S Jackson	N	3 years
		Jun-24		Vacancy	N	3 years
Morley Town Centre Management Board	3	Jun-23	3	A Hutchison	Y	Annual
		Jun-23		J Senior	Y	Annual
		Jun-23		R Finnigan	Y	Annual
Local Care Partnership - LS25/26 (Garforth, Kippax & <b>Rothwell)</b>	1	Jun-23	1	S Golton	Y	Annual
Local Care Partnership - Morley	1	Jun-23	1	R Finnigan	Y	Annual
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10 5 5 5 Number of places Places held pending review Places currently filled beyond June 23 Number of places to fill

Number of Members in the Committee Area

Percentage of Members on the Committee

Labour 2 Liberal Democrat 3 25 Conservative 8 Morley Borough Independent 6

Total 12

**Community Lead members** Environment & Community Safety - Councillor Hutchison Childrens Services – Councillor Kidger Employment, Skills and Welfare – Councillor Renshaw Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care – S Golton

### Childrens' Services Cluster Partnership Representatives:

 $\label{eq:concillors} \textbf{Ardsley and Tingley-Councillors Renshaw, Kidger and Foster}$ Morley – Councillors Kidger, Finnigan and Senior  ${\bf Rothwell-Councillors\ Chapman,\ Golton\ and\ Vacancy}$ 

### **Corporate Parenting Board**

Councillor W Kidger

# **Housing Advisory Panel**

Ardsley & Robin Hood - Councillor M Foster Morley North - Councillor A Hutchison Morley South - Councillor J Senior Rothwell - Councillor D Chapman



Housing Advisory Panel	LCC Homes	Ward	LCC Homes
Inner East	6771	Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	4220
		Gipton & Harehills	2551
Inner North East	2895	Chapel Allerton	1832
		Moortown	477
		Roundhay	586
Inner North West	3543	Headingley & Hyde Park	475
		Little London & Woodhouse	1804
		Weetwood	1264
Inner South	6159	Beeston & Holbeck	2366
		Hunslet & Riverside	1735
		Middleton Park	2058
Inner West	7864	Armley	2637
		Bramley & Stanningley	2871
		Kirkstall	2356
Outer East	4338	Killingbeck & Seacroft	4338
Outer North East	2252	Alwoodley	1057
		Harewood	366
		Wetherby	829
Outer North West	3510	Adel & Wharfedale	613
		Guiseley & Rawdon	687
		Horsforth	858
		Otley & Yeadon	1352
Outer South	4076	Ardsley & Robin Hood	869
		Morley North	909
		Morley South	1064
		Rothwell	1234
Outer South East	5253	Crossgates & Whinmoor	1808
		Garforth & Swillington	852
		Kippax & Methley	1099
		Temple Newsam	1494
Outer West	4847	Calverley & Farsley	703
		Farnley & Wortley	2436
		Pudsey	1708

(11 May 2023)



# Councillor Alignment to LCP areas

Councillor Alignment to LCP areas		_
LCP		Suggested Community Committee Member Appointment
Seacroft, Cross Gates and York Road	Seacroft – bimonthly, usually Tuesdays	Inner East
	York Road – meet monthly, second Tuesday morning of the month	Inner East and Outer East (Halton Moor and Cross Gates)
	Cross Gates – bimonthly, Tuesday afternoons	Outer East
LS25/26	Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell – quarterly, for 23/24 these	Outer East
	are themed marketplace and workshop events focused on obesity, health and wellbeing at different life stages	Outer South
Central	Central – quarterly, usually Wednesday afternoons	Inner North East
HATCH (Chapeltown, Harehills,	Meet monthly alternating between a business meeting	Inner North East
Richmond Hill & Burmantofts)	and a themed workshop, Tuesday afternoons	Inner East
Wetherby	Wetherby – quarterly, usually Wednesdays	Outer North East
Holt Park and Woodsley	Quarterly in person, usually Wednesday mornings	Inner North West
Leeds Student Medical Practice	Bimonthly – Tuesday afternoons	Inner North West
Otley and Aireborough	Quarterly – usually Wednesday afternoons	Outer North West
Inner South Communities (was known as Beeston & Middleton LCP)	Quarterly, usually Wednesday afternoons, we have planned the remaining meetings of 23/24 on afternoons that do not clash with inner south community committee dates	Inner South
Morley	Morley – bimonthly, usually Wednesdays	Outer South
Armley	Armley – quarterly on Tuesday mornings	Inner West
	Bramley, Wortley & Middleton - bimonthly	Inner West and Outer West
West Leeds	Pudsey and Bramley – quarterly	Outer West

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# Agenda Item 9





Report of: Liz Jarmin, Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Outer South Community Committee

Ardsley and Robin Hood, Morley North, Morley South and Rothwell

Report author: Kimberly Frangos 07712 217267

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023 For Decision

# **Outer South Community Committee – Update Report**

# **Purpose of report**

- To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
- 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.
- 3. To make nominations to each of the Outer South Community Committee Sub Groups for (2023/24).

# Main issues

# **Sub Group Nominations**

4. 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 Outer 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
Children &	4	Cllr Wyn Kidger (Chair)	Cllr Wyn Kidger
Families		Cllr Karen Renshaw	
		Cllr Robert Finnigan Cllr Conrad Hart-Brooke	
Community	4	Clir Diane Chapman (Chair)	Cllr Diane Chapman
Centres	7	Cllr Karen Renshaw	Cili Diane Chapman
Control		Cllr Robert Finnigan	
		Cllr Wyn Kidger	
Environmental	4	Cllr Andy Hutchison (Chair)	Cllr Andy Hutchison
		Cllr Wyn Kidger	
		Cllr Diane Chapman	
		Cllr Karen Renshaw	
Older Person's	4	Cllr Stewart Golton (Chair)	Cllr Stewart Golton
		Cllr Karen Renshaw	
		Cllr Robert Finnigan	
		Cllr Wyn Kidger	

5. Members are invited to nominate representatives for each of the Outer South Community Committee Sub Groups.

Updates by theme:

# **Children and Families: Councillor Wyn Kidger**

6. Following the appointment of sub group members the Communities Team will set up the sub group meetings for the rest of 2023/24 of the Children and Families offer for 2023/24.

# Youth Services Locality Quarterly Update Outer South - January - March 2023 Introduction

7. **Appendix 1 -** This report will focus on the work of the Outer South Youth Service Localities Team.

**Environment: Cllr Andrew Hutchison** 

# **Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Report**

8. Statistics for Outer South Leeds

	Enforcement Fly tipping	Streets Fly tipping	Litter	Waste in Gardens	Overgrown vegetation	Road Sweeping	Path Sweeping
Ardsley Robin Hood	10	13	4	6	17	6	2
Morley N	14	13	3	10	6	2	4
Morley S	20	20	5	5	13	5	3
Rothwell	9	10	1	8	9	2	4

# Local Anti-Social Behaviour Team Update June 2023

9. ASBT officers are working a mixture of remote, community work and office based. Georgia Lee has returned from Maternity leave is back in her role as Team Supervisor for LASBT South. . Young people causing anti-social behaviour is a trend across all 4 ward areas, there is a total of 4 Youth Injunctions in discussion with our partners across the areas as well as ASBI Warnings and ABCs being used to tackle this behaviour.

# 10. Current Open Cases:

- Ardsley & Robin Hood = 10 (stayed the same)
- Morley North = 4 (a reduction of 2)
- Morley South = 12 (an increase of 6)
- Rothwell = 9 (a reduction of 7)

# 11. Breakdown in Case Type:

Туре	Ardsley & Robin Hood	<b>Morley North</b>	Morley South	Rothwell
Assault	0	0	1	0
Noise	1	2	5	0
Hate	1	1	2	1
Threats	2	0	3	3
Litter	0	0	0	0
<b>Youth Nuisance</b>	4	0	0	1
Criminality	0	0	0	1
Rowdy	0	0	1	1
Verbal	2	0	0	0
Nuisance	0	0	0	0
<b>Drug/Substance</b>	0	1	0	2
Domestic	0	0	0	0
Alcohol	0	0	0	0

# **Ardsley & Robin Hood**

12. LASBT are currently preparing court applications for 3 of these cases, which includes 2 youth injunctions and possible Possession proceedings.

# **Morley North:**

13. There has been a reduction in the number of cases in the Morley North area, there are no trends to report as the cases are unrelated.

# **Morley South:**

14. Although the case load has doubled in the Morley South area since the last meeting, there are no specific trends. 5 of the 12 cases are domestic noise. LASBT has issued a Section 80 Noise Abatement Notice. LASBT currently have a file with their legal team for a Breech of an Injunction Order and have submitted a file to gain possession of a property.

### Rothwell

15. No specific trends in this ward area, there has been a reduction in cases since the last report. Two of our case officers carried out proactive monitoring by going to areas where nuisance had been reported and trying to identify young people involved.

