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# **Outer East Community Committee**

Crossgates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington, Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam

Meeting to be held in Kippax Leisure Centre, Station Road, Kippax, LS25 7LQ

Tuesday, 16th July, 2024 at 6.00 pm

J Gibson

P Grahame

J Lennox

M Dobson

S Field

S McCormack

M Harland

J Lewis

M Millar

D Coupar

H Hayden

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Crossgates & Whinmoor - Crossgates Shopping Centre; Crossgates roundabout
Garforth & Swillington - Garforth Library and One Stop Centre, Thorpe Park
Kippax & Methley - Fairburn Ings
Temple Newsam - Temple Newsam House

## AGENDA

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<b>No</b> 1	Opportunities	Open	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 Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting).	No
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC  1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, 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 so, to formally pass the following resolution:-  RESOLVED – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following 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	

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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			MINUTES - 5 MARCH 2024	7 - 12
			To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2024	
7			OPEN FORUM	
			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.	
8			WEST YORKSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE COVER REPORT	13 - 14
			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships.	
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10			OUTER EAST YOUTH ACTIVITY FUND CONSULTATION REPORT	27 - 34
			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships	
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			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships	
12			OUTER EAST UPDATE REPORT	53 - 70
			To receive and consider the attached report of the Head of Locality Partnerships	
13			DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
			Tuesday, 17 September 2024 at 6.00 p.m.	
			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	
			<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	



#### **OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY, 5TH MARCH, 2024** 

**PRESENT:** Councillor P Grahame in the Chair

Councillors D Coupar, J Gibson,

M Harland, H Hayden, J Lennox, M Millar

and N Sharpe

#### 40 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals.

#### 41 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There was no exempt information.

#### 42 Late Items

There were no late items.

#### 43 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations.

#### 44 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors M Dobson, S Field, J Lewis and S McCormack.

#### 45 Minutes - 12 December 2023

**RESOLVED –** That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 12 December 2023 be confirmed as a correct record.

#### 46 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.

On this occasion no members of the public wished to speak.

# 47 King's Award for Voluntary Service (KAVS) and the King's Award for Enterprise (KAE) schemes

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships presented the Committee with an update on the King's Award for Voluntary Services (KAVS) and the King's Award for Enterprise (KAE) schemes.

The report asked members to identify groups/organisations who might qualify for the schemes and exploring whether there were any ways the Lieutenancy could help the Committee in the work they do with the local community.

The Deputy Lieutenant's representative for West Yorkshire attended the meeting and explained that the cost of applying for the award was free, and the lieutenancy were looking at liaising with local community groups and organisations. Members were asked to provide any local group names, and/or contact details to the lieutenancy so that they can get in contact with them and provide them with some information regarding the award, as well as the criteria.

The award was not easily obtained and provides organisations and businesses the use of the logo on all correspondence and use for their own benefit. The award was seen as prestigious, equivalent to an MBE, and would potentially help organisations and groups obtain additional funding from other sources.

Organisations including DAZL Dance and Friends of Roundhay Park had previously received the award.

Members were given the following contact details to nominate any organisations:

<u>susan.baker@ntlworld.com</u> and/or at the following address: West Yorkshire Lieutenancy Office, Bowcliffe Hall, Bramham, Wetherby, LS23 6LP.

The scheme would be open from 1 June until 15 September 2024.

It was reported that Garforth Neighbourhood Elders Team would be receiving the Kings Award for Voluntary Services.

**RESOLVED** – That the report and discussion be noted.

#### 48 West Yorkshire Police Update

The Chair welcomed Sergeant Lee Nicholson to the meeting to give the Committee an update on policing within the Outer East area.

Members attention was brought to the Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) statistics that were appended to the Community Committee Update Report. It was reported that there had been an overall increase in offences across Outer East Leeds during the last reporting period. Residential burglaries created the largest demand for the NPT and work was ongoing to target problem areas with increased policing visibility and extra resources and there was a need for target hardening.

Anti-social behaviour had also shown a slight increase in Outer East Leeds. There had been a continuation of nuisance quad bikes and motorcycles and reference was made to Operation Dieselcrest which was ongoing.

Priority work included the following:

- Tackling serious and organised crime these linked to all other crimes.
- Youth violence and Urban Street Gangs.
- Youth weapons offences.
- Anti-social vehicle meets use of the new PSPO to tackle car meet activity.

Members thanked Sergeant Nicholson for all the hard work in tackling crime and anti-social behaviour. Further discussion included the following:

- Challenges faced in areas of deprivation and due to the cost of living crisis.
- The need to highlight and raise awareness of target hardening measures.

**RESOLVED** – That the discussion be noted.

#### 49 Feedback from Community Committee Projects

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships aimed to form a discussion around the funding provided by the Outer East Community Committee to groups and organisations undertaking projects across the Outer East locality.

Les Nelson of the United Football Sporting Academy addressed the Committee. He made reference to the ongoing project in Halton Moor. In previous years there had not been any football provision in Halton Moor and they were now working with up to 90 young people weekly. This included young people who were on the periphery of involvement in gangs and crime. The project had engaged with the NPT and communities across the area and had brought many positives including distracting young people from crime and anti-social behaviour and increasing confidence in young people. Football teams had been established in the Under 8 and Under 10 age groups and it was hoped to establish teams for the Under 9, Under 12 and Under 13s. Members were thanked for their support to the project.

Richard Foye of the Leeds United Foundation addressed the Committee. He gave the Committee an update on the Premier League Kicks programme which was held at various locations in Outer East Leeds. The programme was aimed young people aged 8 to 18, was inclusive and was not aimed at the best players. The sessions were free to join, informal and enabled communities to come together. The programme helped with early intervention and steered young people away from anti-social behaviour. The work was supported by local schools and West Yorkshire Police.

Members expressed their thanks to Richard and Les for their work and the positive impact it had and how it was helping to shape young people's lives.

Claire Wall and Jo Horsfall of the Gross Gates & District Good Neighbours Scheme addressed the Committee and gave an update on their work and activities at the cross Gates Community Hub. Issues highlighted included the following:

- Delivery of Cost of Living Workshops.
- Over twenty two thousand people had received support since 2021.
- Healthy eating courses.
- The Money Buddies project.
- Dementia Awareness sessions.
- Support for lonely and isolated people.

Members thanked Claire and Jo for their work and that of the other neighbourhood Networks in Outer East Leeds.

Karen Gray of Connecting Crossgates gave the Committee an update on their work. This included the Community Fridge project which helped to reduce food waste and the provision of free meals. There had been an increased demand for support due to the cost of living crisis. The team relied on the support of volunteers.

**RESOLVED** – That the report and discussion be noted.

#### 50 Housing and Anti-Social Behaviour Update

The Chair welcomed Beth Shaw and Charlotte Crispin of Housing and Sam Emmerson of Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to the meeting. Issues highlighted included the following:

- Support for the cost of living crisis provision of fuel vouchers and support to people struggling with rent to keep tenancies sustainable.
- Partnership work between LASBAT and other agencies including Housing and West Yorkshire Police.

**RESOLVED** – That the discussion be noted.

#### 51 Outer East Community Committee Finance Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy budget for 2023/24.

Charlotte Fletcher, Localities Officer presented the report.

The following was discussed:

- There was £15,779.82 remaining in the Wellbeing Revenue budget. A ward by ward breakdown was given.
- Wellbeing projects for consideration.
- Monitoring information of applications funded by the Committee.
- Delegated Decisions taken since the last meeting.
- Remaining balances in the Youth Activities Fund; Small Grants, Skips, Tasking, Capital, and Community Infrastructure Levy budgets.

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) That the minimum conditions for delegated decisions as outlined in the report be noted.
- (2) That details of the change regarding the administration of Small Grants be noted.
- (3) That details of the Wellbeing budget position be noted.
- (4) That the following projects be approved:
  - Corpus Christi Catholic Club Defibrillator £1,500
- (5) That monitoring information be noted.
- (6) That details of projects approved via delegated decision be noted.
- (7) That details of the Youth Activities Fund position be noted.
- (8) That details of the Capital Budget be noted.
- (9) That details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget be noted.

#### 52 Outer East Community Committee Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships presented Members with an update of the work which the Safer and Stronger Communities team was engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided an opportunity for further questioning or for Members to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

Main issues highlighted in the report included Sub-Group activity and work that Community Champions had been involved in.

Further information appended to the report included a Youth Service Update, Cleaner Neighbourhoods update, Employment Skills & Welfare update, Health & Wellbeing report and Social Media report. The Committee had heard from West Yorkshire Police, Housing and Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team earlier in the meeting.

Members thanked David Smith of Cross Gates and District Good Neighbours for the recent deputation that was presented to Full Council.

**RESOLVED** – That the report be noted.

#### 53 Dates, Times and Venues of Community Committee Meetings 2024/2025

The report of the City Solicitor asked Members to consider the proposed Community Committee meeting schedule for the 2024/25 Municipal Year.

The following dates were proposed:

- Tuesday, 16 July 2024
- Tuesday, 17 September 2024
- Tuesday, 10 December 2024
- Tuesday, 11 March 2025

All meetings to commence at 6.00 p.m.

**RESOLVED –** That the Outer East Community Committee meets at 6.00 p.m. on the following dates in the 2024/25 Municipal Year:

- Tuesday, 16 July 2024
- Tuesday, 17 September 2024
- Tuesday, 10 December 2024
- Tuesday, 11 March 2025

Meeting venues to continue to be arranged on a meeting by meeting basis.

## Agenda Item 8





Report of: Liz Jarmin, Head of Locality Partnerships

**Report to: Outer East Community Committee** 

Report author: Carl Hinchliffe, Community Committee Manager

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 For discussion

**Title: West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service** 

## **Purpose of report**

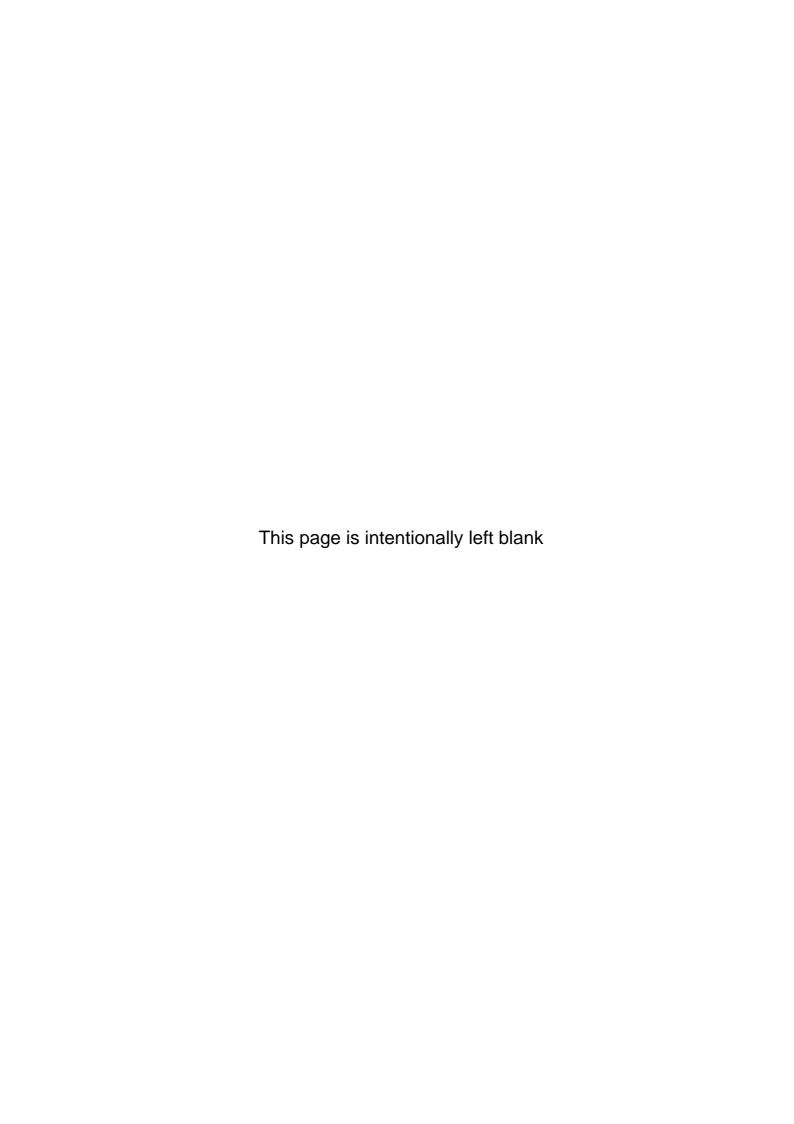
1. To provide the Outer East Community Committee with an update on the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.

