

Report of: Head of Stronger Communities

Report to: Outer North West Community Committee

Wards: Adel and Wharfedale, Guiseley and Rawdon, Horsforth and Otley and Yeadon

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to note

Outer North West Community Committee - Update Report

Purpose of report

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

Main issues

Updates by theme:

Children and Families: Councillor Pat Latty

3. The children and families sub group met on Tuesday 22nd October 2019.

The youth summit is taking place on 11th February 2020.

Environment: Councillor: Barry Anderson

4. Councillor Anderson to provide a verbal update.

Community Safety: Councillor Barry Anderson

5. Councillor Anderson to provide a verbal update.

Transport-

6. Sub group meeting is arranged for Friday 6th December 2019.

Employment, Skills & Welfare: Councillor Ryk Downes

Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care: Councillor Graham Latty

7. The Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care sub group met on the 19th March with the theme of oral health and hygiene.

Health and Wellbeing-

8. Winter Friends-Stay Well This Winter

This campaign has just commenced to help the frail and vulnerable stay well and protected this winter within our wards. Below are six short films giving professional advice on topics such staying well, social isolation and how to access Primary Care services.

9. There is up to date training available for local organisations who look after older citizens, frail, vulnerable or those with learning disabilities this winter.

10. For more information please contact; Rachel Brighton
Rachel.Brighton2@leeds.gov.uk

11. Physical Activity for our Children and British Cycling

12. Go Ride for School is a fantastic free provision for Schools and also local organisations. Sessions available at an introductory level and a more advanced outside of school four hour periods. With the current high level of interest with cycling in Yorkshire this is an opportunity to get local children more interested in cycling and thus increase their levels of physical activity. The scheme has up to twenty bikes to loan children for the sessions if they don't have their own. Cycle maintenance, up keep and general safety sessions are also available.

13. Physical Activity for our Children and the Daily Mile

14. This is an effective, evidence based initiative helping to get our Primary school children moving more, maintaining a healthy weight and developing healthy habits for life. It involves teachers walking with children in every class every day to set up strong

habitual healthy practices. The scheme is set up by the Yorkshire Sports Foundation and has its own dedicated officer to help schools start.

15. Public health are delighted to announce that the Leeds City Council health app has secured European Space Agency funding to carry on its research work and add new reporting features for the city's community development workers. This is a partnership project with Leeds, Wakefield Age UK, Bury Council and two European cities as yet undecided.
16. For details of the space agency project please contact Abhay Adhikari contact@digitalidentities.info
17. The signposting tool which is also loaded onto the app for non-health professionals developed by Sue Mulligan has been met with universal approval.
18. For details of the support tool contact. Sue Sue.Mulligan@leeds.gov.uk

19. Outer North West Hubs update from Customer Services

Otley Community Hub and Library and the new Guiseley Library were host to a visiting assessor from the Customer Services Accreditation Team. They were fully compliant for the Award (with 3 compliance plus's) Both sites are recently refurbished

Otley has been refurbished incorporating the revolutionary way of marketing the library provision. Comments from customers have included. 'It is more like walking into Waterstone's bookshop'. The customer PCs have had an upgrade and we have 2 rooms available for booking. The new Children's area is particularly popular with the Library Rhyme Time increasing weekly. 30 children and adults on most days.

Otley now has visiting agencies – Money Buddies and CAB delivering surgeries from here.

The team continue to support charities – they held their own coffee morning for St Gemma's Hospice, raising £175.00 and the local Macmillan group used the venue for their annual fundraising event- they find there is a substantial footfall.

20. Guiseley Library

Having reopened at the Aireborough Leisure Centre on 28th September– the footfall in the library has increased beyond expectation- stats not available yet but the first week saw 120 new joiners to the library. Customers can already see the benefits of all the services - Leisure, libraries and a café under one roof. Feedback from customers has been very positive.

A very lively Craft and Chat group meet weekly. The ladies give money each week for charity and have been discreetly collecting funds to give one of the members of the group £250. Her husband had a bad cycling accident a year ago and now needs 24

hour care at home after head and neck injuries. The ladies felt charity begins at home.

21. Yeadon Community Hub and Library

The Go digital/get online sessions in the library and very well attended, all retired members keen to develop their computer skills.

A coffee morning for Macmillan raised approx. £50

22. Holt Park Library

7th Oct - Treasures of Local and Family History 11 - 12

Join us for an illustrated talk about the most unusual and interesting items from the Local and Family History Library's collections. We'll hear all about the strange-but-true stories from Leeds' past, including a giant archway made of bread and a mysterious scrapbook of creepy news cuttings

23. Horsforth Community Hub & Library

21st & 22nd September Miss Lily's Victorian Circus - Part of Heritage Weekend

External event using the Ballroom as their location.

It included childrens crafts, dressing up and a circus themed play.

Sunday 15th September 2-4pm

"Tea with Wendy" This is how Wendy puts it:

I was diagnosed with Young Onset Dementia on 31st July 2014 at the age of 58 years young.

Post diagnosis, I was so shocked by the lack of awareness, both in the community and the clinical world, that I now spend all my time travelling around the country raising awareness and encouraging others to speak out in order to reduce the stigma associated with dementia.

I am now proud to be the author of the Sunday Times best seller, "Somebody I Used to Know". Who would have thought this was possible 5 years ago when I was diagnosed?

While the original plan had been to hold the event in the Ballroom, it was decided that the tea and welfare facilities at Horsforth Live at Home were more suitable. The Hub & Library however did provide volunteers to support at the event, advertised the event and provided a selection of library material with information about Dementia.

Thursday 24 October Leeds Safeguarding Adults Board Pop-up

Organised to raise awareness about how adults can experience abuse and neglect and how they can get help and support.

24. Installation of acoustic panels to Horsforth Community Hub – after some delays, the installation of acoustic panels in Horsforth Ballroom. These are now in place and look fantastic. We'd like to give our thanks to the Horsforth Members for their patience with this install and with the delays that were experienced.

25. Installation of bike racks outside Horsforth Community Hub, allowing local residents to secure their bicycles when using the Hub.

26. Installation of blind in Ballroom above fire escape, also funded by Horsforth Members.

Community Engagement: Social Media

27. Information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Outer North West Community Committee Facebook page is provided at **Appendix 1**.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

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

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

29. 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

30. 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

31. 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

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

Risk Management

33. 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

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

Recommendations

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

Background documents¹

36. None.

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