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Inner West Community Committee

Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall

Meeting to be held in West Leeds Activity Centre Lenhurst Avenue, LS12 2RE

Armley;

Armley:

Wednesday, 16th March, 2022 at 6.00 pm

Councillors:

- L Cunningham J McKenna
- A Smart
- C Gruen J Heselwood K Ritchie
- H Bithell J Illingworth F Venner

- Armley;
- Bramley and Stanningley;
- Bramley and Stanningley;
- Bramley and Stanningley;
- Kirkstall;
- Kirkstall;
- Kirkstall;

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Co-optees

Jonathan Butler Joanne Fiddes Stephen Garvani Steve Harris Catherine Hyde Stephen McBarron Bramley & Stanningley Ward Bramley & Stanningley Kirkstall Ward Kirkstall Ward Armley Bramley & Stanningley Ward

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Images on cover from left to right: Armley - Armley Mills; Armley Library (old entrance) Bramley & Stanningley - war memorial; Bramley Baths Kirkstall – Kirkstall Leisure Centre; deli market at Kirkstall Abbey

AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).	
			(*In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Chief Democratic Services Officer at least 24 hours before the meeting.)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.	
			2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.	
			3 If the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-	
			RESOLVED – That, in accordance with Regulation 4 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 or Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as appropriate, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of those parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:-'	

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3			LATE ITEMS	
			To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.	
			(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)	
4			DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
			To disclose or draw attention to any interests in accordance with Leeds City Council's 'Councillor Code of Conduct'.	
5			APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
			To receive any apologies for absence.	
6			OPEN FORUM / COMMUNITY FORUMS	
			In accordance with Paragraphs 4.16 and 4.17 of the Community Committee Procedure Rules, at the discretion of the Chair a period of up to 10 minutes may be allocated at each ordinary meeting for members of the public to make representations or to ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. This period of time may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. No member of the public shall speak for more than three minutes in the Open Forum, except by permission of the Chair.	
7			MINUTES - 17TH NOVEMBER 2021	7 - 14
			To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 17 th November 2021, for approval as a correct record.	
8			MATTERS ARISING	

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9	Armley; Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE FINANCE UPDATE REPORT The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provides 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 2021/22. (Report attached)	15 - 26
10	Armley; Bramley and Stanningley; Kirkstall		INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships is 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. (Report attached)	27 - 62
11			DATES, TIMES AND VENUE REPORT The report of the City Solicitor is to request Members to give consideration to agreeing the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2022/2023 municipal year. (Report attached)	63 - 66

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			THIRD PARTY RECORDING PROTOCOL	
			Third Party Recording	
			Recording of this meeting is allowed to enable those not present to see or hear the proceedings either as they take place (or later) and to enable the reporting of those proceedings. A copy of the recording protocol is available from the contacts named on the front of this agenda.	
			Use of Recordings by Third Parties – code of practice	
			 a) Any published recording should be accompanied by a statement of when and where the recording was made, the context of the discussion that took place, and a clear identification of the main speakers and their role or title. b) Those making recordings must not edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation or misrepresentation of the proceedings or comments made by attendees. In particular there should be no internal editing of published extracts; recordings may start at any point and end at any point but the material between those points must be complete. 	

Agenda Item 7

INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor in the Chair

Councillors L Cunningham, C Gruen, J Illingworth, J McKenna, K Ritchie and F Venner

CO-OPTEES PRESENT

Catherine Hyde, Joanne Fiddes, Jonathan Butler and Steve McBaron.

30 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Bithell and Smart and also Steve Harris and Stephen Garvani both co-opted members for Kirkstall.

31 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

32 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

33 Late Items

There were no late items.

34 Declaration of Interests

No declaration of interests were made at the meeting.

35 Open Forum / Community Forums

On this occasion there were no members of the public present.

36 Minutes - 15th September 2021

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 15th September 202, be approved as a correct record.

37 Matters Arising

Minute 28 – Any other Business At the previous meeting Members had expressed the desire to have the Community Committee at a venue in the Inner West area. Members had been

advised that if they had the meeting outside the Civic Hall the meeting could not be webcast.

Members were informed that since that meeting discussions had taken place at the Chairs Forum and the Communities Team were to look at how webcasting from local venues could be part of future meetings. It was noted some Community Committees are already having meetings in their community areas but were not webcast. The Chair asked Members of the Inner West Community Committee if they wished to have the March meeting in the Inner West area.

Members were agreeable to this suggestion. It was proposed that the next meeting should take place at the West Leeds Activity Centre.

38 Climate Emergency Update 2021

The report of the Chief Officer for Sustainable Energy and Air Quality provided an update to the Inner West Community Committee with a presentation on the Council's updated climate emergency strategy and progress, with a focus on the Inner West area.

The Committee were informed of the following points:

- £25m has been secured for corporate estate and schools for decarbonisation this included putting in LED lighting and solar panels. It was noted that air source heat pumps will be installed at Valley View Primary School, air source heat pumps, solar panels and LED lighting will be installed at Hollybush Primary School, air source heats pumps and LED lighting will be installed at Hawksworth Wood Children's Centre, and air source heat pumps and solar panels will be installed at Kirkstall Leisure Centre.
- Homeowners on low incomes are still eligible to receive free solar panels and or insulation if they live in an inefficient home and have a household income of £30,000 or less.
- Landlords with inefficient homes can receive subsidies of two thirds of the cost of installing solar panels and or insulation up to £5,000 if the property's tenants earn less than £30,000.
- Three businesses or charities in the area have completed a trial of an electric van, this was 2 from Armley and 1 from Bramley/Stanningley.
- Three rapid EVCP's have or soon will be installed at Armley Leisure Centre, Kirkstall Leisure Centre and ASDA Kirkstall thanks to a joint LCC/WYCA scheme in partnership with ENGIE.
- Promotion of free electric bike trials scheme. This is for Leeds residents who can borrow an electric bike for up to a month if they make 3 regular journeys under 10 miles each week. It was noted the scheme ends after March.
- Landowners and farmers in Leeds can receive support and expert advice from the White Rose Forest partnership for tree planting schemes. This is part of a national scheme.

- The team produce the Leeds Climate Newsletter each month and Members were asked if they would like to receive the newsletter and to promote it.
- Leeds DEC is piloting place-based Community Climate Action Training in Seacroft. It is the aim of the pilot is to bring together representatives from the Council, third sector, residents and local climate groups to identify opportunities for positive action across the ward. It was also noted that Leeds Development Education Centre has a range of resources to help schools teach about climate change.

Members' discussions included:

- The impact that work is making in relation to the scale and proportion of the task. It was noted that for the 40 buildings the council is undertaking to de-carbonise it would be 3,000 tonnes of carbon saved. The Council is now looking at how to get more funding for schemes, getting the right skills and how to deliver at a greater pace.
- Local schools had been identified for de-carbonisation schemes through Children's Services, as and when schools requested works for boilers etc.
- How the housing stock can be upgraded to make them more energy efficient and the use of green fencing such as hedges and shrubs.

Members said they were pleased with the work that had been undertaken so far with the local housing stock namely the Queenshill flats. They welcomed the schemes in the Inner West area and requested that the newsletter be sent in a format that could be added to social media.

The Community Committee thanked the officer for the presentation and update on the local area.

RESOLVED – To note the content of the report.

39 Highways - Winter Services Update Report

The Executive Manager submitted a report to provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on Highways Winter Service. The report and presentation provided the Inner West Community Committee with an update of the Highways Service, following a recent winter service review. The report focussed specifically on the winter service fulfilled by Highways, including snow clearance and road gritting.

The presentation included a web link which showed the location of yellow grit bins and will show routes on which gritting is taking place in real time on days when the city is hit by severe weather conditions. It was hoped that this would provide valuable information for residents and ward councillors. The website uses postcodes to locate specific routes.

In response to questions from Members the Community Committee were provided with the following information:

- It was recognised that wet leaves on pavements were a hazard to pedestrians. However, there was no system in place currently for clearing the leaves.
- The tracking system currently only lists yellow grit bins. However, work was on-going on the system and it was the aim to also show the location of blue grit bins which were sponsored by Community Committees.
- Members were advised that grit bins were periodically checked for damage and refilling. Information would be sought on how officers dealt with solidified grit, and feedback would be provided.
- Members suggested naming gritters for ease of tracking which gritter was in the area. It was noted that the service was due to take gritters out to schools to explain what the job entailed. It was thought to be an idea that part of this would be a competition to name the gritters. Members made some suggestions for names.
- Members suggested that requests go out to the community requesting volunteers to assist with clearing snow and gritting of footpaths and roads. This would be similar to the blue grit bin champions who monitor the blue grit bins ensuring that they are in good repair and filled. This could be promoted through the website or social media.
- Members were advised that primary, secondary and third routes are gritted. It was recognised that smaller roads are not listed as priority but if the gritting team have capacity, they will do local streets and estates. It was noted that smaller roads are often those where accidents occur as they are used by parents taking children to school and by the elderly or carers. It was the view that smaller estate roads should be included in decisions on gritting routes.

The Chair and the Committee thanked the officer for his attendance and his enthusiasm in delivering the report and the presentation. The Committee showed their appreciation with a round of applause.

RESOLVED – To note the content of the report.

40 Inner West Community Committee Finance Update Report

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report which 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 2021/22.

Members of the Committee were provided with the following information and requested to consider applications for funding:

- The current remaining balance of the Wellbeing Fund is £103,638.73. A breakdown of the projects funded was listed at Table 1 of the report.
- Members considered the following projects:

Project Organisation Amount Wards Covered	
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Inner West Pedal Cycle Security	West Yorkshire Police	£1,460	Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall	Approved
Kirkstall Festive Lights	Kirkstall Village Action Group	£4,548	Kirkstall	Approved
Grit Bin (Burley Hill Drive)	LCC Highways	£177.22	Kirkstall	Approved
Fairfield Urban Music Box	The Music Box	£2,100	Bramley	Approved
Armley Winter Wonderland 2021	Armley Action Team	£8,482	Armley	Approved
Armley Repurposing Workshops	Leeds City Council	£950	Armley	Approved
Christmas Lights for Christmas Tree	Leeds City Council (Leeds Lights)	£444	Bramley	Approved

Members were advised that one project Hookers and Clickers (do it for Charity) had been withdrawn from consideration as the organisation was not constituted. The organisation had been referred for support to become a constituted organisation.

Members were also advised that the Christmas Tree for Bramley had been placed at the wrong location. This was to be addressed and relocated at Stocks Hill as requested by the Bramley and Stanningley Ward Councillors.

- Since the last Community Committee meeting held on 15th September 2021, the following projects had been considered and approved by delegated decision:
 - Armley Park Lantern Parade, Friends of Armley and Gotts Park, £1,450 (Armley)
 - Art Camp Half Term Project, Art Camp UK, £1,687.50 (Kirkstall)
- The remaining balance for Youth Activity Fund is £35,078.09. Table 2 listed the activities.
- Remaining balance for Small Grants and Skips is currently £2,439.48 with details of projects and community skips listed in Tables 3 and 4 of the submitted report.
- Members were advised that the Capital Budget had received an injection of Capital funds in October 2021 and the remaining balance for Capital Budget was £29,708.84. Capital allocations were listed in Table 5 of the report.
- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) currently has available £82,153.84 to spend. Table 6 listed the project supported through CIL.

