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## **Inner South Community Committee**

Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

# Meeting to be held in Beeston Hill United Free Church Malvern Road Leeds LS11 8PD

Wednesday, 4th September, 2024 at 1.30 pm

### **Councillors:**

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A Maloney

A Scopes

E Carlisle

M Igbal

P Wray

R Chesterfield

W Dixon

E Pogson-Golden

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Beeston & Holbeck - Holbeck Engine Shed; Millennium Gardens
Hunslet & Riverside - Thwaite Mills canal side; Bridgewater Place
Middleton Park – Middleton Railway; South Leeds Academy

### AGENDA

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1			APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS	
			To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded). (*In accordance with Procedure Rule 15.2, written notice of an appeal must be received by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting)	
2			EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
			1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, 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:-	
			<b>RESOLVED –</b> 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 present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:	
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)	

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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	7 - 22
			To receive the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 1 <sup>st</sup> of July 2024, for approval as a correct record	
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			INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - UPDATE REPORT	23 - 44
			To consider the report of the Head of Locality Partnerships providing an overall update on the work that the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities to request further information on a particular issue.	

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9			INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - FINANCE REPORT	45 - 58
			To consider the report of the Head of Locality Partnerships which provides an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy budget for 2024/25.	
10			DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING	
			To note the date and time of the next meeting as the 21st of November 2024 at 1:30pm.	
			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 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>	



#### INNER SOUTH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 1ST JULY, 2024

**PRESENT:** Councillor M Igbal in the Chair

Councillors S Ali, E Carlisle, W Dixon, A Maloney, E Pogson-Golden, A Scopes

and P Wray

## 1 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents There were no appeals.

## 2 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public There was no exempt information.

#### 3 Late Items

There were no formal late items.

### 4 Declaration of Interests

The following declarations of interest were made at the meeting: Councillor Paul Wray declared 'Other Registerable Interests' in relation to Agenda Item 11, Inner South Community Committee Finance Report with his involvement, in a voluntary capacity only, with Friends of Cross Flatts Park Committee, Involve Centre and Hunslet Carr Primary School.

For more information, minute 11 refers below.

### 5 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Chesterfield.

### 6 Minutes - 28th of February 2024

**RESOLVED -** That the minutes of the meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 be confirmed as a correct record.

### 7 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.

The following submissions were made as part of the Open Forum:

### Persistent Begging

A local resident raised concerns regarding persistent begging occurring in and around the area, particularly around the local social club. The issue, along with the increase in the number of homeless people congregating around the social club, had been reported to the Police and some action had been made

to move them on. It was outlined that the issue was increasing within the three Inner South Wards and was affecting communities.

In response the Chair noted the issues seem to stem from the shops nearby the local fire station and that meetings with the Police and Anti Social Behaviour Team had been held to discuss resolutions, as well as the increased presence of sex workers along Tempest Road. Resolutions required a multiagency approach and a sensible use of resources as they were also linked to local trap houses. Councillors received a significant number of emails regarding serious social issues and noted the difficult approach for assisting vulnerable people. A dedicated phone line was to be provided to the local resident that dealt with issues regarding sex workers in the area.

### Belle Isle Tenant Management Organisation (BITMO)

The organisation had been operating in Middleton Park for 20 years and were celebrating through the Belle Isle Gala scheduled for Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2024. The event was self funded, without having requested funds from the Community Committee for 5 year running, but had received some funding support from Leeds Housing Federation and it was hoped a bigger event could be planned next year and promoted by Local Councillors. A summer activities day was also scheduled for local children and families, with a community run kitchen providing food. A pledge was made for Councillors to support the local events and promote local tenant management as BITMO was well thought of by the tenants it engaged with.

### 8 Leeds Streets for All

The report of the Chief Officer Highways and Transportation briefed Ward Members on the Leeds Streets for All campaign which was to go live in September 2024.

The Team Leader (Transport Strategy) and Senior Project Officer from City Development, presented the report and outlined the following information:

- The marketing and consultation branch of the Highways Department was scheduled to run a consultation for the Inner South Wards, beginning in September 2024 and running for 6 weeks. The consultation was to be public facing, requesting local people to outline their traffic and highway infrastructure issues in the area to inform travel plans.
- An animation was played for Members to explain the process for the online consultation, allowing residents to drop a pin and leave an explanation where issues were noted. The aim was to increase accessibility of local areas and amenities and create a more diverse range of travel options.
- The service was attending Community Committee meetings across all Wards to better understand local travel infrastructure issues. The consultation allowed residents to have their say on local area plans and then issues were to be prioritised when funding became available. The consultation was to be primarily ran through a dedicated webpage.

- Issues had been divided into 5 categories: vehicles and parking, walking and wheeling, cycling, bus stops and rail stations and street environment. Upon dropping a pin on the website, it then required selection of one of the 5 categories, in addition to a further text box to provide an opportunity for detailed explanation.
- There had recently been significant works to highways and traffic infrastructure within the city centre and better provision was needed to spread out into outer areas and local communities. Detailed plans based on local consultation responses was to capture funding as it came available with well prepared ideas which would reduce delays.
- Funding was secured from central Government and also allocated by the West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA).
- The consultation also covered green spaces and route plans, supported by traffic engineers and the Climate Energy and Green Spaces department.
- Council initiatives, data and strategies were also considered as part of plan development, including, Vision Zero, school travel patterns, public transport routes, key destinations, Connecting Communities and Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans.
- As an example, data from the Inner West consultation, ran in November 2023, was noted as, 2,300 website visitors, 610 dropped pins, with vehicles and parking being the highest selected category. Paid social media advertisements were the most effective way of building engagement.
- The Inner South consultation was to begin on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September 2024 and was to run for 6 weeks. Although the consultation was focused on the webpage, methods to be accessible were outlined as, information and help at Community Hubs, stakeholders sharing the consultation with wider groups and Leeds Involving People assisting with submissions and information sharing.
- Members were encouraged to share the material with residents and spread the word through schools and surgery sessions.
- Progress monitoring was to be through review of responses and detailed data analysis.

### Members discussions included the following points:

- A link to the animation showed to Members at the beginning of the presentation was to be provided so it could be shown to the public as a useful tool for engaging with the consultation.
- When requesting local residents to engage with consultations, clear timeframes needed to be outlined for the process to provide some clarity as to when alterations to highways and relevant infrastructure would occur.
- A similar consultation had been conducted through the same private partner, Commonplace, and frustration with repat consultations was noted as many accessibility issues had previously been identified yet residents had not seen the required alterations come into fruition. It may thus be difficult for Councillors to promote another run of

- consultation. In response it was noted that the previous active travel survey had been through a different service department.
- The pathway for providing solutions was queried as Members were mindful of not raising expectations without clear plans that addressed issues. In response it was noted that implementing plans was dependent on funding, but the consultation was thorough, with the text box tool providing use for large scale analytics. The plans and maintenance were linked to Asset Management and consultation results were to be shared across services and any forthcoming proposals were to match public responses.
- No additional cost of running the consultation through Commonplace was noted as there was a rolling fee as part of the 3 year contract.
- The 6 week consultation period was able to be extended if expenditure could be justified. There was an intention to create a suite of active schemes which would be specific to each local area.
- Accessibility issues were noted, and given the demographic make up
  of the Inner South area, the translation tool was not fit for purpose. The
  methods for addressing barriers to access were queried. In response it
  was outlined that demographic data was to build a picture of received
  responses and then there was to be an aimed focus to speak to less
  heard from demographic groups.
- Demographic breakdown should incorporate vast data sets, including super output area and Census data to provide an accurate scope of who the consultation reached, Members also noted they may be best suited to assist with bridging gaps to less heard people.
- Members outlined that the notion of the consultation being dependant on future funding needed to be better communicated in order to allow better scrutiny of prioritisation.
- Data sets should be linked other Council statistics, such as health inequalities. This would allow schemes to be developed under better scrutiny and to allow best practise and to front load the consultation to best inform dynamic plans as funding became available.
- It was suggested that site visits were sometimes needed to follow up consultation responses, as they were often required to understand issues properly.
- Third sector input was required in order to provide fair engagement for people who were not able to access the online consultation. iPads were also available for use at Community Hubs, with technical support offered.
- It was confirmed that prize draws were not being considered as a method of encouraging engagement, this was due to budget constraints.
- Neighbourhood associations were suggested as a good arena for engagement. Using local individuals or organisations as champions to open discussions and feedback to the service was also a method that would not be onerous to the Council.
- Increased effort and investment in communications and engagement was needed to drive efficiency, manage expectations and reduce costs.

