

Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee:
Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

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To Note

Inner South 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

Children and Families - Champion: Cllr Ali

3. A Children & Families sub-group has been arranged for 9th September. An update will be provided at the next committee.

Environment and Community Safety Champion: Cllr Iqbal (Environment & Community Safety)

4. An Environment and Community Safety sub-group will be arranged following the Inner South Community Committee. An update will be provided at the next committee.

Update from Key Services

Police Update

Crime and ASB Overview - Beeston & Holbeck

	June Crime	July Crime	July 2023 Crime
Burglary	8	6	14
Robbery	10	7	2
Theft from Motor Vehicle	22	22	25
Theft of Motor Vehicle	2	7	6
Hate crime	12	6	9
Hate incident	1	3	2

WYP Ward	Offence Group / Nuisance Disposition	Jun-24	Jul-24
BEESTON AND HOLBECK WARD B [CITY]	Burglary - residential	-	2
	Robbery of personal property	-	-
	Theft from a motor vehicle	10	9
	Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle	4	2
	ASB – Youth Related	1	-
	ASB – Nuisance Motorcycle/ Quad	1	-
	ASB – Adult Non-alcohol	-	-

Data provided by WYP to the Community Safety Partnership. Ward assigned at source. Date 'crimed' assigned at source. Crime volume may change due to reporting and recording processes. Information is provisional.

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	6
OLD LN CROSBY ST ST ANTHONYS RD CROSS FLATTS AVE CROSS FLATTS DR BEESTON RD	
ALCOHOL	2
MEYNELL HEIGHTS CROSS FLATTS PL	
FIREWORKS/SNOWBALLING	0
LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHERNALIA	0

NEIGHBOUR RELATED	3
CEMETERY RD BARTON GR CROSS FLATTS CR	
NUISANCE CAR/VAN	2
HOLBECK MOOR RD LOWFIELDS RD	
NUISANCE MOTORCYCLE/QUAD BIKE	6
MALVERN ST INGRAM GDNS TOP MOOR SIDE CROSBY VW CARDINAL RD ALLENBY DR	
YOUTH RELATED	12
OAKHURST RD BEESTON RD BEESTON PARK PL RING RD BUCKTON VW CROSS FLATTS AVE COTTINGLEY TOWERS COTTINGLEY APPR COTTINGLEY APPR COTTINGLEY TOWERS ELLAND RD OAKHURST AVE	
Grand Total	31

Local Meetings and Events

5. Dewsbury Road Hub – 18/09/24 – 10:00 – 12:00
6. Beeston Hub – 19/09/24 – 10:00 – 12:00
7. Holbeck – 19/09/24 – 10:00 – 12:00
8. Cottingley – 27/09/24 – 10:00 – 12:00
9. Beeston, Holbeck & Hunslet Community Tasking Meeting – 10/09/24 – 13:00

NPT Priorities

10. **To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs in the Beeston and Holbeck area.** We will be increasing high visibility patrols in the area and using a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply including executing warrants where we have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or [crimestoppers-uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

11. To continue to work in partnership to tackle the problems caused by on-street sex working in the Holbeck area of Leeds. Dedicated officers will conduct intelligence led, high visibility patrols in the Holbeck area and will respond to community concerns raised through the dedicated phone number.

12. To continue to work in partnership to tackle anti social behaviour in Cottingley. High visibility patrols in the area to deter anti social behaviour and continue to work with partners to use ASB legislation against offenders.

13. Ongoing Updates from NPT Priorities above. Weekly tasking meetings have been held with partners to create bespoke action plans for individuals involved in sex working. Enforcement action has been taken against individuals committing offences in the area.

