

INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 4TH JULY, 2023

PRESENT: Councillor A Smart in the Chair

Councillors H Bithell, T Hinchcliffe,
J McKenna, A Parnham, K Ritchie,
A Rontree and F Venner

CO-OPTED MEMBERS: S McBarron, J Butler, J McLean, S Harris
and S Garvani

1 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

2 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

3 Late Items

There were no late items.

4 Declaration of Interests

Councillor J McKenna declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 11, Inner West Community Committee Finance Report as his wife is Chair of the Management Board of New Wortley Community Centre.

5 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Cllr C Gruen.

6 Open Forum / Community Forums

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.

7 Minutes - 14th March 2023

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th March 2023, be approved as a correct record.

8 Matters Arising

9 Appointment of Co-optees to Community Committees

The report of the City Solicitor invited Members to give consideration to appointing co-optees to the Community Committee for the duration of the 2023/24 municipal year.

Set out at paragraph 9 of the submitted report were the nominations for each ward.

RESOLVED –

(1) To appoint the following co-opted members to the Inner West Community Committee for 2023/24:

Bramley

- Stephen McBarron
- Jonathan Butler
- Jack McLean

Kirkstall

- Steve Harris
- Stephen Garvani

(2) That Catherine Hyde be contacted to confirm whether she wishes to continue as a Co-opted Member.

(3) That further nominations be sought for Armley and Kirkstall Wards.

10 Community Committee Appointments 2023/2024

The report of the City Solicitor requested the Community Committee to note the appointment of Cllr Alice Smart as Chair of the Inner West Community Committee for 2023/24 as agreed at the recent Annual Council Meeting and also invited the Committee to make appointments to those positions detailed in section 6 of the submitted report.

RESOLVED – To note the appointment of Cllr Alice Smart as the Chair of Inner West Community Committee for municipal year 2023/24 and to appoint to the following:

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Appointed
Clusters:		
Inner West	1	Cllr J McKenna

Bramley	1	Cllr K Ritchie
Headingley /Kirkstall	1	Cllr H Bithell
Inner West LHAP	3	Cllr K Ritchie Cllr A Rontree Cllr J McKenna
LCPs:		
Armley which includes Bramley, Middleton, and Wortley	2	Cllr A Parnham Cllr K Ritchie
West Leeds	1	Cllr K Ritchie
Champions:		
Employment, Skills and Welfare		Cllr J McKenna & Cllr T Hinchcliffe
Children's Services		Cllr C Gruen as Lead and Cllr H Bithell
Environment & Community Safety		Cllr A Rontree and Cllr T Hinchcliffe
Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care		Cllr K Ritchie and Cllr A Parnham
Corporate Parenting Board		Cllr C Gruen as Lead and Cllr H Bithell

11 Inner West Community Committee Finance Update Report

The report of the Head of Localities 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 2023/24.

The Locality Officer presented the report informing the Community Committee of the following points:

- Paragraphs 14, 15, and 16 of the report set out the minimum conditions to take delegated decisions in between Community Committee

meetings. For the committee’s awareness, urgent delegated decisions on wellbeing funding also covers small grant decisions. In agreement with the Executive Board Member for Communities, Community Committee Chairs & also in accordance with the communication that was sent out to all committees/Elected Members in March 2023, the approval threshold for small grants has now increased from the 1st April 2023; up to £1,000.00 per ward. This approach will ensure consistency in terms of administering small grants, in accordance with the committees’ minimum conditions.

- The Wellbeing fund has a remaining balance of £55,641.26. A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1.
- The Community Committee considered Wellbeing and Capital projects as set out at Paragraphs 22 to 33. Members requested details of the cost breakdown per ward for grit bins. It was also advised that CIL funds could be used towards Christmas Lights and switch on events.
- Since the last Community Committee meeting on 28th March 2023, a number of projects had been considered and approved by Delegated Decision Notice, these were listed at Paragraph 34. It was noted only one project had been declined.
- It was noted that monitoring would be provided at the next meeting.
- A total of £50,805.40 has been allocated to Youth Activity Fund projects, as listed in Table 2 with a remaining balance of £25,504.60
- Table 3 showed the Small Grants projects funded to date and Table 4 the Community Skips allocated.
- Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of £464.02 available to spend. Members are asked to note the capital allocation summarised in Table 5. It was noted that the Community Committee are due to have an injection of spend, Members will be notified what the amount is.
- The Community Committee has £99,448.43 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) currently available to spend.