# **Police Update**

- 16. The New Inspector Mark Gamlyn would like to start this report with a quick introduction as he is yet to meet many of the Outer South Community Committee Members.
- 17. As you are aware, Mark is the new NPT Inspector for Leeds South and has been in post for a few weeks. Neighbourhood Policing is a new area to him, but he has worked closely with NPT colleagues throughout his service in various capacities and is confident that he has a strong, capable team who are and will continue to provide the best possible service to our communities.
- 18. Inspector Gamlyn has been in West Yorkshire for 7 years now, having originally joined Nottinghamshire Police in 2011. In West Yorkshire, he has 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 he has 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. Inspector Gamlyn is also a Public Order Bronze Commander and has worked on a

- range of events from Premiership football matches to protests and on mutual aid at events across the country.
- 19. Being new to the role comes with its challenges namely managing the volume of emails and his diary, trying to meet everyone and putting plans in place to support colleagues and partners to respond to our shared ongoing challenges.
- 20. With that in mind, here is his first Police update:

# **SAC Crime**

21. You will see from the data below that there has been a spike in burglaries across the Outer 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. NPT have worked with our proactive teams to target this. The team 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**

22.NPT 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 the team 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 HMIC etc which they did in this case. There were a significant number of vehicles stops resulting in FPNs, fines and vehicle seizers across the area - 2 arrests for burglary, 4 vehicle seizures, 2 FPNs, £1000 in cash was seized. There were also increased patrols in Rothwell, Morley and the White Rose Centre targeting ASB and knife crime.

# Serious acquisitive crime (SAC crime):

# 23. Ardsley and Robin Hood

ARDSLEY	March	April	May
Burglary Residential	3	22	19
Burglary Commercial	0	2	6
Robbery	0	0	0
Theft from MV	3	5	3
Theft of MV	3	2	3
Hate Crime	5	4	3
Hate incident	2	1	0

# 24. Morley North

MORLEY NORTH	March	April	May
Burglary	4	8	11
Residential			
Burglary	5	2	5
Commercial			
Robbery	4	2	1
Theft of MV	4	5	3
Theft from MV	3	5	4
Hate Crime	3	1	3
Hate incident	2	1	0

# 25. Morley South

MORLEY SOUTH	March	April	May
Burglary	10	8	12
Residential			
Burglary	8	6	4
Commercial			
Robbery	1	2	1
Theft of MV	5	5	10
Theft from MV	6	5	4
Hate Crime	4	1	5
Hate incident	1	1	1

# 26. Rothwell

ROTHWELL	March	April	May
Burglary	1	14	9
Residential			
Burglary Commercial	0	1	4
Robbery	1	1	0
Theft of MV	2	3	3
Theft from MV	2	5	1
Hate Crime	1	1	2
Hate incident	0	0	0

# Employment, Skills & Welfare: Cllr Karen Renshaw

27. The Employment and Skills team send an update twice a year and as they updated at the last meeting, the update will come to the next meeting.

# Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Councillor Stewart Golton

28. Following the appointment of sub group members the Communities Team will set up the sub group meetings for the rest of 2023/24 of the Health and Wellbeing offer for 2023/24.

# **Public Health Update**

# Health and Wellbeing update May 2023

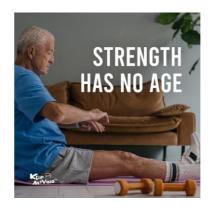
### **Lunch Club Grants**

- 29. 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.
- 30. 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.
- 31. To find out what local lunch clubs are funded in your area, please visit: <a href="https://www.leedscf.org.uk/">https://www.leedscf.org.uk/</a>

# **Active Leeds: Strength Campaign**

- 32. 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.
- 33. 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.
- 34. Visit the Active Leeds webpage for a range of examples of how to start your strength journey: <a href="https://active.leeds.gov.uk/HealthProgrammes/Pages/Active-Strength.aspx">https://active.leeds.gov.uk/HealthProgrammes/Pages/Active-Strength.aspx</a>





# Leeds Stop Smoking services update

- 35. From 1 April, the Leeds Stop Smoking Service is available to support smokers to reduce their nicotine dependency and quit for good.
- 36. 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.
- 37. New posters and promotional materials will be available shortly to replace any previous One You Leeds Assets.
- 38. Referrals are now being accepted onto the new service.
- 39. You can directly refer by emailing leeds.stopsmoking@nhs.net or online here: https://leedsstopsmoking.co.uk/refer/
- 40. Individuals can self-refer and access support materials here: <a href="https://leedsstopsmoking.co.uk/">https://leedsstopsmoking.co.uk/</a> or by calling 0800 169 4219.

# Maternal whooping cough vaccine

- 41. 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.
- 42. The vaccine is given to pregnant women to help protect their babies against whooping cough from birth during their first weeks of life.
- 43. The advice for pregnant women is to speak to their GP or midwife if they aren't sure whether they have had the vaccine.
- 44. You can read more here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/7-year-low-in-maternal-whooping-cough-vaccine-uptake-puts-newborns-at-serious-risk-of-hospitalisation">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/7-year-low-in-maternal-whooping-cough-vaccine-uptake-puts-newborns-at-serious-risk-of-hospitalisation</a>

# Covid spring booster campaign

- 45. 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
- 46. This spring booster programme runs until 30 June.
- 47. 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
- 48. 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.
- 49. Key messages are as follows:
  - Whilst everyone is 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 vaccinations will only be offered to those at higher risk of severe Covid and only available during the seasonal campaigns.
- 50. You can read more about spring vaccinations and the vaccination programme here: <a href="https://www.westyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk/nhs-covid-19-vaccination-programme">https://www.westyorkshire.icb.nhs.uk/nhs-covid-19-vaccination-programme</a>

51. Vaccinations can be booked here: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination/</a>

# **Changes to Covid testing**

- 52. 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.
- 53. You can read more here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/covid-19-testing-approach-from-april-2023">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/covid-19-testing-approach-from-april-2023</a>
- 54. Information and advice for health and care professionals is available here:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-information-and-advice-for-health-and-care-professionals">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-information-and-advice-for-health-and-care-professionals</a>
- 55. Guidance for adult social care professionals is available here:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/infection-prevention-and-control-in-adult-social-care-covid-19-supplement/covid-19-supplement-to-the-infection-prevention-and-control-resource-for-adult-social-care</a>

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# **Closure of Covid app**

- 56. 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.
- 57. 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 Centres Sub Group: Councillor Diane Chapman**

- 58. Following the appointment of sub group members the Communities Team will set up the sub group meetings for the rest of 2023/24 of the Community Centres offer for 2023/24.
- 59. The day nursery at West Ardsley Community Centre (Hill Top) has terminated the lease for this building and options are being considered for the future of this centre. A programme of building condition reports, including energy efficiency ratings, is taking place across all community centres including those in the Outer South area. This will inform the community centre review which is now forming part of the much wider LCC estates review looking at buildings across all departments.

# **Community Engagement: Social Media and Newsletter**

- 60. **Appendix 2**, The Outer South Community Committee Newsletter will be produced twice a year and the communities' team will circulate the newsletter to their contacts and on social media
- 61. **Appendix 3**, provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Outer South Community Committee Facebook page.

# **Updates from Key Services**

# **Community Hubs and Libraries Update**

# **Ardsley & Tingley Library**

- 62. Activities and events (January to May 23)
  - Super Heroes Save the day! 17th February 11 till 12 Family friendly event for 5+ children to turn themselves into a Stupendous Superhero with the help of their imaginations and our magic masks!
  - Next Steps with Digital sessions 20th February 26th February & 6th March 11 till 12.30. These sessions are a 3-week course for people with basic digital skills who would like to learn more about email, social media, online public services, managing money and other online tasks.

# 63. Upcoming Events:

- Lego Club with Pirate Bonnie 12th April 2 till 3.
- First Steps to Digital sessions 7th June 14th June & 21st June 2 till 3.30

# 64. Regular activities:

- Coffee afternoon Every Monday 2 to 4 free warm drink and biscuits for all ages – to have a chat and engage in company
- Story & Rhyme Time sessions still taking place every Wednesday 10.30 to 11.30

# **Gildersome Library**

- 65. Officially reopened on the 20<sup>th</sup> February with a very well attended opening ceremony with the Lord Mayor of Leeds in attendance.
- 66. Opening hours of the Library are as follows:
  - Monday 2 till 5,
  - Wednesday 2 till 5,
  - Friday 2 till 5 and
  - Saturday 10 till 1

# 67. Activities and upcoming events:

- 'Let's Set Sail', 3rd April 2 till 3, Family friendly Library led event for ages 5+. Adventure with Lego building with 'Pirate Bonnie'.
- Celebrate with Seeds, 6th May, 10.30 till 11.30, Open age Library event to make 'seed bombs' to add colour your home environment.
- 'Queenie & The Pooka' 17th June 2 till 3, 5+ Family friendly Theatre event to celebrate Gypsy Roma Traveller History month.
- Regular 'Lego Club' to be set up to run on Mondays, details TBC

# **Morley Community Hub & Library**

# 68. Activities and events January to May 23:

- Mini Vixen, 15th February 1.30 till 2.30 Family free event Based on the music and story of Janáček's opera The Cunning Little Vixen and led by a cast of professional opera singers and musicians, this was an interactive and relaxed concert where singing and moving around was encouraged
- Leeds Volunteering Programme Pop up. 1st March 11 till 2, pop up to recruit volunteers for the Leeds 2023 City of culture campaign, signing up volunteers to work on events in art and culture throughout the year.
- Sing and Sign, Leeds Baby session, 3rd March Session to help babies communicate before speech.
- TruWest Recruitment Pop up, 5th April event to promote vacancies available on the Trans Pennine rail.
- Animation workshop and Animation station sessions that ran consecutively on the 4th and 5th April. Library led sessions for 7 year olds and above around animation, stop motion and film. Session involved watching the first moving motion film, filmed in Leeds.