RESOLVED – To note:

a) Details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted

b) That the Wellbeing proposals submitted to the Committee for consideration and determination be approved, or otherwise, as detailed above.

c) Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision be noted

- d) Monitoring information of its funded projects be noted
- e) Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position be noted
- f) Details of the Small Grants and Skips Budget be noted
- g) Details of the Capital Budget be noted
- h) Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget be noted

41 Inner West Community Committee Update report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report which brought to Members' attention an update of the work the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee.

Inspector Gill attended the Community Committee at the start of the meeting as he was needed as elsewhere. His update was part of this Update Report and updated the Members on the work that the Police have been involved with in the Inner West Community Committee area.

Inspector Gill informed the Members of the following points:

- Charge Supervisor Carl Robinson has moved from Bramley. Dan Bell is the temporary officer until recruitment can take place for this role.
- Work has been on going in the Armley ward on Town Street on a large open space in relation to street drinking. It was noted that this has been successful, and the closure order has been extended until January 2022.
- Work with local business and Trading Standards had seen £35,000 of illegal tobacco being seized.
- Issues had been raised in relation to an area in Armley and 3 warrants had been issued. 2 large bags of Spice and 2 knives had been removed and arrests made. It was noted that these arrests had been made through community intelligence. The Inspector further encouraged the community to contact them in relation to any other issues.
- BARCA had reported anti-social behaviour near their premises, and this was still being checked.
- Bonfire period had passed without any major issues. Police and other agencies had worked together to identify any issues. Some warnings had been given and the young people were given support.
- Traffic in Bramley is still an issue.
- Police are continuing to patrol area round Cardigan Fields.

Members were advised of crime data for the Inner West area for the period 1st April 2021 to September 2021 in relation to burglaries, robberies, theft from vehicles and anti-social behaviour. It was noted that in most areas there had been a significant reduction in these crimes compared to the previous year.

Members' discussions included:

- Speeding issues in the Inner West area. It was noted that the police had targeted an area and issued a number of tickets. Members were of the view that this had been successful and reported that residents had welcomed this action.
- Community Safety Days. It was noted that these had been successful.
- Reported that the work in Armley had been well received by the residents. Members requested a press release on the recent events. The Inspector said that community intelligence was important to the work of the police.
- Graffiti is an issue and Members were advised that it was difficult to catch those who do graffiti, it was also dependent on budget and resources how much time can be given to this issue. The police acknowledged that it was an issue, however it was a low priority.
- Digital Fraud was an issue, and Combined Authority's Deputy Mayor was currently looking at how to tackle this.

The Chair thanked Inspector Gill for his attendance.

Members were advised that an email had been sent to all Children's Services Champions advising that Youth Summits for this year would not be going ahead. This was due to concerns raised by Public Health in relation to numbers of young people from different schools across the city getting together at this time whilst cases of Covid are increasing. Members were also advised that due to staffing changes there was a loss of expertise to assist with the Youth Summits. The Communities Team had been asked to look at potential models for delivery for Youth Summits going forward.

Members were understanding of the issues at this time but were disappointed that the Youth Summits would not go ahead this year. They were of the view that the Youth Summits should go ahead next year and suggested that BARCA or other agencies could assist with the summit.

RESOLVED - To note the content of the report.

42 Any Other Business

The Community Committee were advised that the West Leeds Activity Centre would like to offer the centre as a location for future Community Committees.

Members were of the view that the West Leeds Activity Centre would be a good venue for the next meeting as it was in the middle of all the wards.

Cat Hyde the co-optee for Armley asked about co-opting more members for the Armley area. It was suggested that nominations for the role should be sent to the Localities Officer.

43 Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED – That the next meeting of the Inner West Community Committee will be on Wednesday 16th March 2022, at 6pm.

The meeting concluded at 20:00

Agenda Item 9





Report of:	Head of Locality Partnerships	
Report to:	Inner West Community Committee (Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirk	(stall)
Report author:	Karen McManus – 07891 279572	
Date:	16 th March 2022	For decision

Inner West Community Committee - Finance Report

Purpose of report

1. This report provides 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 2021/22.

Main issues

- 2. Each Community Committee has been allocated a wellbeing budget (revenue and capital) and Youth Activities Fund which it is responsible for administering. The aim of these budgets is to support the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the area and provide a range of activities for children and young people, by using the funding to support projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities.
- 3. A group applying to the Wellbeing Fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria, including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and financial controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.
- 4. Wellbeing funding cannot be paid retrospectively. An application form must be submitted and approved by the Community Committee before activities or items being purchased through wellbeing funding are completed or purchased.

- 5. The amount of wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.
- 6. Capital (CRIS) injections are provided as a result of council assets being sold. 5% of the sale price (up to a maximum of £100k) of a council asset is pooled city-wide and redistributed to the Community Committee areas on the basis of deprivation. The Community Committee will receive a new capital injection every 6 months.
- 7. Each Community Committee has also been allocated a Community Infrastructure Levy budget. For each CIL contribution, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% is needed for administration and 15-25% goes to be spent locally. The money will be vested with the local Town or Parish Council if applicable, or with the local Community Committee and spend decided upon by that body. This local money is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund' and should be spent on similar projects to the Wellbeing Fund (capital).
- 8. In the Inner West Community Committee this means that the money for the Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall wards will be administered by the Inner West Community Committee.
- 9. It was agreed at Inner West Community Committee on the 20th June 2018 that CIL monies for Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall would go where it is needed across the Inner West Community Committee area, to be decided by the elected members of the Inner West. Members will have mindfulness of the area where development is and local sensitivity around this.
- 10. Projects eligible for funding by the Community Committee could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives, or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010, projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.
- 11. Any request for funding would involve discussions with appropriate ward members. Where projects do not have support from the Community Committee and are not approved, applicants are offered further discussions and feedback if this is requested.
- 12. In order to provide further assurance and transparency of all decisions made by the Community Committee, any projects that are not approved will be reported to a subsequent Community Committee meeting.

- 13. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of wellbeing and youth activity budgets and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Community Committee. Alongside the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities and Environment to take such decisions.
- 14. The Community Committee has previously approved the following 'minimum conditions' in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when the following 'minimum conditions' have been satisfied:

a. consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken;

b. a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the Community Committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a Community Committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors), and;

c. details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available Community Committee meeting for members' information.

15. Members are reminded that the necessary scrutiny of applications to satisfy our own processes, financial regulations and audit requires the deadline for receipt of completed applications to be at least five weeks prior to any Community Committee. Some applications will be approved via Delegated Decision Notice (DDN) following consultation with Members outside of the Community Committee meeting cycle.

Wellbeing Budget Position 2021/22

- 16. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2021/22 was £142,540.00. Table 1 shows a carry forward figure of £157,917.78 which includes underspends from projects completed in 2020/21. £75,215.06 represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2020/21 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2021/22 is therefore £225,242.72. A full breakdown of the projects approved or ring-fenced is available on request.
- 17. It is possible that some of the projects may not use their allocated spend. This could be for several reasons, including the project no longer going ahead, the project not taking place within the dates specified in the funding agreement, or failure to submit monitoring reports. Due to this the final revenue balance may be greater than the amount specified in Table 1.
- 18. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of **£84,894.13.** A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1 and is available on request.

TABLE 1: Wellbeing revenue 2021/22

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INCOME: 2021/22	£142,540
Balance brought forward from previous year 2020/21	£157,917
Less projects brought forward from previous year	£75,215
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2021/22	£225,242.72
Area wide ring fenced projects	£
Area wide ring fenced projects Small Grants & Skips	£ £6,000
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Small Grants & Skips	£6,000
Small Grants & Skips Community Engagement	£6,000 £1,500

Total spend: Area wide ring fenced projects TBC

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			Bramley &	
Ward Projects	Total:	Armley	Stanningley	Kirkstall
Per ward carry forward + new allocation	£225,242.72	£96,119.09	£67,580.71	£61,542.92
Security Upgrade, Kirktsall Educational Cricket	1225,242.72	150,115.05	107,580.71	101,542.52
Club	£2,730			£2,730
Easter Eggstravaganza, Art Camp UK	£1,470			£1,470
Leeds West Academy Youth Support Worker,	£4,066.40		£4,066.40	11,470
The Cardigan Centre	1,000.40		1,000.40	
Kirkstall Planters	£550			£550
River Clean UP, The Aire Rivers Trust	£2,456			£2,456
Armley Park Notice Board, LCC Parks &	,			,
Countryside	£1,650	£1,650		
Bank Holiday Variety Show, Bramley Elderley	,	,		
Action	£1,350		£1,350	
New Wortley Community Centre	,		,	
Improvements	£3,183.77	£3,183.77		
Kirkstall Mini Festival	£6,000	,		£6,000
Community Participation & Learning	,			,
Programme. Irish Arts Foundation	£925	£462.50		£462.50
Outdoor Classroom and Activity Equipment,				
West Leeds Activity Centre	£5,570	£1,857	£1,857	£1,856
Half Term Art Camp, Art Camp UK	£980			£980
Two Family Fun Activity Days & New Activity				
Equipment	£5,371	£1,790	£1,790	£1,791
Stanningley Park Benches	£1,770		£1,770	-
New Wortley Food Festival, New Wortley				
Community Association	£2,000	£2,000		
Summer Holiday Targeted Provision, Leeds				
Youth Service	£1,200	£400	£400	£400
Kirkstall Christmas Lights 2020	£1,166			£1,166
Armley Festival 2021	£10,000	£10,000		
Leeds Hyde Park Football Season 2021/2022	£2,500			£2,500
Bramley After School Hub Klub	£4,324		£4,324	
Jaily Fields Park Play	£5,000	£5,000		
Money Buddies	£10,875	£5,437.50	£5,437.50	
Super Summer Art Camp Uk @ Shire Oak	£2,362.50			£2,362.50
Intergenerational Hawksworth Community				
Development	£9,184			£9,184
Supply Blue Grit Bin @ Hawksworth Grove	£177.22			£177.22

Supply Blue Grit Bin @ Brighton Grove (not on				
spreadsheet)	£177.22	£177.22		
Armley & Bramley Festive Lights	£5,176	£2,275	£2,901	
Jigsaw – Enrichment Project	£3,000		£3,000	
Mistress Lane Community Landscape Project	£3,067.50	£3,067.50		
Armley Park Lantern Parade	£1,450	£1,450		
Art Camp (Half Term Project)	£1,687.50			£1,687.50
Armley Repurposing Workshops	£950	£950		
Armley Winter Wonderland 2021	£8,482	£8,482		
Fairfield Urban Music Project	£2,100		£2,100	
Inner West Cycle Pedal Cycle Security	£1,461	£487	£487	£487
Kirkstall Festive Lights Display	£4,548			£4,548
Lights for Christmas Tree (Bramley)	£444		£444	
Grit Bin Burley Wood View	£177.22			£177.22
Premier League KICKS	£8,748		£8,748	
Accessible Growing on the Farm	£2,032			£2,032
Total spend: Area wide + ward projects	£151,551.21	£57,488.83	£45,061.72	£49,000.66
Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)	£84,894.13	£38,796.79	£27,617.88	£18,479.46

