



Inner West Community Committee

Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall

**Meeting to be held in Bramley Community Centre
Waterloo Lane, Bramley, Leeds, LS13 2JB
Wednesday, 30th November, 2016 at 6.00 pm**

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Armley - Armley Mills; Armley Library (old entrance)

Bramley & Stanningley - war memorial; Bramley Baths

Kirkstall – Kirkstall Leisure Centre; deli market at Kirkstall Abbey

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2			<p>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>1 To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, 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 the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-</p> <p>RESOLVED – That, in accordance with Regulation 4 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 or Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as appropriate, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of those 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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INNER WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 2016

PRESENT: Councillor K Ritchie in the Chair

Councillors C Gruen, A Lowe, J McKenna,
F Venner and L Yeadon

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE TOPIC: TRANSPORT

The Community Committee held a workshop on transport. A large number of the local community were in attendance at the meeting.

The Chair introduced the topic and welcomed all to the meeting.

The Head of Transportation, Andrew Hall gave a presentation linked to the submitted report of the Chief Officer Highways and Transport.

The meeting were informed that a number of meetings and surveys were currently being held to engage with Elected Members and the community to seek feedback and input on the future strategic approach to transport in the city and the development of a proposition and delivery plan for the £173.5 million fund due to be allocated following the cancellation of the NGT project.

After the presentation the meeting was opened up to a Question and Answer session with the following issues being raised and suggested improvements:

- Equal access to all transport for those with disabilities and low incomes
- More stations in local areas with sufficient parking
- More Park and Ride schemes
- 20mph restricted areas to be monitored and speed limit to be enforced
- Use of speed bumps and humps
- Height of speed bumps
- Speed indicator signs
- Pathways not wide enough
- The Highways Service to be more responsive
- Vespers, St Ann's and Morris Lane highlighted as speed hot spots
- Concerns about the Kirkstall gyratory – amount of traffic using this junction and worries when junction fails smaller roads used as 'rat runs'
- Inability of Highways to respond quickly enough to grid lock situations
- Capacity of major road links
- Pollution around Kirkstall Road
- Public transport too expensive
- One fare for buses in Leeds area
- Use of day tickets and passes on all buses in Leeds area
- Franchised bus service
- More rail tracks

- Use of different modes of transport
- Regulate peak travelling times
- Crossings over the canal and rivers
- Stations not adequate in size and location
- City wide speed limit
- Similar scheme to dockland light railway
- Similar scheme to 'Boris' bikes' in London
- Congestion charge
- Training for bus drivers to accommodate passenger needs
- Conductors/ Hosts on buses
- Use of phone app to highlight awareness of problems on roads and areas to avoid
- Subsidised fares for young and old people
- More cycle lanes
- Use presentations to schools and colleges to educate young people to show benefits of different modes of transport
- Reliability of bus timetables
- Speed Indication Devices (SID's) these are known to be effective and are mobile
- Links with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority for Bus Strategy to improve service

At the end of the session everyone was encouraged to complete the Leeds Transport Conversation survey either on line or hard copy and also the West Yorkshire Combined Authority Survey.

The Leeds Transport Survey closes on 11th November 2016

The West Yorkshire Combined Authority Survey 'Have your say' closes 20th October 2016

The Chair thanked Andrew Hall for his presentation and all those who had attended for their contributions and suggestions.

CHAIRS COMMENTS

The Chair welcomed all those who attended the Inner West Community Committee formal business meeting.

He asked everyone to introduce themselves.

18 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against refusal of inspection of documents.

19 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

20 Late Items

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There were no late items.

21 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs. J Illingworth, A Smart and J Heselwood, there was also apologies from Co-optees Stephen McBarron and Hazel Boutle.

23 Open Forum / Community Forums

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Mr and Mrs Townsend who own a business in Stanningley attended for this item at the invitation of the Chair.

The Chair asked Andrew Hall, Head of Transportation who had been at the earlier Community Committee workshop to be present for the representation from Mr Townsend

Mr Townsend informed the Committee that he had that day handed a petition of 2000 names to Cllr. Ritchie in relation to the two roundels located at Stanningley Bottom.

He explained that he had owned his business located at Stanningley Bottom for two and half years and prior to the alterations of the road layout had only witnessed one accident. However, in the last six months since the new layout of two roundels on the junction with Stanningley Road and Richardshaw Lane he had witnessed eight accidents including near misses and road rage.

He said that the topic of conversation for his customers was their dissatisfaction of the road layout and the increased danger that it causes.

Mr Townsend presented some suggestions to prevent accidents at this junction which included:

- LED speed signs
- Notices to indicate rights of way
- Signs preparing the motorist on approach to the junction

The Chair informed the Committee that he had contacted Highways requesting information about the roundels. He also expressed his concerns about the difficulties of seeing the markings in the rain.

Andrew Hall thanked Mr Townsend for a well put together submission including his suggestions on improvements.

Andrew Hall informed the Committee that Highways were aware of issues at the junction with the two roundels and were working to develop and improve the scheme.

The Chair asked for 'pinch points' to be assessed and addressed.

Members were informed that the junction at Stanningley Bottom was a priority.

The Chair thanked Mr and Mrs Townsend for attending the meeting and for their representation. He also thanked Andrew Hall.

24 Minutes

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd June 2016, be approved as a correct record.

25 Matters arising

At the Community Committee Workshop Drugs and Young People held on 22nd June, Tom Donohoe, Head of Police Contact Centre had extended an invite to Members to visit the Centre. Eric Bowes Co-optee for Armley informed the Committee that Members of the Armley Forum had visited the Police Contact Centre which had been very informative and enjoyable.

Cllrs. J McKenna and C Gruen expressed their disappointment with Members attendance at sub group meetings. They asked that the Chair remind Members of their responsibilities. The Chair said that he would raise this at the next Chairs Forum with Cllr. Coupar and report back.

26 Leeds Transport Conversation

Having discussed the "Transport Conversation" as part of the Community Committee topic, no other matters were raised under this item.

RESOLVED – The Committee resolved to:

- a) To note the wider strategic context of the transport Conversation which will extend beyond a first phase conversation into the Spring / Summer of next year, informing a wider transport strategy for the City and your area over the next 20 years

- b) To note the Department of Transport £173.5 million offer for public transport improvements, in the context of a currently planned report to Executive Board on the 19th October and the planned submission of strategic investment case to the Department of Transport.
- c) To provide feedback and advise on your key priorities to transport investment in the city and the local community.

27 Finance Report

The West North West Area Leader submitted a report which updated the Members on the projects funded through the Inner West Wellbeing fund and Youth Activities Fund budgets.

Members heard that since March 2016, the Committee had awarded grants totalling £116,314 to 33 projects following an application round. The list of projects funded so far in 2016/17 was presented at Appendix 1 of the submitted report.

