

OUTER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 2016

PRESENT: Councillor P Wadsworth in the Chair

Councillors B Anderson, C Anderson,
C Campbell, B Cleasby, D Collins,
R Downes, B Flynn, G Latty, P Latty, S Lay
and C Townsley

15 APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

16 EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no exempt items.

17 LATE ITEMS

There were no late items. However, supplementary information for Agenda Item 10 – Finance Update Report had been circulated to all Members prior to the meeting.

18 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS'

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

19 Apologies For Absence

There were no apologies.

20 Open Forum

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

21 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on 13th June 2016 be approved as a correct record.

22 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minute no. 13 Community Committee Appointments 2016/17

Due to Cllr. Cleasby having to leave the previous meeting early no appointment was made to Rawdon and Laneshaw Bridge Trust.

Cllr. Cleasby informed the Committee of the good work that the Trust do in the area. He also informed the Members that Stanley Waddington one of the Trust members had recently passed away aged 97 years old.

Cllr. Cleasby said that he was happy to continue to be involved with this organisation.

Cllr. Cleasby agreed to send Committee Members details of the process for nomination to the Trust and details of the other trustees.

Minute no. 70 Chairs Remarks

Members were informed that a copy of the response to the consultation on Leeds Bradford Airport had been sent to the postal addresses obtained.

23 Leeds Transport Conversation

The report of the Chief Officer Highways and Transport informed the Community Committee of the Transport Conversation and engagement process and sought feedback and input from Members on the future strategic approach to transport in the city and the development of a proposition and delivery plan for the £173.5 million fund due to be allocated following the cancellation of the NGT project.

The Chair expressed disappointment that the report did not relate solely or in part to the Outer North West area.

The Transport Strategy Manager was at the meeting and provided the Committee with a presentation.

Members were advised that following the cancellation of the NGT project Leeds now needed to provide Government with a proposition and delivery plan by the end of the year, in order to release the £173.5 million funding.

In response to the NGT decision a city wide debate on the future of transport strategy was launched with a Transport Summit on 10th June 2016. The summit was attended by 170 stakeholders from across the city and included Members. At the summit the Leader of Council announced the start of the City's largest ever Transport Conversation to seek the views from key stakeholders, partners and communities from across the city.

Members were informed that that there were two phases the first being the launch of an on-line survey which opened 2nd August and is due to close on 20th September. For those unable to access the on-line survey hardcopies were available at Community Hubs, One Stop Centres and Libraries. The officer informed the Committee that currently there had been 3000 responses however the responses were mainly from men. The officer encouraged Members to ask more females to complete the survey.

Members noted that two workshops would take place on 15th and 20th September. They also noted that the Transport Conversation feedback would be fed into the development of an outline series of proposals for the spend of the £173.5 million, this would be presented to Executive Board on 19th October 2016.

Members were informed of the issues currently facing Transport as:

- Congestion on major routes in to the city
- Air quality in the city centre
- Economy – with increased jobs in the city
- Change in demographics for all areas
- Changes in technology including driverless taxis and smart ticketing
- Growth of white van deliveries as more people shop on line
- Population growth
- Fall in bus usage
- New housing developments in all areas of the city but predominately in the East of the city

A lengthy discussion took place with Members raising issues including:

- Congestion on a number of commuter routes into the city including A65, A660, A658, A657
- Additional housing planned for the area with no additional infrastructure
- Length of journey from city centre to outer North West.
- The fact that it was difficult to move within the community from one area to another by bus
- The frequency of community buses specifically on weekends
- The cost of travel
- The amount of HGV's using the minor routes to avoid congestion on the major routes
- Connectivity from city centre to airport
- Look at use of park and ride
- Use of travel cards or similar
- Use of up to date technology on transport
- Crossing points across the river Wharfe and river Aire
- How to attract more visitors to Leeds through a modern transport system
- Initiative to get more young people to use the buses

Members were of the view that creating a quality transport system for the city long term would require the involvement of surrounding authorities.

Members were also of the view that a franchised bus service might improve the service in the city and the surrounding areas.

RESOLVED – That the Community Committee;

- noted the wider strategic context of the Transport Conversation which will extend beyond a first phase conversation into the Spring / Summer of next year, informing a wider transport strategy for the City and your area over the next 20 years;

- noted the Department of Transport £173.5 million offer for public transport improvements, in the context of a currently planned report to Executive Board on 19th October and the planned submission of strategic investment case to the Department of Transport
- provided feedback and advised on the key priorities for transport investment in the city and the local community.

24 Finance Update Report

The report of the West North West Area Leader provided the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for 2016/ 17. It detailed the current position of the Wellbeing revenue fund, the Small Grants and Skips pots, and the Capital pot. This report also provided an update on the Youth Activity Fund.

Members attention was drawn to point 6 of the submitted report which after deducting any existing commitments and taking into account the 2015/16 carry forward position, the Community Committee had £135,716 of funding available for allocation. Members noted that this figure did not include the Youth Activity Fund.

Members were asked to note the figures presented in Table 1 of the submitted report.

The Chair requested Members to consider projects as a priority to ensure that all funding was spent before the end of the year.

RESOLVED - That the Outer North West Community Committee;

- Note the current budget position for the Wellbeing Fund for 2016/17 (Table 1)
- That the following be agreed with regard to the large grant applications received:

Organisation	Project	Amount & Ward	Approved / Refused
Leeds Lights	The funding will go towards the provision of festive lights in Guiseley and Rawdon	£4,185 – Guiseley & Rawdon	APPROVED
Leeds Sailing Centre	Disability Hoist – to support people with restricted movement to access water based crafts	£1,696 – Otley and Yeadon £1,304 – Guiseley & Rawdon	APPROVED
Leeds Watch	Monitoring, maintenance and associated BT costs	£18,048 – Otley & Yeadon	APPROVED

	for the CCTV Cameras in Otley & Yeadon		
Leeds Watch	Monitoring, maintenance and associated BT costs for the CCTV Camera at Old Ball Roundabout in Horsforth from 2015/16	£2,103 - Horsforth	APPROVED
Highways	Purchase of 3 Speed Indication Devices and associated costs	£9,240 – Guiseley & Rawdon	APPROVED

Members were informed that costs for Horsforth CCTV 2016/17 had not been recommended for approval at this time.

- Note the Small Grants that had been approved since the last meeting (Table 2) and the remaining Small Grants budget (Table 3).
- Note the skips that had been approved since the last meeting (Table 4) and the remaining skips budget (Table 5).
- Note the current budget position for the Capital Wellbeing Fund for 2016/17 (Table 6).

25 Community Committee Update Report

The report of the West North West Area Leader updated the Community Committee on the work of the sub groups of the Committee: Environment & Community Safety; Employment, Learning and the Local Economy; Children's Services and Family Health; Adult Social Care, Health & Wellbeing; Highways & Transportation and Policy.

The report also updated the Committee on community forums and partnership working that had taken place in the area since the last meeting.

A Community Safety sub group had taken place earlier in the day. Members were informed that the Winter Warmer Packs were to be funded this year through the Police Commissioning Fund.

Members were also advised that a Community Speed Watch Scheme was now in operation in outer north west. Members asked that they be kept informed when and where this was happening.

Members requested that the information provided in future newsletters related specifically to the Community Committee and that an outline of articles to be used is emailed to Members in advance of publication.

RESOLVED – That Members:

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting to be held on Monday, 28th November, 2016

- Note the work of the sub groups and areas of partnership working since the last Community Committee meeting.
- Note the area update newsletter.

26 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Outer North West Community Committee will take place on Monday 28th November 2016 at 1.30pm in Yeadon Town Hall.