

OUTER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor P Wadsworth in the Chair

Councillors B Anderson, C Campbell,
J L Carter, B Cleasby, R Downes, B Flynn,
G Latty, P Latty and C Townsley

22 APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

23 EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

24 LATE ITEMS

There were no late items submitted to the agenda for consideration. However supplementary information relating to agenda Item 10, "European Capital of Culture Bid" had been published and circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

25 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS'

There were no declarations made.

26 Apologies For Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Collins and Lay.

27 Minutes - 13th October 2014

RESOLVED – The minutes of the meeting held on 13th October 2014 were approved as a correct record.

28 Matters Arising

Minute No.16 Open Forum

The Chief Officer (Housing Management) was in attendance and provided Members with detailed information surrounding the future of Rosemont Flats, in Bramhope. It was confirmed that options would be discussed with residents

and that a full assessment of the structure of the building will take place with architects.

Members questioned the officer present about the cost of any work at Rosemont Flats and how this would be funded. It was confirmed that costs would not be taken from any Outer North West budget. Members also wished to be kept informed of any future developments.

RESOLVED – That the Outer North West Community Committee be a part of any consultation surrounding the future of Rosemont Flats.

29 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 on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee.

The Committee heard from a representative of the Citizens Advice Bureaux (CAB) in Otley, who explained that the funding for the CAB going forward would be concentrated on areas of deprivation and as such it was likely that the Otley CAB would be shut down. The Committee were informed about the range of people that use the CAB in Otley and also about the short period of consultation for the new proposals. Members were requested to write to the CAB Chief Executive and the trustees.

Members discussed the contract that Leeds City Council has with the CAB and how the requirements within this had changed. The Committee wished to note its support for keeping Otley CAB and debated how best to influence any decision taken on the future of Otley CAB.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to:

- (a) Write a letter of support for Otley CAB to remain open as part of the consultation process being undertaken;
- (b) Write a letter to the relevant Executive Board Member requesting that the decision on Otley CAB be delayed in order that the matter could be discussed at full Council;
- (c) Write a letter to the Chair of Scrutiny Board (Resources and Council Services) requesting that an inquiry be brought forward with regards to the CAB contract; and
- (d) Write to the Chief Executive of CAB expressing the Committee's support for the Otley CAB remaining open.

30 Wellbeing Fund Update Report

The report of the West North West Area Leader provided the Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing fund for 2014/15. It also highlighted the current position of the small grants and skips pots and provided an update on the Youth Activity Fund.

Members' attention was brought to available funds and these were described in the report on a ward basis. Approval was also sought for project applications that had been received since the last meeting.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved:

(a) That the current budget position for the revenue Wellbeing fund for 2014/15 be noted.

(b) That the following be agreed with regards to the large grant applications received:

Project	Adel& Wharfedale	Guiseley & Rawdon	Horsforth	Otley& Yeadon	Decision
Speed Indicator Device for Guiseley and Rawdon		£3,182			APPROVED
Pool Village Memorial Hall	£5,000				APPROVED
Burras Lane zebra Crossing				£4,665	APPROVED

(c) That the following be agreed with regards to the Youth Activity Fund applications received:

Project	Amount	Decision
Aireborough Performing Arts	£2,000	APPROVED
Let's Cook Programme	£1,206	APPROVED

(c) That the Wellbeing small grants and skips that had been approved since the last meeting be noted; and

(d) That the current budget position for the Capital Wellbeing Fund for 2014/15 be noted.

31 Community Committee Sub Group's Update Report

The report of the West North West Area leader updated members with the work of the six Community Committee sub groups.

The Chairs of the following sub groups provided verbal update
Children's Services and Family Health

The Committee were informed about the upcoming Childrens workshop which is in the final stages of preparation and will take place on 30th January 2015.

Adult Social Care, Health and Well-being

The Committee were informed that the sub-group has adopted social isolation and loneliness as a theme and that the workshop held prior to the meeting of this Committee focussed on that issue and had been a success.

Highways and Transportation

It was highlighted that a recent Government report had detailed that road improvements might be built to Leeds Bradford Airport in the near future rather than a rail link.

Employment, Learning and the Local Economy

Ongoing work connecting the business community with the education sector was discussed.

32 Should Leeds Bid for European Capital of Culture 2023

The report of the Principal Officer, Culture and Sport informed the Committee about the opportunity presented by making a Leeds bid for European Capital of Culture 2023. The report sought Members' views on this opportunity and advice on engaging Leeds residents in the outer north west wards; if ultimately it was decided that Leeds should make a bid, to advise officers in Culture and Sport on how to engage residents in the outer north west in shaping their contribution to the Leeds bid.

Members discussed the report, noting that as Leeds City Council becomes a smaller organisation with less available money to spend, funding the bid would need to be carefully considered. Following questions it was confirmed to Members that funding the bid would cost approximately £150K per annum for three years leading up to the decision to grant the status upon a city.

Members also viewed it important to know what the costs of being City of Culture for a year would be, if Leeds was to win the title and what the benefits would be.

Other Cities rumoured to be bidding for European Capital of Culture were discussed, Members felt it would be helpful to know what competition Leeds would face.

Members discussed the positive impact European Capital of Culture had on Liverpool during 2008 and that it was possible that a similar impact could be felt in Leeds, should a decision to bid be made.

Members agreed that the issue should be discussed at sub groups to help establish what benefits European Capital of Culture could bring.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to request that sub groups discuss what benefits could be had if Leeds did bid for the European Capital of Culture.

33 Date and time of next meeting

1:30pm Monday 26th January 2015 at