Members were advised of the remaining balances for each ward as set out at point 2 of the submitted report

Members were informed of 2 applications approved by delegated decision;

- Hollybush Roundhouse - £4,000
- West Leeds Credit Union - £1,200

Members were asked to consider three new grant applications for Armley:

- Poplars Fencing Scheme - £2,557
- Armley Junction Café - £1,000
- Gotts Park Golf Club - £11,764

Cllr. J McKenna explained the refurbishment to Gotts Park Mansion to the Committee and the importance of keeping this Grade II listed building open.

Members discussed the use of Section 106 money and requested a report to the next meeting from Parks and Countryside to include Section 106 spending.

Members were advised that all Wellbeing money needed to be committed by end of March, Members were asked to contact Communities Team if they wished any projects to be considered.

Members were asked to provide £1,000 per ward to top up the Small grants and skips fund to enable further applications to be submitted to the end of the financial year.

Members heard that since April fifteen projects had been funded at a total cost of £55,842 these were listed at appendix 2 of the submitted report. Members were informed of the continuation of the Woodbridges Youth Club approved by delegated decision for £5,938. Members were also advised of

the Youth Activities Fund balances as set out at point 35 of the submitted report.

Members were asked to approve the method by which Wellbeing grants are approved for 2017/18. It was proposed that the application round would follow the same process as previous years with applications invited between 28th October 2016 and 13th January 2017, for approvals at the March Community Committee meeting. Members noted that the grant application round would also include bids to the Youth Activities Fund.

RESOLVED – That the Committee resolved to:

- a) Note the balance of the Wellbeing budget for 2016/17
- b) Note the projects approved by delegated decision listed at 4 and 5 of the submitted report
- c) Consider the new 2016/17 projects listed at 7- 9 of the submitted report
 - Poplars Fencing Scheme – To be deferred for more information to be sought for Armley Members.
 - Armley Junction Café - £1,000 - Approved
 - Gotts Park Golf Club - £11, 764 – Capital Fund - Approved
- d) Consider whether any funding should be earmarked against the projects in development listed at 11-17 of the submitted report
- e) Approve a top up to the small grants and skips budget at 29 of the submitted report
- f) Note the balance of the Capital Fund at 30 of the submitted report
- g) Note the balance of the Youth Activities Fund at 33 of the submitted report
- h) Approve the application process for the 2017/18 financial year at 35 of the submitted report

Cllr. Yeadon left the meeting at 8:05 during this item. Prior to Cllr. Yeadon leaving the Chair congratulated her being nominated for Councillor of the Year. The Inner West Community Committee wished her luck.

Cllr. Venner left the meeting at 8:15 at the end of this item.

28 Community Committee Update Report

The West North West Area Leader submitted a report which updated the Members on the work of the three sub groups of the Community Committee.

The Community Champions Cllr C Gruen, Cllr Lowe and Cllr McKenna updated the Committee on the work of the sub groups highlighting the following points:

Children and Young People

- The importance of the clusters within the schools of the Inner West
- Positive feedback on the activities funded over the summer holidays
- Children and Young Peoples Summit planned for February 2017 to consult on a range of topics and teach about local democracy.

Health and Wellbeing and Adult Social Care

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- The success of the Rise High Project and for the approach to be taken to 20 similar high rise blocks citywide.
- The re-commissioning of the Locality Community Health Development and Improvement Services contract had been awarded to BARCA Leeds

Employment, Skills and Welfare

- Universal Credit due to go live in Leeds, 1st January 2017. The Committee noted that this change to benefits would hit the Inner West hard
- Members requested a report to the next meeting on Universal Credit
- 92 people had attended the Armley Hub for recruitment at the new Victoria Gate retail development
- The development of new Adult Learning opportunities in Bramley and Stanningley Ward. Members noted that a paper was to be taken to the November Executive Board.

Members noted that the date for the Environment Sub group had been set for 21st October.

Members discussed at length issues of community safety across the Inner West area, in particular the ongoing issues around the Holdforths.

A number of suggestions were put forward and tackling the issues around the Holdforth:

- Use an approach similar to that used in Hawksworth
- Neighbourhood Improvement Board – to discuss problem families at its next meeting
- Look at recruiting more volunteer youth workers in the Holdforths

It was noted that the Community Plan should carry a forward from the Chair and the Civic Hall telephone numbers for the Inner West Community Committee Members.

Members also noted that the Newsletter was to be sent to groups and organisations within the area.

The Co-optee for Bramley and Stanningley invited all to attend a meeting of the newly formed Bramley Project Team to look at new projects for the area.

RESOLVED – That the Community Committee note the report including the key outcomes from the sub groups and approve the new Community Plan.

CHAIRS COMMENT

The Chair thanked all those who had attended the workshop and the formal meeting for their contributions and comments which had provided a good meeting.

29 Date and time of next meeting

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The next meeting of the Inner West Community Committee will be held on Wednesday 30th November 2016 at 6:00pm. No venue had been confirmed.



Report of: Performance Programme Manager, Children's Services

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

Report author: Becky Lawrence

Date: 30th November 2016

To note

Key Stage 4 Results

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To update members of the Committee on provisional attainment and progress results for Key Stage 4 for 2016.

2. Main issues

- 2.1 To look at provisional attainment results for GCSE and equivalent qualifications from the 2015/16 academic year across the city, but in particular at Inner West schools.
- 2.2 There are three secondary schools that fall within the boundary of the Inner West Area Committee: Swallow Hill, Leeds West and Abbey Grange. All three settings are academies. This means that their formal accountability is to the DfE's Regional Schools Commissioner rather than the local authority. Although academies can choose to buy school improvement support from the local authority and highly-performing academies can act as improvement partners to both academy and LA schools, the local authority has no automatic "right of entry" into an academy where there are concerns about standards. The co-ordination of school improvement support is the responsibility of the multi-academy trust.

3. Background information

- 3.1 There have been major reforms to accountability arrangements for secondary schools that relate to 2016 Key Stage 4 results. New measures include Attainment 8, Progress 8 and Attainment in English and in maths (also known as "The Basics"). The 5 A*-C GCSEs including English and maths indicator is no longer a headline measure for accountability purposes, and is no longer reported at school level.
- 3.2 Alongside reforms to accountability measures, GCSE qualifications are being reformed. 2016 was the last year when pupils leaving the end of Key Stage 4 received all of their grades as letters. In summer 2017 the first round of reformed GCSEs will be assessed for the first time

and pupils will receive their results in English Language, English Literature and Mathematics GCSEs using a numerical scale of 9 to 1, where 9 is the highest grade. A grade 5 will be considered to be a good pass for reformed GCSEs. Legacy GCSEs (assessed with letters) are being phased out over a three year period, so in 2019 pupils will receive all of their results as numbers.