Wellbeing and Capital projects for consideration and approval

19. The following projects are presented for Members' consideration:

20. Wellbeing Project Title: Flood recovery

Name of Group or Organisation: Kirkstall Valley Development Trust Amount Proposed from Wellbeing: £3,900 Wards Covered: Kirkstall

Project Description: Due to flooding from Storm Eunice, the farm has suffered flooding which covered at least half the farm, This is a key time for planting of crops and seeds and will impact on growing for the rest of the year. KVDT have recently installed a retaining wall which they had intended to put up later this year when finances and 'labour' resources allowed. The need for this polytunnel is now urgent. This grant would allow them to build the poly tunnel much quicker than anticipated and consequently to keep growing. Some of the veg boxes they sell are subsidised and provide veg boxes for families using healthy start vouchers.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities

21. Wellbeing Project Title: Kirkstall Festival 2022 Name of Group or Organisation: Kirkstall Festival Committee Amount Proposed from Wellbeing: £8,000 Wards Covered: Kirkstall

Project Description: The grant will be used to support Kirkstall Festival 2022, the 42nd Festival. Following last year's Mini Festival, this year's event will revert to the usual large scale Festival taking place on Saturday July 9th 2022.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities

 22. Wellbeing Project Title: Bramley Young Person's Social Prescribing Project – 'Futures' Name of Group or Organisation: Barca Leeds
 Amount Proposed from Wellbeing: £9,998.42
 Wards Covered: Bramley & Stanningley

Project Description: Barca would like to pilot a young people's social prescribing project in Bramley for 12 months. Social prescribing is a way in which GP's, nurses and health professionals can refer to a 'non clinical' service to support with an individual's health and well-being. It provides the individual with a 'key worker' who can spend quality one-to-one time to provide a holistic package of support tailored around their needs and lifestyles. They can connect people to community groups or local services to offer social, emotional and practical support.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Children & Young People

23. Wellbeing Project Title: Art Camp @ Shire Oak Primary school 2022/23 Name of Group or Organisation: Art Camp UK Amount Proposed from Wellbeing Budget: £7,623 Wards covered: Kirkstall

Project Description: Funding to to offer places to vulnerable children from Inner West Leeds the opportunity to attend art camp, learn new skills, make new friends, have a much-needed break, to become reengaged in education, and to have a really fun time. Art Camp UK will offer these places to Children who have been deemed to be vulnerable and who would most benefit from three days each at our camps during the school holidays.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Children & Young People, Best City for Health & Wellbeing

24. Wellbeing Project Title: Summer Holiday Targeted Provision Name of Group or Organisation: Leeds Youth Service WNW Locality Team Amount Proposed from Wellbeing Budget: £1,200 (£400 per ward) Wards Covered: All Inner West

Project Description: The Inner West Youth Service Team aims to work in partnership with the Clusters to deliver some targeted summer youth provision. The main objective would be to enable some of the most hard to reach and vulnerable young people to access positive activities.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Children & Young people, Best City for Communities

25. Youth Activity Fund Project Title: Armley Basketball Project @ Armley Leisure Centre Name of Group or organisation: Leeds Youth Service in partnership with LDM Basketball Amount proposed from YAF Budget: £1,660 Wards Covered: Armley **Project Description**: To continue successful basketball session that has been running since 2017. Weekly term time basketball session with the aim of engaging positively with the young people who use the Leisure Centre Car Park to gather and use the multi-purpose use games area.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Children & Young People, Best City for Health & Wellbeing.

26. Youth Activity Fund Project Title: Inner West Gaming Club Name of Group or Organisation: Leeds Youth Service Amount proposed from YAF Budget: £2,640 (£880 per ward) Wards Covered: All Inner West

Project Description: To host a weekly gaming session at Arcade Club after Youth consultation in 2019 ranked gaming in the top 5.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Children & Young People

27. Wellbeing Project Title: New blue grit bin X2 Greenhill Road & Hilltop Road Name of group or Organisation: LCC Communities Team Amount Proposed from Wellbeing Budget: £354.44 Wards Covered: Armley

Project Description: To provide a new blue grit bin for a champion to manage in snowy/icy weather.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities

28. Wellbeing Project Titile: Two Family Fun Activity Days & new activity equipment Name of Group or Organisation: West Leeds Activity Centre Amount Proposed from Wellbeing Budget: £8,221 Wards Covered: All Inner West (£2740.33 per ward)

Project Description: Two Family Fun Activity Day events at the WLAC for families to attend from the Inner West wards. The first one will be in June, the second in September. Each of the events will be held on Saturdays from 12 noon to 4pm. Specific dates to be confirmed. The purchase of a range of new Activity equipment. This will enable the Centre to offer a broader range of activities throughout the year and used on the day of the events for children & families to use. The new equipment will also be used by visiting school and youth groups as well as by other private bookings such as activity parties.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities

Delegated Decisions (DDN)

- 29. Since the last Community Committee meeting on the 17th November 2021, the following projects have been considered and approved by DDN:
 - 1. Litter Bins Bramley (Capital) £1,856.05
 - 2. Litter Bins Armley (Capital) £796.84
 - 3. Accessible Growing on the Farm Kirkstall £2,032
 - 4. Premier League Kicks Bramley & Stanningley £8,748

Declined Projects

30. Since the last Community Committee on the 17th November 2021, 0 projects have been declined.

Monitoring Information

- 31. As part of their funding agreements, all projects which have had funding approved by the Community Committee are required to provide update reports on the progress of their project. These reports are so that the Community Committee can measure the impact the project has had on the community and the value for money achieved.
- 32. Funding was approved to support specialist clearing of a stretch of the River Aire below Kirkstall Abbey. The land has discarded tyres and other rubbish which impedes the river's flow increasing the flood risk and making the river unsightly. The river adjoins the grounds of Kirkstall Abbey, an important part of the heritage of the area and a hugely popular park.
- 33. Over the course of two days the teams removed 60 bin bags or debris (much of it rags hanging in riverside trees), several bulky items including mattresses and wheelie bins, and improved 750 metres of riverbank. Team Kirkstall removed over 50 bin bags and additional larger debris such as car seats, bikes and traffic cones. At least a 650 metres of riverbank (and within the river itself) was cleared of Himalayan Balsam which has improved the water flow significantly, and reduces the amount of debris that can accumulate in that area, improving the aesthetics in the area as well as the flood risk.



Youth Activities Fund Position 2021/22

- 34. The total available for spend in Inner West Community Committee in 2021/22, including carry forward from previous year, is **£74,681.34**.
- 35. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of **£38,027.20** has been allocated to projects, as listed in **Table 2**.
- 36. The Community Committee is also asked to note that there is a remaining balance of **£35,079.44** in the Youth Activity Fund. A full breakdown of the projects is available on request.

TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2021/22

		Ward Split 8-17 Population		
	Total allocation	Armley 2,629 Young People	Bramley & Stanningley 2,745 Young People	Kirkstall 1,657 Young People
Income 2021/22	£36,260	£12,086.66	£12,086.67	£12,086.67
Carried forward from previous year	£38,421.34	£11,681.86	£9,538.14	£17,201.34
Total available (including brought forward balance) for schemes in 2021/22	£74,681.34	£23,768.52	£21,624.81	£29,288.01
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year	£1,575.45		£787.72	£787.73
Total available budget for this year 2021/22	£73,105.89	£23,768.52	£20,837.09	£28,500.28

Projects 2021/22	Amount requested from YAF	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall
Area Activity Programme, West Leeds Activity Centre	£6,675	£4,250	£1,700	£725
Armley Basketball Project	£1,245	£1,245		
Mini Breeze	£10,948.50	£3,649.50	£3,649.50	£3,649.50
Spen Lane Youth Club	£9,032.10			£9,032.10
Woodbridges Youth Club	£8,146.60			£8,146.60
DAZL 21 Program	£1,980		£1,350	£630
Remaining balance per ward	£35,079.44	£14,624.02	£14,137.96	£6,317.08

Small Grants & Skips Budget 2021/22

37. The Inner West Community Committee approved a Small Grants & Skips Budget of £6,000.
 There is currently a remaining balance of £1,453.97. Approved projects are detailed in Table 3 & Table 4 below.

TABLE 3: Small Grants 2021/22

Project	Organisation/Dept	Amount requested
West Leeds Permanent Orienteering Courses	BARCA - Leeds	£313.20
Nubian Noire	Cultural Arts Heritage Circle	£187.50
Prince Philip Centre Friday PHAB Club	Prince Philip Centre PHAB Club	£338.24
West Leeds Women's Book Club	Community Links and Leeds City Council	£451
Gymnastics Elite – Summer Sessions	Gymnastics Elite	£500
Kids & Co Reunited	Kids & Co	£195.65
"Meet Your Neighbour" Event	New Wortley Community Association	£500
Armley Works Out	Leeds City Council	£480
Total spent so far 2021/22:		£2,964.59

TABLE 4: Community Skips 2021/22

Location of skip	Date	Total amount
Hayleys Field Allotments	02/06/21	£251.66
Hayleys Field Allotments	14/06/21	£134.94
LCC Housing Team	01/09/21	£230.98
Greenthorpe Allotments	25/09/21	£152.45
Rossfields 'Day of Action'	05/11/21	£304.90
Kirkstall Housing Team	17/11/21	£304.90
New Wortley Community Association	03/12/21	£201.61
Total spent so far 2021/22:		£1,581.44

Capital Budget 2021/22

38. The Inner West Community Committee has a capital budget of **£27,055.95** available to spend, as a result of new capital injections in October 2021. Members are asked to note the capital allocation summarised in **Table 5**.

TABLE 5: Capital 2021/22

Date	f
Remaining Balance April 2021	£8,408.84
Capital Injection May 2021	£16,700
Capital Injection October 2021	£4,600
Balance remaining	£29,708.84

Capital Spend 2021/22	Total amount		
Litter Bins - Bramley	£1,856.05		
Litter Bins - Armley	£796.84		
Capital Balance Remaining	£27,055.95		

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2021/22

39. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is **£84,818.42** currently available to spend.

