

OUTER NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 15TH JULY, 2024

PRESENT: Councillor N Harrington in the Chair
Councillors L Buckley, N Buckley,
D Cohen, S Firth, A Lamb and M Robinson

1 APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS

There were no appeals.

2 EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There was no exempt information.

3 LATE ITEMS

There were no formal late items.

4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor R Stephenson and Councillor P Stables.

5 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

6 OPEN FORUM

In accordance with the Community Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions within the terms of reference of the Community Committee.

No submissions were made as part of the Open Forum.

7 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st of March 2024 be confirmed as a correct record.

8 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

9 OUTER NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2024/2025

The report of the City Solicitor asked Members to note the appointment of Councillor N Harrington as Chair of the Outer North East Community Committee for the 2024/25 Municipal year and also invited nominations to appointments for Outside Bodies, Local Care Partnerships and Cluster Partnerships. Nominations were also sought for the Corporate Parenting Board and for the themed Community Committee Champion roles.

The Governance Services Officer presented the report, noting that the 2024/25 schedule that was to be reviewed and was available at point 6 on page 14 of the report, with further details contained at appendix 1.

RESOLVED –

(1) That the appointment of Councillor Norma Harrington as Chair of the Outer North East Community Committee for the 2024/25 Municipal Year be noted.

(2) That the following appointments be made for the 2024/25 Municipal Year:

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Current Appointee(s)
<u>Outside Bodies</u>		
Emmerdale Stakeholder Panel	1	Councillor R Stephenson
<u>Clusters</u>		
Alwoodley, Roundhay, Moortown (ARM)	1	Councillor D Cohen
EPOSS (Elmet Partnership of Schools and Services)	2	Councillor R Stephenson Councillor A Lamb
<u>Local Care Partnerships</u>		
Wetherby	1	Councillor N Harrington
<u>Champions</u>		
Children's Services	1	Councillor R Stephenson
Environment & Community Safety	1	Councillor A Lamb
Employment, Skills & Welfare	1	Councillor S Firth
Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care	1	Councillor N Harrington
<u>Corporate Parenting Board</u>		

Outer North East	1	Councillor R Stephenson
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OUTER NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE FINANCE REPORT

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report to update the Community Committee on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund and Capital Budget for 2024/25.

The Localities Officer highlighted the following information:

- Points 7 and 8, on page 46 of the report, clarified that the Outer North East Community Committee received no Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding and that these funds were administered by Parish and Town Council's across the Outer North East.
- Point 14, on page 46 of the report, requested Members to review the previously approved Community Committee minimum conditions.
- The Wellbeing Budget balance for the Committee was contained in table 1, with the total balance being £85,088.26 and the Ward split as, Alwoodley £24,161.04, Harewood £25,964.97 and Wetherby £34,962.25.
- The YAF budget balance for the Committee was contained in table 2, with the total balance being £45,078.43 and the Ward split as, Alwoodley £17,125.42, Harewood £15,436.75 and Wetherby £12,526.26.
- West Yorkshire Police (WYP) had submitted three separate funding bids for consideration by the Committee, two were relevant to all three Wards, and one was specific to Harewood.
- The Capital balance for the Committee was contained in table 3, with the total balance being £26,886.05 and the Ward split as Alwoodley £3,878.05, Harewood £12,521.00 and Wetherby £10,487.00.
- Recommendation A was corrected for the minimum conditions to be agreed for the 2024/25 municipal year and not 2023/24, as referenced in the report.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Legal advice on the minimum conditions had previously been received at the beginning of the 2023/24 municipal year and had outlined that they were appropriate and sound for the Community Committee's process and determination for delegated decision and also corresponded with processes for other Community Committees.
- In response to a query related to amendments to the minimum conditions, the Localities Officer agreed to seek advice on other possible arrangement models.
- As the organisation that had applied for Wellbeing funds for the Wetherby Fly Tipping project was Leeds City Council, clarification of the bid was provided. Although the use of Wellbeing funds for this work was not ideal, it was considered necessary in order for a significant local event, ran at Wetherby Sport Association, to take place as travellers had occupied the surrounding private land. As it was not Council owned land, clean up costs were incurred and as the event

was a major fund-raising event for the Wetherby Sport Association, Wetherby Ward Members wanted the event to happen uninhibited.