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

### 9 Council Housing Growth

The report of the Head of Council Housing Growth provided the Inner South Community Committee with a service update for Council Housing Growth.

The Head of Council Housing Growth outlined the following information:

- The service was committed to increasing the number of affordable homes across the district working with various housing associations. Housing provision aimed to be built to high standards whilst spending money wisely.
- The housing growth programme was summarised as, a pledge from 2017 aimed to build 1,212 new affordable homes by 2026, which was on track to be fulfilled with 764 delivered and some interesting and ambitious plans ongoing. Issues had been noted with the changing economic and social climate during and after the pandemic.
- The service worked on both on new buildings and acquisition, with the service having priority as the first referral for re-purchasing houses sold under the right to buy scheme. Buying back properties was considered necessary to increase affordable housing stock.
- Affordable housing stock had increased over the last ten years, with 41% of the 764 delivered homes being Council housing.
- Funding and viability were explained, with half of the service's costs being covered by right to buy receipts and the other half via borrowing. There was no additional funding support, and an account was ringfenced from the Council's budget for Council housing each year. The overall costs, as well as associated interest rates, for delivering schemes had increased.
- Affordable rent was determined as being 80% of the market rate, with the average taken against bought back right to buy properties and social rent.
- Housing standards were changing with a no gas approach favoured, which fits with the climate emergency agenda and also improved energy efficiency and reduced costs. Models for improving bio-diversity and electric charging point provision were supported but added pressure to service provision. It was also noted that the service had won awards and received good feedback from tenants.
- Data for Beeston and Holbeck was noted as, holding 2,300 Council homes and with 1,500 people on the waiting list. The Meynell Approach scheme was a notable new development within the Ward.
- Data for Hunslet and Riverside was outlined as, holding 1,700 Council homes and with 1,700 people on the waiting list. Gascoigne House was a notable new development in the Ward, which provided extra care facilities and linked in with Public Health.
- Data for Middleton Park noted there was 4,000 Council homes, with 1,700 people on the waiting list. Throstle Recreation Ground was a notable development coming forward which focused on social values,

- including a good output for education and training as well as sustainable travel.
- 230 new builds were expected within the Inner South under a 2026-2031 programme.

### Members discussions included the following points:

- In order to meet demand, proposals for medium, gentle density of around 4 to 5 floored social housing were queried against planning policy, to maximise provision. In response it was outlined that provision was led through work with Housing Leeds and there were difficulties in meeting demand. Mid sized apartment blocks were preferred, if the location was suitable, however, planning compliance often complicated plans coming into fruition.
- Mid rise builds were often complicated by locality issues and creative measures to meet needs were sought. Derelict industrial sites were an option but were impacted by issues of land acquisition, accessibility and asset management.
- City Development, Asset Management and the Regeneration services were joined up to develop best practise for increasing affordable housing stock. Sale of land was noted to be at a premium rate and building on Council owned land was easier and more affordable.
- Affordable large homes for large family units were rare, however, needs, and the knock on effects, were understood.
- Housing partners and developers often created mixed estates, with affordable and larger private rented houses for sale. Choices and feasibility needed to be balanced and there was also a push to engage in construction contracts with small and medium sized firms.
- The process for including perceived suitable sites within the site
  allocation plan was queried. In response, it was noted that a local plan
  review had predicted space to provide affordable housing for the next
  seven years and there was a call for sites consultation seeking
  suggestions for land allocations. It was understood that explaining the
  site allocation plans to the public was sometimes difficult.
- It was agreed that that options for site allocation would be looked into further and Members were to be provided with further information after the meeting. Suggestions of suitable options for housing from Members were encouraged.
- Repurposing void and empty housing were a priority of the service; however, this was impacted by timescales and costs.
- With the definition of affordable housing being 80% of market rate, alongside increasing costs of low to medium rent areas, it was noted that affordable housing was still often expensive.
- It was confirmed that the 1,212 new homes were to be built across the whole district of Leeds, and was not specific to the Inner South, but large developments had occurred, and more were planned for the area.
- A report regarding the new homes had been presented to the Executive Board in September 2022 and an update was due for submission. This was to cover increases in values and the impacts to the affordability of repurchasing right to buy properties.

 Information regarding the band breakdown for the 1,700 people on the waiting list in Beeston and Holbeck was agreed to be provided back to Ward Members. Further options to reduce waiting lists were to be explored.

**RESOLVED –** That the report, update, and Members comments, be noted.

### 10 Housing Adaptations

The report of the Head of Health & Housing provided the Inner South Community Committee with an update on the work of the Health & Housing Service in the Inner South Wards and around the whole city.

The Head of Health & Housing outlined the following information:

- The service promoted independent living through provision of home adaptations and helping people move to more suitable properties.
- The service was comprised of 65 staff members, including surveyors and contractors. The annual budget for providing adaptations was £18 million, which covered a wide range of works, from downstairs showers to extensions.
- The national budget for Disability Fund Grants had increased in recent years and was £623 million for 2023-2024. In order to access funds, an occupational therapist conducted assessments to provide access to funds. It was noted to be a good use of money as adaptations kept families and communities together whilst reducing required A+E visits and residential care reliance.
- A list of common adaptations was provided as, showers, ramps, lifts and access improvements.
- The surveying team was comprised of 21 experienced staff members and were nationally recognised as market leaders. They were responsible for design models, schedules and planning adaptation works. They also procured specialist contractors and there was a buoyant recycling scheme for repurposing kit.
- Rehousing required an occupational therapist assessment, and the
  process was supported by independent living officers. Medical priorities
  were divided into band A+, A or B and were determined after an
  assessment generated a referral from Adults Social Care and then
  needs assessment of properties were done.
- Case workers and support staff assisted with accessibility and the bidding process and also offered incentives for property swaps or moving people out of homes better suited to people with complex needs. It was considered a sensible money saving option for the Council if a swap could be done instead of new adaptation work.
- Adaptations and rehousing were determined against a 12 step criteria and also statutory duty requirements, with additional support programmes available for different needs. Child asthma and dementia were examples of common needs that required action.
- As a case study example, photos were shown to Members to outline high level protective works of a project which assisted a child with very specific behavioural needs. Although £170,000 had been spent on the

rehousing and adaptation work for this example, the money had been recouped within 7 months across the services that had previously provided intense support and was outlined as a spend to save approach.