TABLE 6: Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) 2021/22

	£
Remaining Balance March 2021	£87,723.84
Injection 2021	£2,664.58
Total Available in 2021/22	£90,388.42
Outdoor Classroom and activity equipment, West Leeds Activity Centre	£5,570.00
Total Spend 2021/2022:	£5,570.00
Remaining Balance 2021/22	£84,818.42

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

40. The Community Committee has previously been consulted on the projects detailed within the report.

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

41. All wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

Council Polices and City Priorities

- 42. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for wellbeing funding 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

43. 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

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

Risk Management

45. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

Conclusion

46. The Finance Report provides up to date information on the Community Committee's budget position.

Recommendations

- 47. Members are asked to note
 - a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
 - b. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 20-29)
 - c. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 30)
 - d. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 32-34)
 - e. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
 - f. Details of the Small Grants & Skips Budget (Table 3 & Table 4)
 - g. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
 - h. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)

Agenda Item 10





Report of:	Head of Locality Partnerships	
Report to:	Inner West Community Committee [Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirksta	all]
Report author:	Karen McManus – Localities Officer – 07	7891 279572
Date:	16 th March 2021	o note
Inner West Co	ommunity 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 Young People: Champions Cllr Gruen & Cllr Heselwood

YAF Online Consultation

3. The Communities Team are currently running an online Youth Activities Consultation, with the aim of engaging with young people between 8 and 17 years across the city, and providing them with a safe, anonymous way of voicing their opinion on future spend on youth activities.



4. In Inner West Leeds, a digital poster has been created, and shared online on the

- 5. The survey link has also been shared with Youth Service contacts, school cluster groups, local youth groups, elected members, to maximize exposure and include as many young people as possible. The results of the online consultation will be shared with elected members at a future meeting and will inform spending priorities and decision on the Youth Activity Fund.
- 6.The link to the consultation can be found below, and members and the public are encouraged to share this with any appropriate young people aged 8-17 years in the Inner West area. The survey takes approximately 5 minutes to complete and is initially planned to be open online until the end of March.

Youth Activities Questionnaire 2021/22 (leeds.gov.uk)

HTTPS://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/OSCECI/

Employment & Skills: Champions Cllr Heselwood & Cllr McKenna

Universal Credit

- 7.The number of people who are claiming Universal Credit due to unemployment as of November 2021 in the Inner West Community Committee area is 5,523. This is an increase of 70% since March 2020, which is reflective across all wards due to the impact of Covid-19. There is a small decrease of 45 on the previous month.
- 8. The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (furlough) ceased at the end of September 2021, and there was an expectation that a number of people would have been made redundant which would have subsequently increased claimants to Universal Credit, which has not come to fruition in the latest release.
- 9. The table below shows the number of people claiming Universal Credit in the Inner West Community Committee area:

	Universal Credit Claimants (Not in Employment) 16-64yrs							
	March 2020		Oct 2021		Nov 2021			
	Number*	Rate**	Number* Rate**		Number*	Rate**		
Leeds	23,631	4.5%	42,226	8.1%	41,609	8.0%		
Inner West	3,244	6.8%	5,568	11.5%	5,523	11.4%		
Armley	1,547	9.1%	2,675	15.6%	2,672	15.5%		
Bramley & Stanningley	952	6.5%	1,567	10.7%	1,562	10.7%		
Kirkstall	745	4.6%	1,326	8.0%	1,289	7.8%		

*Number is the number of people claiming Universal Credit that are not in employment

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

Employment and Skills Services

10. The table below shows the number of people being supported from the Inner West Community Committee area.

	Accessing Services		Into Work		Improved Skills	
Committee and Ward	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21
	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)
Inner West	1,024	873	283	255	253	502
Armley	512	373	135	113	97	204
Bramley & Stanningley	215	210	64	85	50	134
Kirkstall	297	290	84	57	106	164

	Accessing Services		Into Work		Improved Skills	
Priority Neighbourhood	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21
	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)	(Apr – Dec)
Holdforths, Clyde Approach	77	50	21	13	14	25
(Armley)	//	50	21	15	14	25

- 11.Employment and Skills reinstated face to face support, activities, and delivery from September 2021 with a continuation of a virtual or remote offer along with email and telephone support in line with Covid-19 restrictions. During April December 2021 9,387 people accessed the Service, 1,024 of whom were from the Inner West, an increase of 17% when compared to the same period last year. The service has supported 2,563 people into work, during April December 2021, 283 of whom were residents from the Inner West, an increase of 11% when compared to the same period last year. Customers were supported into work across all sectors with the largest numbers in health and care, food retail, logistics, distribution, and transport. Between April December 2021 the service has supported 2,397 people to improve their skills. From the Inner West, 253 residents have completed a skills course, a reduction of 50% when compared to the same period last year.
- 12.Leeds Employment Hub is a single point of contact for all funded programmes and Jobshops that provides tailored and comprehensive support into employment or education to all Leeds residents. A large team of 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 7 Jobcentres across the City. All Jobshops are now fully open, 5 days a week for face-to-face appointments which include Hawksworths, Armley and City Centre Community Hubs. There is also a pop up Jobshop Thursdays at Bramley Community Hub, 9:00am– 5:00pm.
- 13.Employment and Skills Service has been successful in securing additional funding from DWP to support disadvantaged young people (15-24) in Leeds. The programme will support 1,600 young people up to the end of December 2023, who are NEET or risk of becoming NEET; and from WYCA that focuses on resident that are ineligible for ESIF programmes and will prioritise on supporting underemployed residents in low paid, low skilled jobs as well as those at risk of redundancy. Both programmes are in addition to a number of programmes that have been enhanced and expanded to respond to the challenges of Covid-19 and the changing labour market.

- 14. The Adult Learning programme continues to deliver an effective, broad, and inclusive curriculum to support the continuation of learning in response to Covid-19 through an online platform in collaboration with subcontracted partners. Courses were delivered through a range of models to include online face to face and through distance learning, opening new opportunities for adults to learn and develop their confidence. For the 2021/22 Academic Year 135 courses are also planned for online delivery, city-wide. In the Inner West, 35 courses, including Preparation for Work, Arts and Crafts and English are planned at 7 different venues.
- 15.Leeds Adult Learning Summer 2021 saw a range of activity across the city to raise the profile of learning and engage Leeds. Activity included a community engagement / marketing campaign, a summer programme of taster courses and a partnership approach with family learning supporting the delivery of the Council's Healthy Holiday programme.
- 16.Developing You, a 10-week Health and Wellbeing and Employability course which helps people to become happier, healthier and move closer towards employment. For residents living in Inner West the courses are being delivered at the Armley Community Hub and for those unable to attend a new online course is available.
- 17.Following a successful funding bid to the Leeds Community Foundation, a bespoke Developing You programme, Learning Disabilities Pre-Employability Project is being developed. A collaboration between Employment and Skills, Pyramid of Arts, People Matters and United Response will deliver a 12 week pre-employability programme which will include work readiness and health and wellbeing modules. The first cohort is expected to start in April 2022.
- 18.Over 202 new businesses were supported to recruit new staff, provide support for staff facing redundancy and developing initiatives to address staff shortages and filling a high number of vacancies within key sectors.

Hospitality Sector

- 19.A Restaurant Ready programme, a 5-day course, aimed to upskill individuals to successfully enter the hospitality sector through providing practical experience within Leeds City College's café and restaurant facilities. The programme provides an opportunity for participants to be signposted to work trials and interviews with employers.
- 20.A Christmas recruitment fair took place on Wednesday 22nd September 2021 held at the Engine Room at Leeds Bid, 265 people attended.

- 21. The service is continuing to work with HMP Wealstun and the Leeds Hotels and Venues Association around the recruitment of ex-offenders into the hospitality sector.
- 22. The service also held McDonalds Breakfast Events at the Briggate store to support the recruitment of 30 vacancies, further events are planned in 2022.

Health & Social Care Sector

- 23.Working in partnership with the Leeds Health and Care Careers Narrowing Inequalities programme which aims to engage with, recruit and develop a diverse workforce from disadvantaged or under-represented communities in Leeds. This is to improve access to long-term career opportunities, work experience, volunteering, education, and training. Leeds Health and Care Careers is working alongside the Healthier Working Futures project, a new partnership of health, care and third sector partners who have received funding from the UK Government through the UK Community Renewal Fund. The project aims to engage over 600 unemployed / economically inactive young adults (aged 16-25) supporting them onto a health and care career path via innovative engagement programmes delivered by a team of third sector organisations.
- 24.Engaged with 468 people in the West to support the recruitment to the newly built mental health unit, Red Kite View. Local residents secured roles at the unit, directed to social care roles via Leeds City Council's We Care Academy or engaged with further employability support through the Leeds Employment Hub.
- 25.Jobsfairs were held in October and November 2021 at the Leeds Kirkgate Market with 45 Employers / Training Providers, 790 people attended.
- 26.The Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair 2022 (LARF22) kicked off National Apprenticeship Week in Leeds on Monday 7th February at Leeds First Direct Arena, connecting Leeds young people with real live Apprenticeship vacancies, information and guidance. The event was particularly crucial this year given the uncertainties that the impact of Covid-19 has created for young people. LARF22 was completely sold out with 6,200 tickets booked in advance and around 5,000 people attending on the day. 88 employers and training providers exhibited, representing sectors from Agriculture, Care Services, Creative and Design, Digital, Legal, Finance and Accounting and much more.
- 27.The new Apprenticeships in Leeds website was launched for National Apprenticeship Week and can be accessed at <u>www.apprenticeshipsinleeds.co.uk</u> The site features around 100 organisations offering Apprenticeships in Leeds, split by occupational sector.

28.Following a number of requests from schools the service is currently working with colleagues in Children and Families Service and with careers practitioners to develop and deliver a career progressions event for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). The event which will be the first for the city will be held at Leeds First Direct Arena on Thursday 23rd June 2022 and will be open to all young people who have additional needs, and teaching staff, parents and carers will be encouraged to attend. There will be information about opportunities post 16 including training, jobs, apprenticeships, traineeships, and volunteering opportunities.

Community Safety: Champion Cllr Ritchie

<u>Armley</u>

- 29.Has 31 active cases. Top 3 are noise (6), threats of or actual violence (5) and verbal abuse (4). There are 3 active hate crime cases, 2 of which are race related and 1 sexual orientation.
- 30.LASBT have recently obtained 3 closure orders on Paisley estate following high levels of ASB and crime. This has dramatically improved the situation however there are some new reports coming in of the younger previous tenants returning and causing ASB and damage. LASBT are currently looking into reports and will be tackling these accordingly.
- 31.LASBT are continuing to receive reports of ASB issues at the Burnsall's tower blocks, however evidence gathering is difficult due to reliability, accuracy and willingness of reports, this is making further enforcement options difficult however LASBT are still currently looking at what action can be taken.
- 32.On the Clyde estate in Armley, there has been a recent action day/door knock involving LASBT, housing and West Yorkshire Police. Residents were spoken to and letter drops left however none of these have been returned to date.

Bramley & Stanningley

- 33.Has 17 active cases. Top 3 are threats or actual violence (5), rowdy behaviour (4), hate crime (2). Of the 2 hate crimes, 1 is race related and the other disability related.
- 34.LASBT currently have several cases in the legal system including injunction orders and possession orders.
- 35.Injunction has recently been obtained in relation to hate crime and harassment.

36.Large group of youths (around 40) currently being focused by LASBT. This is following increasing reports of issues in and around the Bramley shopping centre in particularly and the possession of dangerous bladed articles.

