



# Outer East Community Committee

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

**Meeting to be held in Vicars Court, Vicars Terrace,  
Allerton Bywater, WF10 2DJ**

Tuesday, 1st December, 2015 at 4.00 pm

## Councillors:

D Coupar  
P Grahame  
P Gruen

Cross Gates and Whinmoor;  
Cross Gates and Whinmoor;  
Cross Gates and Whinmoor;

M Dobson  
A McKenna  
S McKenna

Garforth and Swillington;  
Garforth and Swillington;  
Garforth and Swillington;

M Harland  
J Lewis  
K Wakefield

Kippax and Methley;  
Kippax and Methley;  
Kippax and Methley;

J Cummins  
H Hayden  
M Lyons

Temple Newsam;  
Temple Newsam;  
Temple Newsam;





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*Images on cover from left to right:*

*Crossgates & Whinmoor - Crossgates Shopping Centre; Crossgates roundabout*

*Garforth & Swillington - Garforth Library and One Stop Centre, Thorpe Park*

*Kippax & Methley - Fairburn Ings*

*Temple Newsam - Temple Newsam House*

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| 1       |                          |               | <p><b>WORKSHOP TOPIC - FLOODING ISSUES IN OUTER EAST LEEDS</b></p> <p><b>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</b></p> <p>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).</p> <p>(*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).</p>  | 1 - 2   |
| 2       |                          |               | <p><b>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>2 To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</p> <p>3 If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p><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:-</p> |         |

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| 3       |                          |               | <b>LATE ITEMS</b><br><br>To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.<br><br>(the special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes)  |         |
| 4       |                          |               | <b>DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS</b><br><br>To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and paragraphs 13-16 of the Members' Code of Conduct.   |         |
| 5       |                          |               | <b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b><br><br>To receive any apologies for absence.   |         |
| 6       |                          |               | <b>MINUTES - 9 SEPTEMBER 2015</b><br><br>To confirm as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2015  | 3 - 6   |
| 7       |                          |               | <b>OPEN FORUM</b><br><br>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       |                          |               | <b>HIGHWAY ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY</b><br><br>To receive and consider the attached report of the Chief Highways Officer   | 7 - 10  |



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## Outer East Community Committee workshop agenda

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015, 5.00pm to 6.30pm

Venue : Vicars Court, Vicars Terrace, Allerton Bywater, WF10 2DJ

### Workshop topic: Flooding issues in outer east Leeds

| Time   | Item   | Delivered by  |
|--------|--|---|
| 4.45pm | Arrival, registration and refreshments   |   |
| 5.00pm | Welcome and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Feedback on past workshops</li> </ul>   | Cllr Andrea McKenna<br>(Community Committee Chair)                                  |
| 5.05pm | Scene Setting: Overview of the session   | Cllr Mary Harland (Community Committee Champion for Environment & Community Safety) |
| 5.10pm | Presentation on areas worst affected by flooding in Leeds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maps showing worst affected areas</li> <li>Stats on numbers affected</li> <li>Inquiries to LCC contact centres</li> </ul>  | Peter Davis LCC   |
| 5.20pm | The Leeds response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is being done to improve flood defences</li> <li>Planned improvements to drainage</li> <li>What should residents do in emergency circumstances</li> <li>Future development – what is being done to prevent more flooding from new developments?</li> </ul> | Pete Davis LCC  |
| 5.30pm | Local Perspective - Garforth Flood Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How it was set up</li> <li>What is does when flooding occurs</li> <li>How other areas can learn from Garforth</li> </ul>   | Jacqueline Simpson<br>Garforth Flood Group  |
| 5.40pm | Workshops  | All   |
| 6.20pm | Feedback and next steps  | Martin Dean (Area Leader South East)  |
| 6.30pm | Closing words  | Cllr Andrea McKenna<br>(Community Committee Chair)                                  |

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## OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

**TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 2015**

**PRESENT:** Councillor A McKenna in the Chair

Councillors D Coupar, M Dobson,  
P Grahame, P Gruen, M Harland,  
H Hayden, J Lewis, M Lyons, S McKenna  
and K Wakefield

### **12 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Cummins.

### **13 Minutes - 16 June 2015**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.

### **14 Matters arising from the Minutes**

The following changes to Community Lead Member roles were reported:

- Councillor Helen Hayden to replace Councillor Stuart McKenna as Lead Member for Children's Services
- Councillor Andrea McKenna to carry out Lead Member role for both Health & Wellbeing and Adult Social Care.

Further to the workshop on Tackling Social Isolation, Mary Atkinson, Adult Social Care was in attendance to discuss any further issues. Members discussed the recent voluntary contributions that had been sought with respect to Neighbourhood Network Contracts and the process to do this was explained. An update was also given on the extensions to the Neighbourhood Network Contracts.

Foodbanks in Garforth and Kippax were hoped to be operational in September and October.

A visit to Thorp Park for Members was to be arranged.

### **15 Open Forum**

In accordance with the Community Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to ten minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. On this occasion no members of the public present wished to speak.

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting  
to be held on Tuesday, 1st December, 2015

## **16 Libraries update in Outer East Area - Garforth, Kippax, Whinmoor and Halton Libraries**

The report of the Senior Communities Librarian provided Members with an update of the work that libraries are doing in the Outer East Area.

Fiona Titterington, Senior Communities Librarian presented the report.

In response to comments and questions from Members, the following was discussed:

- Mobile provision – it was agreed to provide Members with details of mobile usage across Outer East Leeds.
- Summer Reading Challenge – it was asked whether this could be run via mobile provision. It was reported that promotion of the challenge had been done in local schools and the mobile provision available.
- It was reported that library users would not see a difference following the changes in operation of the library service.
- There were no forthcoming plans to further review library services and provision.

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

## **17 Flooding in Outer East Leeds - Saturday 22nd August 2015.**

Members were given an update regarding the flooding that had occurred on Saturday, 22 August 2015 following a period of heavy rainfall. It was reported that there had been problems with call handling on the evening concerned due to an IT upgrade.

Peter Davies, Flood Risk Group Manager addressed the Committee. There had been records of 130 incidents in South East Leeds on 22 August which included internal flooding to 26 properties. The Council was working with Yorkshire Water to look at an approach to reduce the risk of flooding. Whilst the risk of flooding was never going to be totally eliminated every action would be taken to lessen the risk.

In response to Members comments and questions, the following was discussed:

- Reference to the Flood Support Group that operated in Garforth. It was suggested that similar groups would be of benefit in other areas and this could form part of a future workshop discussion.
- The need to develop a strategic approach with relevant partners including Yorkshire Water and the Environment Agency.