#### Main issues

- 2. The purpose of the verbal update is to deliver pre-consultation with the Community Committee, to form some of the strategy and priorities for the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service Community Risk Management Plan, over the next three years.
- 3. The committee is asked for assistance in providing feedback on the verbal update, as well as identifying other groups and organisations who could form an important part of similar conversations, in the local community.
- 4. There will be an opportunity for Elected Members to provide suggestions for their locality and to ask questions.

#### Recommendations

5. The Outer East Community Committee is asked to note the verbal update and offer any questions, as well as recommendations regarding identifying groups and organisations who could form a part of pre-consultation conversations, in the local community.



## Agenda Item 9





**Report of: City Solicitor** 

Report to Outer East Community Committee (Crossgates & Whinmoor, Kippax & Methley, Garforth & Swillington, Temple Newsam)

Report author: Andy Booth - 0113 347 88665

Date: 16 July 2024 For decision

## **Community Committee Appointments 2024/2025**

### **Purpose of report**

1 The purpose of this report is to note the appointment of Councillor Michael Millar as Chair of the Community Committee for 2024/25 as agreed at the recent Annual Council Meeting, and also to invite the Committee to make appointments to those positions detailed in section 6 / the appendices.

#### Main issues

#### Noting Appointment of Community Committee Chair for 2024/25

1. Members are invited to note the appointment of Councillor Michael Millar as Chair of the Community Committee for 2024/25, as agreed at the recent Annual Meeting of Council.

# <u>Appointments to Outside Bodies including Cluster Partnerships and Local Care Partnerships</u>

- 2. General Purposes Committee annually determines which Outside Bodies will be delegated to Community Committees for appointment. Attached at Appendix 1 is the current schedule of organisations as delegated to the Community Committee.
- 3. Most recently, Member Management Committee agreed in 2019 that appointments to Local Care Partnerships be delegated to Community Committees for determination.

#### **Appointments to Community Committee 'Champions'**

4. The Constitution requires that Community Committees appoint Member 'Champions' in several designated areas. Currently, these areas are: 'Environment & Community Safety'; 'Children's Services'; 'Employment, Skills & Welfare'; and 'Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care'.

#### **Appointment to Corporate Parenting Board**

5. In recent years Community Committees have been used as the appropriate body by which local Elected Member representatives are appointed to the Corporate Parenting Board.

#### **Schedule of Appointments**

6. The Committee is invited to review the details in the table below together with the accompanying information which follows / is appended, and determine appoints for the 2024/25 municipal year:

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Current Appointee(s)
O District Out I		D O all a series
Crossgates & District Good	1	P Grahame
Neighbours		
HOPE (Halton Moor &	2	N Lloyd
Osmondthorpe Project for Elders)		D Coupar
Neighbourhood Elders Team	1	M Harland
Garforth Cluster Partnership	1	S McCormack
Temple Newsam Learning	2	D Coupar
Partnership		H Hayden
Seacroft Manston Cluster	1	P Grahame
Partnership		
Brigshaw Co-operative Trust Cluster	1	J Lewis
Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell LCP	1	M Harland
Crossgates LCP	1	P Grahame
York Road LCP	1	H Hayden
Champions/Lead Members		
Environment	1	P Grahame
Community Safety	1	M Harland
Children's Services	1	M Millar
Employment, Skills & Welfare	1	J Lennox
Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social	1	J Gibson
Care		
Corporate Parenting Board	1	M Millar

## **Options**

#### **Outside Bodies**

- 7. The Community Committee is invited to determine the appointments to those Outside Bodies as detailed within the table at section 6 / the appendices. The Council's Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules can be made available to Members upon request, however, a summary of the rules can be found at sections 8-13:
- 8. The Community Committee should first consider whether it is appropriate for an appointment to be of a specific office holder<sup>1</sup> either by reference to the constitution of the outside body concerned (if available), or in the light of any other circumstances as determined by the Community Committee. Such appointments would then be offered on this basis.
- 9. Nominations will then be sought for the remaining places, having regard to trying to secure an overall allocation of places which reflects the proportion of Members from each Political Group on the Community Committee as a whole.
- 10. All appointments are subject to annual change unless otherwise stated within the constitution of the external organisation, which will therefore be reflected on the table at Appendix 1. Each appointment (including in-year replacements) runs for the municipal year, ending at the next Annual Council Meeting.
- 11. A vacancy occurring during the municipal year will normally be referred to the Community Committee for an appointment to be made, having regard to the principles described above.
- 12. Community Committees may review the list of organisations to which they are asked to make appointments at any time and make recommendations, as the Committee feels appropriate.
- 13. Any appointments to those Outside Bodies detailed in the appendices / section 6 which are made by the Committee at today's meeting are subject to General Purposes Committee approving at its first meeting of the municipal year that arrangements for such appointments remain unchanged and that they continue to be made by this Community Committee.

#### **Local Care Partnerships**

- 14. Local Care Partnerships (LCPs) bring health and care providers together with other partners and local communities to improve people's experience of care to be more personalised and joined up. The second purpose is to tackle the health inequalities that exist both within local communities and across Leeds. LCPs are aligned to Primary Care Network boundaries: NHS funded collaborations of GP practices working together locally to share resources and extend their offer. Further information on Local Care Partnerships and their current priorities can be found on their website: www.leedslcps.org.uk
- 15. From July 2019 forwards Community Committee meetings agreed individual arrangements for representation from Members at LCP meetings. Members raised that representation on LCPs could helpfully be aligned with the existing Community Committee Health Champion role for some committees, as well as consider how wider elected members were included. Community Committees recognised there

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For example it may be considered necessary or otherwise appropriate to appoint a specific Ward Member

- were already good relationships in place between some Members and individual GPs but that the picture varied significantly from GP practice to GP practice.
- 16. In previous years, appointments to LCPs have been made using a 'best fit' approach to membership, mapping the geography of LCPs to Community Committee boundaries. Appendix 2 captures this best fit. Frequency of meetings varies from one LCP to another (current arrangements are captured in Appendix 2). Whilst some meet monthly, increasingly partners come together on a bimonthly or quarterly basis with working groups in between. All LCPs also have working groups or task and finish groups to take forward their key priority strands of work. During COVID, meetings were virtual which has resulted in a greater breadth of partners being able to attend and contribute regularly. This includes participation by Members. Moving forward, to strike a balance between attendance and ability to network and strengthen local relationships, the LCPs have moved to a model of a mix of in person meetings (at least three per year per LCP) and online meetings (mainly by Teams, some by Zoom).
- 17. Members are an integral part of LCPs and it is requested that the links between LCPs and Community Committees are retained and strengthened. Community Committees are therefore requested to nominate members to those LCPs aligned to their Committee.

#### **Community Committee 'Champions'**

- 18. The Community Committee Champions role aims to provide a local "lead" perspective and further facilitate local democratic accountability; particularly in conjunction with the relevant Executive Member. It is formally defined as covering the following areas:
- To provide local leadership and champion the agenda at the Community Committee;
- To represent the Community Committee at relevant meetings, forums and local partnerships;
- To build links with key services and partners;
- To provide a link between the Community Committee and the Executive Member to ensure local needs are represented, issues are highlighted, best practice is shared and to facilitate local solutions to any issues;
- To maintain an overview of local performance; and
- To consult with the Community Committee and represent local views as part of the development and review of policy.
- 19. As set out in the Constitution, the Community Committee is invited to appoint to the Community Lead Member roles detailed in section 6.
- 20. Given that these roles may need to be tailored to best reflect specific local needs and circumstances, Community Committees may wish to consider splitting 2 of the roles namely:
  - Environment & Community Safety with one Member focusing on the environment agenda and another on community safety.

- Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care with one Member covering the public health and wellbeing agenda and another focusing upon adult social care.
- 21. Further to this, the Champions' Role Profile, as ratified at the Community Committee Chairs' Forum in 2022 and as previously presented to Community Committees is detailed below for information:
- Lead on the oversight and delivery of a themed programme work across the Community Committee

  Area
- Work with elected colleagues, partners and local people to drive improvements across the committee area within the remit of the Champion theme
- To provide regular updates to the Community Committee and bring any emerging or priority issues relating to the theme to the attention of the committee
- To chair themed sub-groups, and where appropriate provide oversight on requests for grant funding relevant to the theme
- To lead on the dissemination of information and raise awareness of agreed issues relating to the theme
- Provide political influence in the delivery of the theme in the committee area
- To work with the relevant Executive Member and other themed champions across the city to address city wide priorities associated with the theme
- Support the development of local and cross committee themed projects where appropriate
- Attend and represent the Community Committee at themed events and other activities as appropriate

### **Corporate Parenting Board**

- 22. Under the Children's Act 1989, all local Councillors are corporate parents, this means they have responsibilities relating to the quality of services for those children who have been taken into care by the local authority (children looked after).
- 23. Executive Board has previously agreed a clear framework for the corporate parenting role in Leeds which is set out in the Leeds Corporate Parenting Strategy 2021 2024. This includes ensuring a core group of councillors with a special interest in leading the work on Corporate Parenting who are nominated to the 'Corporate Parenting Board'. This Corporate Parenting Board includes representation from each of the 10 Community Committees alongside partners from relevant statutory and third sector organisation, and takes particular responsibilities relating to influencing, performance monitoring, and governance of those issues and outcomes that affect looked after children.
- 24. In 2021 Leeds published the City's Corporate Parenting strategy which sets out the priorities for ensuring that our children in care and care leavers receive the highest quality services and support. This strategy is overseen by our Corporate Parenting Board, which also ensures that our 'Promises' to children in care and care leavers are delivered. The Board considers information including fostering services, residential care, looked after children's educational attainment and their voice and influence across the city. Representatives on the board are expected to link back to their Community Committee and champion the importance of effectively supporting the work of the board. The Corporate Parenting Board is an important partnership within the overall framework of support and accountability for looked after children's services and is chaired by the relevant executive member.

- 25. The Community Committee is asked to appoint one representative to the Corporate Parenting Board for the duration of the forthcoming municipal year and to promote attendance and engagement with the Corporate Parenting Board. The Committee may consider it appropriate to combine the role with that of the Committee's Children's Services 'Champion'.
- 26. It should be noted that membership of the Corporate Parenting Board is encouraged for any Elected Members with a particular interest in the outcomes of looked after children, therefore whilst each Community Committee is asked to appoint one Member (to ensure an even geographic spread), it is possible for additional Members to participate. Therefore, additional Members with a particular interest are advised to make the relevant officers aware.