<u>Kirkstall</u>

- 37.Has 24 active cases. Top 3 are threats of or actual violence (6), drug/substance dealing/misuse (5), noise (4). There are currently 2 active hate crime cases, both race related.
- 38. The main theme across many of the cases is ASB linked to substance and/or mental health issues. In terms of legal action, we currently have 2 closure orders in place with a third application awaiting a hearing date. We have 6 possession cases awaiting hearing dates. We have also had a breach of a noise abatement notice this weekend so we're in the process of applying to the Courts for a warrant of entry so then we can enter the property in question & remove the items used to play the music.
- 39.Last month we were involved in an action day on the Lea Farm estate where some of our Officers joined Councillors & colleagues from Housing Leeds, West Yorkshire Police & other LCC services to door knock local residents to ask them about what issues they have within the area. The response from this was good & we've received some useful information on a couple of addresses that will help us in our work. As part of the action day we were able to share leaflets about our service along with our contact numbers so then residents know who to contact to report future issues.
- 40.We've also attended the Hawksworth Wood Forum in January from which we're now in contact with staff at a local Community HUB & discussions are under way to look at setting up an ASB surgery in the area where members of the community can call in to speak with our Officers.

West Yorkshire Police

41.Since the last Inner West Committee meeting, we were successful in obtaining some funding from the Violent Reduction Unit to tackle violent crime across the whole of Leeds West, which incorporates Inner. This has allowed us to provide additional resources to key areas to tackle violent crime and prevent offences. We have had some changes in staff for the Inner area, with PS Richard King taking over responsibility for the Bramley area and A/PS Sara Edkins covering the Kirkstall ward. Both these Sergeants have previous experience working within the Inner area and I am sure they will be great additions to the team.

<u>Armley</u>

- 42.Following a number of complaints from the community and an increase in criminal behaviour, we worked closely with partner agencies to tackle issues on Paisley Place, Armley. Working in partnership with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team we were successful in gaining full closure orders on three properties. We have also executed six warrants at properties across the area and located controlled drugs and offensive weapons. As a result, we have charged a number of people with a total of 17 offences and removed them from the area.
- 43.Elsewhere in the ward we have done some proactive work on the Clyde's and Holdforths and the youths causing ASB have been targeted. This has resulted in the arrest of three youths who have been charged with arson in relation to bin fires and placed on curfews. Further education work and incident management is underway with the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.
- 44.We have also carried out a number of warrants elsewhere in the ward which has resulted in the recovery of drugs to the value of £250,000.
- 45.Vehicle operations have continued tackling criminals using the road network and antisocial driving. Five operations have been conducted this year on Stanningley Road, Canal Road and Town street, a number of arrests were made for drug driving and disqualified driving. The speed detection devices have also been used.

<u>Bramley</u>

- 46.In the build up to the Christmas period we saw an increase in Anti-social and criminal behaviour in and around the Bramley shopping centre area. Extra resources were deployed to the area, dispersal orders put in place and as a result a number of arrests were made for offences including Robbery, Criminal Damage and Assault. One of the main perpetrators was sentenced to a period in custody and we continue to work with partner agencies, including the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour and Housing to tackle the issue. This has had a positive impact on calls for service in the locality with a reduction in both reported incidents and crime. NPT have continued to implement dispersal orders where appropriate to deal with incidents of ASB and have provided daily reassurance patrols.
- 47.We continue to work with schools and residents in relation to traffic issues of mainly speeding and parking. Our community support officers regularly visit and liaise with their respective schools to address those issues and have issued penalty notices wherever appropriate. The SID has also been deployed in the areas identified from correspondence from both residents and elected members. A number of arrests have taken place for drink/drug driving.

<u>Kirkstall</u>

- 48.Over the last few months, we have had a number of incidents which have resulted in the recovery of stolen motorbikes and the arrest of offenders for vehicle related crime. We continue to work with the Off-Road Bike Team to target those using motorbikes across the ward and encourage people to report any information they have in relation to who is committing these types of offences. A number of warrants have been executed across the ward resulting in the seizure of a significant number of drugs and the prosecution of offenders.
- 49.We continue to carry out traffic relate operating to target speeding motorist, with focus been around Queenswood Drive, Kirkstall Road, Morris Lane resulting in several tickets getting issued. We have been working alongside Leeds City Council at the Leeds Rhino matches, looking at inconsiderate parking during match days. A large number of tickets have been issued and the partnership work will be ongoing throughout the rugby season.

Environment: Champions Cllr Illingworth & Cllr Smart

COVID-19 update

- 50.Since our last update in October 2021, we have had plan B implemented and the Omicron variant of COVID 19. We had many of our team members test positive which had an impact on our service. especially over the Christmas period.
- 51.Since my last update we have had 27 Cases in the West of the city and 13 in the Inner West Area. This meant staff self-isolating and a lack of resource on the ground.
- 52.Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team as with the council overall will be looking at updating our Risk Assessments and Safe Working Instructions to reflect the legislation.

General Staffing

- 53. The Inner West area continues to have 2 allocated Environmental Action Officers. David Fisher in Armley and Michelle Fisher in Bramley, Stanningley and Kirkstall. The Reduction in Officers in the Areas has been offset by Large/Serious fly tipping being dealt with by SECT and the enforcement work review. We have had some success re fly tipping, and we managed to secure a custodial sentence for a fly tipper that lives in Armley.
- 54.We are carrying one Vacancy of an Assistant Chargehand on Matt Hynams Shift in the Armley Area which is currently being matched in Redeployment if we don't get a match it will go to advert and a Path Sweeper in the Bramley Area, this has been advertised and we will interview soon. Tracey Huegett is now our regular path sweeper Monday to Friday in the Armley Area.

- 55.We have a replacement Assistant Chargehand to work alongside Lee Greenwood in the Armley Ward. Her name is Julie Hughes, she has been in post for approximately three months and this is having a positive impact on the team and Armley.
- 56.We secured an additional Monday to Friday Operative Anton Plummer who started on the of the 8th of November 2021, he has fitted into the team well.
- 57.During the Covid period due to staffing pressures we changed from weekly maps to fortnightly maps however we have now returned to weekly which will have a positive impact on the area.

Enforcement

- 58. The New Serious Environmental Crime Team (SECT) is now operational, and his team will be focus on the large-scale Fly tipping and other environmental issue such as Waste Carriers
- 59.Overall, cases are still being delayed and are being referred to the nearest available Magistrates within the Yorkshire and Humber region however as outlined above we have had a number of successful prosecutions and as one was a custodial sentence This is still having an impact on attendance, and we have seen a rise in warrants being issued for failure to attend.
- 60.EAOs are continuing to provide updates on specific cases where Ward Members are involved, please let me know if there are any cases where this is not the case.
- 61.David Fisher is continuing to work his way through the ownership of all the bin stores/yards in the area, this is a large undertaking, but we will be able to use this information moving forward and this will in the long term save time and resources. We are hoping for this to be completed by the financial year end

Community work

62.CNT continues to support the work that is carried out by volunteers in the area.

- 63.Bramley Care Bears carries out Garden Makeovers for vulnerable residents in the Bramley area. The Garden Make overs have not been happening over the winter period however I have spoken to Phil the gentleman who runs Bramley Care Bears, and they are hoping to start again in March/April weather dependent.
- 64. Since our last update we have had the following Action days/community events: -

- 65.We worked together with Safer Stronger Leeds, The Police, LASBT, Youth Service, Housing and Armley Hub with regard to Halloween and Bonfire Night. I am pleased to say that this went very well, and my team worked very closely with all the parties involved.
- 66.An action day was held on 17th of November 2021 on the Rossefiled Estate, led by Rachel Reeves MPs Office this was in conjunction with our partners which include Housing, the Police, LASBAT, Bramley Elderly Action, Bramley Care Bears and Local Councillor's Richie, Gruen and Heselwood.
- 67.A further action day was held on January 18th, 2022 on the Lea Farms in Kirkstall, this was Led by Cllr Venner and was in conjunction with our partners outlined above.
- 68.A third action day was held on October 27th at Wortley Towers, Led by Georgia Stephenson in conjunction with a number of parties including New Wortley Wombles, The Urban Task Force, Barca, Housing, LASBT
- 69.New Worltey Wombles have a community litter pick the last Wednesday and Saturday of each month which my team support.

Upcoming events include

- 70.Two further action days on the Braodlea Estate in Bramley one in March and one in April
- 71.A 4-day Community Action event in Armley, we have pencilled in the 30th of March 2022 through to Saturday the 2nd of April 2022- we are meeting next week to firm things up.
- 72.All in all, we have an exciting few months ahead and we will continue to work closely with our partners across the board to provide the best service we can to the people within Inner west.

Service Changes

73.A Review into our Enforcement has already begun this will explore the work carried out by our Enforcement Officers. This is being carried out by Mark Dolman one of our Service Managers.

Health & Wellbeing and Adult Social Care: Champion Cllr Cunningham

COVID-19 Update

74. The pandemic continues to impact significantly on local wards with the NHS Clinical Commissioning Group, Leeds City Council, Third Sector Organisations, Volunteers and Elected Members encouraging those who have not done so to take up the offer of a free Covid-19 vaccination.

75. Advice on where to get a Covid-19 vaccination in Leeds can be found here.

https://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/health/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/walk-in-clinics/

76. How to stay safe in Leeds and advice on any support required can be found here.

https://www.leeds.gov.uk/coronavirus

77.Lateral Flow Tests. Testing for coronavirus (COVID-19) - NHS (<u>www.nhs.uk</u>) Where to go for testing - NHS Leeds Clinical Commissioning Group (leedsccg.nhs.uk) The supply of these has now been restored to its previous levels meaning local residents should be able to access these tests easily.

Leeds City Council Contract Tracing Service

78.Leeds City Council Public Health commissioned third sector outreach teams contact residents who have not responded to a positive Covid-19 offering support and advice if a vulnerable citizen as well as free Covid-19 testing kits. The Kirkstall wards numbers have decreased where Armley, Bramley and Stanningley wards have increased. Ward figures can be dynamic. Below are the January 2022 new year figures.

Wards	Referrals
Armley	93
Bramley and Stanningley	72
Kirkstall	41

Living with Obesity-Children-Young People-Families (Adults)

- 79.As difficult as it has been to move onto other priority topics during the coronavirus epidemic Public Health Officers, Local Care Partnerships and Third Sector organisations are starting to plan an obesity strategy in local wards where there are deprived local neighbourhoods such as Armley, Bramley and Stanningley.
- 80. This is a project lead by Leeds City Council Public Health Locality and Primary Care Team in the West, East and South of the city within the 10% most deprived electoral wards where it is felt appropriate.
- 81.Public Health Needs Assessments have identified obesity in local populations as a significant health issue of increasing severity across all deprived wards. 1 in 10 children

in reception are obese which increases to 1 in 5 children in year 6 (10-11 yrs. olds) We are combining forces and resources to replicate a shared work programme across the city with fellow Public Health Officers and Partners across the city. We want to collaborate to benefit from synergy, economies of scale and joint funding to achieve our objectives.