Members discussions included the following points:

- The service's influence of development planning policies, in regard to accessibility regulations, was queried. In response it was noted that planning laws were difficult to overcome but work was ongoing to better join up departments and some influence was held at a local planning level.
- The process for a holistic approach, allowing people to access local areas and amenities was complex as the service was considered insular and was only able to assess properties as far as the curtilage and access points. This was a wider discussion with other services, with consideration to the Social Care Act as the budget for adaptations was restricted.
- Planning permission for fences and relevant adaptation work to secure
  the environment, particularly affecting absconded children, was
  sometimes complex depending on the level of works required,
  however, legislation changes allowed more lenience and also it was
  noted that there was an increase in the number of diagnosed children
  and the need for this type of work was increasing.
- It was suggested that the service could improve links to tenancy management organisations in order for residents to better understand the process and be able to access the service, whilst potentially making the rehousing process easier.
- It was confirmed that a diagnosis was not required for adaptation work, however, it did require an occupational therapist to conduct a needs assessment. The assessment also covered and outlined personal responsibility for families and carers.
- The complaints process for disagreement with an assessment was explained to have multiple steps. There were referral complaints where there was the ability to question the occupational therapist's decision, and then complaints may be escalated to a review panel which was held every Tuesday; an independent review process, which was private, took place every 3 months where an external body would make a final decision. A further step would be through the Ombudsman.
- Time scale standards were outlined as, the first point of contact being the Contact Centre or Social Care, cases were then triaged and given a priority rating, then a standard Social Care assessment may take around 6 months. It was noted that the private sector can provide a quicker turn around process.
- With demand for adaptations increasing against a decreasing service budget, it was noted that expectations were to be managed and clarity regarding timeframes were provided. Time extensions were also sometimes used to stretch the budget, but the service was still meeting Government targets for time scales.

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

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### 11 Inner South 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 (YAF), Capital Budget as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2024/25.

The Localities Officer presented the report, outlining the following information:

- The remaining wellbeing budget balance was detailed on page 30 of the report, with table 1 displaying the Ward breakdown as, Beeston & Holbeck £49,589.73, Hunslet & Riverside £46,671.98 and Middleton Park £52,549.10.
- There had been three applications approved by delegated decision since the last Committee meeting which were for Hunslet Youth Group Rent Costs for £1,440 (wellbeing) from Hunslet & Riverside, Belle Isle Kicks for £3,056 (YAF) from Middleton Park and Sussex Green Vegetation Clearance for £1,170 (CIL) from Hunslet & Riverside.
- The YAF position budget position was available in table 2 at page 41 of the report, with the Ward breakdown as Beeston & Holbeck £10,933.39, Hunslet & Riverside £14,848.20 and Middleton Park £20,075.66.
- The Small Grants and Community Skips budget was available on page 42 of the report, contained within table 3 and 4.
- The Capital budget was detailed at page 42 of the report, contained in table 5 with the Ward breakdown as Beeston & Holbeck £4,489.57, Hunslet & Riverside £8,316.05 and Middleton Park £3,475.86. a further injection of approximately £8,000 was anticipated.
- The remaining CIL budget balance was available on page 43 of the report, and detailed at table 6, with the Ward breakdown as Beeston & Holbeck £50,582.71, Hunslet & Riverside £83,633.49 and Middleton Park £3,963.42. A further injection was expected, which the Localities Officer was to follow up and confirm the anticipated figure for Members.

During consideration of the Finance Report, the following was discussed:

- The proposed ringfence for CCTV cameras was deferred in order to gather further information related to the camera resolution and WYP statistics to measure their effectiveness and scrutinise their worth. It was agreed by Members that if the CCTV cameras met their suitability specifications, they were content to approve by delegated decision.
- The ringfence of £5,000 to the Beeston Hill Priority Neighbourhood was declined as Members requested more information regarding future project proposals.
- With the recommendation to review and agree the Community
  Committee's Minimum conditions, the following amendment was
  proposed and agreed. That if Members are notified of an application
  and given a timescale to respond, if Members do not respond in this
  timescale to take their decision the application was declined. However,
  if a majority in the ward (2 Members) support the application then this
  will be approved as the majority supported the proposal.

- Half of the requested £6,750 was agreed for the Hunslet Corinthians Juniors project. There was a request to review the organisation's operations and their sustainability plans.
- The funding for the Summer Activity Days application was amended as £1,500 and a breakdown of costs was requested.
- The funding for the Summer Bands in Cross Flatts Park application was agreed, however, a sustainability plan was requested.
- The requested funding for the three Out of Schools Programme applications (one for each Ward), increased from £3,195 to £3,465 and was agreed. To assess value for money and the number and diversity of the children the programme engaged with, a breakdown of cost and an engagement report was requested.
- The funding for the Middleton Park Activity Days 2024 was agreed. A
  follow up regarding the dates of the events was requested to seek
  clarity as to whether the event will clash with the Breeze Festival.
- The SID installation Moor Road LS10 application was declined as Members noted that the average speed for this stretch of road was 28mph and alternative methods such as Police enforcement may be more effective. Repurposing SIDs from locations where issues were less frequent was also suggested.
- The funding for the Involve Community Centre notice board was agreed. It was noted that the cost of these models of signage had increased but the quality of materials had improved. The procurement of the materials was queried, and it was suggested that Leeds Wood Recycling may be a good organisation to contact in the future.

### **RESOLVED -**

- a. That the Minimum Conditions be reviewed and agreed, subject to Member's amendment (paragraph 15)
- a) Consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken, *However should no response be received from the majority of Members contacted, then this matter will be deemed as non approved by delegated decision and referred to the next Committee meeting.*
- b) A delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors). However, if a formal objection is received from a Member as part of the consultation process, then that application will be brought before the committee for determination; and
- c) Details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members' information.
- b. That the details regarding the administration of small grants, be noted (paragraph 18)
- c. That the details of the Wellbeing Budget position, be noted (Table 1)
- d. That the Wellbeing/CIL ringfence proposals for consideration and approval, be noted (paragraph 20)
- e. That funding proposals as detailed in the report for consideration, be determined as follows:

The following ringfences were agreed:

£900 to support Community Engagement Activities. Allocation by ward is proposed as follows: (Beeston & Holbeck: £300, Hunslet & Riverside: £300, Middleton Park: £300)

£10,000 (CIL) for Hunslet & Riverside Improvements

£3,000 (£1,000 per ward) for the Inner South Youth Summit

Project Title	Ward	Amount	Decision
Inner South Colostomy Shelves	Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside & Middleton Park	£360 – Beeston & Holbeck: £90 (Capital), Hunslet & Riverside: £180 (CIL), Middleton Park £90 (Wellbeing)	Agreed
Hunslet Carr Backstop Netting	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,500	Agreed
Friends of Middleton Park Summer programme	Middleton Park	£2,530	Agreed
Hunslet Corinthians Juniors	Middleton Park	£3,375 of requested £6,750	Part Agreed
Litter Picking Kits Grants - The Big Clean Up Campaign	Hunslet & Riverside	£3,000	Agreed
Hunslet Square  – Play Markings	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,300	Agreed
Kidz Klub Residentials and 3 day Play	Beeston & Holbeck	£1,436	Agreed

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Out sessions			
Kidz Klub Residential and enriching trips out application	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,436	Agreed
Hunslet Club Eco Gym	Hunslet & Riverside	£20,000	Agreed
Summer Activity Days	Middleton Park	£1,500 of requested £1,935	Part agreed
Upgrading Clubhouse Facilities	Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside and Middleton Park	£2,000	Agreed
Summer Bands in Cross Flatts Park	Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside	£2,971 (£1,485.50 per ward)	Agreed
Premier League KICKS	Beeston & Holbeck	£5,000	Agreed
Hunslet & Riverside Out of Schools programme	Hunslet & Riverside	£3,195	Agreed
Middleton Park Out of Schools programme	Middleton Park	£3,195	Agreed
Beeston & Holbeck Out of Schools programme	Beeston & Holbeck	£3,195	Agreed
Cardinal Square Playing Field Activity Day	Beeston & Holbeck	£1,700	Agreed
Hunslet Moor Activity Day 2024	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,700	Agreed

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Hunslet Church Street playing fields	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,700	Agreed
Middleton Park Activity Days 2024	Middleton Park	£3,400	Agreed
SID installation  – Moor Road LS10	Hunslet & Riverside	£5,000	Declined
Community Well-being and Connecting communities Day Trip	Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside	£2,310 (Beeston & Holbeck: £693 and Hunslet & Riverside: £1,617)	Agreed
Involve Community Centre notice board	Hunslet & Riverside	£1,650	Agreed

- f. That the Wellbeing/YAF/CIL proposals for consideration and approval, be noted (paragraph 29)
- g. That the details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision, be noted (paragraph 52)
- h. That the monitoring information of its funded projects, be noted (paragraph 54)
- i. That the details of the Youth Activities Fund position, be noted (Table 2)
- j. That the details of the Small Grants Budget, be noted (Table 3)
- k. That the details of the Community Skips Budget, be noted (Table 4)
- I. That the details of the Capital Budget, be noted (Table 5)
- m. That the details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget, be noted (Table 6)

### 12 Inner South Community Committee - Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships brought Member's attention to an update of the work in which the Communities Team was engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided opportunities for further questioning or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

The Localities Officer introduced the report, and the following points were highlighted:

- An update from West Yorkshire Police (WYP) was available from page 46 – 54 of the report.
- A CCTV update was detailed at pages 54 and 55 of the report, with a listing of incidents recorded.