Crime and ASB Overview – Hunslet & Riverside

	June Crime	July Crime	July 2023 Crime
Burglary	7	19	15
Robbery	6	14	8
Theft from Motor Vehicle	15	24	14
Theft of Motor Vehicle	11	12	7
Hate crime	9	1	10
Hate incident	5	4	0

WYP Ward	Offence Group / Nuisance Disposition	Jun-24	Jul-24
HUNSLET AND RIVERSIDE WARD B [CITY]	Burglary - residential	3	2
	Robbery of personal property	13	9
	Theft from a motor vehicle	15	13
	Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle	7	4
	ASB – Youth Related	1	5
	ASB – Nuisance Motorcycle/ Quad	1	2
	ASB – Adult Non-alcohol	7	9

Data provided by WYP to the Community Safety Partnership. Ward assigned at source. Date 'crimed' assigned at source. Crime volume may change due to reporting and recording processes. Information is provisional.

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	6
GREENMOUNT TER GREENMOUNT TER LADY PIT LN DEWSBURY RD TRENTHAM TER MALVERN RD	
ALCOHOL	0
FIREWORKS/SNOWBALLING	0
LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHERNALIA	1
LONGROYD AVE	
NEIGHBOUR RELATED	1
BROMPTON TER	
NUISANCE CAR/VAN	1
BEZA RD	
NUISANCE MOTORCYCLE/QUAD BIKE	4
LOCKWOOD WAY GREENMOUNT ST HILL ST MOOR RD	
YOUTH RELATED	9
BURLINGTON RD COLWYN RD UPPER WOODVIEW PL THE PENNY HILL CENTRE LADY PIT LN MOOR RD SUSSEX GDNS KNOSTROP QUAY BURLINGTON RD	
Grand Total	28

Local Meetings and Events

14. Hunslet Tasking Meeting – 10/09/24 – 13:00

15. Hunslet Tara – 04/09/24 – 18:30

16. Contact Points - Hunslet Hub – 17/09/24 – 10:00 – 12:00

NPT Priorities

17. **To reduce persistent begging in the Dewsbury Road area.** Through proactive high-visibility patrols and partnership working, we shall work to engage with those involved in persistent begging in the area, encouraging those individuals to access support services and taking action against those who continue to persistently beg.
18. **To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs and the linked anti-social behaviour which affects those living in the community.** We will conduct high visibility patrols in the area and use a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply, including executing warrants where we have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Updates from previous priorities

19. As a result of increased patrols, crime prevention advice being given to residents and businesses in the Fox Way Industrial area we have seen a decrease in theft offences in this particular area however we will continue to monitor this and still provide high visibility patrols to deter offenders.
20. Drug supply – Officers have utilised a variety of policing tactics, including warrants and stop search to disrupt drug supply in the area. We have also worked with partner agencies resulting in closure orders being obtained in relation to problem addresses linked with drugs and drug related anti-social behaviour.

Crime and ASB Overview – Middleton Park

	June Crime	July Crime	July 2023 Crime
Burglary	16	11	9
Robbery	7	3	11
Theft from Motor Vehicle	7	6	13
Theft of Motor Vehicle	11	0	5
Hate crime	6	5	9
Hate incident	1	3	3

ASB

Row Labels	Count of Incident Ref
ADULT NUISANCE - NON ALCOHOL RELATED	2
NEWHALL GATE RAYLANDS WAY	
ALCOHOL	1
OLD ACRE SQ	
FIREWORKS/SNOWBALLING	0

LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHENALIA	0
NEIGHBOUR RELATED	4
RAYLANDS WAY NEWHALL MT BODMIN CR SISSONS RD	
NUISANCE CAR/VAN	1
WEST GRANGE GRE	
NUISANCE MOTORCYCLE/QUAD BIKE	22
TOWN ST CRANMORE LN LINGWELL AVE MIDDLETON PARK GR HOLME WELL RD TOWN ST MIDDLETON PARK AVE ABERFIELD RS HELSTON RD ABERFIELD GATE HELSTON PL CRANMORE RS MIDDLETON PARK RD RING RD MIDDLETON PARK RD BACK MOUNT PLEASANT BACK MOUNT PLEASANT RING RD BELLE ISLE RD TOWN ST BELLE ISLE ROAD HELSTON RD	
YOUTH RELATED	18
MIDDLETON WAY MIDDLETON RD BODMIN RD BROOM NOOK MIDDLETON WAY HOLME WELL RD SISSONS PL MIDDLETON WAY BELLE ISLE RD TOWN ST LOW GRANGE VW MURRAY VW RING RD	