# 69. Upcoming Events

- Lego Spike, 2nd June, 1pm Free family-friendly event recommended for children aged 5+. Event for children to utilise our brand-new Lego Spike kits and use their building, and coding skills to build fantastical, carnival creations
- Leeds Fostering services Pop up 6th June 1 till 3pm

# Regular activities ongoing

- Lego Club Runs on the third Thursday of every month 3.30 till 4.30
- Digi drop ins First and third Tuesday of every month, 11 till 12 to access support to learn new digital skills and get help to connect to your personal devices
- Story & Rhyme Time sessions still taking place every Tuesday 10.30 to 11.30
- Morley 'Pop' up Jobshop Thursdays and Fridays 9 till 5
- Money Buddies drop in has now been reinstated from the 27<sup>th</sup> April and runs every Thursday morning 9 till 12. Money Buddies provide free and impartial advice to help customers save money on their bills, maximise their income, develop budgets, complete financial statements for creditors, negotiate with people they owe money to, help switch utility suppliers and apply for grants.

- Morley Book Club Every third Thursday of the month from 2
- Chatty Café Every Tuesday 12.30 to 1.30. Members of the public can pop in, meet other customers and sit for a drink at our chat and natter table
- PCSO Contact point Every Tue 10.00 to 11.30 speak to your local PCSO's regarding any issues in your community or to ask for any advice. No appointment is required.
- Councillor Surgery Every Saturday 10.30 to 12.

# **Rothwell Community Hub & Library**

# 70. Healthy Activities and Events January to May 23:

- Cost of Living Event 17th January 2 till 3pm support linking to the cost of living from: Housing Officer (Income), Leeds Credit Union, Green Doctors, Money Buddies and Better Leeds.
- Neurographic Art Session 9th March 10.30 till 12.30 Creative Mind- a Leeds Libraries programme of activities to promote positive health and wellbeing through Art and Creativity
- Lego Club Pirate Bonnie session 11th April 3.30 till 4.30 a Lego adventure, Library led family inclusive event for 5+, taking inspiration from Fidget Theatre's tour of Pirate Bonnie and remembering famous pirates throughout history. designing main sails and testing if a blast of wind will send them on their journey
- Pirate Bonnie, Fidel Theatre Production 13th April 3 till 4 A family friendly Library led event for 3 to 7 year olds. Swashbuckling adventure with songs & storytelling
- Leeds Poetry Workshop 18th May 23 6.30 till 8.30pm To celebrate Local and Community History Month in May, poet and editor Ian Harker is hosted a series of one-off workshops to help writers create poetry about the city of Leeds and its diverse communities using images from Leodis.net – a photographic archive containing over 62,000 photographic images of Leeds

# 71. Upcoming Events

• Leeds Fostering Services Pop up – 27th June 1 till 3

# 72. Regular Activities ongoing

- Lego Club has been set up and run through our Community Librarian. This
  runs the second Tuesday of each month 3.30pm to 4.30pm, which is a free
  family event for children aged 5+
- Digi Drop in sessions continue to run on the second Tuesday of each month as well as now the fourth Tuesday of each month 11 to 12, alongside this our Community Librarian will be running a free 'First Steps to Digital' sessions on the 2nd, 9th and 16th February 11 to 12.30 for people who want to learn digital skills but have little experience of doing anything digitally.
- Leeds South & East Foodbank has resumed its service from Rothwell Fire station offering food parcels to individuals and families in need and the team are now able to refer into this service from the Community Hub and Library.

- Story & Rhyme Time sessions continue and are still taking place every
  Wednesday 10.30 to 11.30 and from 22nd of June the team will be starting a
  new 'Bounce & Rhyme' sessions 10.30 to 11.30 aimed at babies up to 18
  months old. The sessions use song and instruments to interact with the babies
  to help aid their development with movement, communication and
  understanding.
- Spanish Classes Every Wednesday evening 7 till 8pm
- 73.\*To note on the 6th May to celebrate the Kings Coronation, all sites streamed the event live on a big screen or via Public PC's, free for the public to watch. All sites were decorated to celebrate this momentous event and plenty of free cake was eaten on the day!

# **Housing Leeds**

# Ardsley & Robin Hood and Rothwell Housing Management Area Update

#### **Income Collection**

74. Rothwell finished the year ranked 2nd citywide, the short-term trend continues to improve with an increase in rent collection and reduction in arrears. A lot of effort has gone into supporting tenants with accessing additional funds and support payments, but the team are seeing an increase in residents refusing to pay or engage which has seen an increase in applications made to court.

# **Payback Lettings & Void Performance**

- 75. Void properties are coming back at a much quicker rate due to additional contractor re-sources which is showing an improvement in the number of void properties in repair. Our biggest challenge is the number of adapted properties been returned which then means an occupational therapist needs to attend the viewing which is causing some delays for us to find a suitable applicant.
- 76. Currently 3 properties ready to let in Rothwell.

#### **ASB**

- 77. Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the cor-rect team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). Also have police officers working within the team to share information.
- 78.4 ASB cases across the Rothwell, Ardsley & Robin Hood areas which are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader. The main complaints are around noise nuisance.
- 79. The Rothwell housing team also have 6 weekly partnership working meetings the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams.

#### **Environmental Work**

80. Most quarter 1 walkabouts have now been completed and those that haven't are booked in to be completed by the end of June. Regular estate inspections are carried out by staff when out on patch. Any members or tenants are welcome to join, just get in touch with your Housing Officer. All members and tenants' representatives should have received feed-back of the officer's findings.

# **Morley Housing Management Area Update**

# **Estate Management**

#### **Walkabouts**

81. Walkabouts are well underway across the area which are now being held twice a year instead of four times. This is only the formal walkabout though; staff are on the estates every week dealing with issues as and when they arise. If anyone would like an accompanied ad-hoc walkabout with their Housing Officer, then feel free to get in touch with the relevant office or manager.

# **Community Payback**

82. Community Payback and Skill Mill are now both available for offices to utilise and the team have been doing exactly that. Projects include ginnel clearances on Middleton Grove & Middleton Close as well as work on Birch court clearing footpath encroachment. Recently dealt with a site on Margetson Road were large overgrowth of vegetation.

#### **Income Collection**

- 83. Positive reduction in arrears in Morley which has resulted in a 6th place finish at year end. Focus remains on supporting our tenants through the cost of living crisis.
- 84. Staff using support funding from British Gas Trust where they can apply for 3 vouchers of £49 for tenants in hardship who are on pre-payment meters. Citywide budget of £160k is now spent up.
- 85. Housing staff across the Council have taken part in a cost-of-living information session. This provided the area with vital knowledge to support residents during this difficult time, but also how they can access the support form themselves as well as their colleagues.
- 86. Staff have also been accessing a £300k government funded hardship fund to support our tenants who are struggling but also engaging with us. Morley were allocated £9k of this which has been paid on to accounts. Identified most financially vulnerable tenants through income and expenditure assessments and prioritised funds towards those tenants.

# **Lettings & Void Performance**

87. Void properties are coming back at a much quicker rate due to additional contractor resources which is showing an improvement in the number of void properties in repair. Biggest challenge is the number of adapted properties been returned which then means an occupational therapist needs to attend the viewing which is causing some delays.

- 88. Morley currently have 4 ready to let properties which the team are working hard to get through. The housing team has revised their staffing structures to deal with the pace of returned properties and have trained up some of existing staff on the allocations process.
- 89. The Morley Housing team are pre-allocating properties in repair again, which wouldn't have been possible 6 months ago due to the backlog, so it's been a great effort so far.

# **Summary of Annual Tenancy Contacts**

- 90. Morley completed their target of 44% for the year and finished on just under 46%. The team are already at 8% this year and are keen to get the majority of visits done before Christmas.
- 91. The Morley housing team will continue to feedback progress made on visits throughout the year to the committee.

#### **ASB**

- 92. Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the correct team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). Also have police officers working within the team to share information.
- 93. Morley North & South have a total of 11 cases. All cases are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader. The main complaints across all wards are around noise nuisance and neighbour disputes
- 94.6 weekly partnership working meetings booking in with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams. Also, regular Housing Attendance at Community Safety Meeting and Lauren Steward (team Leader) is on the panel for the citywide Hate Crime MARAC and Housings community safety group.

#### **AOB**

95. The team is currently fully staffed and working hard to make some positive impacts on our estates. The team are really pulling together in a difficult time, and their commitment to supporting our residents through this cost-of-living crisis is steadfast and consistent. The strong reduction of voids in the area is also having an impact on both our income collection and waiting list for properties.

# **Outer South Housing Advisory Panel (OSHAP)**

# **Housing Leeds**

**Tenant Engagement Report for Community Committee: June 2023** 

# **Tenants, Residents and Community Groups**

96. Rothwell TARA continues with monthly public meetings and is recruiting volunteers. Winthorpe RA organises regular community events. Tingley TARA is recruiting volunteers. Thorpe CIO organises weekly community activities. Morley Digital holds three digital sessions per week - one F2F and 2 virtual. Carlton Community Events Group continue to organise events for all age groups and the In Bloom group continues its good work. The TEO keeps in contact with groups via phone calls, email, Facebook and text messages. Funding updates are provided along with reminders of how groups can access HAP / other funding in line with our Communities on Top service offer.