- 82. The environment factors that influence that weight management are highly complex involving multiple components. Seven of the main factors are here. Societal Factors, Food Production, Food Consumption, Biology, Individual Psychology, Individual Activity, Activity Environment
- 83.Another perspective is to examine the Roots of Obesity to help our residents maintain a healthy weight and improve their quality of life.The roots of obesity run deep. Together we can create a healthier future. To have a real impact on obesity, we need to work together to address its many root causes throughout society. Simplifying the disease to any one cause may make treating it even harder. So, we must raise awareness and improve access to appropriate information and services.
- 84.BIOLOGY. The human body has in-built mechanisms to protect itself from starvationthis can make it hard to maintain weight loss. FOOD. Ultra-processed food, now seen across the globe, is contributing to the rapid rise in obesity. GENETIC RISK. Our genes account for somewhere between 40-70% of likelihood of developing obesity. HEALTHCARE ACCESS. Without access to trained healthcare professionals, most people who suffer from obesity won't reach and maintain a long-term weight goal. LIFE EVENTS. Prenatal life, early adulthood, illnesses, and medication can all influence weight gain. MARKETING. There is a complex relationship between food systems and health, with marketing of foodstuffs having a known link to obesity. MENTAL HEALTH. Symptoms of some mental health disorder, and their associated medications can lead to weight gain. SLEEP. Lack of sleep disturbs hormones which can affect your weightas can high levels of stress. STIGMA. Weight discrimination and stigma can have significant consequences for somebody with obesity.

<u>Pandemic</u>

- 85.We know through our work with the support hubs across the city it is our poorest citizens who have suffered the most in terms of health, poverty, and disadvantage due to the wider social determinants of health. They are most likely to be sedentary, have low levels of fitness, struggle with weight management and have had many of their problems amplified by the coronavirus pandemic. Covid-19 lock downs have impacted on local resident's physical activity levels as many opportunities became unavailable. High consumption of cheap and poor-quality food stuffs high in fat and sugar has increased. Motivation to live a healthy lifestyle has deteriorated through low mood and declining emotional health.
- 86.Colleagues are essential for this long-term plan to succeed. Public Health recognise how much quality work is currently being undertaken. Our first and most important question will be "How can we help you recruit local people into your activities?"

- 87.We will all be working with GPs, Weight Management Organisations, relevant Commissioned Services, Statuary organisations, Local Charities, Sports Clubs (Professional & Amateur) GPs, Local Care Partnerships, Public Health Departments, Schools, Universities, Councillors, and many more interested parties.
- 88.We understand a 'whole system approach' is required considering the seven domains listed above which impact on a families' ability to maintain a healthy weight. With this in mind we will list the city-wide plans and their leads in case they are of use to practitioners in their weight management work in terms of referral, signposting, support, and advice.
- 89. However, we want to narrow our approach to primarily focus on filling gaps where we identify them in provision. We will revisit these at six monthly intervals. This may be for example free healthy living activities outside of school time such as locally based cooking sessions. We will look to secure funding for these. There are some examples below that we have already identified.
- 90.Local Community Asset Based interventions where local residents can have a say in the design.
- 91.Something must change on the ground and be highly visible for local residents e.g., more Fun Family Activity Sessions. We will avoid plans we just can't measure and do not produce anything tangible for parents and children. For example, more fun physical activity and healthy cooking sessions would be viewed as a success.
- 92.We will specifically focus in a practical way on filling gaps in provision. A strong example of this is increasing the number of healthy eating and cooking sessions available to families such as HENRY (Healthy Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young) and other appropriate healthy living interventions such as Flourishing Families.
- 93.We want to examine the food environment and where local families shop and support them to access affordable healthy food on a weekly basis.
- 94.We don't want to interfere with your work programmes with unwanted and redundant advice, but we do want to help you promote your activities and listen to your advice so we can co- design new interventions with local families. We would like to produce a ward directory GPs, Social Prescribers and Clinical Weight Management services can refer into. For more information, please contact Jonathan.Hindley@leeds.gov.uk

Updates from Key Services

Leeds Youth Service

- 95. The Inner West Youth Committee met with the Council's Intelligence and Policy Manger responsible for putting together the new Best City Ambition. Young people spoke about the things that are important to them, what they thought was important for the city and what they felt the priorities should be for the next 10 years. Parks, affordable housing, and the environment were highlighted as key areas.
- 96.Members of New Wortley Youth Club have been consulted as part of the proposed Armley Gyratory improvements and are looking forward to being involved in the planting scheme over the coming months.
- 97.Young people from the well-attended Friday evening youth club at West Leeds Activity Centre formed an interview panel for activity workers. They learnt new interviewing skills and came up with questions that they felt were important for the role.
- 98. The Tuesday Armley Basketball Session has become very popular with a wide range of young people attending. One year 7 girl from Dixons Academy has developed her interest so much that she now plays 4 times a week and has signed up for a club team.
- 99. The Health and Wellbeing Group at Dixons Academy has proved a big success in helping to support young people with their support needs following the pandemic. The Youth Service has been in discussions with the Bramley Cluster with the intention of offering a similar programme to Leeds West Academy in the Summer Term.
- 100.Young people with additional needs continue to benefit from the Bramley Youth Group on a Tuesday and the team continue to deliver street-based work with BARCA on a Thursday evening.
- 101. The Kirkstall mobile provision continues to attract many older teens who have sought advice and support around finding employment.
- 102. The Inner West Team continue to support the Saturday Motorbike Programme at West Leeds Activity Centre.

Leeds Watch - CCTV

103. The Leeds Watch 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.

- 104. There are currently 34 cameras where incidents have been captured in the Inner West area this quarter.
- 105. 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.

	Oct	Nov	Dec	c Total incidents per category	
Alarm Activation				Alarm Activation	
Animals				Animals	
ASB	1			ASB	1
Cash In Transit				Cash In Transit	
Drugs				Drugs	
Enforcement	1			Enforcement	1
Fire				Fire	
Health & Safety				Health & Safety	
Police Operation			1	Police Operation	1
Public Order	2		1	Public Order	3
Road Traffic	1	1	3	Road Traffic	5
Sexual Offences				Sexual Offences	
Suspicious Events		1		Suspicious Events	1
Theft				Theft	
Travellers				Travellers	
Weather				Weather	
Metro				Metro	
Total Per Month	5	2	5	Total sum of incidents	12

Incidents captured by CCTV operators

106.CCTV also contributes towards Police enquiries as requests are made for footage which may not have been observed "real time". These incidents are not included in this report but can contribute towards arrests being made in the Inner West Area.

107.Following the recent announcement of the new Full Fibre Network provider being awarded to BT work will now commence to upgrade all CCTV cameras from analogue to digital. This will significantly improve the image quality and increased effectiveness of cameras in the Ward.

Requests for new Cameras

- 108. The Surveillance Camera Commissioner is appointed by the Home Secretary to ensure that surveillance camera systems in public places keep people safe and protect and support them.
- 109.Following changes to Data Protection legislation the council needs to ensure that all its CCTV systems are managed in line with the Commissioner's recommendations to ensure there are no data breaches (this includes CCTV systems in all Leeds City Council assets including libraries, sports centres, council vehicles fitted with CCTV, etc.).
- 110.A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.
- 111. The compliance team also work closely with Information Governance to assist in ensuring all system owners are compliant with their codes of practice, policies, and procedures.

Town Centres Update

112. The Covid-19 warning signs (example here) went up in the area's district centres in December. A reappraisal is currently underway to see if they should be removed (in light of Government's announcement of an end to Covid-19 measures) or retain them (encouraging people to remain careful).



- 113.Since the last Inner West CC meeting, all businesses along Kirkstall Road from Queensbury Jewellers to The New George have been visited to see how they are doing and ensure they know to apply for grants they may be entitled to.
- 114.Similar visits have been held on Town Street Bramley visiting independents within the shopping centre and along the road to The Wine Shop. Now that the benches have been replaced, issues raised in Bramley shopping centre on the number of security guards has decreased yet businesses remain tied in to contracts increasingly difficult to pay in light of lower footfall. The NC Co-ordinator revisited independent businesses in the shopping centre in February and again discussed problems they were facing and agreed a more detailed meeting at the library would be helpful. The meeting took place on 23rd

February but no businesses attended and apologies were received in advance from one.

- 115.In Armley, regular visits take place to all shops along the street and on a weekly basis the NC Co-ordinator visits random businesses and welcomes new shops opening and speaks with agents about any closing and ambitions for new tenants.
- 116.Armley Action Team is playing an increasingly important role on the welfare of the street and linking with the Town Team and businesses to increasingly improve Town Street. Ambitions included in the previous Armley Action Plans such as the Street Wardens (in a new and improved version of Armley Ambassadors), creation of a stage for street performers, a Welcome to Armley sign in flowers echoing one undertaken by a local school in 2016, the street market etc are all now being realised and led by Armley Action Group. And the group is enabling so much more to also be achieved through their contacts and energy.
- 117.The former Baltic Supermarket on Branch Road (closed by Police after discovering a cannabis farm in 2021) has now been cleared and a new supermarket is currently moving in. A nail bar is opening in the former clothes shop beside Cash Convertors and a Wedding shop has opened in the former Corals Bookmaker. Fulton's letting to a new tenant is now confirmed and they are fitting out prior to opening. The small unit next door is being prepared for letting
- 118. The Howarth Foundation has left its shop and store at the Council's Gelder Rd shops and is investigating retaining its office to enable it to continue to help people get through addictions. Another voluntary organisation is discussing opening in the units and if this is successful it will be a major boost to the welfare of Town Street and business connectivity. Another welcome sign is that owners of the dilapidated former clinic seem to be preparing an improved proposal for the site.
- 119.A new 10 week Cook and Connect course for those with an interest in cooking and exploring food hygiene starts on Monday 7th March at the centre. The course will cover food theory and step by step cooking sessions with a tutor before sitting down together and eating the home cooked food.

Community Hubs and Libraries

120.An update will be provided at the next meeting

Priority neighbourhoods

Safer Cleaner Greener

121. The Safer Cleaner Greener subgroup met in January and members have collectively agreed priorities for 2022. Many successful partnership projects which started in 2021 will continue throughout 2022, such as the New Wortley Wombles group, who have developed and now have local residents regularly supporting. The group now meet on the last Wednesday and Saturday of each month. Over Christmas Jaley Fields was utilised by New Wortley Community Centre, who delivered Christmas themed activities for local primary school children. Usage of local green space continues to be a priority for the subgroup. A recent task and finish group has been formed to focus on key locations within the priority neighbourhood where residents are facing ASB, litter and fly tipping challenges. Some multi-agency and community action events are currently being finalised to support with these challenges.