- Raising awareness to inform people of what to do and who to contact for any future incidents.
- Other contributing issues including highways maintenance and drainage.
- Members expressed thanks to all staff involved on 22 August 2015.

## **18 Outer East Community Committee Well Being Budget 2015/16, Youth Activity Fund (YAF) and Capital Budget**

The report of the South East Area Leader provided Members with details of the Wellbeing Budget allocated to the Outer East Community Committee for 2015/16 along with funding stream recommendations and commitments. The report also provided information on the Capital Budget and Youth Activity Fund.

Martin Hackett, Area Improvement Manager presented the report.

Member's attention was brought to a proposal to fund an outreach worker for Neighbourhood Networks in the Outer East Area. This would be an 'in principle' request subject to a bid to Time for Shine being successful and Members receiving a further briefing on the project. Members were also informed of a bid from Swillington Parish Council towards a new boiler for the Village Hall.

### **RESOLVED –**

- (1) That the Wellbeing Budget Streams be noted.
- (2) That YAF projects funded, remaining budget available and capital funding available be noted.
- (3) That the 'in principle support' of £10,000 for each year for 2 years to match fund the Social Isolation project which is subject to funding being acquired from other sources be approved.
- (4) That £1,000 towards the provision of a new boiler at Swillington Village Hall be approved.

## **19 Summary of Key Work**

The report of the South East Area Leader brought Members attention to a summary of key work which the Area Support Team was engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee and not covered elsewhere on the Agenda.

Peter Mudge, Area Officer presented the report.

Issues discussed included the following:

- Update following the Environment Workshop. This was summarised in an appendix to the report.

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting  
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- Litter bins – these had all been installed.
- Older Person's Event Week – this would run from Monday 28 September to Friday 2 October.
- Successful Youth Activity Fund applications.

**RESOLVED –**

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the delegated decision arrangements for free lettings be approved.
- (3) That the work on introducing the Environmental Workshop recommendations to be progressed through the Community Safety & Environmental Champion role be approved.

**20 Community Plan**

The report of the South East Area Leader presented a draft 2015/16 Community Committee annual Community Plan which included priorities and actions for the year and a framework for community engagement.

**RESOLVED –** That the Community Plan as set out in appendix 3 of the report be approved.

**21 Date and time of next meeting**

Tuesday, 1 December 2015 at 4.00 p.m.



**Report of: The Chief Highways Officer**

**Report to: Outer East Community Committee covering the wards of Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Temple Newsam, Kippax & Methley, Garforth & Swillington**

**Report author: Andrew Molyneux tel:0113 2475316**

**Date: 1 December 2015**

**To note**

## **Highway Asset Management Strategy**

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### **1. Purpose of report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Outer East Community Committee of the process involved to develop the Highway Maintenance Local Road Programme and the strategic approach to scheme prioritisation.

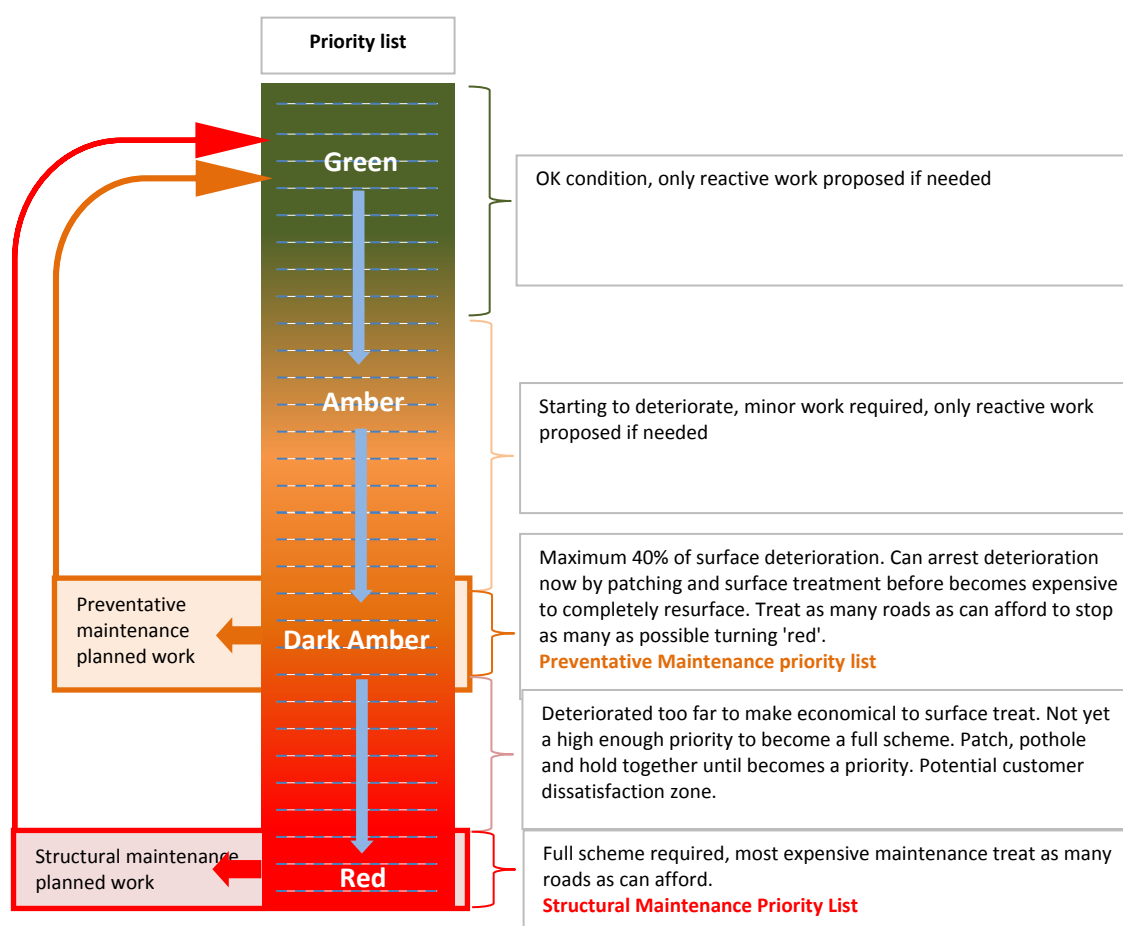
### **2. Main issues**

- 2.1 The Best Council Plan sets a priority to deliver quality highways assets, to maintain the percentage of roads in need of structural repair at current levels.
- 2.2 Managing highway condition is a critical challenge for the council. The council is expected to manage an ageing network with high public expectations for safe, reliable and comfortable travel and to seek the most efficient use of limited public resources in doing so.
- 2.3 Highway maintenance revolves around three categories of routine, reactive and planned maintenance. Routine maintenance includes patching and minor works. Reactive maintenance is carried out in response to day-to-day statutory maintenance functions such as pothole repairs and accident damages. Planned maintenance delivers the reconstruction and resurfacing of streets. This report describes the approach to Planned Maintenance.
- 2.4 Asset management is key to the long-term investment in the condition of highways and understanding the effects of spending decisions can help to get the most from maintenance expenditure.

