

Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner North West Community Committee
(Headingley & Hyde Park, Little London & Woodhouse and Weetwood)

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Inner 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.

Updates by theme

Children and Families: Champion Cllr Pryor

3. The Children and Families sub-group has not met since the last Inner North West Community Committee meeting, however delivering Play Streets was agreed as a priority. Play Streets provide a safe place for children to play, bring families together who live on the same street and help to spread the message about the importance of play for children. The first play street organised by the INW CC with local residents took place on May 31st on Farrar Lane, Ireland Wood which included a visit from the Lord Mayor. The afternoon was a success with many games including football, hula

hoops, skipping and races



Update from Burley, Little London, Quarrymount Childrens Centres

Family Work continues to increase significantly, and we are currently holding a waiting list for family support of 16 cases. The team at present are all carrying a caseload of 12, so that is 60 open cases. Needs continue to be linked to Domestic abuse /Children on CP / CIN Plans / Poverty /Mental Health of mother and children with Special Educational Needs of which we are seeing increasing numbers in the North West.

We have planned for service delivery from Easter to July and have a number of things happening. We are delivering all the below currently, however these are in differing locations to identified below.(Within my 3 reach sites though).

- Stay and Play groups in Burley and Little London. The Little London group is developing really well and continues to be very busy, as does our provision in Burley.
- PEEP – A group for both parents and their children to come together at Little London Primary – Our new PEEP group in Little London saw 9 families and their children accessing this and so we are delivering a further course in Little London before the summer school holidays.
- HENRY (Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the really young)– Is currently being delivered in Little London. The primary school are also instrumental in sign posting families to our service, so this is working well.
- Family Learning for adults – Little London and Burley Park is progressing well. It is likely they will be enjoying a summer trip to the seaside,
- Breast feeding group in Burley
- New breastfeeding group in Little London Primary School has now commenced and this is building numbers steadily – the space in the school is lovely and inviting and we are lucky to have a strong partnership in school.

- ESOL in Little London Primary School – again going well and numbers of attendees is good.

The team still continues to gift the Moses baskets /Fire Alarms/Carbon monoxide detectors to families who require these.

The Chatterbox project - which was funded through committees funding continues to grow as we are receiving more referrals from professionals where speech and language is an identified need for the child. This is what we are seeing as a result of the pandemic in young children

Home Learning Packs - This valuable resource is also really well used. Committees generously supported this project last year, and the children greatly benefit from these wonderful resources.

Environmental Sub-Group : Champion Cllr Garthwaite

4.The Environment Sub-Group has not met in the last quarter.

Health and Well-Being: Champion Vacant

New Leeds Stop Smoking Service

The new Leeds Stop Smoking Service will be supporting smokers to reduce their nicotine dependency and quit for good. With around 122,000 adult smokers in Leeds, this service aims to help reduce this number.

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. 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. The Leeds Stop Smoking Service will be replacing the previous One You Leeds service which ended on 31 March 2023.

To register for the service, visit [Leeds Stop Smoking Services](#).

We also have a range of leaflets and posters about smoking and vaping that are available to order and keep for free:

- Vaping and e-cigarettes: the facts (order code P733)
- Vaping and e-cigarettes: the facts for parents and carers (order code L318)
- Quit smoking (order code L305)
- Vaping is at least 95% less harmful than smoking (order code L319)

Should any individuals or organisations require them.

Active Leeds: Strength Campaign

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. 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.

Visit the Active Leeds webpage for a range of examples of how to start your strength journey:

[Active Strength \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://leeds.gov.uk/active-strength)

Lunch club grants (2023)

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.

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.

To find out what local lunch clubs are funded in your area, please visit: [Community Investment In Leeds | Leeds Community Foundation \(leedscf.org.uk\)](https://leedscommunityfoundation.org.uk)

Roundup: Dying Matters Week 2023

The [Leeds Dying Matters Partnership](https://leedsdyingmatterspartnership.org.uk) support the annual Dying Matters national campaign by Hospice UK, working in partnership with communities to get people talking and sharing stories openly about dying and grief, to reduce the associated stress, stigma, and social isolation.

This year Dying Matters Awareness Week ran from 8th – 14th May 2023 and was celebrated with a week of events, workshops, coffee mornings, crafting, conversations and much more! If you still want to get involved, please do:

- Complete and share this short [Leeds Dying Matters Partnership survey](https://leedsdyingmatterspartnership.org.uk/survey) (2 – 3 minutes).
- Complete and share this [West Yorkshire Palliative and End-of-Life Care 2023 Survey](https://www.wyph.org.uk/2023/05/08/wyph-end-of-life-care-2023-survey/).