Targeted Project with Young People

122. The Safer Stronger Communities Team and New Wortley Community Centre continue to work collaboratively with Youth Services, the Cluster and the Police to support young people vulnerable to child criminal exploitation within the New Wortley area. The project funded by the Violence Reduction Unit led by New Wortley Community Centre and delivered by St Giles Trust is coming to an end in March. We are currently therefore looking at next steps and building a project based on the learning, challenges and successes of the current project. Alongside this project St Giles and the Cluster have been working together to organise and deliver targeted sessions on grooming and county lines in schools within the ward.

Climate Tea Trolley

- 123.Climate Action Leeds is an ambitious five-year programme funded by The National Lottery Climate Action Fund. It provides a platform for people, organisations and communities to come together to take action on climate change, and the collective purpose is to help shape a Leeds which is zero carbon, nature friendly and socially just by the 2030s. As part of the project community hubs are being set up around Leeds, with the support of Climate Action Leeds partner Together For Peace. Armley has been chosen as one of the areas for a community hub, and residents are beginning to come together to start having conversations about climate change and how it intersects with local issues such as keeping warm, eating well and managing waste. Over the spring, Together for Peace will be supporting residents across Armley and New Wortley to form a local climate action group and start planning projects and design the Armley community hub together. Joy Justice is currently working in Armley/ New Wortley to bring people together around climate action, and will be at New Wortley Community Centre with the Climate Tea Trolley 1-2pm every Friday.
- 124. This month New Wortley Community Centre has launched its new Community Voice group. They are looking for local people to get involved in developing solutions to local issues with the support of the New Wortley Community Centre team and our wider

partners. The group will meet monthly (in different locations) and work in a pro-active, collaborative way, building on what is already great about our communities.

Housing Leeds

Estate Management and Walkabouts

125.Grass cutting is just restarting for the year and contractors are concluding begun winter works such as cutting back of bushes and dealing with overgrown areas. Especially at the beginning of the cutting programme the timing of one grass cut from the net can be influenced by factors such as the weather.

Block Inspection and High-Rise Feedback

- 126.Weekly block sweeps are carried out on all high-rise blocks. These inspections help look for things that will improve the block such as ordering repairs, removing items that have been left in communal areas, or identifying improvements that could be made.
- 127.Should you wish to get involved or are interested in becoming a 'block champion', you can help in coming along and pointing out areas of concern, or sharing your ideas on how to improve your block. Please contact on 0113 378330, or via email on <u>housinginvolvement@leeds.gov.uk</u> if you are interested. Alternatively, you can talk to your local Housing Officer.
- 128.Low rise blocks inspections are also being carried out now on a quarterly basis in line with the fire safety checks.

Fire Safety

129.Housing Leeds receive daily stage 1 Fire Safety Reports from its cleaning contractors and action the recommendations in the report and log this on it's computer system, in line with its Fire Safety Procedure. Housing Leeds also carry out monthly stage 2 fire safety checks and report all the findings and raise the necessary repairs as required.

Anti-Social Behaviour

130. The LEODIS team of police offices funded by Housing Leeds are working to address the recent issues of serious crime and ASB in and around Bramley Shopping Centre. 5 injunctions have recently been granted against some of the key perpetrators.

Good News Stories

<u>Armley</u>

131.Following my previous notification of the Poplar blocks being on the next phase of the Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHP) installation. I'm happy to advise that this work has now started and the contractors are on site.

- 132.On the 7th January 2022 Housing, West Yorkshire Police, West Yorkshire Fire service, Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team, LASBT and partners from the New Wortley Community Centre under took a joint intelligence gathering exercise. This was to help provide information to tackle ASB, Environmental issues and tackle the Fire youths have been starting in the area. In total we managed to hand deliver over 600 questionnaires/letters to local residents.
- 133.An outcome of this is to undertake activities/actions over 4 days with the above partners to engage the local communities, tidy the area and tackle ASB. These 4 days will run on 30th March, 31st March, 1st April and 2nd April.

The breakdown is: Wednesday 30th March 2022 10am-2pm, including: CNT - 10.30am-2pm NW Wombles – 11am-1pm Urban Task Force (UTF) – 10am-2pm

Meet at NWCC -Community litter pick and environmental focus with key amnesty points for waste

CNT (2 vehicles and 4 staff), NW Wombles, Urban Task Force, Housing Refreshments to follow litter pick

Advertise on poster and via identified channels. Ensure amnesty is advertised as 'on these days only'

Thursday 31st March 2022 4pm-6pm Meet at NWCC and split areas out Targeted door knock to engage with community LASBT, NPT

Friday 1st April 2022

2pm-4pm

Event at NWCC -Engagement event at NWCC with a variety of stalls and activities, including:

NPT with van and mini uniforms for children

Financial support with variety of services and practical ideas on energy saving

NWCC Youth Board

Ping Pong Pete 3pm-4pm

Bike Register – bike tagging so if bikes are stolen and recovered police can connect them with owner

Fire Services TBC – fire engine and community engagement

Possibility of off road bike team from Police to ride around area

Possibility of additional stalls and Xplorer competition linked to Active Leeds

Advertise on poster and via identified channels

Saturday 2nd April 2022 11am-1pm Meet at NWCC -Community litter pick with key amnesty points for waste CNT (2 vehicles and 4 staff), NW Wombles Community to identify locations of focus within NW Refreshments to follow litter pick Advertise on poster and via identified channels. Ensure amnesty is advertised as 'on these days only'

Bramley

134.New controlled entry doors have been fitted to flats on Ganners Way and Ganners Walk. An environmentally focused action day has been planned involving Councillors, partners and community groups for the Rossefields area on Wednesday 17th November 2021

Housing Advisory Panel

135.

Budget for 2021/22	£49,091.97	
Carry forward from 2020/21	£28.892.49	
Total 2021/22 budget	£77,984,46	

Approved budget spend 2021/22	£39,306.51
Available budget	£38,677.95

HAP	Projects submitted	Projects approved	Amount committed by Panel	% committed
Inner West Total	55	22	£39,306.51	50.40%

Bids approved since last update in November 2021

Address/Who	Scheme	Amount awarded by panel
Snowden Estate Barriers	To: install a chicane barrier at one access point to the estate to deter (and slow down) motorcycles and electric scooters and to install a drop-down bollard at another access point to prevent cars accessing the pedestrianised part of the estate.	£1,180

Ashlea Court – TV	To supply and install a TV on a wall bracket in the communal room of Ashlea Court.	£643.57
Stanningley Court – Compost Bin	To supply a compost bin for the residents who like to tend the gardens.	£108.98
Youth Services – Youth Cooking Project	To support a youth cooking programme to be delivered at West Leeds Activity Centre by Youth Services.	£450

Parks & Countryside

Armley Ward

136.Armley Park- New playground in construction and due to open shortly. All tennis courts cleaned and due to be painted in late April weather permitting.

Bramley Ward

- 137.Stanningley park A boundary fence is being erected along with entrance controls, and it is anticipated that this will be finished in late April. Furthermore, the playground has been repainted.
- 138.Rodley Park Dog control and management signage have been installed along with new inner bin liners on site.
- 139.Bramley park A quotation for repainting the playground has been secured and it is anticipated that this will be carried complete in April. We have ordered new bin lids for the bins and will be fitting 2 new bins and repairing the fence.
- 140.Rossfield and St Peters & Pauls church New bin fitted at each site.
- 141.Haley's allotments –A new fence has been placed on order, once it arrives then it will be fitted it is anticipated that this will be completed by Spring.

<u>Kirkstall</u>

- 142.Kirkstall Valley Nature reserve- Commenced positive conversation with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust regarding ongoing/future relationship onsite.
- 143.Kirkstall Abbey- New site-based gardener appointed and due to start imminently.

Community Engagement: social media

144. *Appendix 1* provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner West Community Committee Facebook page & Covid-19 Facebook Groups.

Queens Platinum Jubilee

145. **Appenix 2** provides an update on the Queens Platinum Jubilee, In 2022 Her Majesty the Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. As such there will be many events and activities celebrating the jubilee across the United Kingdom, Commonwealth and beyond, in the months leading up to the extended bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June 2022.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

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

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

2. 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

- 3. 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

4. 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

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

Risk Management

6. 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

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

Recommendations

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

Background documents¹

9. 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.



FACEBOOK highlights

02 December 2021 – 02 March 2022

Inner West Community Committee

Since 02 December 2021 the Inner West Community Committee Facebook page has gained: **47 new page 'likes'** (and currently has) **1,632 likes and 1,470 followers.**

This means that this is the 2nd most popular Community Committee page.

There are two things to note in general:



- 'reach' is the number of people the post was delivered to
- 'engagement' is the number of reactions, comments or shares

Engagement tends to be a better way of gauging if people are interested and have read the posts because they wouldn't have interacted with it otherwise. For example, a post might reach 1,000 people but if they all scroll past and don't read it, the engagement is 0 and it hasn't been an effective way for the Community Committee to communicate.

Having said that, all posts can be read without any further interaction!!

The most popular post since the 02 December 2021 is the LCC Inner West Community Committee post regarding the Youth Activity Fund

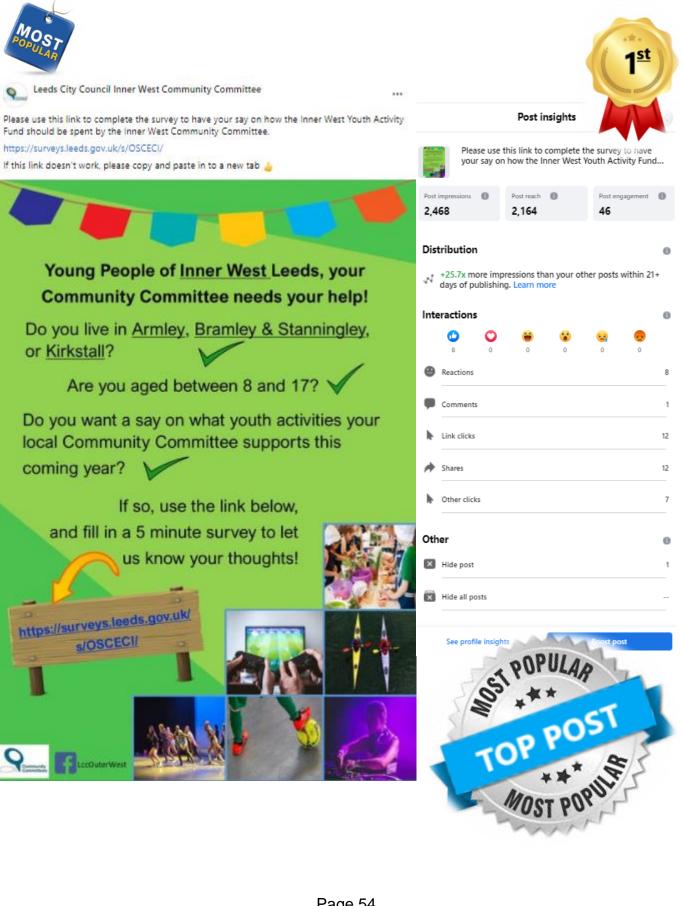
- has been shared **12** times
- has reached a total of 2164 people

The following below are screenshots of the most popular three posts since the 2nd December 2021 Alongside this are the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

1st Place – LCC Inner West Community Committee Post:

Youth Activity Funds

2164 people had this post delivered to them and it had 19 post clicks, with 22 likes, comments, and shares.