BELLE ISLE RD	
THROSTLE LN	
BELLE ISLE RD	
RING RD	
BROOM PL	
Grand Total	48

Local Meetings and Events

21. Middleton and Belle Isle Community Tasking Meeting – 24/09/24 13:30

22. Our monthly community meetings occur on the first Monday of each month, 18:00 at the Middleton Elderly Age in conjunction with the Middleton Community Group.

NPT Priorities

23. **To target the Antisocial vehicle use and criminality involving the use of Off Road Bikes and Quad bikes around the Belle Ilse Road, Middleton Park and Middleton Ring Road.** We will be continuing to target our patrols in the area to tackle this issue in conjunction with the Off Road bike team. We continue to develop the training of our officers in order to assist in tackling the issue and develop intelligence regarding the storage of the vehicles and offenders involved.

24. **To Target Drug dealing and antisocial Drug use in the area.** We will use intelligence led Policing and High demand reporting areas to identify the areas of drug dealing and ASB use take place and actively target those areas through patrols and disruption. Look to develop intelligence around addresses and offenders linked to the dealing of drugs.

Employment & Skills

Total number claiming Universal Credit (UC)

25. The total number of people who are claiming Universal Credit (UC), as of June 2024, in the Inner South Community Committee area is 15,218. This is an increase of 148.6% since March 2020 (pre-pandemic levels), and an increase of 282 claimants on the previous month.

26. The table below shows the total number of people claiming Universal Credit in Leeds, the Inner South Community Committee area and by ward.

	Universal Credit Claimants 16-64yrs					
	March 2020		May 2024		June 2024	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
Leeds	35,450	6.8%	88,802	17.1%	90,295	17.3%
Inner South	6,122	10.7%	14,936	26.1%	15,218	26.6%
Beeston & Holbeck	2,004	11.2%	4,820	26.9%	4,897	27.3%

Hunslet & Riverside	1,959	9.1%	4,916	22.9%	5,005	23.4%
Middleton Park	2,159	12.0%	5,200	29.0%	5,316	29.6%

*Rate shows the number of claimants not in employment as a percentage of the working age population

Universal Credit (Not in Employment)

27. The number of people who are claiming Universal Credit (UC) due to unemployment, as of May 2024, in the Inner South Community Committee area is 9,412. This is an increase of 134% since March 2020 (pre-pandemic levels), and an increase of 34 claimants on the previous month.

28. The table below shows the number of people claiming Universal Credit (Not in Employment) in Leeds, the Inner South Community Committee area and by ward.

	Universal Credit Claimants (Not in Employment) 16-64yrs					
	March 2020		April 2024		May 2024	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
Leeds	23,631	4.5%	55,008	10.6%	55,352	10.6%
Inner South	4,023	7.0%	9,378	16.4%	9,412	16.4%
Beeston & Holbeck	1,295	7.2%	3,032	16.9%	3,008	16.8%
Hunslet & Riverside	1,311	6.1%	3,151	14.7%	3,209	15.0%
Middleton Park	1,417	7.9%	3,195	17.8%	3,195	17.8%

*Rate shows the number of claimants not in employment as a percentage of the working age population

Employment and Skills (E&S) Activities and Provision

29. The table below shows the number of people supported by the E&S Service from the Inner South Community Committee area and by ward.

	Accessing Services		Into Work		Improved Skills	
	2023/2024 4 (Apr – Mar)	2022/2023 3 (Apr – Mar)	2023/2024 4 (Apr – Mar)	2022/2023 (Apr – Mar)	2023/2024 (Apr – Mar)	2022/2023 (Apr – Mar)
Inner South	2,639	2,677	629	665	713	562
Beeston & Holbeck	884	847	171	191	257	194
Hunslet & Riverside	1,259	1,287	316	339	348	263
Middleton Park	496	543	142	135	108	105

30. During April 2023 to March 2024:

- 13,513 people accessed the Service, 2,639 of whom were residents from the Inner South.