- 2.5 An asset management approach to highway maintenance is being promoted by central government as best practice and from December 2015 onwards they will measure performance in this respect and allocate reward funding as appropriate.

#### Planned maintenance process for local roads:

- 2.6 There is an inventory of 2,104km of local roads. Each year around a quarter of these are surveyed for condition. The survey delivers a condition ranking. This is combined with road use and factors such as other planned work in each locality to create an overall local road priority list.
- 2.7 The position on the list is broadly categorised on a traffic light system from Green = OK to Red = in need of structural maintenance. The aim of the planned highway maintenance strategy is to reduce the number of roads in the red band. This is to be achieved by treating 'Red' roads to return them to 'Green' and treating 'Dark Amber' roads to prevent them from deteriorating to 'Red'. Diagram 1 below shows a representation of the priority listing and the areas from which roads are chosen for the planned maintenance programme.



**Diagram 1. The Highway Maintenance Priority List and Maintenance Treatments**

- 2.8 The balance between how many roads to treat in the dark amber band and how many in the red band is based on a forecast of the deterioration of roads over the coming years to work out the best proportion in order to reduce the number in the red band over time. The forecast uses the rate of deterioration over the last 10 years to determine what is most likely to happen in the future. So far this has proved to be an accurate prediction tool.

- 2.9 In the 2015/16 programme around 1.5km of Dark Amber roads are repaired to every 1km of Red roads. Repairing a road in the red band is approximately five times more expensive than repairing a road in the dark amber band.

### **3. OPTIONS**

- 3.1 Prior to 2014 the budget allocation to local roads in the red band was divided into Wards pro-rata by road length, pothole data and liability claims. This budget was then applied to the red band road priority list for each Ward. This method meant that a ward in overall better condition were getting roads refurbished that were much lower in overall priority than roads in other wards. This in turn was leading to a marked difference in overall ward condition with the gap widening.
- 3.2 As part of the budget review in 2014 all services were asked to undertake reviews to drive efficiencies in service delivery. Highways looked at delivering the right treatment at the right time in the right place. The lifecycle plan predicted that if a more strategic approach was taken to repairing roads in the red band a greater benefit overall could be achieved in road condition (around a 4% improvement over 5 years). This approach was therefore applied to the highway maintenance programme from April 2015 onwards and reported in the Council's budget.
- 3.3 This strategic approach means that the roads across the Leeds district are maintained in order of priority with the aim of bringing roads in all Wards to a similar condition range. Wards that have the most roads near to the top of the priority list will receive a greater proportion of structural maintenance and wards with roads in overall better condition will continue to receive appropriate maintenance in the form of preventative maintenance (dark amber) to prevent as many roads as possible from deteriorating into the red band.
- 3.4 Allocating maintenance in this way complies with national best practice for efficient maintenance and will enable the authority to maximise government grant from 2016 onwards.

### **4. Conclusion**

- 4.1 The Best Council Plan sets a priority to deliver quality highways assets. A robust highways asset management strategy is instrumental to achieving this priority and maximising return on investment in highway maintenance. A balance of preventative and structural maintenance together with a strategic approach to highway maintenance across the city will deliver the most beneficial outcome for road maintenance in Leeds. A move towards this strategic approach was made as part of the budget review in 2014. Demonstration of a strategic asset management approach will maximise future central government grants for highway maintenance.

### **5. Recommendations**

- 5.1 Outer East Community Committee are recommended to note the content of this report and seek any further detail required from Highways Officers.

### **6. Background information**

- 6.1 None

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**Report of: The South East Area Leader**

**Report to Outer East Community Committee covering the wards of Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Temple Newsam, Kippax & Methley, Garforth & Swillington**

**Report author: Martin Hackett (2475536)**

**Date: 1 December 2015**

**For Decision**

**Subject: Outer East Community Committee delegated budgets report 2015/16**

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## **Purpose of report**

1. This report seeks to provide Members with:
  - a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position.
  - b. Details of funding streams agreed
  - c. Details of the Youth Activities Fund projects agreed to date
  - d. Details of Capital Funding available
  - e. Details of project proposals for consideration and approval
  - f. Details of the Small Grants Budget approvals

## **Background information**

2. The Well Being Budget allocated to Outer East for 2015/16 is **£147,500** which is a reduction of £15,290 on the 14/15 budget, or 9.4%. Added to this is any unallocated budget from 2014/15.
3. Outer East Community Committee has 2 commitments: the first is for **£33,091** towards the monitoring/ maintenance and BT costs of its Leedswatch CCTV cameras; the second is **£10,000** to cover the cost of the Garforth Neighbourhood Elders Team (NET) employee that provides support towards luncheon clubs.
4. Outer East Community Committee now receives a proportion of the capital receipt from Council assets. Some of that goes towards Ward Based Initiatives and 5% is top sliced and shared amongst Community Committees as a capital budget. Outer East has a capital budget of **£42,500** that is now available to spend.
5. Outer East Community Committee has a Youth Activity Fund (YAF) budget of **£57,970** for 2015/16. With unspent carry over from 2014/15 there is a total budget of **£83,000**.

## **Main issues**

### **Funding Streams, approvals and commitments 2015/16**

6. Community Committee has agreed a number of funding streams from its Well Being Budget:
  - £5,000 for a small grants budget.
  - £5,000 for skips
  - £5,000 to hold older persons event week
  - £10,000 to support the work of its tasking teams
  - £2,000 communications budget
7. Community Committee also agreed to underwrite the cost of the Christmas lights and switch on events across Outer East up to £25,000 (based on last year's cost). Efforts will be made to reduce these costs by supporting organisers with funding bids and promoting other fund raising activity.
8. Community Committee is asked to note that it has 2 funding commitments: the first is for £33,091 towards the monitoring and maintenance and BT costs of its LeedsWatch CCTV cameras; the second is £10,000 to cover the cost of the Garforth Neighbourhood Elders Team (NET) employee that provides support towards luncheon clubs.
9. With commitments and funding streams allocated this leaves a remaining budget of **£82,113** available to spend.
10. This is reduced by £10,000 if the Neighbourhood Elders Team (NET) application to the Third Sector Health Grants is successful as Community Committee has agreed 'in principle' to award £10,000 towards this project.