#### **Children's Services Cluster Partnerships**

27. Clusters are local partnerships that include, amongst others: the Children's Social Work Service, schools, governors, Police, Leeds City Council youth service, Youth Offending Service, Children's Centres, Housing services, third sector, health, local elected members and a senior representative from children's services. Local clusters are key to the Leeds Children and Young People's Partnership arrangements.

#### 28. They aim to:

- enable local settings and services to work together effectively to improve outcomes for children, young people and their families;
- build capacity to improve the delivery of preventative and targeted services to meet local needs:
- create the conditions for integrated partnership working at locality level;
- promote the Children & Young People's Plan and the ambition of a child friendly city across the locality.
- 29. A "well-coordinated locality and cluster approach results in early identification and extensive work with families according to need." (Ofsted report, March 2015).
- 30. Clusters began life as extended services for schools and have grown to engage a wide range of partners who provide early help and early intervention and prevention. In April 2011, the Children & Families Trust Board and Schools Forum agreed the adoption of a minimum standard for the terms of reference across the cluster partnerships, which included elected members as standing members of the governance group for each partnership.
- 31. Elected Members also sit alongside a senior leader (Local Authority Partner) from the Children's Services directorate to be part of the Council's representation on each cluster partnership.
- 32. In June 2013 Member Management Committee delegated the nomination of Elected Member representatives to local Children's Services Cluster partnerships to Community Committees. This was with the aim of establishing a clear formal link between those Committees and Clusters. It was also with the intention of building closer working arrangements to better support the needs children and families across the city.

## **Corporate considerations**

a. Consultation and engagement

This report facilitates the necessary consultation and engagement with Community Committee Members in respect of appointments to the designated positions and Outside Bodies. Given that the Community Committee is the relevant appointing body, there is no requirement to undertake a public consultation exercise on such matters.

#### b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

Both the Community Committee Champion roles and the Corporate Parenting role aim to champion, address and monitor issues arising in their respective fields, whilst also providing clear links with the relevant Executive Member, Council officers and partner agencies. As such, these roles would also look to address any equality, diversity, cohesion or integration issues arising in their specific areas.

Also, Council representation on Outside Bodies and Children's Services Cluster Partnerships will enable those appointed Members to act as a conduit in terms of promoting the Council's policies and priorities.

#### c. Council policies and city priorities

Council representation on, and engagement with those Outside Bodies, partnerships and organisations to which the Community Committee has authority to appoint, is in line with the Council's policies and priorities.

#### d. Legal implications, access to information and call in

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

If a Councillor is nominated to an Outside Body by the Council then that Councillor receives full indemnity from the Council. For example should someone attempt to take civil action against a Councillor personally in their role as a Council appointed trustee/director of an Outside Body; then the Council would cover the cost of defending the action against that Councillor, and if the action were successful the Council would cover any compensation which the Councillor had to pay. The only exceptions to this are for "fraud, or other deliberate wrongdoing or recklessness", or for a criminal offence (although the indemnity would cover defending criminal proceedings, if no conviction resulted). The indemnity applies to a company, trust, or charity and whether a Councillor is nominated as a director or trustee. If a Member becomes a trustee or director but has not been nominated by the Council, then the indemnity will not apply, and the Member should check that the trust, company etc. has got appropriate insurance cover for its trustees/directors.

#### e. Risk management

In not appointing to those Outside Bodies listed within the report, there is a risk that the Council's designated representation on such organisations would not be fulfilled.

#### Conclusion

33. The Community Committee is asked to consider and determine the appointments to those designated Outside Bodies, partnerships and organisations as detailed within the report and appendices.

#### Recommendations

- 34. The Community Committee is asked to consider and confirm appointments to those positions detailed in section 6 / the appendices, having regard to the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules, as summarised in this report;
- 35. The Committee is also invited to note the appointment of Councillor Michael Millar, as Chair of the Community Committee for the duration of 2024/25, as agreed at the recent Annual Meeting of Council.

#### **Background information**

None

#### Community Committee Appointments to Outside Bodies (East Outer)

Outside Body	Charity /Trust		Review Date	No of places to review	Current appointees	1	Review Period	Group
Cross Gates & District Good Neighbours Scheme	Yes	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor P Grahame	Y	Annual	Labour
HOPE (Halton Moor & Osmondthorpe project for Elders)	Yes	2	Jun-24	2	Councillor N LLoyd CouncillorD Coupar	Y	Annual	Labour
Neighbourhood Elders' Team	Yes	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor M Harland	Y	Annual	Labour
Garforth Cluster Partnership	No	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor S McCormack	Y	Annual	G &SI
Temple Newsam Learning Partnership	No	2	Jun-24	2	Councillor D Coupar	Y	Annual	Labour
					Councillor H Hayden	Y	Annual	Labour
Seacroft Manston Cluster Partneship	No	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor P Grahame	Y	Annual	Labour
Brigshaw Co-Operative Trust Cluster Partership	No	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor J Lewis	Y	Annual	Labour
LS25/26 LCP (Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell)	No	1	Jun-24	1	Councillor M Harland	Y	Annual	Labour
Seacroft Crossgates & York Road LCP (York Road seat)	No	1	Jun-24		H Hayden	Y	Annual	
Seacroft Crossgates & York Road LCP (Crossgates seat)	No	1	Jun-24	1	P Grahame	Y	Annual	
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Number of places Places held pending review Number of places to fill

Number of Members in the Committee Area	12	Percentage of Members on the Committee	Notional Places Allocated
Labour	9	75	12.75
Garforth & Swillington Independent	3	25	4.25
Independent	0	0	0.00
Other to list			
Total	12		17

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#### Community Committee Appointments to Outside Bodies (East Outer)

Address
Crossgates & District Good
Neighbours Scheme,
Station Road, Leeds LS15
Halton Moor &
Osmondthorpe Project for
Elders, 8a Coronation
Parade, Leeds LS15 0EY
Parade, Leeds LS 15 UE Y
Neighbourhood Elders'
Team, 62c Main Street,
Garforth, Leeds LS25 1AA
www.netgarforth.org
www.neiganorin.org

APPENDIX 2 - Councillor Alignment to LCP areas

LCP		Suggested Community Committee Member Appointment	
Seacroft, Cross Gates and York Road	Seacroft – quarterly, usually Tuesdays	Inner East	
	York Road – meet monthly, first Tuesday morning of the month	Inner East and Outer East (Halton Moor and Cross Gates)	
	Cross Gates – bimonthly, fourth Tuesday afternoons	Outer East	
LS25/26	Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell – quarterly, for 23/24 these	Outer East	
	were themed marketplace and workshop events – detail for 24/25 to be determined	Outer South	
Central	Central – quarterly, first Wednesday afternoon of the month	Inner North East	
HATCH (Chapeltown, Harehills,	Meet monthly alternating between a business meeting	Inner North East	
Richmond Hill & Burmantofts)	and a themed workshop, Third Tuesday afternoons	Inner East	
Wetherby	Wetherby – quarterly, usually Wednesdays	Outer North East	
Holt Park and Woodsley	Quarterly in person, second Wednesday morning	Inner North West	
Leeds Student Medical Practice	Bimonthly – Third Tuesday afternoons	Inner North West	
Otley and Aireborough	Quarterly – was Wednesday afternoons but we are now trying Friday mornings as this works for many partners and is often a quieter time for meetings	Outer North West	
nner South Communities (was nown as Beeston & Middleton LCP)  Quarterly, second Wednesday afternoons		Inner South	
Morley	Morley – bimonthly, midday, third Wednesday of the month	Outer South	

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#### APPENDIX 2 - Councillor Alignment to LCP areas

Armley	Armley – quarterly on second Tuesday mornings	Inner West
	Bramley, Wortley & Middleton – bimonthly midday fourth Wednesday	Inner West and Outer West
West Leeds	Pudsey and Bramley – quarterly fourth Thursday morning	Outer West

## Agenda Item 10





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Outer East Community Committee

(Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington,

**Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam)** 

Report author: Carl Hinchliffe, Community Committee Team Manager

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 For decision

## **Community Committee Youth Activity Fund Consultation Report**

## **Purpose of report**

- 1. The report provides the Outer East Community Committee with an update on the Youth Activity Fund Consultation.
- 2. The report asks the Outer East Community Committee, that consultation with young people, conducted via the Youth Activity Fund survey, informs the Youth Activity Fund spend for the 2024/25 financial year.

#### Main issues

- 3. Each Community Committee has been allocated a Youth Activity Fund which it is responsible for administering. The Youth Activity Fund has been made available to provide local activities for children and young people aged 8-17 years across the city.
- 4. The Youth Activity Fund requires the engagement and participation of children and young people in the decision making and evaluation of the fund. Children and young people participate in the funding process and advise Community Committees on the activities they would like to take part in, in their respective areas.
- 5. The Youth Activity Fund can provide money for activities that offer opportunities for play, arts, sport, and culture, which enable young people to have fun, get creative and have new experiences both after school and during the school holidays.

- 6. Youth Summits are an opportunity for young people aged 8-17 years living in Leeds to learn about local democracy, as well as influence the decision making of the Youth Activity Fund, by taking part in a consultation exercise that informs the Community Committee's budget spend.
- 7. Building on a commitment to engage and involve children and young people in decision making in their own communities, young people get involved in choosing which activities should be supported by the committees.

#### The Future of Youth Summits

- 8. The pandemic provided us with an opportunity to reflect upon the Youth Summit model and consider how we adapt responses and approaches to meet the needs of young people in our respective communities, as well as reviewing the aims and objectives for the Community Committee Youth Summits.
- 9. Following meetings with officers from the Communities Team, the Voice & Influence Lead for Children & Families and the Youth Service, a standardised baseline approach was agreed in 2022, that set out clear aims and objectives, as well as demonstrating measurable and specific outcomes.
- 10. These aims and objectives were subsequently agreed with our Executive Board Member, Community Committee Champions and Community Committee Chairs and discussed with Children & Families Sub Groups. These same aims and objectives were applied to Youth Summits/Youth Activity Fund consultation in 2023.

#### Aims & Objectives from the Youth Summits & Youth Activity Fund Consultation

- 11. Standardised baseline for all Youth Summits/Youth Activity Fund consultation are the following:
  - Age range of young people 8 17 years (links to the Youth Activity Fund Budget delegation to the Community Committees).
  - Opportunity to learn about local democracy & take part in the decision-making process/influence Youth Activity Fund Budget spend for the Community Committees.
  - Promote the Youth Council and the various Youth Matters Groups throughout the city.
  - Build relationships with schools/partners and provide an opportunity for networking.
  - Consult with as many young people as possible (hybrid approach) by ensuring that alongside the Youth Summits, other YAF consultation is coordinated (i.e., via online consultation/Breeze Summer Events).
  - Ensure we are engaging with a diverse range of young people from divergent backgrounds and not just young people who are academically inclined, or naturally engaged with these types of events.
  - Provide feedback on Youth Summits/other consultation methods via a "You Said, We Did" Youth Summit Report, that clearly outlines in each respective

committee area, exactly what projects have been funded, or proactively commissioned from the Youth Activity Fund Budget.

#### **How We Measure Success**

- 12. Standardised baseline for all Youth Summits/ Youth Activity Fund consultation are the following:
  - How many young people have been involved in the physical summits?
  - How many young people have been involved in other forms of Youth Activity Fund consultation?
  - How many schools/organisations have been involved in bringing young people along to the Youth Summits and/or involved in any other consultation?
  - How many projects have been funded, or proactively commissioned from the Youth Activity Fund Budget as a result of the Youth Summits/and or Youth Activity Fund consultation?
  - Has the "You Said, We Did" Youth Summit Report been prepared and delivered?