- An update from Public Health was available from pages 55 62 of the report.
- A community engagement update for each Ward was detailed on pages 62 and 63 of the report.
- An update from the Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator was available at pages 63 and 64 of the report.
- Appendix 1 contained the social media update and noted the recent most popular or engaged with post was for Let's Move South Leeds. Attempts were being made to boost posts and the profile.

In response to questions from Members, the following points were discussed:

 It was raised that encouraging organisations that engage with the Community Committee may assist with promoting the social media profile. Actions for doing so were suggested as organising a mailing list for shareholders and to include a section on the funding bid application form on sharing posts from the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page.

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

## 13 Community Committee Youth Summit/Youth Activity Fund Consultation Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided an update on the Community Committee Youth Summit and the Youth Activity Fund (YAF) Consultation. The report also sought agreement that consultation with young people, conducted via the Youth Summit and Youth Activity Fund survey, will inform the Youth Activity Fund spend for the 2024/25 financial year

The Localities Officer Presented the report, noting the following:

- The report requested Members to note the Youth Summit update and the YAF Consultation results which had closed in March 2024.
- An infographic was appended which detailed that sports, mixed activity fun days and cooking had been the top three results for preferred activities, determined by the YAF consultation.

#### **RESOLVED -**

- a. That the reflections from the last 12 months, be noted (paragraphs 14 21).
- b. That the details of the Youth Activity Fund consultation survey, be noted (paragraphs 35 37).
- 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.

### 14 Community Committee Appointments 2024/2025

The report of the City Solicitor asked Members to note the appointment of Councillor M Igbal as Chair of the Inner South Community Committee for the

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2024/25 Municipal year and also invited nominations to appointments for Outside Bodies, Local Care Partnerships and Cluster Partnerships. Nominations were also sought for the Corporate Parenting Board and for the themed Community Committee Champion roles.

The Governance Services Officer presented the report, noting, the 2024/25 schedule was available at point 6 at page 82.

The following was discussed:

- The appointment for the Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care Champion was left vacant whilst more information regarding the required duties was sought. It was noted this position was likely to be filled at the next meeting.
- The appointment for the Employment, Skill & Welfare Champion was vacant for the previous municipal year and was also not appointed to during this cycle. The duties and also capacity of the service to hold regular meetings were unclear and the role was also under review as part of the wider Community Committee review.

#### **RESOLVED -**

- a) That the appointment of Councillor Mohammad Iqbal as Chair of the Inner South Community Committee for the 2024/25 Municipal Year be noted.
- b) That the following appointments be made for the 2024/25 Municipal Year:

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Current Appointee(s)
Outside Bodies –		
Belle Isle Senior Action	1	Cllr E Pogson-Golden
Middleton Elderly Aid	1	Cllr E Pogson-Golden
Belle Isle Tenant Management	2	Cllr W Dixon
Organisation (BITMO)		Cllr E Pogson-Golden
<u>Clusters</u> –		
Children's Services Cluster (Beeston and Cottingley and Middleton)	1	Cllr S Ali
Children's Services Cluster	3	Cllr E Pogson-Golden
((JESS) Joint Extended Schools and Services)		Cllr A Scopes
		Cllr E Carlisle

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LCPs - Middleton / Beeston Local Care Partnership	1	Cllr R Chesterfield
Armley Local Care Partnership (Bramley Wortley & Middleton seat)	1	Cllr W Dixon
Champions –		
Environment & Community Safety	1	Cllr M Iqbal
Children's Services	1	Cllr S Ali
Health, Wellbeing & Adult Social Care	1	Vacancy
Employment, Skills & Welfare	1	Vacancy
Corporate Parenting Board	1	Cllr S Ali

### 15 Any Other Business

The following matters were discussed:

### **Housing Voids and Repairs**

As Housing Voids and Repairs had been identified as a forthcoming item for consideration by the Committee, the following main issues were outlined to be of particular interest;

- A breakdown for each area or definition of void housing.
- Timescales for changing the status of or filling occupation for void houses.
- The waiting list for repairs to void housing.
- The categories for non-void housing.
- How the Inner South compared with other Wards in the city district.

### 16 Date and Time of the Next Meeting

**RESOLVED** – That the date and time of the next meeting as Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of September 2024, 1:30pm, be noted.

## Agenda Item 8





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee:

Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

Report author: Robbie Hawley - Localities Officer

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 To Note

### **Inner South Community Committee - Update Report**

### **Purpose of report**

- 1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
- This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

### **Main Issues**

### Children and Families - Champion: Cllr Ali

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

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

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

### **Update from Key Services**

### **Police Update**

### Crime and ASB Overview - Beeston & Holbeck

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

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

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

### <u>ASB</u>

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

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

### **Local Meetings and Events**

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

### **NPT Priorities**

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

- 11.To continue to work in partnership to tackle the problems caused by on-street sex working in the Holbeck area of Leeds. Dedicated officers will conduct intelligence led, high visibility patrols in the Holbeck area and will respond to community concerns raised through the dedicated phone number.
- 12. To continue to work in partnership to tackle anti social behaviour in Cottingley. High visibility patrols in the area to deter anti social behaviour and continue to work with partners to use ASB legislation against offenders.
- 13. Ongoing Updates from NPT Priorities above. Weekly tasking meetings have been held with partners to create bespoke action plans for individuals involved in sex working. Enforcement action has been taken against individuals committing offences in the area.

### <u>Crime and ASB Overview – Hunslet & Riverside</u>

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

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

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

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

### **Local Meetings and Events**

- 14. Hunslet Tasking Meeting 10/09/24 13:00
- 15. Hunslet Tara 04/09/24 18:30
- 16. Contact Points Hunslet Hub 17/09/24 10:00 12:00

### **NPT Priorities**

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

### Updates from previous priorities

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

### Crime and ASB Overview - Middleton Park

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

#### ASB

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

LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHENALIA	0
LITTLING/DIGGS PARAPHENALIA	
NEIGHBOUR RELATED	4
RAYLANDS WAY	
NEWHALL MT	
BODMIN CR	
SISSONS RD	
31330N3 ND	
NUISANCE CAR/VAN	1
WEST GRANGE GRE	
NUISANCE MOTORCYCLE/QUAD BIKE	22
TOWN ST	
CRANMORE LN	
LINGWELL AVE	
MIDDLETON PARK GR	
HOLME WELL RD	
TOWN ST	
MIDDLETON PARK AVE	
ABERFIELD RS	
HELSTON RD	
ABERFIELD GATE	
HELSTON PL	
CRANMORE RS	
MIDDLETON PARK RD	
RING RD	
MIDDLETON PARK RD	
BACK MOUNT PLEASANT	
BACK MOUNT PLEASANT	
RING RD	
BELLE ISLE RD	
TOWN ST	
BELLE ISLE ROAD	
HELSTON RD	
YOUTH RELATED	18
MIDDLETON WAY	
MIDDLETON RD	
BODMIN RD	
BROOM NOOK	
MIDDLETON WAY	
HOLME WELL RD	
SISSONS PL	
MIDDLETON WAY	
BELLE ISLE RD	
TOWN ST	
LOW GRANGE VW	
MURRAY VW	
RING RD	

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

### **Local Meetings and Events**

- 21. Middleton and Belle Isle Community Tasking Meeting 24/09/24 13:30
- 22. Our monthly community meetings occur on the first Monday of each month, 18:00 at the Middleton Elderly Age in conjunction with the Middleton Community Group.