### **Youth Activities Fund (YAF)**

11. The budget for 2015/16 was £57,970 and with last year's underspend there was a budget of £83,000.
12. So far this year 26 grant applications have been received. 16 of these have been approved and 10 rejected.
13. The approved grants total £58,050 which equates to 70% of the budget. To date, the smallest grant is for £575, the largest grant is £11,900 and the average grant is £2,233.
14. The successful applicants so far this year are:
  - Temple Newsam Learning Partnership,
  - Yorkshire Cricket Board,
  - LCC - Parks & Countryside,
  - Brigshaw Cluster,
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Cross Gates Brownies,
  - Getaway Girls,
  - LCC – Youth Service,
  - Swillington Parish Council,

- LCC – Out Of School Activities Team,
- Heads Together Productions,
- LCC – Sports & Active Lifestyles,
- Stitch-Up CIC,
- Barca Leeds,
- Kippax Parish Council
- Leeds Development Education Charity.

- The first application round closed in February 2015 but was extended to June as only eight applications were received. We are now accepting applications for projects that will start after April 2016.
- We have commissioned Leeds Rhinos Rugby Foundation to provide a programme of work to be delivered across Outer East in 2016 and anticipate details in early 2016.
- Yorkshire Housing will be delivering a Job Shop at Swarcliffe Community Centre for a trial 3 month period starting January 2016. If successful we will investigate the possibility of matching YAF with Well Being Budget to commission the YMCA to deliver a job shop at Swarcliffe Community Centre for a longer period. This project may include working with other partners in the area to provide a part time facility.
- Having taken notice of the feedback received from the Community Committee workshop on engagement with young people we have asked applicants to consider a variety of activities including fun and leisure but there needs to be more developmental work; work that builds confidence and self-esteem in young people; lifestyle based work; emotional based work; projects that helps young people into volunteering and projects that can lead to qualifications and ultimately help with employment opportunities. We have also asked that applicants consider the full age range from 8 to 17 and that there is a balance for projects that interest both boys and girls.

### **Capital Budget**

- The capital budget of **£42,500** is now available to spend. This is allocated from capital receipts received from council assets sold. To date we have funded 1 project from this budget.

### **20. Capital Budget Allocation 2015/16**

| Projects Funded                 | Ward Split             |                  |                        |                |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|
|                                 | Garforth & Swillington | Kippax & Methley | Cross Gates & Whinmoor | Temple Newsam  |
| Swillington Village Hall Boiler | £1,000                 |                  |                        |                |
| <b>Allocation</b>               | £10,625                | £10,625          | £10,625                | £10,625        |
| <b>Balance</b>                  | <b>£9,625</b>          | <b>£10,625</b>   | <b>£10,625</b>         | <b>£10,625</b> |

## **Wellbeing Projects for Consideration**

The following projects are presented for Members' consideration:

21. **Project Title:** Improvements to Glencoe Playground (Garforth & Swillington)  
**Name of Group or Organisation:** LCC Parks & Countryside  
**Total Project Cost:** £121,000  
**Amount proposed from Wellbeing Funds:** £10,000  
**Wards covered:** Garforth & Swillington

**Project Description:** The project seeks to improve Glencoe play area.

The Parks and Countryside service are working with the local ward members, the Parish Council and Groundwork Trust to improve play facilities at Glencoe for local children.

The existing play area is old and dated with limited opportunities for play. The current equipment offers little in the way of play value or even play quality. The existing surface is a loose fill surface of bark which makes it difficult for children, or carers, to access the site if they have mobility issues or parents with buggy's and pushchairs.

The proposed work will be delivered following consultation with local residents, and users of the park to develop the design brief, which it is anticipated the main elements will include areas for :-

- Swings
- Climbing
- Imaginative play and Inclusive play
- And an improved surface to the whole site to aid access for all users.

The cost will be met from the following contributions:

- S106 - £69,000
- Housing Revenue Account - £20,000
- Housing Area Panel - £10,000
- Project Support Fund - £12,000
- Well Being Budget - £10,000

**Community Committee Plan Priorities/Objectives:** having an asset base that is fit for purpose.

22. **Project Title:** Brigshaw Play Area  
**Name of Group or Organisation:** LCC Parks & Countryside  
**Total Project Cost:** £83,500  
**Amount proposed from Wellbeing Funds:** £5,000  
**Wards covered:** Kippax & Methley

**Project Description:** The project seeks to improve the play facilities at Brighsaw for local children.

The existing play area is old and dated with limited opportunities for play  
The current equipment offers little in the way of play value or play quality.

The existing surface is a loose fill surface of bark which makes it difficult for children, or carers to access the site if they have mobility issues or parents with buggy's and pushchairs.

The proposed work will be delivered following consultation with local residents, and users of the park.

It is anticipated the main elements will include areas for:

- Swings
- Climbing equipment
- Imaginative play and Inclusive play
- An improved surface to the whole site to aid access

The match funding of £78.5k will be provided by S106.

**Community Committee Plan Priorities/Objectives:** having an asset base that is fit for purpose.

23. **Project Title:** Security and access improvements to Allerton Bywater Welfare Hall  
**Name of Group or Organisation:** South East Communities Team  
**Total Project Cost:** £4,350  
**Amount proposed from Wellbeing Funds:** £4,350  
**Wards covered:** Kippax & Methley

**Project Description:** In October 2015 a meeting was organised by Allerton Bywater Parish Council to discuss ongoing problems with Anti-Social Behaviour and crime in and around the grounds of the Community Centre. This Community Centre is unique in Outer East Leeds as its grounds also incorporate a cricket pitch, bowling green, skate park and MUGA.

The meeting was well attended by local residents and the main complaints related to cars accessing the site at unusual hours and performing wheelies etc.; noise and aggressive behaviour; behaviour associated with the sale of illegal substances.

The initial response was to have the access gate provided with a lock and all users of the building provided with keys and informed of their responsibilities regarding locking the gate and securing access to the site. This was funded from the tasking budget.

The crime prevention officer has suggested other improvements that provide further security and allow access to the site for legitimate use. At the time of writing this report some items had yet to be assessed for cost. We do have a cost for the 2 most urgent recommendations:

- Supply and fit A frame with double buggy bar x 3 = £3,750
- Supply and fit various signage to the site = £600
- Total cost = **£4,350**

**Community Committee Plan Priorities/Objectives:** that residents in Outer East are safe and feel safe.

24. **Project Title:** Notice board for Hebden in Whinmoor  
**Name of Group or Organisation:** South East Communities Team  
**Total Project Cost:** £1,900  
**Amount proposed from Wellbeing Funds:** £1,900  
**Wards covered:** Cross Gates & Whinmoor

**Project Description:** This project will provide a notice board close to Hebden bowling green.

Notice boards have been erected in shopping areas during Town & District Regeneration Schemes as well as a number being funded in Swarcliffe from funds resulting from the PFI work. In both instances they have proved to be a useful way of sharing information and notifying people of upcoming events.