#### **Reflections from the Youth Activity Fund Consultation**

#### **Youth Activity Fund Consultation**

- 13. The Outer East Community Committee did not arrange a physical Youth Summit Event in 2023, so this report concentrates on the Youth Activity Fund Survey and the consultation and engagement that took place with young people across the committee area.
- 14. Alongside the physical Youth Summit events, the Communities Team created a consultation survey for young people, as an objective is that we, "consult with as many young people as possible (hybrid approach), by ensuring that alongside the summits, other consultation is coordinated; for example, online consultation, Breeze Summer Events": <a href="https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/H5X5TG/">https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/H5X5TG/</a>
- 15. This online survey was circulated far and wide throughout the committee area and created using some new & innovative ways of engaging with young people, such as creating a QR code that directs young people straight to the survey, after being scanned with a Smartphone.



16. The Outer East Community Committee received **397** survey responses to the Youth Activity Fund Consultation Survey. The vast majority of these were completed online, however some of the survey responses were completed in paper format at the Breeze Summer Events in 2023 and Youth Clubs delivered by Leeds Youth Service Team.

- 17. An additional online survey was also created to engage with young people that have special educational needs and disabilities. In relation to this survey, we had 5 responses.
- 18. The consultation survey ran from September 2023 until the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, with the feedback from young people collated. This will, in principle, inform the Youth Activity Fund Budget spend for 2024/25.

#### **Measurement of Success**

- 19. Below are some key facts and figures from the Outer East Community Committee Youth Activity Fund Consultation. These are provided in response to the standardised baseline measurement of success, agreed with Children's Champions and Community Committee Chairs, as outlined above.
  - How many young people have been involved in the physical summits? N/A
  - How many young people have been involved in other forms of Youth Activity Fund consultation? 402
  - How many schools/ organisations have been involved in bringing young people along to the Youth Summits and/ or involved in any other consultation? N/A
  - How many projects have been funded, or proactively commissioned from the Youth Activity Fund Budget as a result of the Youth Summits/and or Youth Activity Fund consultation? **This is being collated.**
  - Has the "You Said, We Did" Youth Summit Report been prepared and delivered? The Youth Summit Report will be discussed with appropriate audiences.
- 20. Further conversations will take place with young people at appropriate opportunities over the coming months, regarding the Youth Summits and Youth Activity Fund Consultation, after the report has been discussed with the Outer East Community Committee.

#### **Lessons Learned**

- 21. All feedback from the Community Committee Youth Summits will be analysed, with a review taking place once all the events have finished, in a Community Committee Youth Summits: Lessons Learned meeting, with the Executive Board Member and Children's Champions.
- 22. A report will also be taken to the Community Committee Chairs Forum.
- 23. As we are keen that we continue to work closely with the Children's Champions to develop the Youth Summits across the Community Committee areas, these conversations and feedback will help inform the Youth Summits in the next municipal year.

#### **Youth Activity Fund Consultation Survey Recommendations**

- 24. The consultation surveys submitted by young people in the Outer East Community Committee area, suggest the following Youth Activity Fund priorities for 2024/25:
  - a. Youth activities delivered outdoors, either locally, or away.
  - b. Majority of provision taking place after school.
  - c. Ensure the activities are fun, active and creating new/maintaining friendships.

#### Popular activities included:

- 1. Mixed activities
- 2. Outdoor activities
- 3. Sports (rugby, football & swimming in particular)
- 4. Other popular activities include cooking and arts & crafts
- 25. It is recommended that any projects funded by the Outer East Community Committee from the Youth Activity Fund, focus on these key themes and activities in 2024/25.
- 26. To ensure that the Outer East Community Committee can make an informed decision when being asked whether they support funding for projects from its Youth Activity Fund, the Communities Team will advise the committee if the project meets the priorities identified by young people as a result of consultation that has taken place.

#### **Appendix: Infographic outlining the Youth Activity Fund Consultation Survey**

27. Appendix 3 is attached with this report.

#### **Corporate Considerations**

#### **Consultation and Engagement**

- 28. Community Committee Chairs, Children's Champions and Community Committees have previously been consulted on the Youth Summit proposals and Youth Activity Fund survey.
- 29. The survey has been promoted far and wide across the Community Committee area, with publicity being posted on the Community Committee Facebook page, publicity being sent out to all school & cluster contacts, youth groups and any other organisations that are funded, or work with young people in the Community Committee area, as well as being circulated to local Councillors and the committee mailing list.

#### **Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration**

30. All Youth Activity Fund 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**

- 31. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for Youth Activity Fund 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**

32. Aligning the distribution of Community Committee Youth Activity Fund funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

#### Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

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

#### **Risk Management**

34. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all Youth Activity Fund applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants can deliver the intended benefits.

#### Conclusion

35. The Youth Activity Fund Consultation Report provides up to date information on the Community Committee's Youth Activity Fund consultation survey position and invites committee members to use the consultation to inform its Youth Activity Fund spend for 2022/23.

#### Recommendations

- 36. Members are asked to note:
  - a. Reflections from the last 12 months (paragraphs 13 18).
  - b. Details of the Youth Activity Fund consultation survey (paragraphs 24 26).
  - c. That the Youth Activity Fund survey informs the Community Committee's Youth Activity Fund for 2024/25.
  - d. That any projects funded by the Community Committee from the Youth Activity Fund focus on the themes and activity priorities identified in the Youth Activity Fund Consultation Survey in 2024/25.

# Outer East Youth Activity Fund Consultation 23/24





The Communities Team and Leeds Youth Service have consulted with **402** young people in the **outer east** area of Leeds.

Young people were asked what activities they would like local councillors to fund in their own communities.

## 1. Mixed activities

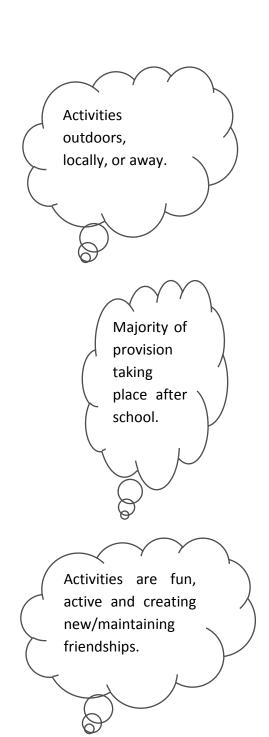


## 2. Outdoor adventures



## 3.Sports







## Agenda Item 11





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Outer East Community Committee

Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington,

**Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam** 

Report author: Oliver Taylor, Localities Officer Tel: 0113 37 89953

Date: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 For Information

## **Outer East Community Committee - Update Report**

### **Purpose of report**

- 1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Safer Stronger 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

- 1. Members will have considered Appointments to Outside Bodies and Community Champions elsewhere on the Community Committee agenda. Members are now asked to make nominations to each of the Inner East Community Committee Subgroups for 2024/25.
- **2.** Updates by theme

The 2023/24 representatives are shown below:

Sub Group Number of places		Current appointees	Community Committee Champion	
Children & Families	4	Cllr Michael Millar (K&M) - Chair Cllr Nicole Sharpe (TN) Cllr Sarah Field (G&S) Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W)	Cllr M Millar	
Community Safety	4	Cllr Mary Harland (K&M) - Chair Cllr Mark Dobson (G&S) Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W) Cllr Nicole Sharpe (TN)	Cllr Mary Harland	
Environment 4		Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W) - Chair Cllr Mary Harland (K&M) Cllr Helen Hayden (TN) Cllr Suzanne McCormack (G&S)	Cllr Pauleen Grahame	

Members are invited to nominate representatives for each of the Outer East Community Committee Sub Groups.

#### 3. Children and Families: Champion Cllr Michael Millar

#### Leeds Youth Service

During the January to March 2024 period Leeds Youth Service Core Youth Work Team in the Outer East area delivered a range of good quality sessions for young people aged 11 to 17 years of age, the sessions included a variety of informal learning opportunities that developed life skills through positive interaction. Sessions were delivered in partnership where possible and focussed on issues relevant to young people.

The key elements of the Leeds Youth Work Vision and the Department for Education

Overall, the Youth Service SSE Core Team delivered <u>168</u> Youth Work sessions between January to March 2024. Compared to the same quarter in 2023 this was a reduction of <u>3</u> Core Youth Work sessions.

Overall engagement levels in the Core Youth Work programmes were <u>549</u> known young people and **130** Unknown young people.

The Accumulative attendance in Core Youth Work sessions by young people across the South, Southeast area was **2830**.

Individuals from most deprived LSOA areas - 356

Individuals from least deprived LSOA areas - 170

Individuals from unknown LSOA areas - 3

Priorities during this quarter was to ensure that the programme was inclusive and accessible by all, Youth Workers continued to ensure the correct monitoring aspects aligned to young people being a carer, having a disability or from culturally diverse communities was recorded effectively. The level of culturally diverse young people remained at <u>64%</u>, the number of Carers engaging dropped by <u>-1</u> young person and the number of young people with a disability increased to <u>6</u> engaging in Core Youth Work sessions.

## Youth work will be valued and understood -

National Youth Agency Conference - Core Youth Workers engaged in the National Youth Agency Conference in March 2024, the road show focussed on the responsibility and need of Local Authorities to ensure a Youth Work Offer was available to young people, the conference enabled local partners to explore what guidance was available and to ensure good quality Youth Work was being delivered across the Yorkshire & Humber area.

<u>Publicity & social media</u> - Youth Workers have continued to promote the opportunities for young people by publicising on the three social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram & X (Formally Twitter) to ensure young people and parents are aware of the opportunities for young people. A range of leaflets & flyers are also available and are currently being updated following the young people choosing a new logo for Leeds Youth Service.

## Participation and Empowerment -

<u>Knife Angel Consultation</u> - Young people from the Youth Service SSE Core Youth Work sessions have been engaging young people in consultation regards the name of the project to be utilised when the knife Angel come to Leeds, young people focussed on the history of the Knife Angel and the aims for Leeds and used their creativity skills to provide suggestions. The overall winner was "Project Shield".



<u>Halton Moor Youth Matters</u> - Young people from the Halton Moor Youth Matters engaged with Councillors during their weekly session and during a community meeting during February & March. The three local councillors engaged in the weekly session and talked with young people about what they feel are the local issues / priorities for the areas. The young people also attended a public meeting with Councillors to ensure the views of young people were included in making decisions in the ward.

<u>IOPC Consultation</u> - Group member from the Independent Office Police Complaints attended several Core Youth Work sessions in January & February, the group explored what young people's knowledge was of their rights during incidents with Police and how they could complain to the IOPC. The sessions were very informative with feedback from young people being extremely positive and that they learnt a lot regards their rights from the sessions.



<u>YS Logo</u> - Young people from across the South, Southeast area engaged in the choosing of the updated Youth Service logo, young people attending sessions were asked to vote on the three options. Overall, Three Hundred & Ninety-Nine young people engaged in the consultation from the SSE area.

## Collaboration -

<u>Project Shield</u> - Youth Workers from the SSE Core Youth Work Team partnered with West Yorkshire Police, Youth Offending Service and the Violence Reduction Partnership to engage 500+ young people in 30 Project Shield sessions during the month of February, the SSE sessions explored young people's understanding of the law when carrying a knife, the dangers of carrying a knife and the impact it can have on a life using a knife. Using the Virtual Reality Headsets and a programme of awareness the young people explored the potential dangers / consequences.

<u>Leeds United Foundation</u> - Youth Service SSE Core Team has continued to engage in the partnership with the Leeds United Foundation, this enables several weekly sessions to offer young people the opportunity to develop skills, fitness levels and control their anger. The sessions engage young people aged 11+ with coaches who endeavour to guide young people around safe play, positive communication, and skill development.