4. Provisional outcomes for Inner West schools

- 4.1 **Abbey Grange:** this school has a provisional Attainment 8 score of 55.2. This means that on average young people at this school achieved a grade C across subjects that counted in the Attainment 8 measure. Their Progress 8 score of +0.04 means that pupils at this school made slightly more progress from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 4 when compared to other pupils nationally who had the same prior attainment.
- 4.2 91 per cent of pupils at Abbey Grange were entered for EBacc subjects, this is the highest entry rate of all Leeds state-funded secondary schools. 42 per cent of pupils achieved the EBacc, this result is well above the national provisional EBacc achievement rate of 24.6 per cent.
- 4.3 78 per cent of pupils achieved A*-C GCSEs in English and in maths, again well above the provisional national result of 62.8 per cent.
- 4.4 **Leeds West:** this school has a provisional Attainment 8 score of 43.5. This means that on average young people at this school achieved a grade D across subjects that counted in the Attainment 8 measure. Their Progress 8 score of -0.36 means that pupils at this school made about a third of a grade less progress from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 4 when compared to other pupils nationally who had the same prior attainment.
- 4.5 40 per cent of Leeds West pupils achieved A*-C GCSEs in English and in maths; this is below the national average and the average for Leeds schools overall.
- 4.6 37 per cent of pupils were entered for EBacc subjects and 14 per cent of all pupils achieved the EBacc; this is below the national and local results and below results for comparator groups of local authorities.
- 4.7 **Swallow Hill:** this school has a provisional Attainment 8 score of 38.2. This means that on average young people at this school achieved a grade E across subjects that counted in the Attainment 8 measure. Their Progress 8 score of -0.71 means that pupils at this school made about two-thirds of a grade less progress from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 4 when compared to other pupils nationally who had the same prior attainment. Swallow Hill provisionally falls below the DfE's floor standard of a Progress 8 measure of -0.5.
- 4.8 37 per cent of Swallow Hill pupils achieved A*-C GCSEs in English and in maths; this is below the national average and the average for Leeds schools overall.
- 4.9 Five per cent of pupils were entered for EBacc subjects and three per cent of all pupils achieved the EBacc; this is below the national and local results and below results for comparator groups of local authorities.

5. Corporate considerations

5.1 Consultation and engagement

There are no consultation or engagement requirements arising from this report.

5.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

Final data on outcomes by pupil group is not yet available. This will be published when the DfE publish the confirmed secondary school performance tables at the end of January 2017.

5.3 Council policies and city priorities

Outcomes at the end of Key Stage 4 are a priority within the Children and Young People's Plan.

5.4 Resources and value for money

There are no financial decisions arising from this report.

5.5 Legal implications, access to information and call in

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

5.6 Risk management

There are no risk management implications in this report.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 On the new Progress 8 measure Leeds is in the third quartile nationally. Although our Attainment 8 score is below national, the rate of improvement compared to 2015 has been slightly higher in Leeds than nationally. EBacc entry rates in Leeds remain higher than national, although attainment against this measure has dipped slightly in 2016. The percentage of young people achieving a good pass in English and maths GCSEs has increased, although this should be understood in the context of the change in methodology for this measure.

7. Recommendations

- 7.1 The Community Committee is requested to note the contents of this report and note that confirmed Key Stage 4 data will be published by the DfE in late January 2017.

Background information

- Useful links are included in the briefing paper.

Provisional GCSE and equivalent results in England, 2015/16

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On 13 October 2016, the DfE published a Statistical First Release (SFR) relating to provisional GCSE and equivalent results in England, 2015/16. This paper provides information on Leeds' outcomes in relation to the national position and comparator local authorities.

The full statistical first release can be accessed here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/gcse-and-equivalent-results-2015-to-2016-provisional>

The update Learning Outcome Dashboards for Key Stage 4 can be accessed [from Sharepoint here](#).

Changes to secondary school accountability in 2016

A number of performance indicators that had previously been used to measure secondary school performance are now obsolete, following the introduction of the DfE's Attainment 8 and Progress 8 measures:

- 5A*-C including English and maths
- 5A*-C
- Expected progress in English
- Expected progress in maths

The new indicators are:

- Attainment 8
- Progress 8
- Attainment in English and in maths (also known as "The Basics")

Attainment 8 measures the achievement of a pupil across eight subjects including maths (double weighted), English (double weighted if the combined English qualification, or both language and literature are taken), three further qualifications that count in the English Baccalaureate and three further qualifications that can be GCSE qualifications (including EBacc subjects) or any other non-GCSE qualifications on the DfE approved list.

Progress 8 captures the progress a pupil makes from the end of key stage 2 to the end of key stage 4. This is done by comparing a pupil's Attainment 8 score to the average for all other pupils nationally who had the same key stage 2 prior attainment. As Progress 8 is a relative measure, the average Progress 8 score for all pupils nationally is zero.

Progress 8 is a measure for local authorities and for schools, young people do not leave school with a Progress 8 result. Attainment 8 is a summary of their achievements at the end of statutory school age.

More information on Attainment 8 and Progress 8 can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/progress-8-school-performance-measure>

The DfE has also published a You Tube video called 'Progress 8 explained in 3 minutes' that is available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IAEgFMSGDY>

Changes in methodology

The DfE made changes to how English counts in two of the headline measures: Attainment in English and maths, and achievement of the English Baccalaureate in 2016, to align more closely with Attainment 8 and Progress 8. These changes in methodology are responsible for some, but not all, of the increase in these measures nationally.

The SFR provides figures for all schools nationally (including independent sector) and state-funded schools. This paper compares Leeds results against the national state-funded schools' figures. The **national headlines** for state-funded schools are:

- Average Attainment 8 score per pupil, one of the new headline measures, has increased. The biggest increase is in the EBacc element, with an increase of 1.0 and 1.1 points respectively. This suggests the increase in this measure is driven largely by behaviour change, with pupils entering more qualifications which count in the EBacc. (The DfE has been measuring Attainment 8 since before it became an official accountability measure. This briefing only includes data for 2016, because schools will not have fully aligned their curriculum to the new indicator in earlier years.)
- The proportion of pupils entering and achieving the EBacc continues to increase. Part of the increase in EBacc achievement is due to a change in methodology, described above.
- Pupils are entering more qualifications, and, for pupils with low prior attainment, more of them are GCSEs.

Headline results for Leeds

- On the new Progress 8 measure Leeds is in the third quartile nationally.
- Although our Attainment 8 score is below national, the rate of improvement compared to 2015 has been slightly higher in Leeds than nationally.
- EBacc entry rates in Leeds remain higher than national, although attainment against this measure has dipped slightly in 2016.
- The percentage of young people achieving a good pass in English and maths GCSEs has increased, although this should be understood in the context of the change in methodology for this measure.

Table 1: Attainment 8

	2016 provisional
Leeds	48.0
National	49.9
Statistical neighbours	49.3
Core cities	47.6

Source: DfE SFR48/2016

Attainment 8, the new headline measure, is made up of eight slots, which can be filled with English, maths, three qualifications which count towards the English Baccalaureate (EBacc), and three other qualifications from the DfE approved list, which can include additional EBacc qualifications. If a pupil has not taken the maximum number of qualifications that count in each group then they will receive a point score of zero where a slot is empty.