### **NPT Priorities**

- 23. To target the Antisocial vehicle use and criminality involving the use of Off Road Bikes and Quad bikes around the Belle IIse Road, Middleton Park and Middleton Ring Road. We will be continuing to target our patrols in the area to tackle this issue in conjunction with the Off Road bike team. We continue to develop the training of our officers in order to assist in tackling the issue and develop intelligence regarding the storage of the vehicles and offenders involved.
- 24. To Target Drug dealing and antisocial Drug use in the area. We will use intelligence led Policing and High demand reporting areas to identify the areas of drug dealing and ASB use take place and actively target those areas through patrols and disruption. Look to develop intelligence around addresses and offenders linked to the dealing of drugs.

### **Employment & Skills**

### Total number claiming Universal Credit (UC)

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

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

Hunslet & Riverside	1,959	9.1%	4,916	22.9%	5,005	23.4%
Middleton Park	2.159	12.0%	5.200	29.0%	5.316	29.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Rate shows the number of claimants not in employment as a percentage of the working age population

### Universal Credit (Not in Employment)

- 27. The number of people who are claiming Universal Credit (UC) due to unemployment, as of May 2024, in the Inner South Community Committee area is 9,412. This is an increase of 134% since March 2020 (pre-pandemic levels), and an increase of 34 claimants on the previous month.
- 28. The table below shows the number of people claiming Universal Credit (Not in Employment) in Leeds, the Inner South Community Committee area and by ward.

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

<sup>\*</sup>Rate shows the number of claimants not in employment as a percentage of the working age population

### Employment and Skills (E&S) Activities and Provision

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

	Accessing Services		Into W	ork	Improved Skills	
	2023/202 4 (Apr – Mar)	2022/202 3 (Apr – Mar)	2023/202 4 (Apr – Mar)	2022/ 2023 (Apr – Mar)	2023/2024 (Apr – Mar)	2022/ 2023 (Apr – Mar)
Inner South	2,639	2,677	629	665	713	562
Beeston & Holbeck	884	847	171	191	257	194
Hunslet & Riverside	1259	1,287	316	339	348	263
Middleton Park	496	543	142	135	108	105

- 30. During April 2023 to March 2024:
  - 13,513 people accessed the Service, 2,639 of whom were residents from the Inner South.

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

### Leeds Employment Hub

- 31. A single point of contact for all funded programmes and Jobshops which provides tailored and comprehensive support into employment or education to all Leeds residents. Employment Hub Advisors deliver the programme by providing one to one support, tailored preventative and remedial support to Leeds residents who are disadvantaged in the labour market. The Employment Hub Advisors are co-located within the Jobcentre Plus centres across the city. Further funding has been secured which will see the role of the Advisors continue until at least March 2025.
- 32. All Jobshops are open 5 days a week for face-to-face appointments which include Dewsbury Road, Hunslet, St Georges and City Centre Community Hubs.
- 33. The Community Hub Mobile schedule stops include:
  - St. Matthew's Community Centre, St Matthew's St, LS11 9NR Tuesday 10:00 15:30 and Thursdays 09:30 – 12:00
  - Cottingley Heights, Cottingley Vale, LS11 0JL, Wednesdays 09:30 12:00

### Community Learning

- 34. Community Learning provision continues to deliver an effective, broad and inclusive curriculum to support the continuation of learning in collaboration with subcontracted partners. Courses were delivered through a range of models which includes face to face within a community setting, online and through distance learning, opening new opportunities for adults to learn and develop their confidence.
- 35. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 730 courses delivered at 74 community venues in Leeds, with 3,596 residents starting a course. In the Inner South Community Committee area, 69 courses were delivered at 10 venues. 564 residents have started a course. In addition, there were 34 courses delivered on-line.
- 36. For further information on courses available both online and face to face at community venues, please visit: <a href="https://leedsadultlearning.co.uk">https://leedsadultlearning.co.uk</a>

### **Multiply**

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

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

### Community Engagement

- 39. Engagement with a number of community organisations within the area during this period to raise awareness and provide information and advice on the employability and skills support available, job opportunities and a point of contact for referrals for one to one support and access to skills delivery.
- 40. Exploring bespoke skills provision with organisations to meet an identified need. Between April 2023 and March 2024, there have been 109 community engagement activities taken place during this period across the city supporting 3,062 people, of these 21 activities have taken place within the south of the city engaging with 1,228 people.

### School and College Engagement

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

#### Events delivered between January and July 2024

- 42. **Scape Accommodation Recruitment** information sessions were delivered at City Centre Hub in July 2024 to support recruitment into roles for Housekeepers, Night Porters, Maintenance Operatives and Receptionists, 50 people attended. Attendees had the opportunity to engage directly with the recruiter through informal interviews. Those who demonstrated potential were invited to a second interview, moving one step closer to securing a position, all attendees and candidates were signposted for support throughout the process.
- 43. **Connecting Schools to Hospitality** programme matched six schools with hotels across Leeds, a total of 90 students participated in the programme, offering a flexible schedule of 3-4 visits to either the school or hotel. The activities included masterclasses in mocktail making, cooking classes, bedmaking, and other skills development opportunities. The programme concluded with a Celebration Event on 8th July 2024 at Leeds City College Printworks campus, where students who showed exceptional passion or enthusiasm were recognised with an award.

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

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

### Planned Events and Activities

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

### **Employer Engagement**

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

### **Further Information**

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

### Community Engagement – Beeston & Holbeck Ward

### Holbeck Moor Market

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

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

#### **Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside**

#### **UK Shared Prosperity Funding**

- 68. Several organisations across Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside have recently been awarded funding through the UK Shared Prosperity Funding under the Communities and Place strand to increase social action.
- 69. The funding's primary goal is to build pride in a place and increase life chances. The funding is awarded to Leeds City Council by the West Yorkshire Combine Authority (WYCA). The Communities Team have worked with local organisations to develop projects that will increase social action in the six priority wards across the city.
- 70. The below table outlines projects that have been approved and a brief summary of the project ambitions.

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

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

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

# **Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator**

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

#### **Community Engagement: Social Media**

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

#### **Corporate Considerations**

#### **Consultation and Engagement**

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

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

74. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

#### **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 75. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
- Vision for Leeds 2011 30
- Best City Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

### **Resources and Value for Money**

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

# Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

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

#### **Risk Management**

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

#### **Conclusions**

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

#### Recommendations

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

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





# Inner South Community Committee Facebook Page

# **Highlights**

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 - 20<sup>th</sup> August 2024

# **Inner South Community Committee Facebook Page**

The Facebook page for the Inner South Community Committee has continued to provide support, information, and access to multiple services. With regular updates, the number of followers and interactions has been reflected in the interaction of the local community. Since 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page has gained **3 new followers**, making a total of **1,876 followers** in total.

This means that this is the **second** most popular Community Committee page.

There are two things to note in general:

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

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

However, all posts can be read without any further interaction.

The **most popular post** since the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 was the posting regarding *Leeds Kirkgate Market - What's on in July?* 

- Reached a total of 739 people
- Received 11 likes, comments and shares

The following (below) are screenshots of the three most popular posts since the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024. Alongside it is the figures for how many people were 'reached' and how many people 'engaged' with the post.

# 1st Place - Leeds Kirkgate Market - What's on in July?

739 people had this post delivered, with 87 post clicks with 11 likes, comments and shares.