<u>Community Safety Tasking Meetings</u> - The Youth Service Core Team continues to engage in the Community Safety meetings within each of the areas to ensure issues identified relating to young people are addressed, working with LASBT, Police & Housing the meeting enables respective agencies to address local issues and identify hot spot areas. Detached Youth Workers focus on the areas / locations where reports are aligned to young people.

## Inclusiveness, equality, and diversity -

<u>Volunteers</u> - Youth Service Localities Core offer continues to recruit local volunteers to support with the delivery of Youth Work sessions in the area, some are young people who have experienced Youth Work and what to give something back while other contact the service and express an interest, overall SSE Core Youth Work team has ten active volunteers providing support to Youth Work programmes. The volunteers are inducted, undertake a DBS and offered training relevant to the position.

<u>YAF Consultation</u> - Youth People from across the SSE Core Youth Work provision have been encouraged to have their say on the Youth Activity Fund, young people completed the consultation forms with the aim of influencing how the Youth Activity Fund is spent within each of the respective wedges.

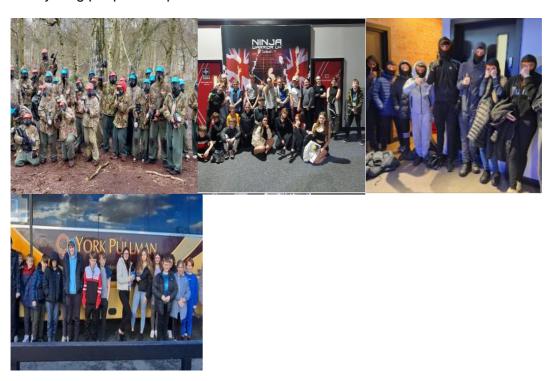
## Respect and positivity -

World Religion Day - Young people from Outer East Core youth work sessions were engaged in cultural awareness and celebrations as part of world religion day in January, Youth Workers provided a range of activities for young people to participate in, discussions, recognising cultural festivals, cultural symbols & quizzes, and an understanding around religion and what it means to people. The sessions involved information about the 6 main religions, young people were encouraged to look at similarities in what the groups believe. Lots of young people in the session expressed that they have no religion but have friend that have. Young people shared food to celebrate the day.

<u>Sexual Health Work</u> - Youth Workers from the Core Youth Work Team continue to provide and facilitate the C Card 3 in 1 project across the local provisions where age appropriate. The Youth Work enable young people to ask questions in a safe & confidential space whilst also offering access to relationship information, resources, and testing facilities. The scheme primarily targets the 13+ age group and requires young people to register.

## Quality, safety, and well-being -

<u>February School Holiday</u> - Youth Workers from the Core Youth Work Team engaged young people in a diversionary programme during the February School Holiday period, Youth Workers worked with local Youth Matters groups to identify which venues to visit. The week offered a range of local and wider afield venues including Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Go Karting at Tockwith, Wrestling at UK Wrestling Batley, Tree Top Challenge at Go-Ape, Bowling, E Karting & Snow-zone at Castleford Xscape, Ninja Warrior at Leeds, and a range of outdoor team challenges at Carlton Lodge, York. The engagement levels were high and feedback from young people was positive.



<u>Alcohol Awareness Sessions</u> - Young people were able to find out more about dangers & legality of alcohol use, young people explored drinking culture, binge drinking, health issues, social issues and safety through an informative session and were able to invent non-alcoholic drinks and mocktails using a range of fruit juices, low sugar mixers, flavourings and decorations.

## 4. Community Safety: Champion Cllr Mary Harland

## Police Update

Serious and Acquisitive Crime Demand Data:

Crossgates and Whinmoor Crime			
Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	4	1	3
Burglary - residential	15	14	1
Robbery	3	6	3
Theft from motor vehicle	4	7	3
Theft from the person	0	0	0
Theft of motor vehicle	3	4	1
Grand Total	29	32	3

Garforth and Swillington Crime Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	1	4	3
Robbery	1	1	0
Theft from motor vehicle	0	1	1
Theft from the person	1	8	7
Theft of motor vehicle	1	6	5
Grand Total	5	21	16

Kippax and Methley Crime Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	13	9	4
Robbery	2	0	2
Theft from motor vehicle	1	2	1
Theft from the person	1	1	0
Theft of motor vehicle	5	6	1
Grand Total	23	19	4

Temple Newsam and Halton Crime			
Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	6	1	5
Robbery	2	2	0
Theft from motor vehicle	4	4	0
Theft from person	63	18	45
Theft of motor vehicle	5	4	1
Grand Total	81	30	51

Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Demand Data:

Crossgates and Whinmoor ASB Call Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	2	2	0
Alcohol	3	1	2
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	2	2
Neighbour related	1	0	1
Nuisance car/van	3	5	2
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	14	6	8
Youth related	12	10	2
Grand Total	35	26	9

Garforth and Swillington ASB Call			
Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	1	2	1
Alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	1	1	0
Nuisance car/van	2	2	0
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	2	3	1
Youth related	5	0	5
Grand Total	11	8	3

Kippax and Methley ASB Call			
Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	5	1	4
Alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	1	0	1
Neighbour related	1	0	1
Nuisance car/van	0	0	0
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	20	14	6
Youth related	7	3	4
Grand Total	34	18	16

Temple Newsam and Halton ASB Call Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	1	2	1
Alcohol	2	1	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	2	1	1
Nuisance car/van	7	13	6
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	5	16	11
Youth related	11	2	9

## 5. Environment: Champion Cllr Pauleen Grahame

CNT Report for Garfoth/Swillington and Kippax/Methley

Figures from 1st April to 18th June 2024

	Garforth/Swillington	Kippax/Methley
S_FLYT	1	3
E_FLYT	2	3
S_LITR	0	1
S_ROAD	3	1
H_OVEG	6	3
E_WIG	0	1
S_SCBC	0	0

### **Description of above codes:**

**S**\_FLYT: Fly tipping that has been collected proactively or reported to us which doesn't contain evidence and no further actions can be taken.

**E\_FLYT:** Fly tipping found/reported which contains evidence and some further action is taken by Enforcement.

**S\_LITR:** Reports to service about litter issues

**S\_ROAD:** Reports to service about streets requiring sweeping.

**H\_OVEG:** Reports to service of issues relating to overgrown vegetation affecting the Highway.

**E\_WIG:** Reports to service about Waste in gardens.

**S\_SCBC:** Scheduled Civic/ Bulky Collections (free waste collections from households)

The above figures have been taken over an approximate 2-month period, as you can see there are no major increases across the board.

There is a larger amount of overgrown vegetation jobs reported due to the time of year, but these are still very low considering that the area is quite rural, so this shows that more residents in these areas take a greater responsibility with regards their gardens and premises in comparison to some other wards within the South Localities jurisdiction.

We haven't had many complaints/requests for service from residents throughout the whole area and I personally believe that this is due to the proactive work of our streets teams, as well as the close working relationship our crews and team as a whole have with elected members as issues can be identified dealt with well before any resident has to raise a complaint.

If there are any issues with regards anything in this report or any elected member wishes to ask anything with regards the area and the service, we provide then please feel free to contact me direct.

### 6. Leedswatch

#### Introduction

This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Outer East area committee, for the six month period, 1<sup>st</sup> October to 29<sup>th</sup> March

#### Cameras in the Outer East area:

The following cameras were used to capture incidents in the Outer East area;

- 34- Garforth and Swillington
- 35- Garforth and Swillington
- 36- Kippax and Methley
- 37- Kippax and Methley
- 237- Naburn Approach, Whinmoor
- 356- Halton Village
- 357- Halton Village
- 363- Crossgates
- 364- Crossgates

## **GDPR - Information Sharing**

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

#### Incidents captured by CCTV operators:

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 Outer East Area.

#### **Requests for new Cameras**

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.

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.).

A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.

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.

## Recommendations

Contents of report to be noted.

## CCTV incidents captured 1st October to 29th March 2024

Camera Number	34	35	36	37	237	356	357	363	364	Total incidents per category
Alarm Activation										0
ASB		1			1				6	8
Cash In Transit										0
Drugs							1			1
Enforcement										0
Fire										0
Health & Safety	1	1						2	1	5
Metro										0
Police Operation	1	1	1	1				1		5
Public Order	4	1	2							7
Road Traffic						1		2	1	4
Sexual Offences										0
Suspicious Events									1	1
Travellers										0
Theft							1			1
Total Per Camera	6	4	3	1	1	1	2	5	9	32

## 7. Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Champion Cllr James Gibson

## Health and Wellbeing update

### **UK** smoking ban

MPs have voted to back the Government's plans to create a smokefree generation. Leeds City Council along with other public health leaders across West Yorkshire, were fully supportive of the plans calling it a "game-changer" in work to reduce smoking rates by prohibiting the sale of tobacco products to anyone born on or after 1 January 2009. It is not about stopping people who currently smoke from buying tobacco and will not impact their rights or entitlements.

The Tobacco and Vapes Bill aims to create the first ever smokefree generation. This will ensure that future generations are protected from the harmful impacts of smoking. And in response to a huge rise in the number of children using vapes, the Bill will also introduce new powers that restrict vape flavours and packaging that is intentionally marketed at children. The powers will also allow government to change how vapes are displayed in shops, moving them out of sight of children and away from products that appeal to them, like sweets.

An interesting fact is that it is estimated that smoking costs Leeds £216.3m in terms of health and social care needs, productivity loss and fires, which is more than double the amount that is brought into Leeds through taxation of tobacco.

It is hoped that creating a smokefree generation will help to level-up the UK because smoking is one of the most significant and preventable drivers of disparities in health outcomes.

#### Youth vaping campaign

Colleagues from public health and communications have been running a campaign to tackle the rise in youth vaping and sale of illicit vapes. Working with West Yorkshire Trading Standards, the campaign targeted retailers who were selling illicit vapes or selling vapes illegally to under 18s. An operation with West Yorkshire Police resulted in over 16,000 illicit vapes being seized from a number of Leeds retailers. The work was supported by an information and awareness campaign targeting parents, alongside work with schools, which saw high levels of social media engagement and visits to the Talk to Frank website for advice about the risks of underage vaping.

You can report any concerns regarding sales of vapes to Trading Standards via the Citizens Advice phone number (0800 223 1133)

#### Leeds NHS Health Checks Procurement - new contract awarded

Following a re-procurement process, it has been announced that the Leeds GP Confederation will continue to deliver the NHS Health Check programme to the eligible population of Leeds.

The new contract will maintain the NHS Health Check programme being delivered predominantly within General Practice (GP) alongside some potential testing of community

outreach approaches. The service will also work with the third and voluntary sector to raise the profile of the NHS Health Check and maximise uptake in key communities.

The main component of the Leeds NHS Health Check contract is its focus on reducing health inequalities and it will continue to target the groups 'most likely to benefit' from an NHS Health Check whilst maintaining a universal offer to the Leeds eligible population.

The contract took effect from 1 April 2024 and will expire on 31 March 2029.

If you have any questions email <u>carl.mackie@leeds.gov.uk</u> or <u>hanna.kaye@leeds.gov.uk</u>.

## **Being You Leeds**

Launched in 2023, Being You Leeds is an enhanced wellbeing programme, commissioned by public health to work with communities most at risk of poor mental health. It recently won the national FPH Public Mental Health Award in recognition of its innovative approach to keeping people mentally well and addressing mental health inequalities.

Positive wellbeing is promoted in three ways:

- delivering co-produced community-based groups and activities focusing on wellbeing, aiming to build networks, boost mood and improve resilience
- providing training to staff and volunteers in community organisations working in areas of high deprivation
- tackling mental health stigma and discrimination

It is delivered by a partnership of third sector organisations: Touchstone, Barca, Hamara, Health for All, Holbeck Together, LS14 Trust, Women's Health Matters, Community Links and Humans Being.