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Statistical neighbours	12	13	20	23	23	23	23.4
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Provisional GCSE and equivalent results in England, 2015/16

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A number of performance indicators that had previously been used to measure secondary school performance are now obsolete, following the introduction of the DfE's Attainment 8 and Progress 8 measures:

- 5A*-C including English and maths
- 5A*-C
- Expected progress in English
- Expected progress in maths

The new indicators are:

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- Progress 8
- Attainment in English and in maths (also known as "The Basics")

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Headline results for Leeds

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Report of: Chief Officer (Welfare and Benefits)

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

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Date: 30th November 2016

To note

Update on Universal Credit and other Welfare Reforms

Purpose of report

1. This report provides an update on Universal Credit, other Government Welfare Reforms and the impact on the people across the city. Information is also provided on how the council has prepared for implementation of the new benefit and what support is in place for customers.

Main issues

2. Universal Credit is one of the main elements of the Government's Welfare Reform Programme and went live in Leeds on 1st February 2016 but only for new single, job seeking claimants without children or a mortgage. These are considered by DWP to be the simplest cases. This national roll out of Universal Credit to single jobseekers was completed in April 2016. The Government has now begun a process of transition and migration to complete the roll out of Universal Credit and this is expected to take until 2022 to complete. Transition for all new claims is expected to commence in Leeds in summer 2018, although there are no more details yet available about how this transition process will be undertaken in Leeds.
3. There are significant changes to the way in which people claim and manage their Universal Credit claim from previous benefits, Universal Credit mainly being an online process. Payments of Universal Credit are made monthly in arrears which include any associated housing costs. The housing costs element will, in the majority of cases, be paid direct to the tenant.

4. The roll out of Universal Credit has implications for the council. In particular, Housing services, Customer Services and Welfare & Benefits are directly affected by the roll out.
5. Statistics relevant to Armley, Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall are attached at Appendix 1

1 Background information

- 1.1 Universal Credit is the Government's flagship welfare reform which merges 6 benefits into one (Jobseekers Allowance, Income Support, ESA, HB, Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) and is delivered by a single agency. Universal Credit went live in Leeds on 1st February 2016 and is focused only on single jobseekers at this time. This group is considered by DWP to be the simplest cohort for Universal Credit purposes and enables the Government to continue to test the delivery of Universal Credit while expanding its reach nationally. It is estimated that around 10,000 Universal Credit claims will be made in Leeds over the first 14 months and that, in line with experience elsewhere, only around 20-25% of these will be from tenants with a rental liability.
- 1.2 There are many differences between Universal Credit and the legacy benefits it is replacing. These include:
 - Claims must be made online
 - Payment is normally paid monthly to a single person in a household
 - The rent element is paid directly to the tenant
 - There is normally no entitlement to Universal Credit (including the housing costs element) for the first 7-days following a claim
 - First time claimants must wait for 5-6 weeks before an initial payment is made
- 1.3 DWP and the Council have agreed a Delivery Partnership which sees the Council providing help and support to those who need it to make an online claim. For the initial roll out the majority of claimants will be newly unemployed people who, it is anticipated, are already used to the online claiming regime. This support service will, in the main, be delivered through Community Hubs and One Stop Centres. The Delivery Partnership will also see the Council providing Personal Budgeting Support to people who need help with managing the monthly payment that Universal Credit brings. The emphasis is on helping people to deal with a monthly payment of Universal Credit made directly and ensuring they are able to meet the demands of having Housing Costs in with this payment instead of being paid to the landlord. This support includes managing a basic household budget, managing a bank account, and making payments.
- 1.4 Experience indicates a very low take up of Personal Budgeting Support, however, Housing Leeds also provide money management support to their Universal Credit tenants as part of their ongoing commitment to support tenants impacted by both Universal Credit and other welfare reforms, more details provided at 3.4.
- 1.5 A number of other Government welfare reforms have been introduced since 2013. The most significant reforms include the social sector size criteria (sometimes called

'bedroom tax' or 'spare room subsidy') and the benefit cap which now limits benefit entitlement to a maximum of £385 a week.

2 Main Issues - Universal Credit

- 2.1 The initial limited roll out means that the numbers expected to move onto Universal Credit in Leeds in the first year to be approx. 10,000 with many of these being non-householders with no rent liabilities. Single people already claiming one of the benefits that Universal Credit will be replacing will continue to receive that benefit until they have a change in their circumstances which prompts a new claim for Job Seekers Allowance. The new claim will then be a new claim for Universal Credit. It should also be noted that customers already on Universal Credit will stay within Universal Credit even if they become part of a couple or have children.
- 2.2 As at 21st October 2016 4683 people are in receipt of Universal Credit in Leeds with approx. 1170 of these with a rental liability.
- 2.3 There are clear challenges arising from Universal Credit, and it has significant implications for customers and landlords. Particularly around rent payment and collection.

The key features of Universal Credit are:

- *All claims are made on-line.* The current Universal Credit system requires customers to complete an online claim in one sitting as there is no option to save a claim and come back to it. This will change when the *Full Service* is rolled out; this is expected in Leeds in summer 2018.
- *There is an in-built wait of 5-6 weeks for the first payment of Universal Credit.* All first-time claimants for Universal Credit, including customers migrating from another benefit to Universal Credit, will have to wait 5-6 weeks before receiving their first payment. This arises because the Assessment Day is one month after the claim date and the Payment Day is a week after the Assessment Day. On the Assessment Day, DWP look at the income and earnings the claimant has had over the previous month as well as the rent liability and other personal circumstances and use this to work out the amount of Universal Credit to be paid. This is then paid one week later. DWP will provide, on request and where appropriate, short-term benefit advances to help customers during this time but these have to be repaid from future Universal Credit payments.
- *Payments are normally made monthly in arrears and to only one person in the household.* This is a change from the current benefit system which will often see child-related benefits paid to the mother even if other payments go to partner. Under Universal Credit, the whole payment will normally go to just one person in the household.
- *The housing costs element of Universal Credit is normally paid directly to the tenant.* Landlords can apply for an 'alternative payment arrangement' (APAs) which includes payment of the housing costs direct to the landlord. APAs will be considered where there are rent arrears or issues relating to drug and alcohol issues or where there are other vulnerabilities.

- 2.4 Housing Leeds has used the learning from previous projects, which highlighted the improved outcomes which can be achieved through integrating financial and personal support, to establish a team of 16 specialist Housing Officers to co-ordinate support to tenants affected by Welfare reform. This Enhanced Income Team is offering additional support to affected tenants to review rehousing options, income maximisation, budget management, including management of debt, application for Discretionary Housing Payment, utility accounts, and accessing training and employment. Priority is being given to tenants affected by Universal Credit, the Benefit Cap and Under-occupation.
- 2.5 There are currently 587 Housing Leeds tenants in receipt of Universal Credit, (123 of these being in the Inner West area, and 71 of these having an APA requested) Evidence suggests that rent arrears are initially increasing for UC tenants in the first 3 – 4 month period of a claim, however, The Enhanced Income Team offer targeted support to UC tenants and by engaging with these residents an improved outcome is being seen for tenants in terms of financial stability. As Universal Credit continues to expand in Leeds, we will need to review the kind of support we provide going forward.
- 2.6 DWP is keen to work with councils to help ensure that vulnerable customers are supported in making and managing their Universal Credit. A delivery partnership has been entered into, which although has little scope for flexibility within the agreement, does enable the council to provide help to people to make a claim for Universal Credit and to be able to manage the requirements of the Universal Credit claim regime.