A gap in provision is evident in Whinmoor close to the bowling green where there is high footfall.

**Community Committee Plan Priorities/Objectives:** communities are empowered and engaged and get on well together.

### **Small Grants Update**

25. The following table outlines the Outer East small grants approved to date:

| <b>Project Name</b>                       | <b>Amount Approved</b> | <b>Ward</b>            |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Starlight Dance Academy                   | £221.50                | Temple Newsam          |
| St Marys Beavers/Scouts storage container | £500                   | Garforth & Swillington |
| Igbo/Edo Union Fun Day 2015               | £88.06                 | Temple Newsam          |
| Garforth Brass equipment                  | £500                   | Garforth & Swillington |
| Swillington Lane Planters                 | £450                   | Garforth & Swillington |
| Micklefield Scouts Beaver Colony start up | £500                   | Kippax & Methley       |
| Garforth in Bloom gazebo                  | £445                   | Garforth & Swillington |
| For Disability Mobility – social outings  | £496.25                | All OE Wards           |
| Benches at Ledston Luck                   | £500                   | Kippax & Methley       |
| Cross Gates Good Neighbours Cinema Café   | £500                   | Cross Gates & whinmoor |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>£4,653.81</b>       |                        |

### **Corporate Considerations**

### **Consultation and Engagement**

26. All projects developed are in consultation with Elected Members and local communities. Approval for a contribution from the Well Being budget is secured at Community Committee.

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

27. Community groups submitting a project proposal requesting funding from the Well Being budget have an equal opportunities policy and as part of the application process, complete

a section outlining which equality group the project will work with, and how equality and cohesion issues have been considered.

Internal and statutory partners are committed to equality and cohesion and all projects they are involved with will have considered these issues.

### **Council policies and City Priorities**

28. The projects outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the following council policies:

- Vision For Leeds
- Children and Young Peoples Plan
- Health and Well Being City Priority Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Regeneration City Priority Plan

### **Resources and value for money**

29. There is no new resource implications as a result of any projects detailed within this report. In all requests for funding from Community Committee applicants are asked to consider value for money during the application process.

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

30. Legal implications as a result of this report will be reflected in any subsequent Funding Agreements and Contracts to Tender that arise from projects funded from the Well Being budget.

All decisions taken by the Community Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are no longer eligible for call in.

There are no key or major decisions being made that would be eligible for call in.

### **Risk Management**

31. All proposals requesting Well Being funding complete a section in the application process outlining the risks associated with the project and how they will be managed.

### **Conclusions**

32. The report provides information on the Well Being Budget allocation for 2015/16 and recommends a number of new projects to fund. The report also provides details of both capital funds and YAF available to spend.

### **Recommendations**

33. Community Committee is recommended to:

- Note the contents of the report, especially Well Being and capital funds available to spend on priority work.

- Approve the following projects:
  - (i) Improvements to Glencoe Playground - £10,000
  - (ii) Brigshaw Play Area - £5,000
  - (iii) Security and access improvements to Allerton Bywater Welfare Hall - £4,350
  - (iv) Provision of Notice Board in Whinmoor - £1,900

34. Members are requested to note that should all projects being considered today be approved this leaves a remaining balance of £60,863.

**Background documents**

35. None.





**Report of:** the South East Area Leader

**Report to:** Outer East Community Committee (Cross Gates & Whinmoor, Garforth & Swillington, Kippax & Methley, Temple Newsam)

**Report author:** Pete Mudge (07891 276 853)

**Date:** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015

**For decision**

## **OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE – SUMMARY OF KEY WORK**

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### **Purpose of report**

- 1 To bring to Members' attention a summary of key work which the Communities Team is engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee that are not covered elsewhere on this agenda. It provides opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

### **Background information**

- 2 The Community Committee has a Community Plan that is updated throughout the year where actions are detailed against the Community Committee priorities. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings including project work, community engagement, partnership work, functions delegated to Community Committee, Community Champions roles and actions, integrated working and locality working.

## Main issues

### 3 Updates by theme:

3.1 **Community Champions meetings:** The last Community Champions meeting was held on 6<sup>th</sup> October and included discussion on the site visit to Thorpe Park, preparation for the flooding meeting, actions from the Environment Workshop Plan on a Page and Children and Young People. There were also updates on Social Isolation, Leeds Rhino's bid to YAF. The next meeting is on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### 3.2 Community Safety & Environment

3.2.1 **Operation Flame:** Through Tasking budgets the Outer East Community Committee has funded Operation Flame in all Outer East wards in the run up to bonfire night and the weekend after. This is a multi-agency coordinated operation to tackle anti-social behaviour (ASB) and environmental issues leading up to and including mischief night and the bonfire period. Various partners work together in the lead up to this period including Fire Service, Police, Housing Leeds and the Locality Team. The aim is for partners to report any build-up of material which could be used in unofficial bonfires and these are then removed. PCSOs will direct young people to official displays and the Youth Service, ASB Team and Police also undertake pro-active visits to reduce ASB during this period.

3.2.2 **16 Days of Action:** The Outer East Community Committee has asked Tasking, Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators and appropriate partners from the third sector to apply for a small grant as part of the international 16 days of action to raise awareness about domestic violence and abuse. The initiative will run between 25<sup>th</sup> November and 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

3.2.3 **Environment Workshop:** The June OE CC Workshop on partnership working for the Environment identified two lead items: Working with schools to reduce litter and improving paths of communication between the service and users. Locality Working has secured a temporary dedicated officer to assist with environmental action including linking with schools. This will include a developing use of social media.

A new year project is to investigate launching a bylaw to issue on the spot fines to people walking a dog without carrying doggie bags. Before progressing this theme in 2016, Locality Working is currently investigating the ongoing findings of a similar scheme progressing in Daventry.

Progress on the Action Plan is updated at Outer East Environmental Sub-Group meetings and the next will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. (Appendix 1)

- 3.2.4 **Litter Bins** - At the January 2015 meeting of OE Community Committee £12,000 was approved for ward members to approve 10 additional litter bins per ward. Currently there are 5 bins still available for Temple Newsam, 7 for Cross Gates & Whinmoor, 8 for Kippax & Methley and 8 for Garforth & Swillington. Members are invited to suggest locations for their remaining bins by contacting the Communities team. (Appendix 2)

### 3.3 **Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care**

- 3.3.1 **Connect for Health** - Individuals in South and East Leeds are to benefit from a new NHS 'social prescribing' service: Following consultation with the public, third sector and GPs, this service will be called 'Connect for Health' with the strapline 'Staying Well Together'.