For information or guidance on referrals contact: BeingYouLeedsTeam@touchstonesupport.org.uk

#### Covid: spring vaccine programme

The national booking system for the spring Covid vaccine opened on 15 April with vaccinations due to start on 22 April and run to the end of June. Residents in care homes for older adults and eligible housebound individuals started to receive their vaccinations on 15 April.

Eligible people can book their vaccination online via the national booking system, or via the NHS App.

The vaccine is being offered to those at high risk of serious disease and therefore most likely to benefit. This includes the following groups:

- adults aged 75 years and over
- residents in a care home for older adults
- individuals aged 6 months and over who are immunosuppressed

#### Flu immunisation plan 2024/25

No changes have been made to the groups of people eligible for the flu vaccination this year. However, there is a change to the timing. Based on evidence that the vaccine's effectiveness can wane over time the start of the programme for most adults will be the beginning of October and should be completed by the end of November, closer to the time the flu season commonly starts. This should provide optimal protection during the highest risk period.

## Avian flu guidance

Although the risk from avian flu remains very low, UKHSA have published new guidance for the public on how to keep themselves safe from catching it from wild birds by minimising contact.

## **Campaigns**

#### Tick awareness

UKHSA have launched their annual tick awareness campaign which runs throughout the spring and summer months when ticks are most active. Ticks can carry infections, including Lyme disease and tick-borne encephalitis.

## Mental health provider forums

Within working age adults commissioning, our mental health sector team works with providers of mental health services in the city with 53 supported living services and 26 residential services. Following feedback from providers we now facilitate mental health provider forums every three months and have covered topics such as anti-social behaviour, community policing, and housing and move-on.

Our team's vision was to bring a transformational approach to the ways we work with our mental health providers by bringing them together and making the most of our partnership working through the forums. There is evidence that people with mental health issues experience considerable discrimination and stigma in society, work, accommodation, and health outcomes. By working proactively with our mental health providers, we can make a real difference to improve outcomes in the community for the most vulnerable people in our city. The forums encourage providers to be aspirational for all their residents and to support them in their recovery by building on their strengths and meeting diverse needs.

## **World Immunisation Week**

This annual week is a global campaign to raise awareness of the importance of vaccinations. Vaccinations across the life course save lives and protect health. Second only to clean water it is the most effective public health intervention to prevent disease.

Through the successful delivery of vaccination programmes some diseases that were common such as smallpox and polio are now very rare, and millions of people worldwide have been protected from severe illness and death.

However, in recent years there has been a decline in the uptake of vaccinations, as population coverage targets for some diseases have not been maintained. In England, measles, which was eliminated in 2016 has re-emerged and cases of whooping cough in young children are currently increasing due to low vaccination coverage.

The NHS vaccination programmes sets out a schedule of when vaccinations should be given to provide the best protection against illness.

## **Training and Development**

# Want to know more about...Alcohol and illicit drug use in pregnancy 2 July, 10.00 to 11.00am

Alcohol and/or illicit drug use in pregnancy is an increasing problem and can cause harm to the pregnant person and the unborn baby. Early intervention and treatment are essential to promote a healthy outcome for both.

This webinar is suitable for anyone with a professional interest in these areas and will enhance your knowledge when working with pregnant people and their families.

# Want to know more about... Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) 10 July, 1pm to 2pm

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) occurs when medicines used to fight infections lose their effectiveness because the organisms they target have evolved or acquired adaptations to survive.

AMR is a growing problem; in 2019, it was directly responsible for about 1.27 million deaths globally and by 2050, the UN estimates that this number could rise to 10 million deaths per annum. Sustained action is required to curb inappropriate use of antibiotics, the main driver of AMR.

This webinar is suitable for anyone who has contact with the general public; whether you work in health and social care, education, early years or someone who works or volunteers in the community.

# Want to know more about... Walk it ride it project 17 July, 10am to 11am

The Department for Transport has funded Leeds City Council to deliver an Active Travel Social Prescribing project focusing on the Burmantofts, Harehills and Richmond Hill (BHR) parts of Leeds. The aim is to provide more opportunities for people to access walking, cycling and wheeling provision within BHR.

This session is suitable for healthcare professionals, third sector workers and those involved with wider public health work across the city.

## 8. Housing

## <u>Performance Information: February 2024</u> Garforth

## **Voids Levels (empty properties)**

Demand for properties remains high across my management area, especially for houses. The Lettings Team have worked hard to reduce the number of ready to let properties and currently have just 3 in the area where applicants have been identified.

## **Income Collection**

Our rent collection figures at week 10 are:

Garforth - 97.83%

Comparing figures to the same week last financial year, collection has increased by 2.20% and a reduction in rent arrears of £26,902.66.

We are working closely with our residents to maximise their income, particularly through the cost-of-living crisis, by referring cases through to Benefit Advisors, assisting with Discretionary Housing Payments in acute cases and involving third party support agencies.

We continue to make referrals to Leeds Credit Union for tenants who would benefit from budgeting accounts and who are experiencing the effects of the cost-of-living crisis. Our Housing Officer (Income) is working with our more complex cases, linking in with support agencies, to ensure tenants receive advice on how they can maximise their incomes.

We have also secured government funding via the Housing Support Fund to assist tenants in financial hardship and the Garforth office has been awarded £7,218.89

### **ASB**

Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the correct team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). The team have strong links with local police officers to share information.

There are 3 open ASB cases across Garforth and the surrounding villages which are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader. 6 weekly partnership working meetings booking in with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams.

#### **Annual Tenancy Check-in (ATCI)**

We are currently in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the ATCI cycle with all remaining tenants not visited in the last 2 years now requiring a visit. The team are focusing on those tenancies that have not had a visit in the last 3 years and are making good progress and have visited 13.70% of our tenants since April.

#### **Environmental Actions Team**

Quarter 1 Estate are underway, and teams have access to the Skill Mill scheme, where referrals can be made for ad-hoc estate improvement work. If any tenants or members do want to have a walkabout in their area just contact their Housing Officer who would be happy to arrange.

<u>Performance Information: July 2024</u> Swarcliffe and Halton Moor Housing Office

### **Voids Levels (empty properties)**

Demand for properties remains high across my management area, especially for houses. The Lettings Team is working hard to ensure properties are allocated in a timely manner.

Referrals continue to be made for issues and waste/fly tipping, which is aimed to remove the items in a timely manner to ensure properties enjoy an appealing kerb-side appeal.

Current number of Ready to Lets are as follows:

Swarcliffe/Whinmoor – 4 Halton Moor/Osmondthorpe – 1 Total - 5

## **Income Collection**

Our rent collection figures at week 11 are:

Swarcliffe -95.04% Halton Moor -93.25%

Comparing figures to the same week last financial year, Swarcliffe's collection has increased by 2.85% and Halton Moor has increased by 3.95%.

We are working closely with our residents to maximise their income, particularly through the cost-of-living crisis, by referring cases through to Benefit Advisors, assisting with Discretionary Housing Payments in acute cases and involving third party support agencies. We are also supporting our most vulnerable customers by utilising the Housing Support Fund to assist with rent arrears.

We continue to make referrals to Leeds Credit Union for tenants who would benefit from budgeting accounts and who are experiencing the effects of the cost-of-living crisis. Our Housing Officer (Income) is working with our more complex cases, linking in with support agencies, to ensure tenants receive advice on how they can maximise their incomes.

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Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the correct team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). The team have strong links with local police officers to share information.

There are 7 ASB cases across the Swarcliffe and Halton Moor areas which are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader.

6 weekly partnership working meetings booking in with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams.

## **Annual Tenancy Check-in (ATCI)**

We are now into the third cycle of the Annual Tenancy Check-in programme. Officers aim to complete 100% of visits by the end of the financial year. For those customers who we are finding difficult to access, officers are to follow the enforcement process to gain access.

## **Environmental Actions Team**

Quarter 1 Estate Walkabouts have been carried out. The main issues identified during the walkabouts is fly tipping. Housing Officers are ensuring they are reporting any fly tipping on the estate whilst carrying out their day-to-day duties. Teams have access to the Skill Mill scheme, where referrals can be made for ad-hoc estate improvement work.

## 9. Community Engagement: Social Media

**Appendix 1 Social Media Report** provides the Committee with information on posts, and details recent social media activity for the Outer East Community Committee Facebook page. The report highlights key themes promoted through social media posts, as well as topics addressed relevant to the period. The report covers the period of April to July 2024.

## **Corporate Considerations**

## 10. Consultation and Engagement

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

## 11. Equality and Diversity/ Cohesion and Integration

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.

#### 12. Council Polices and City Priorities

Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

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

## 13. Resources and Value for Money

Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

## 14. Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

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

## 15. Risk Management

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

## **Conclusions**

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

## Recommendations

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

## Background documents<sup>1</sup>

**18.** None.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

## Agenda Item 12





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Outer East Community Committee

Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington,

**Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam** 

Report author: Oliver Taylor, Localities Officer Tel: 0113 37 89953

Date: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 For Information

## **Outer East Community Committee - Update Report**

## **Purpose of report**

- 1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Safer Stronger 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

- 1. Members will have considered Appointments to Outside Bodies and Community Champions elsewhere on the Community Committee agenda. Members are now asked to make nominations to each of the Inner East Community Committee Subgroups for 2024/25.
- 2. Updates by theme

The 2023/24 representatives are shown below:

Sub Group	Number of places	Current appointees	Community Committee Champion
Children & Families	4	Cllr Michael Millar (K&M) - Chair Cllr Nicole Sharpe (TN) Cllr Sarah Field (G&S) Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W)	Cllr M Millar
Community Safety	4	Cllr Mary Harland (K&M) - Chair Cllr Mark Dobson (G&S) Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W) Cllr Nicole Sharpe (TN)	Cllr Mary Harland
Environment	4	Cllr Pauleen Grahame (C&W) - Chair Cllr Mary Harland (K&M) Cllr Helen Hayden (TN) Cllr Suzanne McCormack (G&S)	Cllr Pauleen Grahame

Members are invited to nominate representatives for each of the Outer East Community Committee Sub Groups.

## 3. Children and Families: Champion Cllr Michael Millar

### Leeds Youth Service

During the January to March 2024 period Leeds Youth Service Core Youth Work Team in the Outer East area delivered a range of good quality sessions for young people aged 11 to 17 years of age, the sessions included a variety of informal learning opportunities that developed life skills through positive interaction. Sessions were delivered in partnership where possible and focussed on issues relevant to young people.

The key elements of the Leeds Youth Work Vision and the Department for Education

Overall, the Youth Service SSE Core Team delivered <u>168</u> Youth Work sessions between January to March 2024. Compared to the same quarter in 2023 this was a reduction of <u>3</u> Core Youth Work sessions.

Overall engagement levels in the Core Youth Work programmes were <u>549</u> known young people and **130** Unknown young people.

The Accumulative attendance in Core Youth Work sessions by young people across the South, Southeast area was **2830**.

Individuals from most deprived LSOA areas - 356

Individuals from least deprived LSOA areas - 170

Individuals from unknown LSOA areas - 3

Priorities during this quarter was to ensure that the programme was inclusive and accessible by all, Youth Workers continued to ensure the correct monitoring aspects aligned to young people being a carer, having a disability or from culturally diverse communities was recorded effectively. The level of culturally diverse young people remained at <u>64%</u>, the number of Carers engaging dropped by <u>-1</u> young person and the number of young people with a disability increased to <u>6</u> engaging in Core Youth Work sessions.

## Youth work will be valued and understood -

National Youth Agency Conference - Core Youth Workers engaged in the National Youth Agency Conference in March 2024, the road show focussed on the responsibility and need of Local Authorities to ensure a Youth Work Offer was available to young people, the conference enabled local partners to explore what guidance was available and to ensure good quality Youth Work was being delivered across the Yorkshire & Humber area.