# Outer South HAP meeting 28th March.

- 97. The bids discussed at the meeting were:
  - OS\_40\_2324: Youth Service Rothwell Residential bid for £4,000 with £2,250 joint funding agreed. This bid was approved.
  - OS\_41\_2324: OS Community Noticeboard bid for £5,637.50 with no other funding. This bid was approved.
- 98. Ray Laing was re-elected the Chair and Frances Ashford re-elected Vice Chair.
- 99. The HAP agreed to fund two bids outside the meeting cycle in April:
  - OS\_01\_2324: Gildersome Kings Coronation Event (Morley North) for £150.00 with £150.00 MICE money agreed.
  - OS\_11\_2324: Newland Estate Garden Incentive project (Morley South) for £330.00 with no other funding.
- 100. The HAP budget at the start of the 2023/24 financial year was £30,973.29 (10% less than 2022/23).

# OS HAP meeting 30th May 2023

- 101. The HAP approved OS\_10\_2324: Garden Furniture for The Grove Retirement Life flats in Gildersome (Morley North) for £1,671.00.
- 102. The HAP budget remaining is £26,410.61.
- 103. The next HAP meeting is on Tuesday 25th July 2023 via Teams from 1:30pm to 2:45pm.

# **Corporate Considerations**

# **Consultation and Engagement**

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

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

105. 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**

- 106. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents.
  - 1. Vision for Leeds 2011 30
  - 2. Best City Plan
  - 3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
  - 4. Children and Young People's Plan
  - 5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
  - 6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

# **Resources and Value for Money**

107. 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

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

# **Risk Management**

109. 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**

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

#### Recommendations

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

# Background documents<sup>1</sup>

112. None.

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

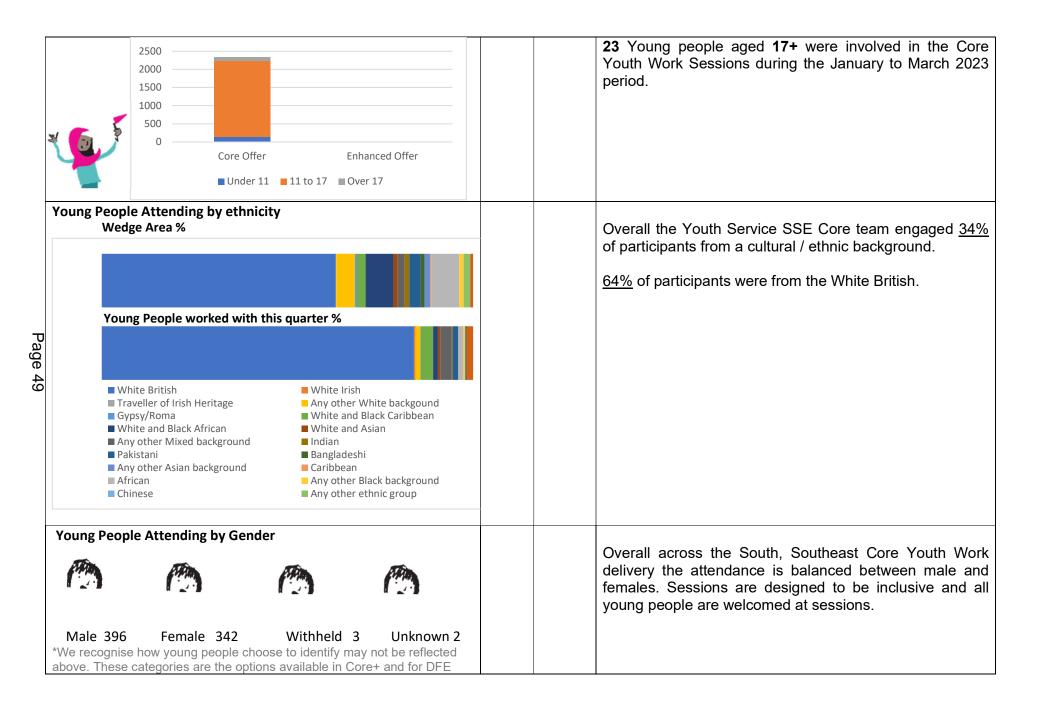
# The vision for Youth Work in Leeds – 'Making Connections' Report

Area	South South East
Core Offer Team Leader	Glen O'Malley
Enhanced Offer Delivery	
Partner	
Date of Report	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2023



	Indicators	Last	This	Comments
		report	quarter	
Page 47	TOTAL NUMBER OF SESSIONS: 172 Total Number of Youth Work Hours:  550 hours			Overall the 172 Core Youth Work sessions delivered have engaged 743 Individual young people in a range of diversionary programmes / activities which have contributed to the reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour in the South, Southeast Area.  Overall engagement levels in the Core Youth Work programmes were 643 known young people and 100 Unknown young people.  Where possible new sessions have been created where new Youth Workers In Training have been recruited.  Outer South Core Team has seen a higher than normal number of sessions cancelled during the January to March period due to staff leaving positions, annual leave & sickness.  Access to Mobile units has resulted in some regular sessions having to adapt to detached and this mixed with the cold weather & dark nights has reduced the number of young people engaging in sessions.

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During the registration process Youth Workers are engaging with young people to ensure any disability issues are recorded and the Core + system is being explored on how this information can be recorded.
Core Youth Work Sessions at Tingley & Windmill have seen an increase in the number of young people attending and presenting at youth groups with ASD or behavioural issues.
On reflection of the last quarterly figures Youth Workers were concerned regards the number of participants with carer responsibilities engaging in provisions. It was recognised more carers are engaged just not recorded on the Core + system. Since the last quarter the Young Person Registration Sheet has been updated and details can now be entered on Core +.

:	Sessions by Priorities	
4	Help children & parents to live in safe, supportive & loving families	17
4	Ensure the most vulnerable are protected	22
4	Support families to give children the best start in life	13
6	Increase the number of children & young people participating & engaging in learning	74
4	Improve achievement & attainment for all	18
6	Improve at a faster rate educational progress for children & young people vulnerable to poor learning outcomes	1
4	Improve achievement and close achievement gaps	2
6	Improve Outcomes for children and young people with SEN and/or disability	11
4	Improve social, emotional and mental health & wellbeing	110
4	Encourage physical activity and healthy eating	101
4	Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk-taking behaviours	44
4	Promote Sexual Health	27
4	Minimise the misuse of drugs, alcohol and tobacco	46
4	Reduce crime and anti-social behaviour	120
4	Help young people into adulthood, to develop life skills and be ready for work	25
4	Improve access to affordable, safe and reliable connected transport for young people	0

Whilst all Core Youth Work Sessions align to the Children's & Families eleven priorities the Youth Service SSE has also been developing links to the Safer Stronger Communities priorities.

LGBTQ Awareness Sessions – Young people have been taking took part in awareness session that promoted equality and raised awareness about different identities in terms of gender and sexuality. Young people learnt the difference between gender and sexuality as young people do not always understand the difference between the 2. Young people researched using their phones and then made the relevant flags associated with each gender/sexuality.

Cost of Living Crisis - Young people have been focussing on the impact the cost of living crisis is having on their lives and the wider impact on their families. Group member have noticed that their families are struggling to find local work and are unable to access transport to reach areas that have job opportunities. This combined with higher prices for fuel, food & household items are stretching the families. Some young people are reporting having to wait for new items such as essential clothes.

Employment Support – Young people attending the Windmill & St Gabriel's youth groups have been supported in accessing employment opportunities. Youth Workers from the Core Youth Work Team have been supporting young people to create CV's and look for part time employment. Some of the young people had a previous CV but was finding that they weren't getting any response. Youth Worker encouraged and supported group members to include sections around , education, skills, hobbies, qualifications and positive aspects of their personality.

Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour – Outer South Mobile has been targeting known hot spots in the local area. The Core sessions have focussed on Positive relationships within the community. Young people evaluated the different relationships they have in their lives. Together Young People & Youth Workers explored the positive attributes people look for within these different relationships. Young people provided an insight into the different relationships they have with parents, siblings, friends and wider community members. The group discussed their positive relationships and agreed that the most positive relationships they have are with friends. Some young people feel that they have negative relationships with parents/carers, siblings and the wider community. Youth Workers provided opportunities to focus on resolution skills and focus on how the group members can be more accepted in the local area.

Safeguarding / Early Help - 4



Staff Training & Awareness - Youth Service SSE has ensured all Youth Workers, Youth Support Workers & Youth Workers in Training are fully aware of Safeguarding responsibilities. All Core Youth Workers have recently completed Safeguarding Refresher Training, all new staff have undertaken Introduction to Safeguarding and during Unit Visits and supervision all Core Youth Workers are questioned / remined of their responsibility.

Young People Support – Youth Service SSE Core Team have been supporting some young people who have been referred by partners such as cluster, schools, GPs, social workers & mind mate. Core Youth Workers have been encouraging young people to attend local provisions and get involved in the activities provided. This can be a positive experience to young people who are struggling with some aspects of their lives.