Online Application support

- 2.7 The council is providing support to people to enable a claim to be made and maintained online. This has been achieved by:
- Identifying PC/Public internet sites across Leeds
 - Identifying which of these locations will have trained staff to provide the necessary “supported access”
 - Publicising these services to residents
 - Ensuring staff are available within the OSC’s to support access to a Universal Credit claim and provide the relevant level of support required
- 2.8 For the initial roll out it is envisaged that the majority of claimants will be newly unemployed people who are already used to the online claiming regime. DWP advise that 99% of current Universal Credit claims are being successfully made online.
- 2.9 The DWP emphasis is on enablement and self-service rather than a claim completion service. This is something that will be continued in the council’s provision by supporting residents to self-serve rather than doing it for them. In some cases this will mean a less hands on support than claimants may be used to for current Housing Benefit applications. Some applicants will need full support when completing their Universal Credit claim and this is being provided as part of the Local Delivery Partnership, although for initial roll out numbers are small.
- 2.10 Community Hubs are playing a key role in supporting people to get online and this is something that is already evident as part of the Citizens@Leeds agenda. Online claiming support is not considered to be anything new to the Community Hubs

current practices and it is anticipated that any support requirements for Universal Credit claiming will be contained within the Community Hubs existing provision.

- 2.11 Since go live on 1st February 2016, only 50 people have required to support to make an online Universal Credit claim.

Personal Budgeting Support (PBS)

- 3.0 The DWP require the Local Authority to provide PBS as part of the delivery partnership. The emphasis is on helping people to deal with a monthly payment of Universal Credit made directly to themselves monthly in arrears and ensuring they are able to meet the demands of having Housing Costs in with this payment instead of being paid to the landlord. This support includes managing a basic household budget, managing a bank account, and making payments.
- 3.1 Take up of PBS is not conditional for a Universal Credit claim and as the initial roll out will be single newly unemployed people, it is likely that take up of PBS will be low. Since go live on 1st February 2016 only 23 people have been referred and offered PBS.
- 3.2 The DWP advise that any in depth debt advice that the customer needs does not come within the Delivery Partnership requirements and the council will, therefore, refer clients to appropriate services that can deliver this support. This is fundamentally the same mechanism as currently followed by front line staff.
- 3.3 Many support service functions are already embedded within the community hubs as part of its Citizens@Leeds agenda across the city and it is intended that PBS will initially be maintained within existing front line services within the Community Hubs.

Future roll out

- 4.1 There are two further phases of roll out expected. The first phase is the 'transition' phase and this will be followed by the 'migration' phase.
- 4.2 Transition phase: the transition phase rolls out the Full Service to all new claims. This means that anyone making a claim for a legacy benefit (i.e. HB, Income Support, ESA, Jobseekers Allowance and Tax Credits) will be treated as making a claim for Universal Credit. This will, therefore, roll out Universal Credit to families and more vulnerable claimants. The transition phase is intended to run from May 16 through to August 18 and Leeds is due to move into the transition phase in summer 2018. This further roll out is expected to create more challenges for the Council and for landlords;
- 4.3 Migration phase: the final phase of roll out is the migration phase which sees all remaining legacy benefit claimants migrated onto Universal Credit. This phase is expected to run from September 18 through to March 22. There are few details known about this phase at this time but the process will not be a 'drag and drop' process where information and data is passed from legacy systems to Universal Credit. Instead, legacy benefits will be closed down and claimants will need to make a separate claim for Universal Credit.
- 4.4 Once we move into the "transition" phase, all new claims will be made on the new DWP digital online claiming system. This means that people will make and manage all aspects of their Universal Credit via this online account and they will be required to notify changes of circumstances and interact with DWP via this online method.

The council will have a part to play in ensuring support is given to people to enable them to get online and make their claim but also to ensure they have the support they need to manage the ongoing requirements that the online claiming regime brings.

- 4.5 The potential 6 week wait for the first Universal Credit payment is likely to have a significant impact on families and their ability to meet their day to day living costs. It is likely that there will be increased demand on Local Welfare Support provision and Advice Services across the city. There is a risk of increased rent arrears as people will have less money in that first 5-6 weeks.
- 4.6 In order to help people with the potential 6 week wait for a Universal Credit payment, the DWP will consider a New Claim Advance. This advance payment will be considered by DWP if a claimant:
- Would suffer financial harm if they (or their family) had to wait the calendar month and 7 days until their first Universal Credit Payment, or
 - There is a delay paying the first Universal Credit payment
- 4.7 Once roll out expands to couples, one member of the couple will make the claim online but they will both be required to accept a “claimant commitment” and this must be done on the online claim. A claimant commitment is an agreement of the responsibilities that each of the couple must undertake in order to receive Universal Credit. (This will include any work searching responsibilities). Only one payment of Universal Credit will be made and the couple will need to nominate who will receive the monthly payment of Universal Credit.
- 4.8 As Universal Credit is both an in- and out-of-work benefit replacing Housing Benefit, Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit, people in low paid jobs will also need to claim Universal Credit. Unlike Jobseekers Allowance, Universal Credit is not limited to a maximum of 16 hours per week. However as Universal Credit is paid monthly there will be impacts for people who have fluctuating earnings or are on zero hours contracts.
- 4.9 Customers with fluctuating earnings will see Universal Credit payments vary. Lower earnings one month will generate a higher Universal Credit payment the following month; higher earnings one month will generate a lower Universal Credit payment the following month. Depending on the date wages are paid and the dates of the Assessment Day and Payment Day, some customers could face a situation where a high level of Universal Credit coincides with a higher earnings month and a low level of Universal Credit coincides with a lower level of earnings.
- 4.10 Weekly paid customers will find that Universal Credit in some months is worked out on 4 weeks wages and in other months on 5 weeks wages.
- 4.11 An analysis of the impact of Universal Credit on the people who are already getting Housing Benefit in Leeds was commissioned from Policy in Practice. Some groups of people will be better off under Universal Credit and some will be worse off. The main groups of people likely to be worse off are lone parents under 25 and families with disabled children.
- 4.12 It is expected that anybody worse off at the point that they move onto Universal Credit will receive transitional protection which should mean they will be no worse off in cash terms. However, only those “migrating” to Universal Credit will be

considered for Transitional Protection; claimants moving to Universal Credit as a result of a change in circumstances or a new claim will not be considered for transitional protection.

- 4.13 This further roll out has been the subject of a Scrutiny Board review and from this a series of recommendations have been made which will help to ensure that appropriate preparations are made. A copy of this enquiry report is available in the members library.

