

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

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting
to be held on 19 June 2023

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 post-collision 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.
- Data 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 brought 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 2023/24.
- (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 brought 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
 - Community Engagement - £500.00
 - Community Skips - £2,000.00
 - 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 Proposed Venue: Morley Town Hall
- Monday, 25 September 2023 Proposed Venue: Blackburn Hall
- Monday, 11 December 2023 Proposed Venue: Gildersome Meeting Hall
- Monday, 11 March 2024 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.