<u>Publicity & social media</u> - Youth Workers have continued to promote the opportunities for young people by publicising on the three social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram & X (Formally Twitter) to ensure young people and parents are aware of the opportunities for young people. A range of leaflets & flyers are also available and are currently being updated following the young people choosing a new logo for Leeds Youth Service.

## Participation and Empowerment -

<u>Knife Angel Consultation</u> - Young people from the Youth Service SSE Core Youth Work sessions have been engaging young people in consultation regards the name of the project to be utilised when the knife Angel come to Leeds, young people focussed on the history of the Knife Angel and the aims for Leeds and used their creativity skills to provide suggestions. The overall winner was "Project Shield".



<u>Halton Moor Youth Matters</u> - Young people from the Halton Moor Youth Matters engaged with Councillors during their weekly session and during a community meeting during February & March. The three local councillors engaged in the weekly session and talked with young people about what they feel are the local issues / priorities for the areas. The young people also attended a public meeting with Councillors to ensure the views of young people were included in making decisions in the ward.

<u>IOPC Consultation</u> - Group member from the Independent Office Police Complaints attended several Core Youth Work sessions in January & February, the group explored what young people's knowledge was of their rights during incidents with Police and how they could complain to the IOPC. The sessions were very informative with feedback from young people being extremely positive and that they learnt a lot regards their rights from the sessions.



<u>YS Logo</u> - Young people from across the South, Southeast area engaged in the choosing of the updated Youth Service logo, young people attending sessions were asked to vote on the three options. Overall, Three Hundred & Ninety-Nine young people engaged in the consultation from the SSE area.

## Collaboration -

<u>Project Shield</u> - Youth Workers from the SSE Core Youth Work Team partnered with West Yorkshire Police, Youth Offending Service and the Violence Reduction Partnership to engage 500+ young people in 30 Project Shield sessions during the month of February, the SSE sessions explored young people's understanding of the law when carrying a knife, the dangers of carrying a knife and the impact it can have on a life using a knife. Using the Virtual Reality Headsets and a programme of awareness the young people explored the potential dangers / consequences.

<u>Leeds United Foundation</u> - Youth Service SSE Core Team has continued to engage in the partnership with the Leeds United Foundation, this enables several weekly sessions to offer young people the opportunity to develop skills, fitness levels and control their anger. The sessions engage young people aged 11+ with coaches who endeavour to guide young people around safe play, positive communication, and skill development.

<u>Community Safety Tasking Meetings</u> - The Youth Service Core Team continues to engage in the Community Safety meetings within each of the areas to ensure issues identified relating to young people are addressed, working with LASBT, Police & Housing the meeting enables respective agencies to address local issues and identify hot spot areas. Detached Youth Workers focus on the areas / locations where reports are aligned to young people.

## Inclusiveness, equality, and diversity -

<u>Volunteers</u> - Youth Service Localities Core offer continues to recruit local volunteers to support with the delivery of Youth Work sessions in the area, some are young people who have experienced Youth Work and what to give something back while other contact the service and express an interest, overall SSE Core Youth Work team has ten active volunteers providing support to Youth Work programmes. The volunteers are inducted, undertake a DBS and offered training relevant to the position.

<u>YAF Consultation</u> - Youth People from across the SSE Core Youth Work provision have been encouraged to have their say on the Youth Activity Fund, young people completed the consultation forms with the aim of influencing how the Youth Activity Fund is spent within each of the respective wedges.

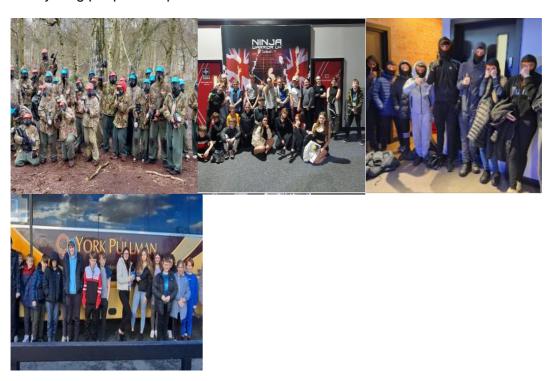
### Respect and positivity -

World Religion Day - Young people from Outer East Core youth work sessions were engaged in cultural awareness and celebrations as part of world religion day in January, Youth Workers provided a range of activities for young people to participate in, discussions, recognising cultural festivals, cultural symbols & quizzes, and an understanding around religion and what it means to people. The sessions involved information about the 6 main religions, young people were encouraged to look at similarities in what the groups believe. Lots of young people in the session expressed that they have no religion but have friend that have. Young people shared food to celebrate the day.

<u>Sexual Health Work</u> - Youth Workers from the Core Youth Work Team continue to provide and facilitate the C Card 3 in 1 project across the local provisions where age appropriate. The Youth Work enable young people to ask questions in a safe & confidential space whilst also offering access to relationship information, resources, and testing facilities. The scheme primarily targets the 13+ age group and requires young people to register.

## Quality, safety, and well-being -

<u>February School Holiday</u> - Youth Workers from the Core Youth Work Team engaged young people in a diversionary programme during the February School Holiday period, Youth Workers worked with local Youth Matters groups to identify which venues to visit. The week offered a range of local and wider afield venues including Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Go Karting at Tockwith, Wrestling at UK Wrestling Batley, Tree Top Challenge at Go-Ape, Bowling, E Karting & Snow-zone at Castleford Xscape, Ninja Warrior at Leeds, and a range of outdoor team challenges at Carlton Lodge, York. The engagement levels were high and feedback from young people was positive.



<u>Alcohol Awareness Sessions</u> - Young people were able to find out more about dangers & legality of alcohol use, young people explored drinking culture, binge drinking, health issues, social issues and safety through an informative session and were able to invent non-alcoholic drinks and mocktails using a range of fruit juices, low sugar mixers, flavourings and decorations.

## 4. Community Safety: Champion Cllr Mary Harland

## Police Update

Serious and Acquisitive Crime Demand Data:

Crossgates and Whinmoor Crime			
Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	4	1	3
Burglary - residential	15	14	1
Robbery	3	6	3
Theft from motor vehicle	4	7	3
Theft from the person	0	0	0
Theft of motor vehicle	3	4	1
Grand Total	29	32	3

Garforth and Swillington Crime Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	1	4	3
Robbery	1	1	0
Theft from motor vehicle	0	1	1
Theft from the person	1	8	7
Theft of motor vehicle	1	6	5
Grand Total	5	21	16

Kippax and Methley Crime Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	13	9	4
Robbery	2	0	2
Theft from motor vehicle	1	2	1
Theft from the person	1	1	0
Theft of motor vehicle	5	6	1
Grand Total	23	19	4

Temple Newsam and Halton Crime			
Category	May - Jun 23	May - Jun 24	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	1	0
Burglary - residential	6	1	5
Robbery	2	2	0
Theft from motor vehicle	4	4	0
Theft from person	63	18	45
Theft of motor vehicle	5	4	1
Grand Total	81	30	51

Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Demand Data:

Crossgates and Whinmoor ASB	Maria Jamas 00	Maria Jamas 04	01
Call Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	2	2	0
Alcohol	3	1	2
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	2	2
Neighbour related	1	0	1
Nuisance car/van	3	5	2
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	14	6	8
Youth related	12	10	2
Grand Total	35	26	9

Garforth and Swillington ASB Call			
Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	1	2	1
Alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	1	1	0
Nuisance car/van	2	2	0
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	2	3	1
Youth related	5	0	5
Grand Total	11	8	3

Kippax and Methley ASB Call			
Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	5	1	4
Alcohol	0	0	0
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	1	0	1
Neighbour related	1	0	1
Nuisance car/van	0	0	0
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	20	14	6
Youth related	7	3	4
Grand Total	34	18	16

Temple Newsam and Halton ASB Call Category	May - June 23	May - June 24	Change
Adult nuisance - non-alcohol related	1	2	1
Alcohol	2	1	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	2	1	1
Nuisance car/van	7	13	6
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	5	16	11
Youth related	11	2	9

Grand Total	28	35	7
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## 5. Environment: Champion Cllr Pauleen Grahame

CNT Report for Garfoth/Swillington and Kippax/Methley

Figures from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024

	Garforth/Swillington	Kippax/Methley
S_FLYT	1	3
E_FLYT	2	3
S_LITR	0	1
S_ROAD	3	1
H_OVEG	6	3
E_WIG	0	1
S_SCBC	0	0

### **Description of above codes:**

**S**\_FLYT: Fly tipping that has been collected proactively or reported to us which doesn't contain evidence and no further actions can be taken.

**E\_FLYT:** Fly tipping found/reported which contains evidence and some further action is taken by Enforcement.

**S\_LITR:** Reports to service about litter issues

**S\_ROAD:** Reports to service about streets requiring sweeping.

**H\_OVEG:** Reports to service of issues relating to overgrown vegetation affecting the Highway.

**E\_WIG:** Reports to service about Waste in gardens.

**S SCBC:** Scheduled Civic/ Bulky Collections (free waste collections from households)

The above figures have been taken over an approximate 2-month period, as you can see there are no major increases across the board.

There is a larger amount of overgrown vegetation jobs reported due to the time of year, but these are still very low considering that the area is quite rural, so this shows that more residents in these areas take a greater responsibility with regards their gardens and premises in comparison to some other wards within the South Localities jurisdiction.

We haven't had many complaints/requests for service from residents throughout the whole area and I personally believe that this is due to the proactive work of our streets teams, as well as the close working relationship our crews and team as a whole have with elected members as issues can be identified dealt with well before any resident has to raise a complaint.

If there are any issues with regards anything in this report or any elected member wishes to ask anything with regards the area and the service, we provide then please feel free to contact me direct.

### 6. Leedswatch

#### Introduction

This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Outer East area committee, for the six month period, 1<sup>st</sup> October to 29<sup>th</sup> March

#### Cameras in the Outer East area:

The following cameras were used to capture incidents in the Outer East area;

- 34- Garforth and Swillington
- 35- Garforth and Swillington
- 36- Kippax and Methley
- 37- Kippax and Methley
- 237- Naburn Approach, Whinmoor
- 356- Halton Village
- 357- Halton Village
- 363- Crossgates
- 364- Crossgates

## **GDPR - Information Sharing**

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

#### Incidents captured by CCTV operators:

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 Outer East Area.

#### **Requests for new Cameras**

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.

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.).

A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.

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.

## Recommendations

Contents of report to be noted.

## CCTV incidents captured 1st October to 29th March 2024

Camera Number	34	35	36	37	237	356	357	363	364	Total incidents per category
Alarm Activation										0
ASB		1			1				6	8
Cash In Transit										0
Drugs							1			1
Enforcement										0
Fire										0
Health & Safety	1	1						2	1	5
Metro										0
Police Operation	1	1	1	1				1		5
Public Order	4	1	2							7
Road Traffic						1		2	1	4
Sexual Offences										0
Suspicious Events									1	1
Travellers										0
Theft							1			1
Total Per Camera	6	4	3	1	1	1	2	5	9	32

## 7. Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Champion Cllr James Gibson

## Health and Wellbeing update

### **UK** smoking ban

MPs have voted to back the Government's plans to create a smokefree generation. Leeds City Council along with other public health leaders across West Yorkshire, were fully supportive of the plans calling it a "game-changer" in work to reduce smoking rates by prohibiting the sale of tobacco products to anyone born on or after 1 January 2009. It is not about stopping people who currently smoke from buying tobacco and will not impact their rights or entitlements.