We also have developed a free resource to get people talking future planning with the [“What If Things Change” booklet](#). We have a small amount of funding to support dissemination in local communities, please email if you are interested: agefriendly@leeds.gov.uk



HEALTH INEQUALITIES FUND-CARING FOR COMMUNITY PROJECT-COMMUNITY 'CHECK-IN PROJECT'. (UPDATE).

Public Health working with North Central Local Care Partnerships have secured some health inequalities funding for Little London to run health checks at Little London Community Centre. The provider for this is the well established and respected third sector organisation Barca. This project will allow local residents especially those reluctant to visit GP surgeries to access free blood pressure checks as well as assistance for mental and emotional health issues and support in surviving the 'cost of living crisis'. Healthy living advice will be available after the blood pressure tests and signposting to relevant health services. The project's friendly and informal nature set in the community has encouraged more local people to enjoy the benefits of this service and build resilience and self-sufficiency in financial as well as emotionally tough times as we emerge from the pandemic. Partners are very excited to have secured the funding which should guarantee eight months worth of activity on these vital topic areas. The initiative has enjoyed some early success averaging ten community members visiting each week, this is very encouraging and we hope this continues throughout the rest of this year. At the LCC Housing and Communities Team event the staff conducted over forty health checks. The project is to be reviewed mid term in March 2023 and it is hope further funding will be secured. The project may join forces with LCC Wellbased project to recruit more local residents to the project. For more details follow the link. [WELLBASED | School of Earth and Environment | University of Leeds](#)

A breakdown of the project is below.

1. A weekly drop located in the friendly and informal setting of Little London Community Centre located next to the local Primary School and Children's Centre in for four hours every week where residents could access three things.
One: Free Health Check monitoring blood pressure and appropriate advice on what action to take.
Two: Advice and support on mental and emotional health issues and immediately offering residents if interested access to Barca Better Together Groups and a Practice Social Prescriber (or health coach where appropriate) if available or Linking Leeds Social Prescribers.
Three: Advice and support if experiencing fuel poverty and impact of rising cost of living. Financial aid links and practical support.
2. The drop in would be presented in an extremely informal, friendly, and welcoming manner and to entice community members in we could offer social groups recipe station or free 'money buddy' debt advice.
3. Building on the success of Covid-19 pop-up testing and vaccine services in this specific community works with trusted third sector organisation embedded in the community such as Barca and groups they have supported such as <http://www.baharwomen.org/contact-us.html> and <https://artstogetherleeds.co.uk/partner/little-london-arts/> and <https://www.owlsleeds.org/> to promote the event. We have strong connection with the local primary school and children's centre through our former local Best Start Zone (helping local children reach their full potential). Barca also have three workers already in the area working with oversubscribed groups.

The project started in September and is set to close at the end of June 2023. Unfortunately due to budget cuts there is no health Inequalities Funding to continue this initiative.

For more information please contact: Bill.Owen@barca-leeds.org or Jonathan.Hindley@leeds.gov.uk

Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Update Headingley & Hyde Park + Little London & Woodhouse Wards

Street Cleansing

We are continuing to work on our daily high foot fall areas as well as targeting a different section of the 2 wards each day. This is working well to ensure all areas of the wards are cleansed at least once a week on top of us clearing hotspot areas too. The student Changeover increased resource program will begin on the 19th June and run through to 16th July which I updated members on at the briefing on 6/6/23.

Enforcement

We are still receiving a high amount of service requests for enforcement action within both wards and the 2 officers we have are managing this and prioritising based on risks to public health. We are having many positive results due the working relationships our officers have in the community. We will have an increased number of officers over the Student Changeover Period that will mean as many as 10 will be patrolling the wards daily, offering advice and issuing fines when necessary.

Education

Our Street Wardens James and Thomas have been working well in targeted areas taking on projects such as targeted bin etiquette education project in the burley lodge area after Councilor Brooks raised a few of the local residents concerns and put me in touch with them. We have had good feedback on the project from the residents and will continue to work closely with them. the Street Wardens are also heavily involved with the educational aspect of planning and running the student changeover project and have been spending the last couple of months engaging with landlords, letting agents and students advising them on what their responsibilities are over this period. James also came up with and put into place a food donation project for leaving students and is working well with local partners and Rainbow Junktion to put as much back into the community as possible.