- Supported 3,094 people into work, 629 of whom were residents from the Inner South. Customers were supported into work across all sectors with the largest numbers in construction, health and care, including childcare, manufacturing, ICT, digital and comms.
- Supported 4,300 people to improve their skills, 713 of whom were residents from the Inner South.

Leeds Employment Hub

31. A single point of contact for all funded programmes and Jobshops which provides tailored and comprehensive support into employment or education to all Leeds residents. Employment Hub Advisors deliver the programme by providing one to one support, tailored preventative and remedial support to Leeds residents who are disadvantaged in the labour market. The Employment Hub Advisors are co-located within the Jobcentre Plus centres across the city. Further funding has been secured which will see the role of the Advisors continue until at least March 2025.

32. All Jobshops are open 5 days a week for face-to-face appointments which include Dewsbury Road, Hunslet, St Georges and City Centre Community Hubs.

33. The Community Hub Mobile schedule stops include:

- St. Matthew's Community Centre, St Matthew's St, LS11 9NR Tuesday 10:00 – 15:30 and Thursdays 09:30 – 12:00
- Cottingley Heights, Cottingley Vale, LS11 0JL, Wednesdays 09:30 – 12:00

Community Learning

34. Community Learning provision continues to deliver an effective, broad and inclusive curriculum to support the continuation of learning in collaboration with subcontracted partners. Courses were delivered through a range of models which includes face to face within a community setting, online and through distance learning, opening new opportunities for adults to learn and develop their confidence.

35. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 730 courses delivered at 74 community venues in Leeds, with 3,596 residents starting a course. In the Inner South Community Committee area, 69 courses were delivered at 10 venues. 564 residents have started a course. In addition, there were 34 courses delivered on-line.

36. For further information on courses available both online and face to face at community venues, please visit: <https://leedsadultlearning.co.uk>

Multiply

37. Multiply is the free, government funded, adult maths support programme, part of Levelling Up, Skills for Life. The programme is aimed at helping adults to improve their maths skills and boost their number confidence. E&S are developing and delivering courses and activities through partnerships with community organisations and other partners; to help people use numeracy to manage their money; for parents wanting to increase their numeracy skills in order to help their children.

38. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 77 courses delivered at 48 community venues in Leeds, with 657 residents starting a course. In the Inner South Community Committee area, 14 courses were delivered at 7 venues. 113 residents have started a course. Courses range from Count Me In, Budgeting and Money Management.

Community Engagement

39. Engagement with a number of community organisations within the area during this period to raise awareness and provide information and advice on the employability and skills support available, job opportunities and a point of contact for referrals for one to one support and access to skills delivery.

40. Exploring bespoke skills provision with organisations to meet an identified need. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 109 community engagement activities taken place during this period across the city supporting 3,062 people, of these 21 activities have taken place within the south of the city engaging with 1,228 people.

School and College Engagement

41. There have been engagement events and activities delivered in schools and college, including Apprenticeships awareness sessions, careers fairs, mock interview sessions, sector specific talks and employer site visits. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 108 School and College activities across the city supporting 7,160 young people, 1,173 parents and carers, and 357 teachers. Of these, 48 events have taken place within the south of the city engaging with 2,341 young people, 425 parents and carers, and 125 teachers.

Events delivered between January and July 2024

42. **Scape Accommodation Recruitment** information sessions were delivered at City Centre Hub in July 2024 to support recruitment into roles for Housekeepers, Night Porters, Maintenance Operatives and Receptionists, 50 people attended. Attendees had the opportunity to engage directly with the recruiter through informal interviews. Those who demonstrated potential were invited to a second interview, moving one step closer to securing a position, all attendees and candidates were signposted for support throughout the process.