The Tobacco and Vapes Bill aims to create the first ever smokefree generation. This will ensure that future generations are protected from the harmful impacts of smoking. And in response to a huge rise in the number of children using vapes, the Bill will also introduce new powers that restrict vape flavours and packaging that is intentionally marketed at children. The powers will also allow government to change how vapes are displayed in shops, moving them out of sight of children and away from products that appeal to them, like sweets.

An interesting fact is that it is estimated that smoking costs Leeds £216.3m in terms of health and social care needs, productivity loss and fires, which is more than double the amount that is brought into Leeds through taxation of tobacco.

It is hoped that creating a smokefree generation will help to level-up the UK because smoking is one of the most significant and preventable drivers of disparities in health outcomes.

#### Youth vaping campaign

Colleagues from public health and communications have been running a campaign to tackle the rise in youth vaping and sale of illicit vapes. Working with West Yorkshire Trading Standards, the campaign targeted retailers who were selling illicit vapes or selling vapes illegally to under 18s. An operation with West Yorkshire Police resulted in over 16,000 illicit vapes being seized from a number of Leeds retailers. The work was supported by an information and awareness campaign targeting parents, alongside work with schools, which saw high levels of social media engagement and visits to the Talk to Frank website for advice about the risks of underage vaping.

You can report any concerns regarding sales of vapes to Trading Standards via the Citizens Advice phone number (0800 223 1133)

#### Leeds NHS Health Checks Procurement - new contract awarded

Following a re-procurement process, it has been announced that the Leeds GP Confederation will continue to deliver the NHS Health Check programme to the eligible population of Leeds.

The new contract will maintain the NHS Health Check programme being delivered predominantly within General Practice (GP) alongside some potential testing of community

outreach approaches. The service will also work with the third and voluntary sector to raise the profile of the NHS Health Check and maximise uptake in key communities.

The main component of the Leeds NHS Health Check contract is its focus on reducing health inequalities and it will continue to target the groups 'most likely to benefit' from an NHS Health Check whilst maintaining a universal offer to the Leeds eligible population.

The contract took effect from 1 April 2024 and will expire on 31 March 2029.

If you have any questions email <u>carl.mackie@leeds.gov.uk</u> or <u>hanna.kaye@leeds.gov.uk</u>.

## **Being You Leeds**

Launched in 2023, Being You Leeds is an enhanced wellbeing programme, commissioned by public health to work with communities most at risk of poor mental health. It recently won the national FPH Public Mental Health Award in recognition of its innovative approach to keeping people mentally well and addressing mental health inequalities.

Positive wellbeing is promoted in three ways:

- delivering co-produced community-based groups and activities focusing on wellbeing, aiming to build networks, boost mood and improve resilience
- providing training to staff and volunteers in community organisations working in areas of high deprivation
- tackling mental health stigma and discrimination

It is delivered by a partnership of third sector organisations: Touchstone, Barca, Hamara, Health for All, Holbeck Together, LS14 Trust, Women's Health Matters, Community Links and Humans Being.

For information or guidance on referrals contact: BeingYouLeedsTeam@touchstonesupport.org.uk

#### Covid: spring vaccine programme

The national booking system for the spring Covid vaccine opened on 15 April with vaccinations due to start on 22 April and run to the end of June. Residents in care homes for older adults and eligible housebound individuals started to receive their vaccinations on 15 April.

Eligible people can book their vaccination online via the national booking system, or via the NHS App.

The vaccine is being offered to those at high risk of serious disease and therefore most likely to benefit. This includes the following groups:

- adults aged 75 years and over
- residents in a care home for older adults
- individuals aged 6 months and over who are immunosuppressed

#### Flu immunisation plan 2024/25

No changes have been made to the groups of people eligible for the flu vaccination this year. However, there is a change to the timing. Based on evidence that the vaccine's effectiveness can wane over time the start of the programme for most adults will be the beginning of October and should be completed by the end of November, closer to the time the flu season commonly starts. This should provide optimal protection during the highest risk period.

## Avian flu guidance

Although the risk from avian flu remains very low, UKHSA have published new guidance for the public on how to keep themselves safe from catching it from wild birds by minimising contact.

## **Campaigns**

#### Tick awareness

UKHSA have launched their annual tick awareness campaign which runs throughout the spring and summer months when ticks are most active. Ticks can carry infections, including Lyme disease and tick-borne encephalitis.

## Mental health provider forums

Within working age adults commissioning, our mental health sector team works with providers of mental health services in the city with 53 supported living services and 26 residential services. Following feedback from providers we now facilitate mental health provider forums every three months and have covered topics such as anti-social behaviour, community policing, and housing and move-on.

Our team's vision was to bring a transformational approach to the ways we work with our mental health providers by bringing them together and making the most of our partnership working through the forums. There is evidence that people with mental health issues experience considerable discrimination and stigma in society, work, accommodation, and health outcomes. By working proactively with our mental health providers, we can make a real difference to improve outcomes in the community for the most vulnerable people in our city. The forums encourage providers to be aspirational for all their residents and to support them in their recovery by building on their strengths and meeting diverse needs.

## **World Immunisation Week**

This annual week is a global campaign to raise awareness of the importance of vaccinations. Vaccinations across the life course save lives and protect health. Second only to clean water it is the most effective public health intervention to prevent disease.

Through the successful delivery of vaccination programmes some diseases that were common such as smallpox and polio are now very rare, and millions of people worldwide have been protected from severe illness and death.

However, in recent years there has been a decline in the uptake of vaccinations, as population coverage targets for some diseases have not been maintained. In England, measles, which was eliminated in 2016 has re-emerged and cases of whooping cough in young children are currently increasing due to low vaccination coverage.

The NHS vaccination programmes sets out a schedule of when vaccinations should be given to provide the best protection against illness.

## **Training and Development**

# Want to know more about...Alcohol and illicit drug use in pregnancy 2 July, 10.00 to 11.00am

Alcohol and/or illicit drug use in pregnancy is an increasing problem and can cause harm to the pregnant person and the unborn baby. Early intervention and treatment are essential to promote a healthy outcome for both.

This webinar is suitable for anyone with a professional interest in these areas and will enhance your knowledge when working with pregnant people and their families.

# Want to know more about... Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) 10 July, 1pm to 2pm

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) occurs when medicines used to fight infections lose their effectiveness because the organisms they target have evolved or acquired adaptations to survive.

AMR is a growing problem; in 2019, it was directly responsible for about 1.27 million deaths globally and by 2050, the UN estimates that this number could rise to 10 million deaths per annum. Sustained action is required to curb inappropriate use of antibiotics, the main driver of AMR.

This webinar is suitable for anyone who has contact with the general public; whether you work in health and social care, education, early years or someone who works or volunteers in the community.

# Want to know more about... Walk it ride it project 17 July, 10am to 11am

The Department for Transport has funded Leeds City Council to deliver an Active Travel Social Prescribing project focusing on the Burmantofts, Harehills and Richmond Hill (BHR) parts of Leeds. The aim is to provide more opportunities for people to access walking, cycling and wheeling provision within BHR.

This session is suitable for healthcare professionals, third sector workers and those involved with wider public health work across the city.

## 8. Housing

## <u>Performance Information: February 2024</u> Garforth

## **Voids Levels (empty properties)**

Demand for properties remains high across my management area, especially for houses. The Lettings Team have worked hard to reduce the number of ready to let properties and currently have just 3 in the area where applicants have been identified.

## **Income Collection**

Our rent collection figures at week 10 are:

Garforth - 97.83%

Comparing figures to the same week last financial year, collection has increased by 2.20% and a reduction in rent arrears of £26,902.66.

We are working closely with our residents to maximise their income, particularly through the cost-of-living crisis, by referring cases through to Benefit Advisors, assisting with Discretionary Housing Payments in acute cases and involving third party support agencies.

We continue to make referrals to Leeds Credit Union for tenants who would benefit from budgeting accounts and who are experiencing the effects of the cost-of-living crisis. Our Housing Officer (Income) is working with our more complex cases, linking in with support agencies, to ensure tenants receive advice on how they can maximise their incomes.

We have also secured government funding via the Housing Support Fund to assist tenants in financial hardship and the Garforth office has been awarded £7,218.89

## **ASB**

Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the correct team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). The team have strong links with local police officers to share information.

There are 3 open ASB cases across Garforth and the surrounding villages which are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader. 6 weekly partnership working meetings booking in with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams.

#### **Annual Tenancy Check-in (ATCI)**

We are currently in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the ATCI cycle with all remaining tenants not visited in the last 2 years now requiring a visit. The team are focusing on those tenancies that have not had a visit in the last 3 years and are making good progress and have visited 13.70% of our tenants since April.

#### **Environmental Actions Team**

Quarter 1 Estate are underway, and teams have access to the Skill Mill scheme, where referrals can be made for ad-hoc estate improvement work. If any tenants or members do want to have a walkabout in their area just contact their Housing Officer who would be happy to arrange.

<u>Performance Information: July 2024</u> Swarcliffe and Halton Moor Housing Office

### **Voids Levels (empty properties)**

Demand for properties remains high across my management area, especially for houses. The Lettings Team is working hard to ensure properties are allocated in a timely manner.

Referrals continue to be made for issues and waste/fly tipping, which is aimed to remove the items in a timely manner to ensure properties enjoy an appealing kerb-side appeal.

Current number of Ready to Lets are as follows:

Swarcliffe/Whinmoor – 4 Halton Moor/Osmondthorpe – 1 Total - 5

## **Income Collection**

Our rent collection figures at week 11 are:

Swarcliffe -95.04% Halton Moor -93.25%

Comparing figures to the same week last financial year, Swarcliffe's collection has increased by 2.85% and Halton Moor has increased by 3.95%.

We are working closely with our residents to maximise their income, particularly through the cost-of-living crisis, by referring cases through to Benefit Advisors, assisting with Discretionary Housing Payments in acute cases and involving third party support agencies. We are also supporting our most vulnerable customers by utilising the Housing Support Fund to assist with rent arrears.

We continue to make referrals to Leeds Credit Union for tenants who would benefit from budgeting accounts and who are experiencing the effects of the cost-of-living crisis. Our Housing Officer (Income) is working with our more complex cases, linking in with support agencies, to ensure tenants receive advice on how they can maximise their incomes.

## **ASB**

Focus on directing customers to Triage Team for ASB who will risk assess every complaint, set out expectations in terms of reporting and ensure that the cases are passed to the correct team (Housing, LASBT or no further action). The team have strong links with local police officers to share information.

There are 7 ASB cases across the Swarcliffe and Halton Moor areas which are managed by the Housing Officers and reviewed monthly by the Team Leader.

6 weekly partnership working meetings booking in with the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team to share information and discuss ongoing cases between the teams.

## **Annual Tenancy Check-in (ATCI)**

We are now into the third cycle of the Annual Tenancy Check-in programme. Officers aim to complete 100% of visits by the end of the financial year. For those customers who we are finding difficult to access, officers are to follow the enforcement process to gain access.

## **Environmental Actions Team**

Quarter 1 Estate Walkabouts have been carried out. The main issues identified during the walkabouts is fly tipping. Housing Officers are ensuring they are reporting any fly tipping on the estate whilst carrying out their day-to-day duties. Teams have access to the Skill Mill scheme, where referrals can be made for ad-hoc estate improvement work.

## **Corporate Considerations**

## 9. Consultation and Engagement

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

## 10. Equality and Diversity/ Cohesion and Integration

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.

## 11. Council Polices and City Priorities

Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

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

#### 12. Resources and Value for Money

Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

## 13. Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

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

#### 14. Risk Management

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

## **Conclusions**

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

## Recommendations

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

## Background documents<sup>1</sup>

17. None.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.