Other Welfare Reforms

Social Sector Size Criteria

- 5.0 Social Sector Size Criteria (often referred to as the “Bedroom Tax”) has now been in place for over 3 years. The number of tenants affected by the social sector size criteria changes has remained broadly the same for the last 2 years at around 6,000 tenancies. The fact that the number affected has remained fairly static reflects the fact that the majority of affected tenants now require 1-bed accommodation in order to avoid being classed as 'under-occupying' the property and also the effectiveness of policies that aim to avoid placing tenants in properties where they may be deemed to be under- occupying for benefit purposes.
- 5.1 Although Housing Leeds has seen an increase in rent arrears for its tenants impacted by the welfare reform changes, there is now evidence of a slight reduction in rent arrears for tenants impacted by Social Sector Size Criteria. There are currently 4855 Housing Leeds tenants affected by under occupation and total arrears for this group stand at £618K. The majority of tenants who are underoccupied have had contact and support from Housing Officers. The majority of tenants who are remaining in their homes are now paying their rental liability and the arrears are slowly reducing. Although it should be noted many tenants report that they are struggling to manage and the Housing Officers look to assist with other support including helping to make a claim for Discretionary Housing Payments if appropriate. Housing Leeds still look to offer downsizing, if appropriate, as a solution.

Benefit Cap

- 5.2 The Benefit Cap has previously been set at £26,000 a year or £500 a week and there were around 250 families affected by the cap at any one time in Leeds. The families that were affected by the Benefit Cap at this level were larger families with 4 or more children and included families in both the social rented sector and the private rented sector. From 7th November 2016, the Benefit Cap reduced to £20,000 a year in Leeds or £385 a week. This is for those households that were already affected by the cap at the old rate. From 9th January 2017, those households newly affected by the reduced cap rate will see their Housing Benefit reduced . DWP has confirmed that an additional 1250 families will be potentially affected by the cap. Those already affected by the £26,000 cap will lose a further £115 a week in Housing Benefit or the rest of their Housing Benefit, whichever is the lower figure.

Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP)

- 5.3 The Government contribution for DHP has been increased from £1.5m to £1.88m from April 2016 (an inc of approx. £380k) . The emphasis being on helping people affected by HB reforms announced in the Summer budget 2015, which includes helping people to adjust to the new Benefit Cap.

- 5.4 This increase will not be sufficient to support everybody and therefore, DHP processes will continue to ensure that funding is targeted to the most vulnerable. Based on the latest DWP information of affected households, the potential DHP cost from 7/11/16 to the end of the financial year is approx. £360k (based on clients paying the first £50 shortfall themselves).
- 5.5 It is anticipated that help through the DHP scheme funding can be given to affected households up to the end of March 2017 and customers will be invited to make a claim for support. Housing Leeds residents will be receiving this additional support through the Enhanced Income Team who are already engaging with affected tenants to ensure DHP is maximised where appropriate.
- 5.6 From April 2017 funding for DHP will not meet the potential demand and therefore, support will need to be focused on those impacted the most. Each case will be considered individually for any potential DHP from April 2017.

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a. Consultation and engagement

The report provides information on the impacts of Universal Credit and other welfare Reforms and is not a report which requires public consultation.

b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

The Government's Universal Credit has implications for equality and diversity and it has been subject to equality impact assessments by the DWP.

c. Council policies and city priorities

The on-going development of responses to Universal Credit preparations for go live and future roll out plans is aimed at supporting City Priorities around health and wellbeing and poverty. Cross-sector working, particularly with the advice sector and 3rd sector organisations such as the Credit Union, is aimed at ensuring tenants and residents receive support to manage the changes.

Addressing poverty and deprivation is a key priority for the Council. The activities set out in this report support the council's policies and priorities, all of which have a strong focus on addressing debt, maximising income and moving people and families out of poverty.

d. Resources and value for money

The report is for information only and does not have any resource implications directly.

e. Legal implications, access to information and call in

There are no legal implications relating to this report.

f. Risk management

The introduction of Universal Credit has increased the risk of rent arrears and Council Tax arrears. By ensuring all staff are fully equipped with the relevant knowledge of Universal Credit and the support tools available to them, it is anticipated that the risks can be mitigated.

Universal Credit is part of a wider welfare reform programme that is already covered by the Corporate Risk on welfare reform, which is reviewed on a regular basis and which looks at risks around rent arrears and other housing issues.

Conclusion

7. Universal Credit is the biggest change to the welfare system for many years. A comprehensive programme of work has been undertaken to ensure its implications for the council and its residents were fully understood in order to ensure that implementation went smoothly and all stakeholders were fully informed.

There are still areas where Universal Credit policy is being determined and areas where decisions have yet to be made by DWP. These include Free School Meals, the transition and migration plan and the roll of social sector landlords.

Other welfare reform changes continue to be monitored by the council in order to ensure that any support to mitigate the impacts of these changes continues to be provided to those most in need.

Recommendations

8. Committee are requested to:

Note the information provided about Universal Credit and other Welfare reforms, the impact for people and the work that is being undertaken across the city to support people to make and manage a Universal Credit claim.

Background information

- None

Appendix 1 - Inner West Committee

Indicators of the impact of benefit changes in Armley , Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall

Universal Credit claims – Housing Leeds tenants

Ward	Housing Leeds	Average arrears at first UC claims	Current average Arrears	% change
Armley	45	£432	£560	29
Bramley & Stanningley	39	£542	£709	30
Kirkstall	39	£325	£532	64 *
City Totals	587	£432	£619	43

**The average arrears to start with were a lot lower here and a small number of cases have had a significant increase in arrears hence the larger overall % increase*

Ward breakdown: Social Sector Size Criteria and weekly loss of Housing Benefit

Ward	Housing Leeds	Weekly Housing Benefit loss	Registered Social Landlords	Weekly Housing Benefit loss
Armley	274	£3,210	74	£1,228
Bramley & Stanningley	240	£3,076	25	£400
Kirkstall	243	£3,118	15	£217
City Totals	4,754	£59,178	1,219	£19,346

Ward Breakdown: Benefit Cap (all tenures)

Ward	Current Number of claims affected	Current DHP	Potential new reduced Cap numbers (totals)	Average weekly loss of Housing Benefit
Armley	29	6	98	£65.29
Bramley & Stanningley	16	3	67	£55.82
Kirkstall	7	3	40	£60.60
City Totals	250	40	1500	£56.97

Children in household affected by Benefit Cap

Number of Children in household	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	total
Armley			5	47	31	11	2	1	1	98
Bramley and Stanningley			5	21	25	12	1	2	1	67
Kirkstall			3	14	17	6				40
City Total	6	12	116	624	521	159	42	16	4	1500



Report of: Helen Freeman, Chief Officer, Environmental Action Service

Report to: Inner West Community Committee (Armley, Bramley & Stanningley, Kirkstall)

Report author: John Woolmer, Head of Service (john.woolmer@leeds.gov.uk)

Date: 30th November 2016 to approve

Title: Environmental Service Level Agreement 2016/17

Purpose of report

- To confirm the continuation of the current Service Level Agreement (SLA) between the Committee and the Environmental Action Service, as overseen on its behalf by the Environmental Sub Group (Chaired by Councillor Illingworth).
- To provide opportunity for the Committee to refer related issues to the sub group to look at on its behalf. Including any potential changes in local priorities, service development requests for the 2017/18 SLA and any current performance related issues.