43. **Connecting Schools to Hospitality** programme matched six schools with hotels across Leeds, a total of 90 students participated in the programme, offering a flexible schedule of 3-4 visits to either the school or hotel. The activities included masterclasses in mocktail making, cooking classes, bedmaking, and other skills development opportunities. The programme concluded with a Celebration Event on 8th July 2024 at Leeds City College Printworks campus, where students who showed exceptional passion or enthusiasm were recognised with an award.

44. **SEND Next Choices Event** took place on 25th June 2024 at Leeds First Direct Arena. The event was aimed at supporting young people who have Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). A total of 70 exhibitors participated, offering jobs, Apprenticeships, volunteering, training opportunities, leisure activities along with other specific support. 2,000 young people attended and the feedback was very positive.
45. **Recruitment to Health and Care Careers 25 Information / Assessment Sessions** were delivered in 6 venues across the Priority Wards and the City Centre, 178 people attended. These sessions supported recruitment to roles within Adult Social Care, Children's Residential Practitioner, Administrative, Primary Care Navigator, Pharmacy Apprenticeships and Facilities Technician roles.
46. **Seasonal Gardeners Recruitment Events** were held in May and June 2024 at various community hubs. The sessions aimed to provide support for the recruitment of Seasonal Gardeners, a key initiative for maintaining the city's public spaces, 80 residents attended the sessions.
47. **Tech Careers Launchpad** workshop took place on 26th May 2024 at Accenture, City Centre for "getting noticed in Tech", "personal branding", "confidence building", panel session and networking, 38 people attended.
48. **Tech Careers Launchpad** specific for WILD (Women In Leeds Digital) took place on 16th May 2024 in the City Centre. Part of the series of Tech Launchpad, delivered in partnership with AND Digital and other digital organisations to deliver a workshop for "getting noticed in Tech", "personal branding", "confidence building", panel session and networking, 60 people attended.
49. **Global Banking School Business, Accounting & Digital Jobs Fair** was held on 19th April 2024 at Great George Street. Delivered a presentation about Apprenticeships within this sector and promoted our upcoming events, 45 people attended.
50. **Leeds Tech Careers Launchpad** took place on 13th March 2024, hosted at HAYS Tech Recruitment, delivered in partnership with Northcoders. The event welcomed guest speakers who discussed some of the 'routes into tech' including Apprenticeships, bootcamps and tech academies to help attendees understand the various options available to them. 40 people attended the event and around 40% of people attending were female, with attendees including students, graduates, career changers, people out of the labour market.
51. **Hospitality Sector Jobs Fair** was held on 23rd February 2024 at Park Place Jobcentre, over 200 people attended. The event was a huge success with many employers commenting on the quality of candidates.
52. **Leeds Apprenticeships Recruitment Fair** took place on 5th February 2024. Visitors could find out more about Apprenticeships and meet with providers and employers across all sectors. 119 exhibitors attended on the day to offer information, advice, guidance, and live vacancies. 11,000 visitors had the opportunity to find out about Apprenticeships, including what they involve and how they work, higher and degree Apprenticeships as well as hear from apprentices about their journeys. There were 17 presentations, attended by approximately 250 people that ran throughout the

event providing an insight on various topics including STEM, Green Apprenticeships, the power of work experience, a day in the life of an apprentice and how to submit a successful application form.

53. **Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair Community Event** to raise awareness and signpost to the citywide Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair at Leeds Direct Arena was delivered at Dewsbury Road Hub on the 30th January 2024. The event increased the profile of the Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair within the Priority Wards enabling the opportunity for people to ask questions and find out in more detail about Apprenticeships and the range of sectors who were exhibiting at the Fair.
54. **Careers in Catering** recruitment information and interview sessions took place on 24th January 2024 at City Centre Community Hub to support the promotion of Kitchen Assistant posts in schools across the city.
55. **Digital Skills bootcamps** delivered 22nd January – 29th March 2024 in partnership with Microsoft and UA92. The options included Cloud skills and Data Analysis, with no prior tech skills required, aimed to help boost people's skills and employment prospects.
56. **Social Care Recruitment Event** in partnership with We Care Academy recruitment sessions took place at Vale Circles on the 19th January 2024. Advisors attended the events supporting the recruitment to Support Worker and Case Officer roles across the city.