2nd Place – LCC Inner West Community Committee Post:

Healthy Families Course

357 people had this post delivered, with 1 post clicks with 4 likes, comments, and shares.

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Q____ Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee Healthy Families course starting at Castleton Primary School today for 8 weeks, parents can still join so please get in touch: HENRY5-12@leeds.gov.uk or the details on the poster below.

Healthy Families: Growing Up



Healthy, thriving children and families



HENRY's free Healthy Families: Growing Up programme is for parents and carers of primary-school age children - it will help you develop a healthier, happier lifestyle that the whole family can enjoy.





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3rd Place – LCC Inner West Community Committee Post:

Invitation for Cervical Screening

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Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee

Aged between 25 and 64 and received an invite for cervical screening? Don't avoid booking your appointment.

Attending screenings can help prevent cancer.

Don't delay, book your appointment today.

If you have any questions, speak to your local GP practice. For more information about cervical screening, see: Cervical screening - NHS (https://orlo.uk/G9h3i)





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COVID-19 Facebook Groups

The Communities Team have set up **33** ward-based **Coronavirus Help Facebook Groups** as a way of promoting services, supporting communities and cascading information in an attempt to tackle the Coronavirus pandemic. Key charities, voluntary groups, community groups, Councillors, as well as the wider population in the local community are all invited to join the pages.

As well as key messages from the main Leeds City Council Facebook Page being used to deliver information to each ward, the pages are also there to generate discussion and debate but also hopefully facilitate conversations around being neighbourly during the national pandemic and assist if possible in some of the volunteering efforts.

To date, **Armley** has **154** members, **Bramley** and **Stanningley** has **74** members, and **Kirkstall** has **252** members.

The committee is asked to note the specific **Coronavirus Facebook Ward Pages** and are invited to join the pages in an attempt to increase traffic.

- Armley: https://www.facebook.com/groups/240058733840731/
- Bramley and Stanningley: https://www.facebook.com/groups/204369294167978/
- Kirkstall: https://www.facebook.com/groups/210253080212370/

For the latest Coronavirus (COVID-19) information visit

www.leeds.gov.uk/coronavirus



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Report of:	Head of Locality Partnerships	
Report to:	Inner West Community Committee (Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Ki	rkstall)
Report author:	Karen McManus, Localities Officer	
Date:	16 th March 2022	To note

Inner West Community Committee – Queens Platinum Jubilee

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide the Inner West Community Committee with an update on the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

2. Queens Platinum Jubilee

In 2022 Her Majesty the Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. As such there will be many events and activities celebrating the jubilee across the United Kingdom, Commonwealth and beyond, in the months leading up to the extended bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June 2022. This report pulls together some helpful information about these celebrations, especially the ones that it is hoped will bring communities together, in particular:

- The Big Lunch: <u>https://www.thebiglunch.com/getyourpack</u>
- The Queen's Green Canopy: https://queensgreencanopy.org/
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons: <u>Services 4 The Queen's Platinum</u> Jubilee Beacons 2022 (queensjubileebeacons.com)

Externally, more than £22 million of National Lottery funding is being made available to help communities across the country celebrate the Platinum Jubilee:

- The National Lottery Community Fund's <u>Platinum Jubilee Fund</u> will provide grants of up to £50,000 to 70 impactful community projects across the UK. In addition, grants of up to £10,000 from The National Lottery <u>Awards For All</u> <u>programme</u> will be available for community-led events throughout 2022.
- Arts Council England's <u>Let's Create Jubilee Fund</u> will support voluntary and community organisations in England to develop creative and cultural activities as part of Platinum Jubilee celebrations with grants of up to £10,000.
- The Arts Council has also announced <u>£175,000 to help libraries</u> <u>celebrate</u>. The funding will be distributed by <u>Libraries Connected</u>, and will provide £1,000 for each library service
- Throughout the year community organisations will also be able to apply for grants from the Arts Council's <u>National Lottery Project Grants</u> <u>programme</u>, which has been refreshed with new guidance to better support a broader range of ambitious cultural projects.
- The National Lottery Heritage Fund will support communities to take action to help natural green spaces flourish as a legacy of the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Additional funding will create <u>70 paid placements for young people from under-served and disadvantaged backgrounds</u>.
- <u>Sport England's</u> Queen's Platinum Jubilee Activity Fund, which will open at the beginning of 2022, will focus on the role of sport and physical activity in tackling inequalities and building stronger communities.

The Communities Team are working with local ward members in the promotion of these celebrations and the funding opportunities that are available and offering support where Community Committees are seeking to allocate some wellbeing funds. They are also currently reaching out to partners and local voluntary and community groups through their local networks, partnerships and social media pages to promote these opportunities and support organisations in the planning and development of local activities.

We're aware that Community Committees will play a key role in this promotion, as well as supporting local communities where there are plans to be made for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. With this in mind the Communities Team have developed a Social Media Plan, including a Queens Platinum Jubilee poster, attached at appendix 2 to raise awareness of the celebratory weekend in June 2022.

3. The Big Jubilee Lunch

The Big Jubilee Lunch has been chosen as the official community celebration for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend. The Big Lunch is a chance to celebrate community connections and get to know one another a little better. The Big Lunch are working on free Big Lunch packs to help everyone celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with your community and neighbouring residents. For more information and your free pack visit <u>The Big Lunch | Eden Project Communities</u> website.



4. Organising your own Street Party

The government has published guidance including tips, advice and support on organising a street party and you can view the <u>government guidance on organising a</u> <u>street party</u> here. Leeds City Council will be supporting the scheme and will administer the process, which will allow neighbours to formally close their street to through traffic to facilitate a Queens Jubilee Street Party Event. Information from Leeds City Council is available on the following link: <u>Play Streets (leeds.gov.uk)</u>

The government has also launched its new Platinum Jubilee website, including an interactive map which will display all the events and activities that will be taking place right across the UK. The map is open for anyone to add their events and everyone is encouraged to upload any events and activities they may be planning to mark the Jubilee. To upload your event go to: <u>The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022</u>.

We are also very keen to learn about all the various street parties and other celebratory events happening in Leeds to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. If you are planning an event then please let us now by emailing <u>TROTEAM@leeds.gov.uk</u>.

Before proceeding with any street party it's important that you review the information below that will explain what is permitted for a street party. Street parties are community events held in residential streets and are considered to be open solely to residents and surrounding neighbours.

The list below highlights the activities permitted for a street party.

- For residents and surrounding neighbours.
- Publicity only for residents.
- In a house or garden, local green space, or a quiet residential road.
- Providing your own food.
- No sale of alcohol.
- No live music.
- No entrance fee.
- Selling tickets for a raffle for a charity or good cause on the day and your prizes are less than £500.

5. Do I need a Road Closure Notification?

If you are holding your party on private land or off the road you will not need a Road Closure Notice. If you are holding your party in the street you will need to seek permission to close the road for your event. If your event requires a possible road closure, please ensure you notify Leeds City Council at: <u>TROTEAM@leeds.gov.uk</u> no

later than **15th April 2022** for the application to be administered and for Legal Orders to be processed in time.

The most suitable roads are quiet residential streets or cul-de-sacs where an easy alternative route for through traffic can be provided. It must be borne in mind that Leeds City Council reserves the right to decline applications based on highway safety concerns.

Please be aware that parents and adults are responsible for the safety and supervision of children playing out on the street during the street party. It should also be noted that all affected properties within the street party closure will need to support the event.

6. Do I need insurance?

Ordinarily simple street parties do not require insurance. However, this does not mean that people organising an event cannot be held legally responsible for property damage or injury at your street party and as a consequence it is still worth considering cover and liability insurance should be obtained.



7. The Inner West Community Committee is asked to:

• Note the contents of report and offer any feedback or questions.







Report of the City Solicitor

Report to: Inner West Community Committee, [Armley, Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall]

Report author: Gerard Watson, Principal Governance Officer, 0113 37 88664

Date: 16th March 2022 For decision

Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2022/2023

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to request Members to give consideration to agreeing the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2022/2023 municipal year.

Main issues

Meeting Schedule

- 2. The Procedure Rules state that there shall be at least four ordinary or 'business' meetings of each Community Committee in each municipal year and that a schedule of meetings will be approved by each Community Committee.
- 3. This report seeks to schedule 4 Community Committee business meetings for 2022/23, in line with previous practice. The proposed schedule has been compiled with a view to ensuring an even spread of Committee meetings throughout the forthcoming municipal year.
- 4. Members are also asked to note that the schedule does not set out any Community Committee themed workshops, as these can be determined by the Committee throughout the municipal year, should Members feel appropriate.

- 5. The following provisional dates have been agreed in consultation with the Localities team. As referenced earlier, this report seeks to schedule 4 Community Committee business meetings for 2022/23, in line with previous practice.
- 6. For this municipal year, efforts have been made to try and avoid scheduling multiple Community Committee meetings on the same day, in order to allow for attending officers to be present at as many Committees as possible when taking reports to all 10 Committees during a cycle.
- 7. The proposed meeting schedule for 2022/23 is as follows:
 - Wednesday 13th July 2022 at 6:00pm
 - Wednesday 5th October 2022 at 6:00pm
 - Wednesday 9th November 2022 at 6:00pm
 - Wednesday 8th March 2023 at 6:00pm

Meeting Days, Times and Venues

- 8. Currently, the Committee meets on a Wednesday at 6:00pm and the proposed dates (above) reflect this pattern.
- 9. Meeting on set days and times has the advantage of certainty and regularity, which assists people to plan their schedules. The downside might be that it could serve to exclude certain people i.e. members of the public, for instance, who have other regular commitments on that particular day or who might prefer either a morning or afternoon meeting or a meeting immediately after normal working hours. Therefore, the Committee may wish to give consideration to meeting start times which would maximise the accessibility of the meetings for the community.

Options

10. Members are asked to consider whether they are agreeable with the proposed meeting schedule (above).

11.

Corporate considerations

10a. Consultation and engagement

The submission of this report to the Community Committee forms part of the consultation process as it seeks the views of Elected Members with respect to the Community Committee meeting schedule.

In compiling the proposed schedule of meeting dates and times, the current Community Committee Chair and colleagues within the Localities team have been consulted.

10b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

In considering the matters detailed, Members may wish to give consideration to ensuring that the Community Committee meeting arrangements are accessible to all groups within the community.

10c. Legal implications, access to information and call in

In line with Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, the power to Call In decisions does not extend to decisions taken by Community Committees.

Conclusion

11. The Procedure Rules require that each Community Committee will agree its schedule of meetings and that there shall be at least 4 business meetings per municipal year. With this, Members are asked to agree the arrangements for 2022/23.

Recommendations

12. Members are requested to consider the options detailed within the report and to consider and agree the Committee's meeting schedule for the 2022/23 municipal year (as detailed at paragraph 7).

Background information

• Not applicable

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