Connect for Health will act as a single point of access via a professional or self-referral to a wide range of community groups, activity and support in an easy, accessible way which aims to improve health & wellbeing. This service can be accessed by all ages across the LSE CCG area.

The aim of Connect for Health is to enable patients to improve their overall health & wellbeing, reduce levels of social isolation, allow local people to become proactive in managing their own health & long term conditions and to live full, active and independent lives. It will also identify where there are gaps in existing community services that could be met by working with partners to develop new community services.

For health and social care professionals this service will provide a simple easy route for health and social care staff to connect their clients to community provision, support and activity. Ultimately this service should also contribute to reducing demand on primary, secondary and social care services in the South and East Leeds area.

Commissioned by LSE CCG for 3 years, Connect for Health will be delivered by Leeds MIND, working in partnership with Touchstone, BARCA, Leeds Irish Health and Homes, Hamara and Better Leeds Communities (BLC). A project board has been set up to oversee the implementation and delivery of the service. The South and East Health & Wellbeing Partnership Core Group will receive regular updates about the service,

Connect for Health will enable patients to refer themselves, or to receive a referral through a health professional / other relevant local professional, using one telephone number or a dedicated website for help and support to access a wide range of voluntary sector projects and groups in their area. A minimum of 16 staff members will be delivering the service, including 12 Wellbeing Coordinator posts.

Once referred into the service Connect for Health will provide 3 levels of support dependant on individual need:

- Level 1 – Provide information by phone or e-mail to help an individual understand what support is available in your local community.
- Level 2 – An appointment with a Wellbeing Co-ordinator will be arranged to gain an understanding of an individual's needs. At this session a client will be provided with information and advice in relation to local community activity, provision and support.
- Level 3 – Provide additional support to an individual over a maximum of 6 sessions to help them access appropriate community provision and support.

The Connect for Health Service will go live at the end of November 2015 with a full supporting communications and marketing plan & planned website to ensure both health professionals and members of the public are aware of the service and how it will work. A wider launch event of the service is planned to take place in January 2016.

Professionals can refer and individuals can self-refer into Connect for Health via the following telephone number 0113 3876380.

In addition Leeds South & East CCG is the process of commissioning an academic organisation to carry out an evaluation of Connect for Health. The evaluation will have two components:

- A qualitative component which will be used to obtain a narrative of what the clients are gaining from the service.
- and
- A quantitative component which will assess the impact of the social prescribing program on the following health and wellbeing factors, mental health, social Isolation, loneliness, overall wellbeing, physical health , ability to manage long term conditions

**3.3.2 Money Buddies** - In October 2014 Outer East Community Committee approved £1,995 for Money Buddies to help people on low incomes and those facing financial hardship.

The project involved training volunteers in all aspects of the work including debt advice, helping people fill in forms and ensuring they have the best deals and apply for any discounts. Following recruitment and training the scheme went live in October 2015.

Money Buddies now operates from Osmondthorpe One Stop Centre on Friday afternoons from 12.30 - 3.30pm and from Garforth One Stop Centre also on Friday afternoons from 12.30-3.30pm. Money Buddies also operates from an additional 14 centres throughout Leeds.

People requiring help can telephone 0113 235 0276 or visit the website [www.leedsmoneybuddies.weebly.com](http://www.leedsmoneybuddies.weebly.com). The scheme is also on Facebook and Twitter as Leeds Money Buddies or via e-mail at [admin@egac.org](mailto:admin@egac.org)

The scheme provides volunteers with valuable job experience in a demanding public facing role. Over half the volunteers have found full time, higher paid work as a result of being a Money Buddy volunteer this year alone. The skills they built on made their CV's more appealing to employers. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Money Buddies for a talk on 0113 2350.

- 3.3.3 **Older Persons Event Week 2015** – Considered to be the best so far in its 15 year run, the OPEW 2015 was held across the Outer East from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The week was chosen to include the International Day of Older People on 1st October.

Five events were held across the area with the first, held in Great Preston, attracting 79 participants. The following day saw the events roadshow in Swarcliffe attracting 75. Cross Gates had 100 older people attending, Halton saw 99 and the final event of the week covering Garforth & Swillington ward and Kippax & Methley attracted 127 older people and a visit from the Lord Major.

Continuing with the tried and tested format, the events started with the opportunity for residents to visit information / advice stalls covering a range of services including promotion of the Community Committee / Communities Team – South East, Locality Team, LCC Housing, the neighbourhood networks, Care and Repair, the Fire Service and Police, Green Doctor service, the Community Curators (Temple Newsam & Lotherton Hall), The Stroke Association and local pharmacies who carried out blood pressure and other health related health monitoring. There were also other groups which operate in specific wards. The information stalls were followed by a buffet, bingo and raffles. Attending all of the events was entertainer Johnny Evans who sang, told jokes and kept everyone amused. Swarcliffe Primary School choir also attended on the Tuesday and proved extremely popular.

HOPE held a similar event on Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> September in Halton Moor and featured Corpus Christi Catholic College 'Glee Club.'

- 3.3.4 **Foodbanks in Outer East** – Foodbanks are now operating in Garforth and Allerton Bywater and include provisions provided by the LCC backed FareShare food pickup facility. Outer East Community Committee has co-ordinated partnership working to ensure sustainability for these services.

- 3.3.5 **Social Isolation Officer** - Garforth NET has applied to the 'Time to Shine' fund to appoint an officer to undertake outreach work to address social isolation in the area. Although managed by NET the officer will cover the whole Outer East and work with the other 3 Neighbourhood Networks that operate in the area. The project is subject to successful funding applications.

### 3.4 Children & Young People

#### 3.4.1 Youth Activities Fund – Following the last OE CC Workshop concerning “How to engage better with young people in Outer East,” two strands have been identified to cover five identified targets. (Appendix 3)

- The first strand is “How do we make best use of our Youth Activity Fund (YAF) allocation and any other funding to support activities for children and young people?” The targets are: Fitness and Exercise based activities, Provide a wide range of activities developing confidence, fun, lifestyle, volunteering and qualifications for work. A balance of projects for boys and girls in the age range 8 to 17.
- The second strand is “What do Leeds City Council and partner agencies need to do to better engage with young people?” The targets are: The Youth Panel needs to be better promoted, to make it easier for participants to meet and ensure their contribution makes a difference. The second target is Young people like to engage with councillors who have the influence to get their voices better heard and their views recognised.