> Top Post!!





# **Event Space**

# **Event Space** What's On in July What's On in August

	Event	SHEETS OF		Event	Time
day	FREE 15 minute meditation session Unit R, 1904 Hall, guided meditation with Kadampa Meditation Centre.	1 to 1.30pr	r sday	FREE 15 minute meditation session Unit R, 1904 Hall, guided meditation with Kadampa Meditation Centre.	1 to 1.30pc
r sday day	The Only Wrap to Bee Arts and crafts sale and fundraising tombola.	10 to 4pm	r iday day	The Only Wrap to Bee Arts and crafts sale and fundraising tombola.	10 to 4pm
July	Swarthmore Study Programme Summer Market Swarthmore will be taking over Unit 34, in the 1904 Hall selling some gorgeous handmade gift including tote bags, cards, candle	11 to 3pm	August	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Bumper Cars	11 to 3pm
	holders, easels and more!		gust	Bee Crafty Events Craft Market	10 to 4pm
′	School Food Matters – Young Marketeers event Nine local schools who have grown their own fruit and veg for sale in the Market Kitchen.	12 to 2pm	& 20 &	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Hip Hop Dance Workshop	10 to 3pm
	Leeds Festival of Gothica Alternative Market	10 to 4pm	& 21 & agust	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Den Building	10 to 3pm
ly	Leeds Record Fair	10 to 4pm	agust	Leeds Record Fair	10 to 4pm
ly	Little Fox Charity Craft Market	10 to 4pm	16 st	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Circus School	11 to 3pm
ly	Leeds Pride Weekender Gathering of LGBT+ community groups for engagement and crafting	10 to 4pm	ıgust	Art House Art Fayre	10 to 4pm
	activities, including funding partner Sent with Pride who will be selling queer themed greeting cards & Pride merchandise.		ıgust	Caribbean and African Food Festival	10 to
ly	People Plus Drop in session for business start ups that are 3 years old or younger.	10 to 3pm	30	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Roller Skating	4pm 11 to
31 July	SUMMER OF FUN - FREE Bumper Cars	11 to 3pm	st agust	Leeds Indian Food Festival	3pm 10 to
2	1	Labour	September 1	Decreased with the second	4pm

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – For the next edition of Holbeck Community News coming out this autumn, we will have a "getting to know your new Councillor"

**177** people had this post delivered, with **53** post clicks with **19** likes, comments and shares.

2nd most

popular

post



For the next edition of Holbeck Community News coming out this autumn, we will have a "getting to know your new ward councillor" feature with the new councillor for Beeston and Holbeck, Cllr Shaf Ali.

Here is your chance to put forward some questions about CIIr Ali and what led him into local politics. These will be answered in the next edition of the newsletter. (Please note: we aren't able to pick up specific case work through this post)



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Activity Day on Blenkinsop Field

**28,241** people had this post delivered to them and it had **40** post clicks, with **7** reactions, comments and shares.

Young People's Activity Day Summer post

REACTIVITES

Blenkinsop Field, Acre Road

Middleton, LS10 4HT

Monday 12th August 2024



12.00 to 3.00pm





For more information on Youth Service Activities visit our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/youthservice123

Please note event subject to weather conditions



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# Agenda Item 9





Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee

Beeston & Holbeck; Hunslet & Riverside; Middleton Park

Report author: Robbie Hawley 07891278182

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 For decision

**Inner South Community Committee - Finance Report** 

### **Purpose of report**

1. This report provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2024/25.

#### Main issues

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

- 5. The amount of wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.
- 6. Capital (CRIS) injections are provided as a result of council assets being sold. 5% of the sale price (up to a maximum of £100k) of a council asset is pooled city-wide and redistributed to the Community Committee areas on the basis of deprivation. The Community Committee will receive a new capital injection every 6 months.
- 7. Each Community Committee has also been allocated a Community Infrastructure Levy budget. For each CIL contribution, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% is needed for administration and 15-25% goes to be spent locally. The money will be vested with the local Town or Parish Council if applicable, or with the local Community Committee and spend decided upon by that body. This local money is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund' and should be spent on similar projects to the Wellbeing Fund (capital).
- 8. In the Inner South this means that the money will be administered by the Inner South Community Committee.
- 9. Following consultation, the Communities Team will work with members of the community committee, to develop a plan to spend CIL funding on local infrastructure projects. This will be on a case by case basis.
- 10. Until the UK left the European Union, the EU's State Aid rules controlled how UK and discretionary EU funding was provided to enterprises and entities that engage in economic activities. Now the UK has left the EU, it is no longer bound by the State Aid rules and has developed its own domestic subsidy control regime, The Subsidy Control Act 2022. As the Subsidy Control Act 2022 has potential implications for the Community Committees as funding bodies, a 'subsidy control' assessment will be undertaken on all funding requests received by the Community Committees.
- 11. Projects eligible for funding by the Community Committee could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives, or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010, projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their religion, sex, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.

- 12. Any request for funding would involve discussions with appropriate ward members. Where projects do not have support from the Community Committee and are not approved, applicants are offered further discussions and feedback if this is requested.
- 13. In order to provide further assurance and transparency of all decisions made by the Community Committee, any projects that are not approved will be reported to a subsequent Community Committee meeting.
- 14. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment to take such decisions.
- 15. The Community Committee has previously approved the following 'minimum conditions' in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when such conditions have been satisfied:
  - a) Consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken. However, should no response be received from the majority of Members contacted, then this matter will be deemed as non-approved by delegated decision and referred to the next Committee meeting.
  - b) A delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors). However, if a formal objection is received from a Member as part of the consultation process, then that application will be brought before the committee for determination; and
  - c) Details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members' information.
- 16. For the committee's awareness, urgent delegated decisions on wellbeing funding also covers small grant decisions. In agreement with the Executive Board Member for Communities, Community Committee Chairs & also in accordance with the communication that was sent out to all committees/Elected Members in March 2023, the approval threshold for small grants has now increased from the 1st April 2023; up to £1000 per ward. This approach will ensure consistency in terms of administering small grants, in accordance with the committees' minimum conditions.
- 17. Members are reminded that the necessary scrutiny of applications to satisfy our own processes, financial regulations and audit requires the deadline for receipt of completed applications to be at least five weeks prior to any Community Committee. Some applications will be approved via Delegated Decision Notice (DDN) following consultation with Members outside of the Community Committee meeting cycle.

#### **Wellbeing Budget Position 2024/25**

- 18. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2024/25 was £133,590. This works out at £44,530 per ward.
- 19. **Table 1** shows a carry forward figure of £131,734.84 which includes underspends from projects completed in 2023/24. £116,514.03 represents wellbeing allocated to projects in 2023/24 and not yet completed. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2024/25 is therefore £148,810.81. A full breakdown of the projects approved or ring-fenced is available on request.
- 20. It is possible that some of the projects may not use their allocated spend. This could be for several reasons, including the project no longer going ahead, the project not taking place within the dates specified in the funding agreement, or failure to submit monitoring reports. Due to this the final revenue balance may be greater than the amount specified in Table 1.
- 21. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of £106,439.71 The ward split is as follows: Beeston & Holbeck (£30,733.14) Hunslet & Riverside (£29,720.06) and Middleton Park (£45,986.51). A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1.