1.0 Main issues

- 1.1 The Committee is responsible for agreeing and overseeing a local Service Agreement between itself and the Environmental Action Service. This covers a number of environmental functions that that are mostly delivered by the Locality Team for the West North West area.
- 1.2 These functions include street cleaning and litter removal (mechanical and manual), investigating and removal as appropriate of graffiti and flytipping, delivery of a household bulky item collection service, appropriate responses (including potential legal action/prosecution) to reports of waste in gardens, obstructions to the highway (including illegal advertising) and containment of commercial waste.
- 1.3 In addition to the functions set out in the SLA, the service also has responsibility to respond to referrals to bring gardens back into an acceptable horticultural condition for new council tenants and similar requests for gardens of vulnerable council tenants. The service receives payment from the Housing Revenue Account for this element of what it does.

- 1.4 The oversight of the performance of the SLA is the responsibility of the Environmental Sub Group. The Sub Group meets 6 times a year and the SLA/Locality Team is a standard agenda item. Any elements of the SLA or issues that the Sub Group feels are not being adequately delivered/resolved/responded to will be referred to the Committee for further discussion.
- 1.5 The Sub Group will negotiate with the service on any changes it feels necessary to the SLA (in-year or for future years) and make recommendations to the Committee as appropriate.

2.0 Conclusion

- 2.1 The SLA approved during 2015 year (appendix A) included a number of key improvements/ additions to the local service. These included:
 - new locally delivered functions of household bulky item collection, needle picking and graffiti removal;
 - introduction of new, zonal teams – each run by a dedicated Team Leader and Chargehands and with their own operational staff delivering a 7 days/wk service;
 - responsibility to deliver elements of ALMO/Housing Services functions previously undertaken by Estate Caretaking teams – including void gardens, vulnerable gardens and general estate environmental management (excl high rise/apartment blocks and land).
- 2.2 2016/17 is the first full year that these changes have been delivered by the teams/service.
- 2.3 Across the city, the service and 17 zonal teams have been continuing to deliver on the SLAs agreed last year.
- 2.4 The Inner West Sub Group has received updates on service delivery at each of its meetings. This includes performance information of numbers and types of service requests, broken down by ward. No SLA performance issues have been raised to refer to the Committee.
- 2.5 There are therefore no changes to the existing SLA proposed and the Committee is asked to formally agree that the SLA for this year is simply a continuation of the one approved in 2015/16.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 The Community Committee is asked to
 - a) approve the continuation of the existing Service Agreement;
 - b) consider any changes to the current priorities that it would like the service to consider this year;
 - c) consider if there are any changes it would like to see in the SLA for 2017/18, in order to give the service time to consider and respond through the sub-group.

Appendix A: Current Service Level Agreement for Inner West – approved Nov 2015.



**Service Agreement between
Inner West Community Committee
and**

Environmental Action (West North West Locality Team)

***To work with residents, other services and community based groups/organisations
across the Inner West area to achieve clean and tidy neighbourhoods.***

In relation to the council function of Street Cleansing & Environmental Enforcement Services ¹, the Council's Community Committee Executive Delegation Scheme requires Committees on behalf of the Executive Board:

1. to develop and approve a Service Agreement which determines the principles of deployment of the available resources by:
 - the identification of priorities for service delivery annually (both geographical and in terms of types of services delivered);
 - the agreement of the most appropriate approaches to be taken to achieve local environmental cleanliness and quality;
2. to be responsible for monitoring and reviewing the delegated activities in relation to the service outcomes specified in the SLA;
3. to be responsible for negotiating amendments to the SLA with service providers to accommodate unforeseen events or patterns of service failure, during the course of the SLA.

This Agreement sets out how the above delegated responsibilities will be met.

The Agreement also sets out how the Locality Team will deliver enhanced, environmental services in areas of council owned housing in order to meet additional needs of its tenants. This is to be delivered in a way that makes best use of this additional resource and complements work of other services in these neighbourhoods.

Agreement effective from: November 2015 (subject to approval at Committee meeting of xx November, 2015)

Mid-year review due: December 2015 – February 2016 2015 (by Inner West Environmental Sub-Group)

Next annual refresh due: July 2016 (first Committee meeting of the 2016/17 municipal year)

¹ The description "Street Cleansing and Enforcement Services" covers a variety of functions as set out on page 1

1. Scope of the Agreement – Responsibility, Influence and Support

It is the aim of this Service Agreement to help the Community Committee play a lead role in the environmental cleanliness and appearance of its neighbourhoods; whilst also making clear how functions it has a direct responsibility for are to be delivered.

Some good work has been undertaken with local groups, including: Hawksworth & Vespas Community Assosocation; Burley Village Association; Burley Top Association; Queenswood Residents Association; Hawksworth Older Peoples Support Group; St Stephens Community Garden; Bramley Elderly Action; Hollybush Centre; NORA; Bramley War Memorial Group; Bramley Methodist Church, and New Wortley Residents Association.

The following table summarises key contributors to the appearance of our neighbourhoods (the first column lists those functions that are within the direct scope of this agreement):

Functions delivered directly by the Service delegated to the Community Committee to oversee:	Functions mainly delivered by services that are not delegated, but have a significant impact on the appearance of the local environment:	Functions delivered by local groups and organisations led by residents:
Litter bin emptying	Grounds maintenance contract – including litter picking of grass/shrub bed prior to each cut (contract delivered by Continental Landscapes and overseen by P&C)	In-bloom groups
Litter picking and associated works	Maintenance of community parks and playgrounds – including litter picking and emptying of litter bins (P&C)	Friends of groups
Street sweeping and associated works	Cutting back of LCC trees and enforcement of non-LCC tree related obstructions (P&C)	Local action groups
Leaf clearing	Garden waste collection - brown bins (Waste Services)	Tenant and Resident Associations
Ancillary street cleansing functions including Graffiti removal, Gully and Ginnel cleansing.	Household refuse collection – black and green bins (Refuse Services)	
Dog Controls (fouling, straying, dogs on leads, dog exclusions)	Household Waste Sort Sites (Waste Management Servcess)	
Fly tipping enforcement	Recycling Bring Facilities (Waste Management Services)	
Enforcement of domestic & commercial waste issues	Schools	
Litter-related enforcement work		
Enforcement on abandoned & nuisance vehicles		
Overgrown vegetation		
Highways enforcement (placards on streets, A boards, cleanliness)		
Graffiti enforcement work		
Proactive local environmental promotions.		