#### 3.4.2 The latest bidding round for the remaining 2015/16 YAF grants is now active and closes on 17 January 2016. It is being promoted to benefit children and young people aged 8-17 who live within the area. The request is for dynamic partners to bid into the fund in order to deliver fun, creative and rewarding activities for boys and girls – particularly activities which help to develop their potential. The activities are to take place between the Easter holidays and the end of the school summer holiday 2016.

#### 3.4.3 Youth Panel - The last Outer East Youth Panel meeting was held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and no young people attended. Communities SE is now building on the consultation following the September OE Community Committee. The Youth Work Practitioner is developing partnership working with the clusters. (Appendix 3)

### 3.5 Employment & Skills

#### 3.5.1 Thorpe Park - Site preparation is on-going. An application for the extraction of the surface coal was submitted and approved in September 2015. As the removal of the coal will be carried out by a specialist contractor there are no vacancies for local people. The main contractor is GMI and Employment Leeds now meets with them monthly. They will provide a works timetable as soon as possible.

The majority of construction jobs are likely to be with construction of the Manston Lane Relief Road. Work on the road cannot start until the site preparation is completed which is due in 2017.

Approval for the construction of 300 new homes was approved in January 2015. There is still no announcement of the house builder and it is hoped this will be known by the end of this calendar year. The start on site for construction of the new homes is likely to be early 2017. The houses will be built in 3 phases over a 5 year period with the last houses in 2022.

An announcement was made on 10 August detailing a partnership between Scarborough Group and Legal & General (L&G) Capital. L&G has committed £162m to the on-going development of the site for a 50% stake in the Thorpe Park development.

No announcements have yet been made about the retail anchor tenant. The retail park is scheduled to be open in mid to late 2017.

Scarborough Group International has supported a School Maths project at East Leeds Academy with a further programme of school engagement being developed with Ahead partnership.

- 3.5.2 **Site Visit** - The Thorpe Park development site visit for OE Members has been postponed until a viewing platform is safely in place. Employment & Skills will advise on dates for the site visit once the platform is installed.

## **4 Community**

- 4.1 **Christmas Lights** - The 6th annual lights switch on in Cross Gates took place on Friday 20th November. This was the first time the event had been held on a Friday and it was moved to the weekend so children could stay longer without needing to get up for school the following day. This year, five 5-6 year olds had the honour of pressing the button for the big 'switch on' following a competition run by Cllr Grahame. The local Brownies and Guides along with Manston Primary School Choir were also involved and there will be a Breeze act, fun fair, traditional activities, special guests and a firework finale. The event was arranged in partnership between Cllr Grahame and the Communities Team – South East. Record crowd numbers were in attendance once again.

The Garforth Christmas lights switch on was held on 28<sup>th</sup> November. Breaking from tradition, the switch-on was moved to a Saturday to better suit the majority of businesses and allow a Christmas Market to run alongside. The stage was placed across Main Street enabling more people to view the 1.5 hour spectacular. There was a funfair in the car park behind Barclays Bank and on Main Street, traders provided craft stalls and live music including the recently formed Garforth Community Choir and a local band. Businesses were encouraged to decorate their windows and winners of the annual Fiver Raffle were also announced. The event was chaired by Cllr Andrea McKenna and arranged in partnership between Garforth & District Lions, Garforth traders group, Jaqui Simpson and Ward Members.

Community Committee funding also went towards Christmas light switch-ons in Kippax, Gt Preston, Allerton Bywater and Methley.

Swillington also had a switch-on celebration on 13<sup>th</sup> November.

- 4.2 Outer East Community Committee Newsletter** – The Communities Team now produces a newsletter highlighting key aspects of activities after each Community Committee meeting and workshop. As such, a copy of the most recent Outer East Community Committee Newsletter is attached (Appendix 4) for information. The Communities Team will be circulating the newsletter to their contacts and on social media

## 5 Community Centres

- 5.1 In July 2014, it was agreed Community Committees would consider free lettings based on the priorities for their area. Community groups complete an application which is forwarded to the Communities – SE team. This is then sent to Ward Members so they can advise Communities – SE who then pass the information to the Lettings team for action.

- 5.2 A breakdown of free lets since July 2015 is below:

| Ward                     | Community Centre                 | Organisation                               | Dates                | Value          |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------|
|                          |                                  |  |                      |                |
| Cross Gates & Whinmoor   | Field Head Carr                  | Youth Service                              | 28.10.15             | £100           |
| Kippax & Methley         | Micklefield Youth & Adult Centre | Scouts (Cubs)                              | 07.04.15 to 28.03.16 | £882           |
| Kippax & Methley         | Micklefield Youth & Adult Centre | Micklefield Youth Club                     | 03.10.15             | £3,276         |
| Kippax & Methley         | Micklefield Youth & Adult Centre | Micklefield Tenants & Residents Hallowe'en | 31.10.15             | £18            |
| Kippax & Methley         | Methley Village Hall             | Methley Youth Club                         | 02.09.15 to 27.08.16 | £2,028         |
| Kippax & Methley         | Kippax Youth Centre              | Drop in Group                              | 09.09.15 to 27.07.16 | £2,040         |
| Kippax & Methley         | Kippax Youth Centre              | Kippax Kabin Ladies Group                  |                      | £1,040         |
| Kippax & Methley         | Kippax Youth Centre              | Kippax Kabin Ladies Craft Group            |                      | £1,040         |
| <b>Sub Total (08.09–</b> |                                  |  |                      | <b>£10,424</b> |



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| <b>1.12.15)</b>              |  |  |  |            |
| Total<br>(Since<br>01.04.15) |  |  |  | £58,389.50 |

## **6 Conclusions**

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

## **7 Recommendations**

- 7.1 The Community Committee is asked to:

- Note the content of the report and make comment as appropriate.
- Consider locations for new litter bins.
- Agree that work on introducing the Youth Activity recommendations will progress through the Children & Young People Community Champion role.