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Youth Summit - The Outer South Youth Matters members were involved in the planning, preparation and delivery of the Outer South Youth Summit in partnership with local councillors and community committee staff. Cllrs undertook a meeting with the group who requested that the summit visits local Youth Groups. As a result of the meeting two group members attended the Youth Summit at Morley Town Hall and presented to the other young people the work they undertake within the group and the Youth Summit Visited four Youth Work sessions to ensure all young people had a voice. Young people learnt about democracy, funding, budgets, and Young people had the opportunity to speak with local councillors and ask them a range of questions.

# Leeds Youth Work Vision:

Youth work will be valued and understood.

Participation and Empowerment.

Collaboration.

Inclusiveness, equality, and diversity

Respect and positivity

Quality, safety, and well-being

# What has gone well and why? Contributing factors?

Recruitment of Youth Workers in Training – Youth Service SSE have seen two of the three Youth Workers in Training commence, this has enabled the Core Youth Work Team to provide additional staff and create some new Youth Work sessions.

<u>Unknown Young People</u> – The number of Unknowns engaging in Core Youth Work sessions also been a concern over the last couple of months, having worked with the Core Youth Work Team the numbers have reduced from last quarter <u>602</u> to this quarter being <u>101</u>. This is a massive improvement - Well Done Team!

# Youth work will be valued and understood:

<u>Environmental Work</u> – Youth Workers from the Core Team have been supporting young people in participating in environmental work, this quarter the young people have been engaged in litter picks, designing & placing dog fouling posters, making bird boxes, putting together garden chairs and planting plants. The Young people continue to explore how they can contribute to saving the environment within sessions.

<u>Session Participation Levels</u> – Numbers of young people attending the Core Youth Work Centre Based sessions has risen during the January to March period, some sessions have reported 80+ young people engaging in the weekly sessions. This has been challenging for staff as the building layout and numbers engaging can create complications. The Core Youth Work team has been able to manage the situation due to new staff being appointed but did experience a period where limits on attendance was being considered.

<u>Special Occasions</u> – Young people engaged in the Core Youth Work sessions have been having fun in the weekly sessions whilst focussing on Pancake Day the young people experienced making Pancakes, safety & hygiene in the kitchen. Group members utilised the sessions to design cards and arts & crafts for Mother's Day and created cards during the lead up to Valentines Day.







# **Participation and Empowerment:**

<u>Youth Activity Fund Consultation</u> - Youth Service SSE Core Youth Work Team have been working with Communities Team to ensure as many young people as possible have been engaged in the YAF consultation. Youth Workers engaged young people during centre based, mobile sessions and during trips out in the holiday programme.

<u>Vulnerable Young People Support</u> - Young people accessing centre based Youth Work have been provided access to free food during the sessions, the Youth Service SSE Core Team have been offering warm food to young people to ensure they are able to eat healthy food during the cost of living crisis. sessions have offered Stews, Toast, Spaghetti Bolognese & TBC.

Young People engaged in decision making - Young people from the Outer south Youth Matters groups have been involved in the planning of the February school holiday programme, young people focussed on funding available and options available during the holiday period. Group members then selected the best value and of most interest to the respective age groups.







# **Collaboration:**

School Partnership - Youth Workers from the SSE Core team have been interacting with local Primary Schools to share information on the Youth Service Core offer programme, Youth Workers engaged with Years 5 & 6 regarding local provisions and focussed on Anti-Social Behaviour and the impact on the local community. Feedback from school staff has been extremely positive.

<u>West Yorkshire Trading Standards – Vaping Sessions</u> – Staff from West Yorkshire Trading Standards attended provisions across the SSE area, engaging with Core Youth Workers the sessions focussed on the health impacts of vaping, groups members offered their vapes up at the start of the session, looked at the chemicals and the impact on their bodies. Since the information sessions fewer young people are attending sessions with vapes.

<u>British Red Cross</u> – Youth Service SSE Core Team have been working with the British Red Cross to provide knowledge & experience of dealing with accidents / injuries. The Red Cross delivered First aid sessions across the South, South-East area. The information & skills provided will enable the group members to respond to accidents with positive knowledge.





#### Inclusiveness, equality, and diversity:

<u>Pick N Mix LGBTQ+ Group -</u> Young people's negative experiences in the school environment were frequent topics which the group returned to repeatedly during group discussions. The proposed Scottish reforms to gender reassignment laws and the Governments response as well as new laws in Russia to prohibit the promotion of LGBTQ+ were also discussed at length. Young people were able to discuss any issues they were experiencing in a safe environment and youth workers were able to offer support and information to help young people ensure they were being treated fairly, could challenge issues confidently and remain safe. Young people gained a wider understanding of LGBTQ+ issues nationally, globally & historically and were able to share how they felt openly. This helped to address any confusion or anxiety. Young people felt supported, listened to and safe. They were able to apply knowledge gained through groupwork to their own lives.

<u>Gypsy Roma Travellers</u> – Youth Service SSE team have been engaging with Leeds GATE and colleagues from the West Youth Service team in the planning of a new session targeting GRT young people, the session aims to engage young people aged 11+ and provide support, guidance, information and social activities during a weekly session. A programme is being planned and resources ordered after consultation with the young people.

<u>Equality & Diversity Work</u> – Young people from across the SSE area were engaged in activities in support of LGBTQ history month, Youth Workers enabled young people to engage in activities, quizzes & provided information on cultures, identity and religious celebrations. The Youth Service Core Team is also making progress on the Culture Cohesion Quality Mark and managers have been undertaking Equality Diversity & Inclusion.

# Respect and positivity:

<u>February School Holiday Programme</u> – Young people from across the SSE area participated in a diversionary programme of activities during the February School holiday period, working with local Youth Matters group a programme was designed and offered to young people. The programme facilitated by the Core Youth Work team offered a range of physical, fun & educational activities to young people aged 11+. The programme included High Ropes, Tree Trekking, Paintballing, Ice Skating, Swimming, Laser Zone Leeds, Bowling & Quasar, Mc Donald's, Ninja Warrior, Arcade Club and Wrestling. The trips were offered at reduced prices to ensure all could engage and most of the trip's food was provided to assist with the cost of living crisis.









<u>Issue Based Work</u> – The Youth Service has also undertaken work with young people in Core Youth Work sessions around Holocaust Memorial Day, Mental health Awareness, Internet Safety Day, International Women's Day, Gambling Awareness & Climate Change. The sessions have enabled young people to explore their knowledge, develop a better understanding and stay safe.

Race Equality Week - During the Race Equality Week in February all groups participated in group work discussions. The resources from Race Equality Matters focused on worksheets and You Tube videos that had a new theme every day to discuss. The groups enjoyed making a promise to "call out people who were directly or indirectly racist". The group discussed unconscious bias and how the media can "twist" stories that are published to incite hatred. The Youth Workers will revisit the work every quarter so that young people are always thinking about the issues raised.

# Quality, safety, and well-being:

<u>Anti-Social Behaviour</u> - Youth Workers from SSE Core Team have been working with partners & Police in addressing Anti-Social Behaviour with young people, local hot spots have been identified via Community Safety Meetings and the Youth Service SSE have directed detached teams to focus on the locations and the issues being experienced. Young people have been involved in using substances, gathering in large numbers and causing a noise nuisance. Young people were guided on making their community safer, asked to reflect on their actions and the potential consequences to their lives if they were prosecuted.

<u>Weapons Awareness</u> – Young people attending Youth Service Core sessions have been engaged in sessions around carrying weapons, following a local incident it was recognised that knife Crime is everywhere. Youth Service Core Team provided information, activities and extended the bag search policy when attending Youth Work provisions. Young people were also encouraged to sign the pledge not to carry weapons and information from the Crime Stopper Fearless campaign shred in all Youth Work Venues.

<u>Leeds Sexual Health Service</u> – Youth Service SSE Core Team has been providing young people access to the 3 in 1 registration in a number of centres based and mobile sessions, the 3 in 1 enables young people aged 13+ to access the C Card, pregnancy testing & contributes to the reduction, prevention of young people becoming engaged in sexual activity. Three new sessions have been established in this quarter and Youth Workers are looking at potential of more sessions.

<u>Physical Health</u> – Young people have been able to develop their physical health in several regular sessions, a new Gym project is now fully operational and seen Core Youth Workers trained to be able to support young people using the new resources. The sessions offer young people affordable access to sports equipment and staff who are trained. These sessions have been received well and average attendance is 20 young people per session. The sessions are available on a Wednesday and Friday and two Youth workers are also working towards level 2 Gym instructor course.

<u>Alcohol Consumption</u> – Some young people have been identified as possibly drinking before coming to youth work provisions and alcohol suspected to have been brought into youth centres. Young people engaged with discussion-based work around alcohol use and understand why the youth club/youth service views this as a serious issue. Youth workers approached the issue in a non-confrontational way and with the emphasis on young people's well-being. Any bag searches were implemented sensitively and with respect.

#### What has not gone well and why? Contributing factors?

<u>Mobile Units</u> - The continued challenge with the Youth Service Mobile Units has created operational challenges, the age and frequency of safety inspections has resulted in vehicles not being available for Core Youth Work sessions. Progress is being made on the procurement of some new vehicles however they will not be available until 2024 at the earliest.

# **Compliments and Feedback**

1 - "what youth service do for the young people in the area is amazing" – Parent - Jemma Walker.