RESOLVED – To

- a. Agree the Minimum Conditions (paragraph 14-16)
- b. Note details of the change regarding the administration of small grants (paragraph 15)
- c. Note the details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- d. Note the Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 21) as set out below:

Project	Organisation	Ward	Amount	Outcome
Inner West Christmas Lights (Ringfence)	Communities Team / Leeds Lights	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£11,447.00 (Armley - £2,868.00, Kirkstall - £5,995.00, Bramley	Armley; Bramley & Stanningley – Approved

			and Stanningley - £2,584.00) (Wellbeing)	Kirkstall - Deferred
Community Engagement (Ringfence)	LCC Communities Team	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£750.00 (£250.00 per ward) (Wellbeing)	Approved
Inner West CCTV	Leeds Watch	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£6,000.00 (£2,000.00 per ward) (Wellbeing)	Approved
Inner West Grit Bins (Ringfence)	LCC Communities Team / Salt Prov	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£2,499.22 (Wellbeing)	Approved
New Wortley Festival 2023	New Wortley Community Association	Armley	£2,000.00 (Wellbeing)	Approved
Community Events in Armley and Gotts Park	Friends of Armley and Gotts Park	Armley	£2,059.00 (Wellbeing)	Approved
Leeds Hyde Park Football Season 2023/24	Leeds Hyde Park Football Club	Kirkstall	£3,000.00 (Wellbeing)	Refused
Learning Boxing Living Better	Leeds Youth Service	Armley	£1,800.00 (Wellbeing)	Approved
Roadshow Funding & Studio Equipment	Roadshow Funding & Studio Equipment	Armley	£15,000.00 (Wellbeing)	Refused
5-a-side Football Posts	LCC Communities Team	Bramley & Stanningley	£899.99 (Capital)	Approved
Boiler Replacement	Milford ARLFC	Kirkstall	£5,000.00 (Capital)	Approved
Site improvements and New Equipment (WLAC)	WLAC, West Leeds Activity Centre	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	£4,460.00 (£1,486.67 per ward) (Capital)	Approved

e. Note details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 23)

f. Note monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 27)

- g. Note details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
- h. Note details of the Small Grants & Skips Budget (Tables 3 & 4)
- i. Note details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
- j. Note details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)

12 Inner West 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.

Tajinder Virdee, Localities Programme Manager presented the report.

The following was highlighted:

- Children's and Young People – Issues discussed at the last sub-group meeting had included development, primary school behaviour and how housing issues affected young people.
- Environment – Main theme of discussion had been gully clearing.
- Parks & Countryside – Updates were requested with regard to grass cutting and the removal/repair of damaged play equipment in Armley Park.
- Community Safety – Details of incidents and cases from LeedsWatch and Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team were detailed in the report. There was an update from West Yorkshire Police regarding work across the area and Members welcomed the work of the off-road bike teams.
- Health and Wellbeing – The LCP was leading on a Cost of Living and Healthy Cooking projects.
- Priority Neighbourhoods – The Armley Priority Ward Partnership Plan was being developed and further updates would be provided.
- The next meeting of the Armley Forum would be held on 18th July 2023.
- Youth Service Update.
- Town Centres Update.
- Cost of Living events.
- Housing Advisory Panel funding.
- Social media Update.

RESOLVED –

(1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the following sub-group appointments be noted:

Children & Young People: Cllrs C Gruen & H Bithell

Environment: Cllrs K Ritchie & T Hinchcliffe

Employment, Skills & Welfare: Cllrs J McKenna & T Hinchcliffe

Community Safety: Cllrs A Rontree & T Hinchcliffe
Health & Wellbeing: Cllrs K Ritchie & A Parnham

13 Youth Summit YAF Consultation Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided an update on the Community Committee Youth Summit and the Youth Activity Fund Consultation. The Committee was asked that the 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.

Tajinder Virdee, Localities Programme Manager presented the report.

Members were informed of the success of the last Youth Summit and the event held at Civic Hall and it was hoped to get a better turnout for future events. The young people in attendance had enjoyed the Summit.

RESOLVED – That the following be noted:

- (1) Reflections from the last 12 months.
- (2) Details of the Youth Activity Fund consultation survey.
- (3) That the Youth Activity Fund Survey informs the Community Committee's Youth Activity Fund for 2023/24.
- (4) 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.