## **Background documents**

None

**Outer East Community Committee Workshop held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2015**  
**Locality Working: Action Plan**  
**Community Committee Sub Group: Environment & Community Safety**



| Actions  | Lead  | Update   | RAG Rating |
|--|---|--|------------|
| <b>LITTER OUTSIDE SCHOOLS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enthuse schools to take greater responsibility while students in uniform</li> </ul>                           | Locality/Governors /Members/Clusters                            | Locality Working has secured a temporary dedicated resource for environmental action.  |            |
| <b>LACK OF COMMUNICATION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilise all publicity and opportunities to link with the community</li> </ul>                                  | Members/Press Office/Social Media/Communities SE/Localities     | Locality Working has secured a temporary dedicated resource for environmental action.  |            |
| <b>SOME DOG OWNERS NOT CLEANING UP</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify &amp; fine walkers without bags</li> <li>More reporting / &amp; introduce by-law</li> </ul> | Educate community / Locality/Housing                            | Before progressing this theme in 2016, Locality Working is currently investigating the ongoing findings of the Daventry prototype. |            |
| <b>LITTER OUTSIDE SHOPS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Get businesses to keep area clean</li> </ul>  | Trader group help - by: Communities SE/Locality                 |  |            |
| <b>SILO WORKING BY DEPARTMENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Get joint initiatives on Environment</li> </ul>  | Env Sub - by: Housing/Parks/Locality/Community Safety – ongoing |  |            |
| <b>SOME FOOTPATHS AND GINNELS NEGLECTED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make this a higher priority</li> </ul>  | Liaise with Locality/Highways/Parks                             |  |            |
| <b>REDUCE UNNECESSARY CALL OUTS TO OFFICERS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People take appropriate action</li> <li>Educate/Promote direct action</li> </ul>            | Locality/publicity channels                                     |  |            |
| <b>ONGOING SOCIAL CONTRACT SUPPORT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have annual meetings/ blitzes</li> <li>Meet to talk or meet for action</li> </ul>                    | Locality/Communities – SE/publicity channels                    |  |            |

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# Outer East Community Committee Workshop held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015

## Youth: Action Plan

### Community Committee Sub Group: Children & Young People



| Actions   | Lead             | Timescale | Update  | RAG Rating |
|---|------------------|-----------|---|------------|
| <b>How do we make best use of our Youth Activity Fund (YAF) allocation and any other funding to support activities for children and young people?</b> |                  |           |   |            |
| Provide a wide range of activities developing confidence, fun, lifestyle, volunteering and qualifications for work.                                   | Communities - SE | Ongoing   | All Youth Panel publicity – including facebook, posters and the application form guidance notes have been rewritten to emphasise the priorities for the funding.  |            |
| Fitness and exercise based facilities /activities.  | Communities - SE | Ongoing   | As above: fitness and exercise based activities have been highlighted of importance in all the publicity. Swimming has been highlighted as a particularly popular activity.   |            |
| A balance of projects for boys and girls and for all ages in the range 8 to 17.   | Communities - SE | Ongoing   | As above. The Breeze data will provide guidance as to the most requested activities which will assist with future development.  |            |
| <b>What do Leeds City Council and partner agencies need to do to better engage with young people?</b>   |                  |           |   |            |
| The Youth Panel needs to better promoted, be better to access (travel) and you should be able to see that your contribution makes a difference.       | Communities - SE | Immediate | As no young people attended the last Youth Panel meeting and only one attended the previous meeting an alternate way of progressing is being recommended (please see below)   |            |
| Young people like to engage with councillors who have the influence to get their voices better heard and their views recognised.                      | Communities - SE | Immediate | The suggestion which has been made is that if there is any underspend after the final bidding round (November) Ward members meet with youth in their area to decide how the remainder could be best used. Currently there is £20,000 unallocated which would equal £5,000 per ward. |            |

**Outer East Community Committee Workshop held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015**  
**Youth: Action Plan**  
**Community Committee Sub Group: Children & Young People**





## Outer East Community Committee newsletter

A round up of the business meeting and youth workshop held on 8th September 2015



# Our young people speak up

Children and young people gave their views when they met outer east Leeds councillors for a theme-based workshop.

Our workshops enable people to help shape projects which are important in their area. The June workshop was to a packed hall at Temple Newsam House and the latest, held on 8th Sept, came close to filling the venue at the Brigshaw Trust conference room in Vicars Court, Allerton Bywater.

16 children and young people came to the meeting and joined in a discussion with members of the public, councillors and service providers. The hour-long brainstorm saw eight tables alive with non-stop chatter as ideas kept on coming.

Led by Glen O'Malley and Deeta Tren-Humphries from the Youth Service, the discussions resulted in more than 50 ideas coming forward.

Officers will now work these up into projects and agree with ward members a way forward in early October. Anyone reading this and wishing to add an idea can email it to us at

**southeast.ast@leeds.gov.uk**

A key aspect of the discussion was the Youth Activity Fund – an annual pot of money for activity providers to bid into to deliver activities to benefit local children and young people. This year approx £83,000 was available and 70% has been awarded so far.

For more information or an application pack, please get in touch with the *Communities Team - South East* on **0113 247 5536** or **southeast.ast@leeds.gov.uk**

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*The Outer East Community Committee workshop gets underway and Cllr Helen Hayden explains the key topics to be investigated.*

### Our social media channels:



**LccOuterEast**



**@\_YourCommunity**



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## What the children and young people are saying

Questions and answers from the Youth workshop:

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| <p><b>Q) How should the Council make best use of the Youth Activity Fund (YAF) and any other activity grants for children and young people?</b></p> <p>i) Fitness / exercise based activities and facilities</p> <p>ii) Fund organisations with a good record for delivering activities for young people</p> <p>iii) Some young people would like activities delivered away from where they live</p> <p>iv) There needs to be a range of activities including: confidence building; life style; emotional; volunteering leading to qualifications and assistance with getting employment</p> | <p><b>Q) What are your concerns about the area and what would improve things?</b></p> <p>i) General enjoyment but concerns include bullying at school and home, cyber bullying, general safety</p> <p>ii) Dog fouling, litter, graffiti, vandalism, general untidiness of the neighbourhood</p> <p>iii) Not enough places to go that are close by such as youth centres, safe playgrounds, youth centres, leisure centres and also places to meet</p> |
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*RIGHT:*

*The Outer East Community Committee business meeting is open to the public to observe proceedings and hear local reports and all non-confidential items.*



*LEFT:*

*Local residents come to help rescue a driver stranded by flood water on Brigshaw Lane, Kippax.*



## Open doors in outer east

Community Committees now hold all of their meetings / workshops at local public venues and you are welcome to come along to see and hear what is happening, plus ask questions during the Open Floor section.

Our next meeting will be 4-5pm on Tues 1st Dec at Vicars Court, Allerton Bywater. At 5pm the meeting ends and the workshop will get underway, looking at all aspects of flood risk across outer east Leeds. You are welcome to attend one, or both parts of the meeting.

## Delight on a sad day

The official launch of the Outer East Foodbank took place on 24th Sept 2015.

The foodbank is a partnership of Garforth NET, Brigshaw High School and FareShare which redistributes items donated by the food industry. Set-up costs for the project have been covered by Outer East Community Committee and the Housing Advisory Panel.

Cllr Andrea McKenna said "We are delighted to help, but also saddened that in this day and age foodbanks are needed."



*From left: Pete Barringer (FareShare), Cllr Andrea McKenna and Monica Walker (manager, Garforth NET).*



Brigshaw Cooperative Trust, Vicars Court (Old School)



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