2 - From: Khan, Farrah < Farrah.Khan@leeds.gov.uk >

Sent: 29 March 2023 17:40

To: McCarthy, James < <u>James.McCarthy@leeds.gov.uk</u>>

Cc: Fuggles, Victoria < <a href="https://www.victoria.com/victoria.com

Subject: feedback

Hi James

Just to let you know today at Scrutiny Cllr Renshaw wanted to pass on thank you to the locality youth workers for all they do in her area. She wanted you to let them know

Thank you

Farrah Khan MBE

To continue the focus on Youth Worker & Youth Worker in Training recruitment to enable sessions to be increased.

To progress the replacement of three Mobile Units across the city.

To further develop and deliver the Gypsy / Traveller session on a Wednesday evening.

To apply for school holiday funding to enable a diverse programme of diversionary activities to be delivered and young people consulted on what they would like during holiday periods.

To focus on delivering more sessions outdoor due to the lighter nights and more young people being on the streets.

To develop a Voice and Influence/Participation and Empowerment in each of the three wedges and to promote existing Youth Matters sessions.

To distribute the Curriculum Calendar and ensure staff are utilising in session planning.

To continue delivering Water Safety Work across the area to enable young people to remain safe.

To focus on hotspot areas and reduce Young People related Anti-Social Behaviour.

To increase number of environmental sessions with young people across the SSE area.

To provide support for those young people who are about the sit GCSE and A Level exam.



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**Outer South Community Committee: Newsletter - Summer 2023** 

# **New Community Committee, New Budget**

Following the local elections on the 4th May, the Outer South Community Committee will have its first meeting of the new municipal year at 4pm on Monday 19th June 2023. The venue will be Morley Town Hall (Large Banqueting Suite), Queen Street, Morley, Leeds, LS27 9DY.

All local residents and community members are welcome to observe the business meeting. They will also have the opportunity to speak about local issues affecting them in the 10 minute open floor section at the start. If you would like to raise an issue, please do get in touch with us as soon as possible so that we can try and get the answer ready, or invite an appropriate representative to attend for you. At the business meeting the councillors will be updated on a variety of topics, as well as having an opportunity to consider a number of well-being budget grant applications.

Remember that everyone is welcome, so if you would like to observe how the Outer South Community Committee operates, or would just like to come along and meet your local Councillors please feel free to join us on Monday 19th June 2023 from 4pm

Light refreshments will be provided at the start of the meeting—tea/coffee/biscuits.



**Future Date and Venues:** 

Monday 25th September 2023 at 4pm, Blackburn Hall, Commercial Street, Rothwell, LS26 0AW

Monday 11th December 2023 at 4pm, Gildersome Meeting Hall, Town St, Morley, Gildersome, Leeds, LS27 7AB

Monday 11th March 2024 at 4pm, Northfield Community Centre, Rothwell, Leeds, LS26 0SL

# About your Community Committee:

Outer South Community Committee, covering the wards Ardsley & Robin Hood, Morley North, Morley South, Rothwell & their communities

# Want to find out more?

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# **Outer South Community Committee**

**FACEBOOK** highlights

1st March 2023 - 8th June 2023

# **Outer South Community Committee**

Since 1st March 2023 the Outer South Community Committee Facebook page has gained: 12 new followers (and currently has) 1,385 followers and has a page reached of 11,389 over the above period. With 19 new Page likes

**Facebook Page reach -** The number of people who saw any content from or about your Page, including posts, stories, ads, social information from people who interact with your Page and more.

This means that this is the **fourth** most popular Community Committee page.

There are two things to note in general:

- 'reach' is the number of people the post was delivered to
- 'engagement' is the number of reactions, comments or shares

Engagement tends to be a better way of gauging if people are interested and have read the posts because they wouldn't have interacted with it otherwise. For example, a post might reach 1,000 people but if they all scroll past and don't read it, the engagement is 0 and it hasn't been an effective way for the Community Committee to communicate.

Having said that, all posts can be read without any further interaction!!

The most popular post since the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 the posting regarding:

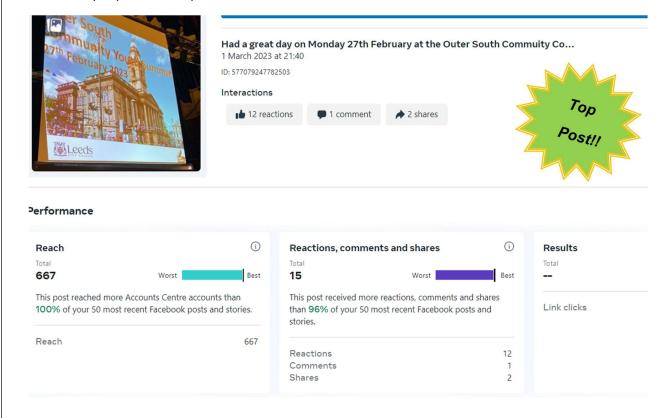
The Outer South Community Committee Youth Summit

has reached a total of 667 people

The following below are screenshots of the most popular three posts since the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023. Alongside it are the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

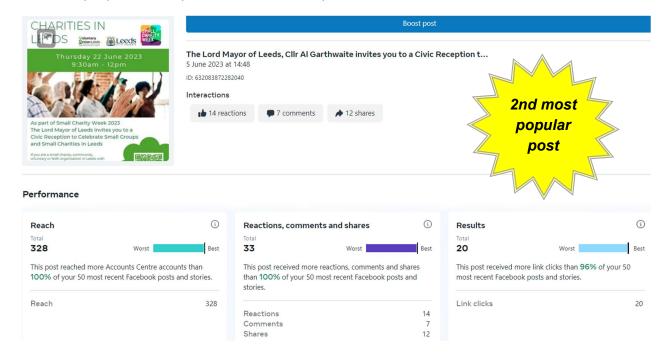
# 1st Place - Outer South Community Committee Youth Summit

667 people had this post delivered to them and it had 15 Post Reactions.



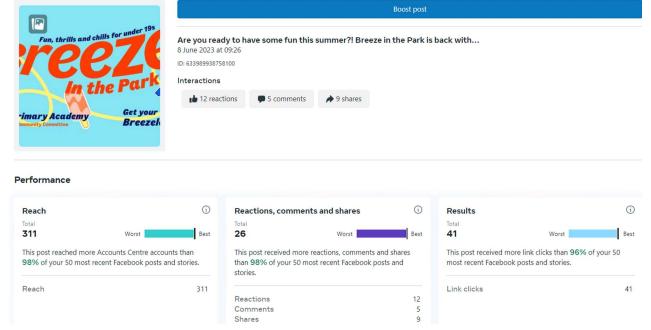
# 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - To Celebrate Small Groups and Charities

328 people had this post delivered, with 33 post reactions



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Breeze in the Park 2023

**311** people had this post delivered, with **26** Post Reactions.







# Agenda Item 10





Report of: Liz Jarmin, Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Outer South Community Committee

Ardsley and Robin Hood, Morley North, Morley South and Rothwell

Report author: Kimberly Frangos 07712 217267

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023 For decision

# **Outer South Community Committee - Finance Report**

# **Purpose of report**

1. This report provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2023.

#### Main issues

- 2. Each Community Committee has been allocated a wellbeing budget (revenue and capital) and Youth Activities Fund which it is responsible for administering. The aim of these budgets is to support the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the area and provide a range of activities for children and young people, by using the funding to support projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities.
- 3. A group applying to the Wellbeing Fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria, including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and financial controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.
- 4. Wellbeing funding cannot be paid retrospectively. An application form must be submitted and approved by the Community Committee before activities or items being purchased through wellbeing funding are completed or purchased.
- 5. The amount of wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.

- 6. Capital (CRIS) injections are provided as a result of council assets being sold. 5% of the sale price (up to a maximum of £100k) of a council asset is pooled city-wide and redistributed to the Community Committee areas on the basis of deprivation. The Community Committee will receive a new capital injection every 6 months.
- 7. Each Community Committee has also been allocated a Community Infrastructure Levy budget. For each CIL contribution, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% is needed for administration and 15-25% goes to be spent locally. The money will be vested with the local Town or Parish Council if applicable, or with the local Community Committee and spend decided upon by that body. This local money is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund' and should be spent on similar projects to the Wellbeing Fund (capital).
- 8. In the Outer South this means that the money for Morley North and Morley South will be administered by Morley Town Council, whereas monies for Ardsley and Robin Hood and Rothwell will be administered by the Outer South Community Committee.
- 9. It was agreed at the Outer South Community Committee on the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017 that CIL monies for Ardsley and Robin Hood and Rothwell would be and spent in the ward it was generated in.
- 10. It was agreed at the Outer South Community Committee on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 that decisions being taken on the spending of CIL neighbourhood funds in respect of Ardsley and Robin Hood and Rothwell will be agreed by the Ward Councillors for the affected Ward as part of Member Ward briefings. The formal decisions for these matters would then need to be taken via officer delegated decision.
- 11. Projects eligible for funding by the Community Committee could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives, or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010, projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their religion, gender, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.
- 12. Any request for funding would involve discussions with appropriate ward members. Where projects do not have support from the Community Committee and are not approved, applicants are offered further discussions and feedback if this is requested.
- 13. In order to provide further assurance and transparency of all decisions made by the Community Committee, any projects that are not approved will be reported to a subsequent Community Committee meeting.
- 14. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community
  Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets,
  and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood
  Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee,

- designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment to take such decisions.
- 15. The Community Committee has previously approved the following 'minimum conditions' in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when such conditions have been satisfied:
  - a. consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken;
  - b. a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors); and c. details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members' information.
- 16. As has been the case at the beginning of previous municipal years, the Committee is invited to review the conditions previously agreed and consider whether any amendments are required, prior to agreeing such conditions for operation in the forthcoming municipal year.
- 17. **Associated Recommendation:** Members are asked to review the minimum conditions as set out in paragraph 15 of this report, consider whether any amendments are required and approve such conditions for operation in 2023/24. These conditions would need to be satisfied prior to an urgent delegated decision being taken in between formal Community Committee meetings in respect of the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets and also the use of the CIL Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee.
- 18. Members are reminded that the necessary scrutiny of applications to satisfy our own processes, financial regulations and audit requires the deadline for receipt of completed applications to be at least five weeks prior to any Community Committee. Some applications will be approved via Delegated Decision Notice (DDN) following consultation with Members outside of the Community Committee meeting cycle.