**TABLE 1: Wellbeing Revenue 2024/25** 

	£
Funding allocation 2024/25	£133,590
Balance brought forward from previous year	£131,734
Less projects brought forward from previous year	£116,514
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2024/25	£148,810

		B&H	H&R	MP
New allocation per ward (£44,530) + underspends	£148,810.81	£49,589.73	£46,671.98	£52,549.10
Beeston & Holbeck Committee running costs	£300	£300	-	-
Hunslet & Riverside Committee running costs	£300	-	£300	-
Middleton Park Committee running costs	£300	-	1	£300
Holbeck Priority Neighbourhood	£5,000	£5,000	-	-
Inner South Youth Summit	£3,000	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000

Ward Projects (24/25)	Total	Ward Split		
		B&H	H&R	MP
Small grants	£12,168.42	£3,151.66	£5,166.76	£3,850
Skips	£365.63	-	£365.63	-
Beeston Festival	£6,000	£3,000	£3,000	-
Hunslet Youth Group Rent Costs	£1,440	-	£1,440	-
FOMP Summer Programme	£2,530	-	-	£2,530
Summer Bands in Cross Flatts Park	£2,971	£1,485.50	£1,485.50	-
Premier League KICKS	£5,000	£5,000	-	-
Community Well-being and Connecting Communities Day Trip	£2,310	£693	£1,617	-
Hunslet Community Festival	£3,986	-	£3,986	-
Hunslet Corinthians Juniors	£3,375	-	-	£3,375
Upgrading Clubhouse Electrics & Lighting	£440	£160	£280	-
Ward Projects (Totals)	£34,586.05	£13,330.16	£17,220.89	£10,035
Balance remaining (Total/Per ward)	£106,439.71	£30,733.14	£29,720.06	£45,986.51

# Wellbeing/CIL Budget Ring-fences

22. Members are asked to consider ring fencing £10,000 (CIL/Wellbeing) for Beeston & Holbeck's festive lights.

# Wellbeing/Youth Activity Fund and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund proposals for consideration and approval

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

24. Project Title: Monday Club

Name of Group or Organisation: Hunslet & Belle Isle Community Project

**Total Project Cost: £2,700** 

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2024/25: £2,700 (Hunslet & Riverside:

£2,241 and Middleton Park: £459)

Wards Covered: Hunslet & Riverside and Middleton Park

**Project Summary:** Monday Club is an established weekly afterschool club providing a safe, nurturing space for local primary aged children and parents/carers/grandparents to come together and take part in positive activities including arts & crafts, games, cooking, gardening, creative play, group activities and trips.

The club takes place on a weekly basis 3:15-4:45pm at Involve Centre (including school holidays) where additional events take place including activities and trips out. The funding would be used to sustain the delivery of the club between October 2024 and February 2025.

**Community Committee Priorities**: Best City for Children & Young People and Best City for Communities

25. **Project Title:** Rowland Road Play Patch

Name of Group or Organisation: Project Space Leeds (trading as Yorkshire

Contemporary)

**Total Project Cost:** £55,350

Amount proposed from YAF Budget 2024/25: £2,100 (Beeston & Holbeck: £669.93

and Hunslet & Riverside: £1,400.07)

Wards Covered: Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside

**Project Summary:** The grant will be used to host a monthly play and consultation event for families to contribute ideas towards and help shape a new play and community facility, Rowland Road Play Patch - the culmination of an ambitious, community-led project based at Rowland Road Working Men's Club in Hunslet.

In collaboration with Rowland Road WMC, local families and volunteers, plans are being developed to transform a neglected plot of land adjoining the club - a shabby patch of worn tarmac and overgrown vegetation - into 490 sq. m. of accessible, green play space, free to access for local families. The area will include play structures for children and seating/picnic areas, co-designed with local people and artist(s).

Over the next 7 months, this grant would contribute to and help enhance a regular monthly family activity day the club have initiated, to reach more families through a series of fun workshops that will help to develop ideas and plans for the project, by capturing needs, views, ideas, and inviting community input through play-based creative activities. These events will also help to widen our pool of volunteers, broaden understanding of the project in the community and build audience for the Play Patch in 2025.

**Community Committee Priorities**: Best City for Children & Young People and Best City for Communities

26. Project Title: Winter Training

Name of Group or Organisation: Middleton Park Juniors

**Total Project Cost:** £12,606

Amount proposed from YAF Budget 2024/25: £12,606 (Beeston & Holbeck: £327.76,

Hunslet & Riverside: £592.48 and Middleton Park: £11,685.76)

Wards Covered: Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside and Middleton Park

**Project Summary:** The grant will be used to fund 3G pitch hire during the winter months (Sept-March) when the club is unable to use the grass pitches allocated to us for training sessions due to dark nights and wet pitch conditions.

The aim of this project is to enable the club to provide training for our junior footballers aged from 18-months through to 16 years during the football season. This ensures the players remain match fit and have the standard of coaching / training required to enable them to develop and improve throughout the season.

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

27. Project Title: South Leeds FC

Name of Group or Organisation: South Leeds FC

**Total Project Cost:** £30,000

Amount proposed from Wellbeing Budget 2024/25: £10,000

Wards Covered: Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside and Middleton Park

**Project Summary:** The overarching goal of the project is to establish South Leeds FC (SLFC) as the second largest football club in the area, following in the footsteps of Leeds United. By doing so, SLFC aims to provide an exceptional platform for young people to advance through the ranks of the club, ultimately reaching a high level of football.

The project, in partnership with the South Leeds Stadium, focuses on providing a facility, club structure, and development pathway specifically designed for young adults aged 18 to 25 and young people aged 5 to 17. With over 75 enthusiastic individuals who are eager to develop their skills and reach their full potential in football.

The project will organise fun days and football events catering to younger age groups, fostering a love for the sport from an early age.

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

28. Project Title: Refurbishment of the Golden Lion Beeston - Nawroz School

Name of Group or Organisation: The Nawroz School in Leeds

Total Project Cost: £50,000

Amount proposed from CIL Budget 2024/25: £7,000

Wards Covered: Hunslet & Riverside

**Project Summary:** The Nawroz School in Leeds have purchased the Golden Lion Hotel and are in the process of converting this into a multifunction community space.

The grant would go towards costs of replacing flooring.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Communities

29. **Project Title:** Minibus Replacement Project **Name of Group or Organisation:** Hamara HLC

**Total Project Cost: £50,000** 

Amount proposed from CIL Budget 2024/25: £25,000

Wards Covered: Hunslet & Riverside

**Project Summary:** The grant will be used to purchase a new minibus to replace an existing vehicle, which has become increasingly unreliable and costly to maintain. Hamara relies heavily on this minibus to provide essential transportation services to the community, particularly for those with restricted mobility and people with Learning Difficulties.

**Community Committee Priorities**: Best City for Business, Best City for Communities, Best City for Children & Young People and Best City for Health & Wellbeing

30. Project Title: Hunslet Tara Festive Lights

Name of Group or Organisation: Leeds City Council

**Total Project Cost:** £3,060

Amount proposed from CIL Budget 2024/25: £3,060

Wards Covered: Hunslet & Riverside

**Project Summary:** To install an additional five festive motifs and light sensor equipment on Church Street.

Community Committee Priorities: Best City for Business & Best City for Communities

#### **Delegated Decisions (DDN)**

- 31. Since the last Community Committee on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024, the following projects have been considered and approved by DDN:
  - a) Hunslet TARA Christmas lights, Leeds City Council £3,720 (CIL)
  - b) Hunslet Carr Christmas Lights, Hunslet Carr £4,483 (CIL)
  - c) Hunslet Moor Cut Back, Leeds City Council £8,750.68 (CIL)

#### **Declined Projects**

- 32. Since the last Community Committee on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024, the following project has been declined:
  - a) Dance Through Mental Health and Improve Wellbeing, £1,315.79 (Wellbeing)

#### **Monitoring Information**

- 33. As part of their funding agreements, all projects which have had funding approved by the Community Committee are required to provide update reports on the progress of their project. These reports are so that the Community Committee can measure the impact the project has had on the community and the value for money achieved.
- 34. Detailed below are some of the project updates that the Communities Team has received since the last meeting of the Community Committee in July 2024:
- 35. Beeston Community Youth Theatre, Brave Words CIC (Beeston & Holbeck and Hunslet & Riverside)
- 36. Brave Words CIC were awarded £5,303 for their Beeston Youth Theatre project. The funding was used to fund three terms of the youth theatre at Beeston Village Community Centre.
- 37. Children have engaged in fun, social drama sessions and have developed confidence, life skills, explored their identities in a safe environment and feel a sense of ownership of the arts. A total of 36 sessions have taken place and engaged with a total of 71 children and young people.
- 38. The beneficiaries literacy skills have demonstrably improved children have developed inference skills in their script reading sessions as well as making empathic connections with characters. They have also created detailed character descriptions, building vocabulary and writing skills. One parent recently noted how their child has become "confident in front of an audience and in life, using her imagination to problem solve and improve her story writing in English."