Planned Events and Activities

57. **Recruitment to Health & Social Care** Information and/Assessment Sessions will be delivered at sites across the Priority Wards and City Centre Hub in line with planned pre-employment courses that will start in September 2024. The sessions will continue to support recruitment to roles within the Health and Care sector, including Adult Social Care, Careers in Care within the NHS, Administrative and Primary Care Navigator roles.
58. **Leeds Digital Careers Fair** is scheduled to take place on 24th September 2024, at the Leeds First Direct Arena. The Fair aims to connect visitors with the vast opportunities available within the digital and tech sectors, contributing to the growth of Leeds as a digital hub. Preparations for the Fair are well underway, with a focus on building upon the success of the previous year's event, which had over 4,000 attendees. The Fair serves as a crucial platform for exhibitors to engage with potential talent, showcase their companies, and identify future stars in the digital landscape.
59. **Reducing Reoffending Offer** as part of the early release scheme introduced to alleviate capacity pressures within the prison estate, Employment & Skills will be conducting an information session for individuals due to be released on 10th September 2024. The session will be delivered to the first cohort on 5th September 2024 and is tailored for those residing in the Leeds area, providing them with essential guidance on employment opportunities, skill development, and support services available upon their release. The aim is to facilitate a smoother transition back into the community by equipping participants with the tools they need to secure employment and build a stable future. Further sessions will be delivered up to December 2024.

Employer Engagement

60. Within the last year the Service has supported 385 new businesses including recruiting new staff, providing support for staff facing redundancy, developing initiatives to address staff shortages and filling a high number of vacancies within key sectors.
61. The Employment and Skills Business Newsletter provides information and resources to support businesses' workforce needs across the city, also including the upcoming sustainability breakfast events, Leeds Inclusive Employers Network and T-Level support. The newsletter will be published every 2 months to approximately 5,000 subscribers. To find out more please visit: www.inclusivegrowthleeds.com

Further Information

62. The Service has several communication channels and social media accounts that promotes events, jobs fairs, job vacancies, Apprenticeships, and courses. Please link to our accounts: linktr.ee/eandsleeds
- Facebook: facebook.com/eandsleeds
 - X (Twitter): twitter.com/eandsleeds
 - Instagram: instagram.com/eandsleeds
 - LinkedIn: linkedin.com/company/employment-and-skills-leeds-city-council/
 - YouTube: youtube.com/@employmentandskills
63. Opportunities in Leeds is a weekly email service and features live jobs, Apprenticeships, and courses. To subscribe please visit: bit.ly/opportunitiesinleeds
64. For further information on Employment and Skills services and the support available please visit: employmentskillsleeds.co.uk

Community Engagement – Beeston & Holbeck Ward

Holbeck Moor Market

65. It has been a long-term objective for the Communities Team, Public Health and Parks department to increase the positive use of Holbeck Moor, as such the Communities Team have commissioned an organiser to run a monthly market on Holbeck Moor, funded through a Wellbeing grant. Engagement took place with local residents to inform the types of stalls.
66. As a result of this, along with a number of stalls selling food and drink and other affordable goods, a number of free activities such as table tennis and crafts along with free period product collection point and a book swap have been included, with the first market taking place on Saturday 10th August.

67. Launching the market on 10 August had unanticipated problems, the local population seemed to stay away due to a combination of Leeds United playing at home (it had been hoped this would increase sales), tensions which the media advised were scheduled in several areas of the UK and heavy rain coming in the early afternoon, all attributed to low uptake with the market.

Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside

UK Shared Prosperity Funding

68. Several organisations across Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside have recently been awarded funding through the UK Shared Prosperity Funding under the Communities and Place strand to increase social action.