- Alwoodley Ward Members outlined that they were not supporting the two funding bid applications, that were relevant to all three Wards, submitted by WYP. Although supportive of working collaboratively with WYP, multiple funding bids had been approved over the past several years and it was felt that the applications were a surcharge for traffic and burglary Police work that were considered core, statutory Police duties.
- The three applications from WYP were for significant funds and, if approved, would require around 30% of the Committee's entire Wellbeing budget for the 2024/25 municipal year. Wellbeing funding was considered to be applied to community projects and youth activities and not for supplementary funds to statutory agencies.
- Available funds to Community Committee's had decreased and as national funding for Policing had seen significant increases, it felt inappropriate to agree the WYP applications without further scrutiny and seeking alternative funding streams.
- As all three WYP applications were considered to affect the Harewood Ward most significantly, Harewood Ward Members outlined they would be supporting the the applications for their portion only. However, it was noted that a review of the WYP funding process was supported, including scrutiny of outcomes and impact against cost.
- It was outlined that the Burglary Prevention application was used to pay for statutory overtime costs, improving investigations at peak times and any underspends were to be reimbursed back to the Community Committee Wellbeing budget.
- It was noted that recent Alwoodley PACT meetings with WYP had been less effective than in previous times, and it was hoped they would improve and lead to better outcomes.
- It was proposed that the Burglary Prevention application be deferred in order for more information to be gathered related to sustainability plans for future funding and proposed operations.
- The Localities Officer agreed to review any amount for previous underspends reimbursed to the Alwoodley Wellbeing budget for approved WYP Burglary Prevention funding applications.
- The previous agreements for funding bids with WYP had felt more like additions to a base service provision and funding agreements had been matched by WYP, however, it was felt that the applications were moving away from this model and had become a funding stream as opposed to a working partnership.
- The Crime Prevention application for Harewood, related to property marking equipment to help address the persistent issue of burglary from rural farms and a request was expected for this technology to be rolled out across the whole Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) area.
- Harewood Ward Members noted they were content to defer the Burglary Prevention application, support their portion of funding for the Road Policing application and agree to fund the Crime Prevention application.

- If the Burglary Prevention application was to be deferred and either done via delegated decision, once clarity on the issues had been sought, or referred back to the next Community Committee meeting, the timeframe delay over summer was considered to not hold significant impact.
- As Community Committee funds were decreasing, it was noted that, all funding bids should be subject to more stringent scrutiny, sustainability plans and attempts to access other funding streams. Parish Council CIL funding was suggested as a funding stream that could support community project funding.
- To resolve issues regarding funding WYP applications, it was noted to require input at a strategic level. It was requested that a meeting should be planned with the Deputy Mayor for Policing to discuss funding breakdown.
- It was confirmed that funding from one Ward's contribution could be used to cover a third of the amount proposed by a funding bid applicable to all three Wards.
- One third of the Road Policing application was agreed by the Harewood Ward Members, the remaining two thirds would be deferred for further information. The Burglary Prevention application was deferred in its entirety.
- Members thanked the Localities Officer and Bardsey Tennis Club for their work on the project for Bardsey Tennis Court Renovation, ensuring the application was legally sound and yielded the best results for the community.
- The Localities Officer was thanked for her work on the Moor Allerton Holiday Play Scheme and Provision of External Training Facilities projects, revising the applications to be supported as a good use of funding.

Projects set out in the report were discussed, and agreed as follows:

Project title	Amount proposed	Wards covered	Decision
Wetherby 200 Celebrations	£1,904.00	Wetherby	Agreed
Wetherby Fly Tipping	£1,480	Wetherby	Agreed
Outer North East Burglary Prevention 2024 25	£8,844.00	Alwoodley, Harewood and Wetherby	Deferred
Outer North East Road Policing	£3,015 (of requested)	Alwoodley, Harewood and	Part Agreed (Harewood Only)

2024 25	£9,045.00)	Wetherby	
Crime Prevention	£5,220.00	Harewood	Agreed
Moor Allerton Holiday Play Scheme	£1,000.00	Alwoodley	Agreed
Provision of External Training Facilities	£936.00	Alwoodley	Agreed
Bardsey Tennis Court Renovation	£5,000.00	Harewood	Agreed

RESOLVED –

- 1.) That the Wellbeing & Youth Activities Fund (YAF) applications be determined as set out above.
- 2.) To note;
 - a. Minimum condition arrangements for 2024/25
 - b. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
 - c. Wellbeing proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 21)
 - d. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
 - e. Youth Activity Funding proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 28)
 - f. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 3)

11 OUTER NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT

The Committee received a report which provided an update on the key activities being undertaken by the Localities Team based upon the priorities identified by the Community Committee. In presenting the report, it provided the Committee with an opportunity to discuss or seek further information on the range of actions currently being undertaken.

The Localities Officer in attendance introduced the report, outlining the following information:

- Details for Sub-Group nominations were available from page 25 of the report.
- Youth Activities scheduled for the year were Alwoodley Multi-Sport and Drama Camps, including reserved spaces for young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), Harewood Jubilee Games, and Wetherby Breeze in the Park.
- The report contained updates from key services. Although the Housing Advisory Panels (HAP) ceased in March 2024, work was still ongoing

to monitor existing projects, including the new development at the Cranmers.

- Appended to the report was the Youth Work Report, Public Health Update and the Social Media Report.

The following points were discussed:

- The review of proposals for improvements at Meanwood Valley Trail alongside King Lane, referenced on page 28 of the report at point 13, was queried. In response it was noted that the update had been received from Public Rights of Way and further details for these proposals would be referred back to the relevant Officer.
- The Cleaner Neighbourhood Team update, detailed on page 30 of the report, at point 15, made references to housing. As issues had been noted regarding defective housing within Harewood, a more detailed update regarding the legal process was requested in order to better resolve issues and improve practises and outcomes within the Ward.
- A meeting had been held with the Housing department and Wetherby Ward Members to resolve a range of issues within the Ward and was suggested as a good option for Harewood Ward Members to resolve any housing concerns.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the report, along with Members comments, be noted.

12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

RESOVLED- That the date and time of the next meeting on Monday the 7th of October at 5:30pm, be noted.