Outer North East Environmental Sub Group 1St September 2016



Meeting Notes

1.0	Welcome, introductions, apologies	
	Attendees: Cllr Gerald Wilkinson; Cllr Matthew Robinson; Mark Gray;	
	Paul Ackroyd; Graham Berwick; Andrew Birkbeck; Steve Walpole	
	Apologies:	
	Cllr Neil Buckley; John Woolmer; Jessica Hodgson; Susan Hardy	
2.0	Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising	Actions
2.1	2.1 – Bin sensor data will be reported to the next meeting of the sub group (if available).	JW/MG
2.2	2.3 – Recycling rates for ONE. SH to supply. Further issue is whether these can be incentivised in any way.	SH
2.3	2.4 – Potential bin locations to be circulated to sub group members.	MG
2.4	3.5 – Bottle bank contact details for Cluster of Nuts Car Park and York Place car parks. Emails sent to LB and DB but no answer forthcoming. Needs chasing	SH
2.5	6.1 – SLA needs to be a discussed at the next sub group meeting. Possible submission to December Community Committee for sign off.	JW
2.6	6.5 – Verge creep. Some clarity sought from sub group members re this issue. JH to feedback to Ward Members.	JW/JH
2.7	6.6 –Cigarette butts in Wetherby Town Centre. Bev Kirk to attend a future Pub Watch meeting.	
2.8	6.8 – Ginnel on Ainsty Road and Poplar Road (Wetherby). Cllr Wilkinson to meet with Bob Buckenham re this issue.	CIIrGW
3.0	Waste and Recycling	
3.1	Five Cllr contacts in the last quarter. The complaints related to 4 missed green bins and 1 brown bin.	
3.2	Collection rates city-wide are at 99.3%.	
3.3	SW reported that there was a staff shortage over the bank holiday, though this did not affect the ONE area specifically.	
3.4	SW referenced that elsewhere in Leeds – Harehills – the Refuse Service were looking at introducing an opt-in scheme similar to the one piloted in Headingley.	
3.5	GB raised the issue of York Place sheltered accommodation and the lack of recycling facilities on site. SW said he would look into this and meet GB onsite.	SW/GB
4.0	Parks & Countryside	
4.1	PA gave an update on how the Redhall decant was progressing; the glass house contract had now been awarded and work was anticipated to start on site on 12 th September. The build was anticipated to take 12 weeks.	
4.2	PA suggested that in the future the sub group should have a site visit to the Redhall.	
4.3	Cllr Wilkinson mentioned that he had chased Glen Gorner about an issue relating to LCC-owned trees encroaching on a constituent's garden in Wetherby Ward but had no response. PA said he would take this up with his colleague.	PA
5.0	Grounds maintenance	
5.1	PA reported that there had been no specific issues to report back on	

	other than 'rough linear cuts' had now come in house and the service had improved as a result.	
6.0	Environmental Services Delegation	
6.1	MG reported that there had been some changes in the ENE Locality Team staffing structure but these had a minimum impact in ONE (a Charge Hand had now left).	
6.2	MG said the team were preparing for their Autumn work programme, including leaf fall. MG said this year's approach would be more joined-up and they would utilise Continental staff during this busy period.	
6.3	MG mentioned Leeds Festival and the impact this had on the ONE area. Cllr Robinson said he would try and ensure that members of the locality team are included in the Festival debrief by contacting the organizer Melvin Benn.	CIIr MR
6.4	MG said he would disseminate the location of new bins to the sub group when he had more details.	MG
6.5	MG also informed the sub group that were currently between 40-60 civic collections taking place in the ONE area per month.	
6.6	Cllr Wilkinson asked if MG could look into the issue of a footpath between Thorp Arch and Walton that had an overgrown hedge and was causing a health and safety hazard.	MG
7.0	A.O.B	
7.1	None.	
8.0	Date and Time of Next Meeting	
	Thursday 24 th November at 4pm (Reginald Centre)	AB