PSPO

PSPO continue to be one of our priorities and we have now had over 25 cases successfully prosecuted in court resulting in over £15,000 in fines, victim surcharges and costs. We continue working closely with the cities higher education institutes and looking at ways we can engage with students as early in the PSPO process to change behaviours and negate need for enforcement. In the last 3 months alone we have 156 cases of bins left out in breach of the PSPO.

General Staffing

We have recently recruited to our last vacancy. This new member of the team will be designated to driving a street sweeper on the opposite shift to our current sweeper driver. This will mean our path sweeper capacity will double in the coming months once training is completed.

Housing Leeds No Report

Housing Advisory Panel

Update on recently approved HAP bids

INW_28_2223 LLWFC – Storage Container – Planning permission approved.

INW_30_2223 – Raynel Garage. All built and currently in use supporting residents with free uniform.

INW_44_2223 Oatland Place fence is now complete.

INW_48_2223 Little London Breastfeeding Group has started sessions, I attended a session. The new resources were welcomed by attendees.

Budget for 2023/2024

Budget Summary Sheet 2023/24 Inner North West	Totals	Budget	2023/24 e	Expenditur
Budget for 2023/24	£29,228.75			
Carry Forward from 2022/23	£250.96		0.00%	
TOTAL 2022/23 BUDGET	£29,479.71		% available	
Approved Budget Spend 2023/24	£-		100.00%	
Available Budget (Balance)	£29,479.71			

New HAP bids taken to the panel on 18th May

INW_01_2324 Little London Fun Day – Approved, planning underway.

INW_02_2324 Blenheim View – Bin – Approved.

INW_04_2324 Iveson Grove - Tree – Approved.

INW_05_2324 Green Guardians – Approved at half the amount pending further information from Groundworks.

INW_06-2324 Hyde Park Football Club – Approved at a lower amount of £2000.

- Currently working with residents in Ireland wood to continue to grow/re-establish the residents group, this is following on from a successful “playstreet” initiative.
 - Residents in the Little London area are hoping to start a new group, meetings have been held with ward members and housing representatives.
 - Working closely with local organisation to ensure there are lots of opportunities for engagement at the Little London and Headingley and Hyde park family fun days.
 - Weetwood virtual walkabout was a success, now looking at estates to be used to launch the walkabout in the Little London and Woodhouse area.
- . Leeds Credit Union supported 155 resident and took 141 referrals.

Employment and Skills – Champion Cllr Kayleigh Brooks
No Update

CCTV Update on Cameras

CCTV Report – 23rd November 2022 – 30th April 2023

1.0 Introduction

The LeedsWatch service is currently undergoing a review which is looking at all aspects of the service, including the operation of the control room, effectiveness of its cameras.

The review is also to include a reporting strand which will serve to agree the way forward to provide information regarding CCTV to Councillors and Partners.

This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Inner Northwest committee area, for the 23rd of November 2022 – 30th April 2023

2.0 Cameras in the Inner Northwest area

7 cameras were used to capture the incidents in Inner Northwest area committee within this six-month period.

3.0 GDPR – Information Sharing

The introduction of the GDPR 2018 regulations reviewed the area of information sharing and therefore restricted the detail of what can be provided. As a result, the content of this report may not have the detail of specific incidents previously reported but provides a summary of the types of incidents within the area.

3.0 Incidents captured by CCTV operators:

Inner Northwest Cameras incidents (23 rd November 2022 – 30 th April 2023)								
	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	Total incidents per category	
Alarm Activation							Alarm Activation	0
Begging	2	5		3	2		Begging	12
ASB					1		ASB	1
Demonstration							Demonstration	0
Drugs							Drugs	0
Enforcement							Enforcement	0
Fire							Fire	0
Health & Safety	1						Health & Safety	1
Police Operation	2					2	Police Operation	4
Public Order	1	1	1	2		1	Public Order	6
Road Traffic		3	1	1			Road Traffic	5
Sexual Offences							Sexual Offences	0
Suspicious Events			1				Suspicious Events	1
Theft	1						Theft	1
Travellers							Travellers	0
Weather							Weather	0
Begging							Begging	0
Total Per Month	7	9	3	6	3	3	Total sum of incidents	31

Social Media

- The Inner North West Community Committee Facebook Page now has 933 followers (15/06/23) an increase of 26 from March 2023.

Consultation and Engagement

5. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

6. 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

7. 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:
 8. 76Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
 9. Best City Plan
 10. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
 11. Children and Young People's Plan
 12. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
 13. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

Resources and Value for Money

14. 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

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

Conclusions

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

Recommendations

To note the contents of the report.