# Wellbeing Budget Position 2023/2024

- 19. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2023-2024 was £94,310.00

  Table 1 shows a carry forward figure of £114,067.03 which includes underspends from projects completed in 2023-2024. £48,445.32 represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2022-2023 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2023-2024 is therefore £256,822.35. A full breakdown of the projects approved or ring-fenced is available on request.
- 20. It is possible that some of the projects may not use their allocated spend. This could be for several reasons, including the project no longer going ahead, the project not taking place within the dates specified in the funding agreement, or failure to submit monitoring reports. Due to this the final revenue balance may be greater than the amount specified in **Table 1**.

21. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of £181,998.35. A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1 and is available on request.

TABLE 1: Wellbeing revenue 2023/2024

	£	Ardsley and Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell
INCOME: 2023-2024	£94,310.00	£23,577.50	£23,577.50	£23,577.50	£23,577.50
Balance brought forward from previous year	£114,067.03	£64,622.00	£12,031.65	£15,146.90	£22,266.48
Less projects brought forward from previous year	£48,445.32	£ 6,178.27	£12,264.49	£14,862.96	£15,139.60
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2023-2024	£256,822.35	£94,377.77	£47,873.64	£53,587.36	£60,983.58

Area wide ring fenced projects	£				
Small Grants	£ 5,000.00	£ 1,250.00	£ 1,250.00	£ 1,250.00	£ 1,250.00
Community Engagement	£ 500.00	£ 125.00	£ 125.00	£ 125.00	£ 125.00
OS Christmas Tree & Lights	£16,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00
Skips	£ 2,000.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00	£500.00
OS Youth Summit	£ 600.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00
Total spend: Area wide ring fenced projects	£24,100.00	£ 6,025.00	£ 6,025.00	£ 6,025.00	£ 6,025.00

		Ward Split				
Ward Projects	£	Ardsley and Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell	
Outer South Garden Maintenance Service	£35,724.00	£ 8,931.00	£ 8,931.00	£ 8,931.00	£ 8,931.00	
Rothwell Celebrations	£15,000.00				£15,000.00	
Totals	£50,724.00	£8,931.00	£8,931.00	£8,931.00	£23,931.00	
Total spend: Area wide + ward projects	£74,824.00	£14,956.00	£14,956.00	£14,956.00	£29,956.00	
Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)	£181,998.35	£79,421.77	£32,917.64	£38,631.36	£31,027.58	

# Wellbeing, Capital and Youth Activity Fund projects for consideration and approval

22. There following projects are presented for Members' consideration:

23. **Project title:** Provision of Defibrillator Tingley Methodist **Name of group or organisation**: Communities Team, LCC

Total project cost: £1,576.00

Match funding: £0.00

Amount proposed from Capital Budget 2023/24: £1,576.00

Wards covered: Morley South

**Project Summary:** Provision for 1 defibrillator and cabinet to be installed outside Tingley Methodist Church. The costings includes installation by the LCC Electricians and it is a ballpark figure, as they have not done site visits yet.

# **Community Committee Priorities:**

# **Best City for Communities**

- · Residents in Outer South are safe and feel safe
- Have an asset base which is fit for purpose

24. Project title: Rothwell Bonfire Night Fireworks Display

Name of group or organisation: CROWN & Rothwell & District Carnival Committee

Total project cost: £7,700.00

Match funding: £0.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2023/24: £7,700.00 (Rothwell Ringfence)

Wards covered: Rothwell

**Project Summary:** To put on a fireworks display following the cancellation of bonfires as part of budget cuts.

# **Community Committee Priorities:**

#### **Best City for Business**

 Support work that helps town and district centres remain commercially active and vibrant

# **Best City for Communities**

- Residents in Outer South have access to opportunities to become involved in sport and culture
- · Communities are empowered and engaged. People get on well together

# **Best City for Children & Young People**

Provide a range of activities for young people across the Outer South

# **Best City for Health & Wellbeing**

Older residents in Outer South are enabled to participate in local community activities

25. Project title: Rothwell Christmas Carnival & Lights Switch On

Name of group or organisation: Rothwell & District Carnival Committee

Total project cost: £1,800.00

Match funding: £0.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2023/24: £1,800.00 (Rothwell Ringfence)

Wards covered: Rothwell

**Project Summary:** This event has been held for a number of years and consists of a Christmas Market, a few fairground rides and entertainment on Commercial Street in the centre of Rothwell. Whilst separately organised the carnival is (usually) held on the same day as the Blackburn Hall Christmas Fayre and culminates with the LCC Christmas Lights being switched on followed by a firework display. The event is held on Commercial Street in Rothwell and is open between 11.00am and 5.30pm with set up and dismantling before and after these times (full day is between 7.00am and 8.00pm). The event is well attended with estimates of c. 2000 people across the day

The funding is for the fireworks which mark the Christmas Lights being switched on and the end of the day long event.

# **Community Committee Priorities:**

# **Best City for Business**

 Support work that helps town and district centres remain commercially active and vibrant

# **Best City for Communities**

- Residents in Outer South have access to opportunities to become involved in sport and culture
- Communities are empowered and engaged. People get on well together

# **Best City for Children & Young People**

Provide a range of activities for young people across the Outer South

# **Best City for Health & Wellbeing**

• Older residents in Outer South are enabled to participate in local community activities

26. Project title: Rothwell Methodist Film Club

Name of group or organisation: Rothwell Methodist Film Church

Total project cost: £5,947.00 Match funding: £3,000.00

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2023/24: £2,947.00

Wards covered: Rothwell

**Project Summary:** The grant will be used to assist with the purchase of projector equipment to support an initiative to create an improved Film Club. Existing projector equipment is close to end of life and struggles to produce images of good quality and therefore undermines its effectiveness and the enjoyment of film content by participants. The overall aim of the Film Club is to provide enjoyment and entertainment for residents in Rothwell and environs (not just churchgoers). The intent is to also locate the Film Club venue to a room within the church that represents a more suitable environment in terms of acoustics and that will also be more energy efficient. These changes are not part of the funding application and the application is purely restricted to the provision of a contribution that will allow the procurement of a more contemporary projector for this new initiative.

#### **Community Committee Priorities:**

#### **Best City for Business**

 Support work that helps town and district centres remain commercially active and vibrant

#### **Best City for Communities**

- Residents in Outer South have access to opportunities to become involved in sport and culture
- Communities are empowered and engaged. People get on well together
- Have an asset base which is fit for purpose

#### **Best City for Children & Young People**

Provide a range of activities for young people across the Outer South

# **Best City for Health & Wellbeing**

· Older residents in Outer South are enabled to participate in local community activities

27. Project title: Gildersome Park - New Bins

Name of group or organisation: Parks and Countryside, LCC

Total project cost: £ 1,100.00

Match funding: £0.00

Amount proposed from Capital Budget 2023/24: £2,947.00

Wards covered: Morley North

**Project Summary:** To purchase and install 2 bins to be located in Gildersome Park.

# **Community Committee Priorities:**

# **Best City for Communities**

- Neighbourhoods in Outer South are clean and attractive
- Have an asset base which is fit for purpose

#### **Delegated Decisions (DDN)**

- 28. Since the last Community Committee on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023, the following projects have been considered and approved by DDN:
  - a) Rothwell May Day Celebrations Rothwell & District Carnival Committee £1,150.00
  - b) EWAAA Secure Storage East and West Ardsley Allotments Association £3,100.00
  - c) Street Lighting for Main Street to Forsythia Avenue Footway Street Lighting, LCC £13,255.49
  - d) Outer South School Holiday Youth Activities Programme Youth Service, LCC £24,040.00

# **Declined Projects**

29. Since the last Community Committee on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023, no projects have been declined.

#### **Monitoring Information**

- 30. As part of their funding agreements, all projects which have had funding approved by the Community Committee are required to provide update reports on the progress of their project. These reports are so that the Community Committee can measure the impact the project has had on the community and the value for money achieved.
- 31. Detailed below is a project update that the Communities Team has received since the last meeting of the Community Committee on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023:

# **Outer South Garden Maintenance Service - Morley Elderly Action**

Morley Elderly Action was commissioned to deliver a one-year gardening scheme to cover the four wards of Outer South. Funding was given to provide 3386 hours of gardening at a subsidised rate. Additional funding was provided by the Housing Advisory Panel.