69. The funding's primary goal is to build pride in a place and increase life chances. The funding is awarded to Leeds City Council by the West Yorkshire Combine Authority (WYCA). The Communities Team have worked with local organisations to develop projects that will increase social action in the six priority wards across the city.

70. The below table outlines projects that have been approved and a brief summary of the project ambitions.

Project name	Lead organisation	Amount awarded	Project description
Playful (Play Box)	Playful Everywhere	£5,000	The grant will be used to provide free training workshops and assets for community members from all 33 wards of Leeds to act as Playful Ambassadors. These voluntary roles will involve encouraging free Playful activation of numerous spaces throughout neighbourhoods all over the city, from small interventions such as drawing a chalk hopscotch on residential streets, to larger scale promotion of group sports or play days in local parks.
Rowland Road Improvements	Project Space Leeds (Trading as Yorkshire Contemporary)	£18,000	In collaboration with Rowland Road Working Men's Club in Hunslet and local families and volunteers, it will transform a neglected plot of land adjoining the club - a shabby patch of worn tarmac and overgrown vegetation - into 490 sq. m. of accessible, green play space, free to access for local families. The area will include play structures for children and seating/picnic areas, co designed with local people and artist(s).
The Green Futures Youth Group	Health For All	£22,174	The project will involve 30 young people participating in volunteering opportunities aimed at improving their environment and the wellbeing of their local community. Activities will include awareness raising through production of informative leaflets they have produced themselves and

			through social media and interactive stalls at local events promoting health, wellbeing and action to address climate change; through organising assemblies in their schools to engage and energise other young people; through practical activities including litter picks in local parks and communal areas; through volunteering in the weekly Community Food Pantries and Family Teatime Clubs running in the local community and family centres run by Health for All.
Community Inspirer Project	St Lukes Cares	£18,630	The SLC Community Inspirer Project (SLC - CIP) is a programme designed to meet the needs of young people and support them to become active contributors to their communities while acquiring the skills needed to reach their full potential and become future active citizens in the city.
Enhancement for women's centre	Leeds Women's Aid	£28,270	Leeds Women's Aid has facilitated the completion of a full comprehensive Women's Centre Feasibility Study in Leeds. The project will have a dedicated part-time worker, who will facilitate the development of partnerships, especially those who will be delivering services within the pilot; capture ongoing learning and gather feedback and views from those who access it, which in turn will be used to inform decisions taken on a city-wide level with reference to Leeds needing a women's centre and if it does, what it might look like. The project will reach all six priority wards in the city.
Youth Football Sessions	Champions Community Health & Sport CIC	£10,224	Create a safe space for children and young people to participate in free football/multi sports including a food provision whilst offering young people volunteering, training and employment opportunities. The outcome being to improve mental and physical health, reduce anti-social behaviour, inactivity, and hunger. Young Leaders will have the opportunity to be employed by Champions, earning a wage, providing them with the tools they need to make a lasting difference to their community, empowering them to support their local areas while seeing beyond the boundaries of where they live by working with and learning from other areas to identify and achieve their goals. They will upskill our older cohort, giving them qualifications and increasing employability.
LOFT	Reestablish		Reestablish have recently taken on an unused warehouse space, in Holbeck (The Loft). It is essential as part of developing The Loft space that it is decorated by

			young people and local volunteers – ensuring the local community have a real sense of ownership and belonging over the space. As part of this empowering our young people to work with local artists to put their own stamp in the community hub would be a wonderful opportunity.
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Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator

71. A meeting of the Dewsbury Road Town Team took place on 17th June. There was a strong turnout of businesses interested in taking over running the group, however, in an unexpected change of direction, the existing town team members all said they would carry on leading the group till an AGM is held. They also decided to meet again with businesses in August when hopefully the new interests again attend and take control of the group and give it stronger direction.

Community Engagement: Social Media

72. **Appendix 1** provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

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

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

74. 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

75. 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:

- Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
- Best City Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People’s Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

Resources and Value for Money

76. 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

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

Risk Management

78. 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

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

Recommendations

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

Background documents¹ 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.