#### Youth Activities Fund Position 2024/25

- 39. The Youth Activity Fund is allocated based on population data at Ward level for young people aged between 8-17 years of age.
- 40. The total Inner South YAF budget approved for 2024/25 was £40,996. The ward balances which are below, are based on the number of 8-17 year olds per ward.
- 41. The total available for spend in the Inner South Community Committee 2024/25, including carry forward from previous year is £50,813.25.
- 42. The balances for wards are as follows: **Beeston & Holbeck: (£4,509.48)**, **Hunslet & Riverside: (£9,900.78) and Middleton Park: (£13,729.68)**.

**TABLE 2: Youth Activities Fund 2024/25** 

	Total YAF			Ward Split 8-17 Population			
	Allocation	4011	3821	5139			
	2024/25 (£40,996)	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park			
Carried forward from previous year	£48,274.77	£13,049.30	£13,624.22	£21,601.25			
Total available (including brought forward balance) for schemes in 2024/25	£89,270.77	£25,758.06	£25,513.06	£37,999.65			
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year	£38,457.52	£12,924.67	£10,664.86	£14,867.99			
Total available budget for this year (2024/25)	£50,813.25	£12,833.39	£14,848.20	£23,131.66			
Projects 2024/25	Amount requested from YAF	В&Н	H&R	MP			
Breeze 2024	£1,900	£1,900	-	-			
Belle Isle Kicks	£3,056	-	-	£3,056			
B+H Kidz Klub Residentials	£1,436	£1,436	-	-			
H+R Kidz Klub Residentials	£1,436	-	£1,436	-			
Summer Activity Days	£1,500	-	-	£1,500			
Middleton Park Out of Schools Programme	£3,465	-	-	£3,465			
B+H Out of Schools Programme	£3,456	£3,456	-	-			
Cardinal Square Playing Fields Activity Day	£1,700	£1,700	-	-			
Hunslet Moor Activity Day 2024	£1,700	-	£1,700	-			
Hunslet Church St Playing Fields	£1,700	-	£1,700	-			

Middleton Park Activity Days 2024	£3,400	-	£3,400	-
H+R Out of Schools Programme	£3,465	-	£3,465	
Total Spend (Area wide / ward projects)	£28,223	£10,201	£6,601	£11,421
Remaining balance per ward	£28,139.94	£4,509.48	£9,900.78	£13,729.68

# **Declined YAF Projects**

43. Since the last Community Committee on 1st July 2024, no projects have been declined.

TABLE 3: Small Grants 2024/25

Small Grants 24/25	£	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
PHAB	£109.83	£109.83	-	-
Leasowe Recreational Ground Signage	£620	-	£620	-
Leeds Junior Championship	£1,000	-	-	£1,000
Old Lane Allotment Skips	£500	£500	-	-
Bulb Planting - Cross Flatts Park	£2,000	£1,000	£1,000	-
City View Medical Practice Allotment	£650.19	£541.83	£108.36	-
The Chandlers Community Gardeners	£1,000	-	£1,000	-
Additional Dog Fouling Signs	£438.40	-	£438.40	-
Bingo Evenings	£350	-	£350	-
Craft Fair and Family Fun Day	£650	-	£650	-
Broom Nook	£1,000	-	-	£1,000
WLAC – Climbing Tower	£700	-	-	£700
Odds and Sods Away Day	£850	-	-	£850
Christmas Event - Family Bingo Club	£300	-	-	£300
Total approved	£12,168.42	£3,151.66	£5,166.76	£3,850

**TABLE 4: Community Skips Budget 2024/25** 

Location of skip	Total Amount	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
Whitfield Square	£365.63	-	£365.63	-
Total	£365.63	£0	£365.63	£0

# Capital Budget 2024/25

- 44. The Inner South Community Committee has a Capital budget of £16,281.48 available to spend.
- 45. Members are asked to note the Capital allocation broken down by ward **Beeston & Holbeck**: (£4,399.57) Hunslet & Riverside: (£8,316.05) and Middleton Park: (£3,475.86)

TABLE 5: Capital Budget 2024/25

		Ward split			
	Total	Beeston and Holbeck	Hunslet and Riverside	Middleton Park	
Injection 2024	£8,900	£2,966.67	£2,966.66	£2,966.67	
Starting Totals 2024/25	£16,281.48	£4,489.57	£8,316.05	£3,475.86	
Inner South Colostomy Shelves - B+H	£90	£90	•	•	
Total Spend:	£90	£90	£0	£0	
Remaining Balance:	£16,191.48	£4,399.57	£8,316.05	£3,475.86	

# Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2024/25

46. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is £313,621.41 currently available to spend. The breakdown is as follows Beeston & Holbeck (£50,293.47), Hunslet & Riverside (£186,735.76) and Middleton Park (£76,592.18)

TABLE 6: CIL Budget 2024/25

		Ward Split		
	£	Beeston & Holbeck	Hunslet & Riverside	Middleton Park
Remaining Balance March 2024	£139,349.62	£50,582.71	£84,803.49	£3,963.42
Injection 1	£231,872.44	£1,270.77	£154,910.75	£75,690.92
Balance 24/25	£371,395.09	£51,853.47	£242,859.44	£76,682.18
Sussex Green Vegetation Clearance	£1,170	-	£1,170	-
Hunslet & Riverside Improvements	£10,000	-	£10,000	-
Hunslet Carr Backstop Netting	£1,500	-	£1,500	-
Litter Picking Equipment	£3,000	-	£3,000	-
Waterways Graffiti Mural	£350	-	£350	-
Inner South Colostomy Shelves – MP	£90	-	-	£90
Inner South Colostomy Shelves - H+R	£180	-	£180	-
Hunslet Square Play Area Markings	£1,500	-	£1,500	-
Hunslet Club Eco Gym	£20,000	-	£20,000	-
Upgrading Clubhouse Electrics & Lighting - B&H	£1,560	£1,560	-	-
Involve Community Centre Notice Board	£1,650	-	£1,650	1
Hunslet TARA Festive Lights	£3,720	-	£3,720	-
Hunslet Carr Festive Lights	£4,483	-	£4,483	-
Hunslet Moor Cut Back	£8,570.68	-	£8,570.68	-
Spend 2024-2025	£57,773.68	£1,560	£56,123.68	£90

#### **Corporate Considerations**

### **Consultation and Engagement**

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

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

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

### **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 49. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for wellbeing funding are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
  - 1. Vision for Leeds 2011 30
  - 2. Best City Plan
  - 3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
  - 4. Children and Young People's Plan
  - 5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
  - 6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

#### **Resources and Value for Money**

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

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

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

#### **Risk Management**

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

#### Conclusion

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

#### Recommendations

#### 54. Members are asked to note:

- a. Note details regarding the administration of small grants (paragraph 18)
- b. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- c. Wellbeing/CIL ringfence proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 22)
- d. Wellbeing/YAF/CIL proposals for consideration and approval (paragraph 23)
- e. Details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision (paragraph 31)
- f. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 33)
- g. Details of the Youth Activities Fund position (Table 2)
- h. Details of the Small Grants Budget (Table 3)
- i. Details of the Community Skips Budget (Table 4)
- j. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 5)
- k. Details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget (Table 6)