MEA has run a garden scheme for about twenty-four years and it has run at its capacity for some years now. Careful management and budgeting allow funding to provide a service throughout the year (March to November).

MEA has provided an excellent, much needed service as commissioned. The MEA Gardening Scheme delivers a quality product which is unique to anything else available in this area. The scheme has improved every year because of experience and would be difficult to replace.

Clients are provided with a trustworthy, DBS checked, professional maintenance gardener for a reasonable cost after the subsidy is applied. They use well maintained equipment and vehicles and have the full backing of Morley Elderly Action, a respected and well-known charity.

MEA use professional gardeners who all have their own business. Each gardener works a number of hours under the scheme and prioritise our work. They all carry identification and wear Morley Elderly Action T-Shirts. All our gardeners are DBS checked and are carefully selected by MEA for their compassion and understanding of elderly people as well as their work ethics. Our gardeners are sympathetic with clients who suffer from memory problems including dementia. Our gardeners have received dementia awareness training and are 'Dementia Friends'. All our gardeners 'go that extra mile' for their clients - from changing a light bulb to putting out bird food, they will help when they can. The gardeners alert MEA to anyone needing additional support to enable our Community Support Worker to make contact and provide any necessary assistance.

The service is carefully monitored. The Gardening Co-ordinator asks all the gardeners to complete a time sheet on their rounds which are signed by the client and there is opportunity for them to make any comments. This gives a wealth of information which is used to record information for budgeting and monitoring. Throughout the year, customers are randomly selected to ask their opinion of the garden scheme. The Gardening Co-ordinator acts as a middle point for any messages or information between gardeners and clients. Sometimes it is necessary to liaise with families when a client is unable to look after their own affairs.

Morley Elderly Action has provided 3754 gardening hours throughout the year to people over the age of 67 or who are registered disabled. Compliments and complaints were recorded and acted upon if necessary. The gardeners have all been vigilant in letting MEA know if anything has given them reason for concern about their clients. The Covid-19 pandemic enhanced the importance of a good working relationship between the clients, the gardeners and Morley Elderly Action, which has continued.

The number of gardens registered on the scheme started at 255 in March 2022. This number increased to 302 at the end of the scheme. However, the number of gardens serviced throughout the year was 345. The number of clients benefiting from the scheme was greater, at 423 as some people are living with a spouse/other.

Of the clients who submitted their age, 21 clients were under 60, 53 clients were in the 60-70 group, 195 in the

71-84 group and 154 were in the 85 and over group. 220 clients were either registered disabled or considered themselves to have a disability. 310 of all the clients (including couples who were recorded) were female and 113 were male. 25 clients did not fall into the category of White British and a further 27 clients did not specify their ethnicity.

The breakdown for the number of properties who used the gardening scheme in 2022/23 across the four wards of Outer South is as follows:- Ardsley and Robin Hood 64 (0 change), Morley North 123 (-4), Morley South 94

(0 change) and Rothwell 64 (+25) (total 345 properties, an increase of 21 properties). This changed from 2021/22:- Ardsley and Robin Hood 64, Morley North 127, Morley South 94 and Rothwell 39 (total 324 properties).

During the year it may become necessary to have a waiting list if the scheme is at capacity and further requests to join the scheme are received – priority is then given to areas which are under-represented upon places becoming available.

The full report is available on request.









# Chatter Bus Project 2022/2023 – FDM: For Disability Mobility

Due to the covid pandemic, plus the resignation of staff the charity was unable to recommence until May 2022, but only in the Rothwell and Robin Hood areas. Since then, FDM have undertaken 30 trips which involved 74 members. FDM have recruited 6 new volunteers, 1 of whom fulfilled the "chatterbox" role. FDM have also gained 20 new social club members. The outings were varied and included 2 pantomime visits, a theatre production and 3 tribute evenings.

Due to funding issues when completing our yearly accounts for 2021/22 the Charity was left with no option but to sell its only asset which was one of its two minibuses in September 2022 and have only operated with one minibus since. However, FDM are determined to provide the service that is essential to the community.

A total of 30 Social Club trips. Total number of Social Club participants was 74.

FDM were unable to restart the 327 Club due to lack of staff and volunteers.

Monthly articles were published in the Rothwell Record and newsletter updates were sent out to members. Posters were also placed in businesses seeking both volunteers and social club members.

The full report is available on request.







# **Youth Activities Fund Position 2023/2024**

- 32. The total available for spend in the Outer South Community Committee in 2023/24, including carry forward from previous year, was £90,912.02.
- 33. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of £43,378.20 has been allocated to projects, as listed in **Table 2**.
- 34. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of £47,533.82 in the Youth Activity Fund.

**TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2023/2024** 

		Ward Split				
			8-17 Population	า (9,841)		
	12,287	3,513	3,023	3,032	2,719	
	Total allocation	Ardsley & Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell	
Income 2023/2024	£45,528.00	£13,016.46	£11,199.88	£11,236.31	£10,075.35	
Carried forward from previous year	£59,960.34	£17,411.51	£14,972.66	£9,971.09	£17,605.08	
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year 2022/2023	£14,576.32	£2,094.08	£4,694.08	£4,694.08	£3,094.08	
Total available budget for this year 2023/2024	£90,912.02	£28,333.89	£21,478.46	£16,513.32	£24,586.35	
Projects 2022/2023	Amount requested from YAF	Ardsley & Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell	
Breeze in the Park 2023	£15,200.00	£3,800.00	£3,800.00	£3,800.00	£3,800.00	
DAZL Outer South	£4,138.20	£1,034.55	£1,034.55	£1,034.55	£1,034.55	
Youth Activities Programme	£24,040.00	£6,010.00	£6,010.00	£6,010.00	£6,010.00	
Total spend against projects	£43,378.20	£10,844.55	£10,844.55	£10,844.55	£10,844.55	
Remaining balance per ward	£47,533.82	£17,489.34	£10,633.91	£5,668.77	£13,741.80	

#### Small Grants Budget 2023/2024

35. At this Community Committee ward members have been recommended to allocate a small grants budget of £5,000.00. Approved small grants detailed in **Table 3**.

TABLE 3: Small Grants 2023/2024

Project	Organisation/Dept	Ward (s)	Total cost of project	Amount requested
Kings Coronation Morley's Big Lunch	Morley Town Centre Management Board	Morley North and Morley South	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
Happy Memories Café	Gildersome Happy Memories Café Committee	Morley North and Morley South	£1,000.00	£1,000.00
		Totals	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
		Small grant remaining £3,000.00		.00

# Community Skips Budget 2023/2024

36. At this Community Committee ward members have been recommended to allocate a skips budget of £2,000.00. Approved community skips detailed in **Table 4**.

TABLE 4: Community Skips 2023/2024

Location of skip	Date	Total amount	Ardsley & Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell
Pastures on Stone Brig Lane	03/05/2023	£324.50				£324.50
Denshaw's	25/05/2023	£384.90			£384.90	
Total:		£709.40				

# Capital Budget 2023/2024

37. The Outer South Community Committee has a capital budget of £71,176.89 available to spend, as a result of new capital injections. Members are asked to note the capital allocation The Outer South Community Committee has a capital budget of £71,176.89 available to spend, as a result of new capital injections. Members are asked to note the capital allocation broken down by ward and summarised in **Table 5**.

**TABLE 5: Capital 2023/2024** 

		Ward split				
	OS (£)	Ardsley & Robin Hood	Morley North	Morley South	Rothwell	
Remaining Balance March 2023	£30,928.27	£14,790.24	£858.61	£11,442.27	£3,837.15	
Balance 2023-2024	£30,928.27	£14,790.24	£858.61	£11,442.27	£3,837.15	

#### Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2023/2024

38. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is £97,408.82 total payable to the Outer South Community Committee with a remaining balance of £97,408.82. Members are asked to note the CIL allocation broken down by ward and summarised in **Table 6** 

**TABLE 6: CIL 2023/2024** 

	Ward split		
	OS (£) Ardsley & Robin Hood		
Remaining Balance March 2023	£50,502.82	£49,066.55	£1,436.27
Injection May 2023	£110,106.27	£63,606.00	£46,500.27
Starting Position 2023-2024	£160,609.09	£112,672.55	£47,936.54

# **Corporate Considerations**

# **Consultation and Engagement**

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

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

40.All wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

#### **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 41. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for wellbeing funding are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
  - 1. Vision for Leeds 2011 30
  - 2. Best City Plan
  - 3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
  - 4. Children and Young People's Plan
  - 5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
  - 6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

#### **Resources and Value for Money**

42. 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

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

# **Risk Management**

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

#### Conclusion

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

#### Recommendations

- 46. Members are asked to:
  - a. To review and agree the 'minimum conditions' regarding the taking of urgent delegated decisions in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee'(paragraph 17)
  - b. To note details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
  - c. To consider and determine Wellbeing and Capital proposals (paragraphs 23 27)
  - d. To note details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 28)
  - e. To note monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 41)
  - f. To note details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
  - g. To note details of the Small Grants Budget (Table 3)
  - h. To note details of the Community Skips Budget (Table 4)
  - i. To note details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
  - j. To note details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)