2. Roles & responsibilities in relation to the Service Agreement

2.1 Elected Members:

- (a) Community Committee: responsibility delegated from Executive Board to develop and agree the SLA each year and to monitor the delivery of the service against the agreed specifications and outcomes. To negotiate changes to the SLA to address unforeseen issues/events and address service failure/inefficiencies.
- (b) Inner West Community Committee Chair: to liaise with the Locality Manager to ensure that decisions on service delivery are being made in accordance with the SLA and that timely and accurate reports/information are provided for the Community Committee and relevant sub/ward meetings in order for the Community Committee to meet its responsibilities. To work in partnership with other Chairs across the relevant 'wedge' and the city as a whole as required (for example at the Area Chairs' meeting).
- (c) Inner West Environment Champion: to work collegiately with the other Environmental Champions and the Executive Member for Environmental Protection and Community Safety to help change attitudes and behaviours across the city that will improve the environment at a local level. To increase the understanding of the barriers and issues faced at locality level to improving local environmental quality and promote the delivery of solutions through partnership working.
- (d) Inner West Environmental Sub-group: to receive quarterly reports on the delegated services and closely monitor the performance and outcomes of the SLA. To consider in-year variations to the SLA, where necessary making recommendations to the Community Committee for the Locality Manager to implement. To undertake an annual review of the SLA and the development of a refreshed SLA for 2016/17. To consider equality, diversity, community cohesion and community safety matters in relation to the delegation of environmental services.

2.2 Environmental Locality Manager

- To deliver services under the delegation in line with the preferences and guidance set out by Members within this SLA;
- To maintain records of service activity as necessary to monitor performance against the SLA outcomes.
- To report on service activity against the requirements of this SLA, in line with the review and performance monitoring framework;
- To establish and maintain productive relationship with Members to achieve the best outcomes from the available resources;
- To lead the SLA's annual review process, including the development of a refreshed agreement for the following municipal year.
- To work in partnership with other services/organisations/agencies delivering environmental services and improvements to the appearance of neighbourhoods, e.g. Housing Services, Parks & Countryside, Refuse and Re-use/Recycling Services, Civic Enterprise Leeds, West Yorkshire Police, to ensure a holistic approach regardless of land ownership;

3. Inner West Priorities: Initial priorities for Armley and Bramley/ Stanningley Zones:

This summary frames the day to day work of the service in addition to emptying litter bins and responding to issues referred by customers/residents to the Council for action. The purpose of this page is to set out clearly the areas of work the service will develop further and prioritise its resource/efforts at:

Zone	Cleansing Priorities and Specification	Enforcement/ Prevention Priorities
Kirkstall and Bramley & Stanningley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced weekly litter-picking on HRA stock on Broadlees, Fairfeilds, Queenswood Drive, Spens, Butcher Hill and Hawksworth Wood • Daily sweeping/ litter –picking of Kirkstall, and Bramley shopping centres/ high streets • Enhanced Arterial route cleansing • 2-4 weekly litter picking cycle for the key hot-spots across the zone • Programmed 14 weekly mechanical sweeping (currently under review to deliver a more frequent cycle) • Enhanced leaf clearance across zone - October - December • Programmed cleansing of all pedestrian islands • Developing and enabling of local groups to support cleansing of neighbourhoods • Weekly cleansing of all pocket/ small green-spaces • Focussed action with key partners on ASB hot-spots. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog fouling - patrols and community initiatives (areas to be agreed) • Over-hanging vegetation • Fly-tipping • Work with selected primary and secondary schools in each ward on litter awareness/ prevention using Hawksworth Wood model
Armley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced weekly litter picking on HRA stock at New Wortley and Whythers. • Daily sweeping/ litter –picking of Armley Town Street/ key high streets. • 2-4 weekly litter picking cycle for the key hot-spots across the zone • Programmed 14 weekly mechanical sweeping (currently under review to deliver a more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog fouling - patrols and community initiatives (areas to be agreed) • Fly-tipping • Waste in gardens • Bin-yards • Work with selected primary schools in Armley and Swallow Hill secondary school on litter awareness/ prevention

Zone	Cleansing Priorities and Specification	Enforcement/ Prevention Priorities
Armley - cont...	<p>frequent cycle)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing and enabling of local groups to support cleansing of neighbourhoods • Weekly cleansing of all pocket/ small green-spaces • Enhanced leaf clearance across zone - October - December • Programmed cleansing of all pedestrian islands • Focussed action with key partners on ASB hot-spots around Armley Town Centre • Bin-yard cleansing and cleansing of Edinburghs, Cedars, Bardens and Claremonts 	

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Report of: North West Locality Safety Partnership

Report to: Inner West Community Committee (Armley, Bramley/Stanningley , and Kirkstall wards)

Report author: Gill Hunter – Area community safety co-ordinator (07891 271074)

Inspector Simon Jessup - West Yorkshire Police

Date: 30th November 2016

West North West Locality Community Safety Partnership Annual Report

Purpose of report

1. This report provides Members of the Inner West Community Committee with an overview of the performance of the West North West Locality Community Safety Partnership. The full report which will be circulated prior to Committee focuses upon the period 1st November 2015 - 31st October 2016.
2. Reports on the performance of the West North West Locality Safety Partnership includes; crime statistics, information on Anti-Social Behaviour, CCTV and examples of some of the partnership initiatives.

Main issues

- 3 The Inner West Partnership Ward Areas sits within the North West Locality Community Safety Partnership and will continue to develop activity and manage performance against strategic outcomes for the city.
- 4 Safer Leeds has agreed the following three shared priorities for 2016/17 with a focus on the key themes below
 - Anti-social behaviour
 - Domestic violence and abuse
 - Hate crime/ community tensions
 - Offending behaviours
 - Serious acquisitive crime
 - Vulnerable victims

With a focus on the following cross-cutting issues:

- Drugs
- Alcohol

– Mental Health

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

- 5 The West North West Locality Community Safety partnership works in partnership with the voluntary and community sector and when necessary carries out statutory consultation as appropriate.

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

- 6 Consideration is given to the equality impact of delivering the Safer Leeds strategy across West North West locality safety partnership. Where a negative equality impact is identified action will be taken to mitigate the impact or risk.

Council Policies and City Priorities

- 7 The West North West locality safety partnership delivers directly against The Safer Leeds priorities and city wide strategic outcomes

Resource and Value for Money

- 8 The work undertaken by the Locality Safety Partnership is underpinned by maximisation of resources through effective partnership work.

Recommendations

9. A full report will be circulated with crime data and trends prior to the Committee meeting. This is to be noted.



Report of: Area Leader, West North West

Report to: Inner West Community Committee

Report author: Kate Sibson (0113 3367869)

Date: 30th November 2016 For decision

Wellbeing Fund Update

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to update Members on the projects funded through the Inner West Wellbeing Fund and Youth Activities Fund budgets. It presents projects approved by delegated decision since the last meeting. It also asks Members to approve the application process for bids to the 2017/18 Wellbeing budget.

Members are asked to:

- a) Note the balance of the Wellbeing budget for 2016/17
- b) Consider the new 2016/17 projects listed at 5-9
- c) Note the balance of the Capital Fund at 14
- d) Note the balance of the Youth Activities Fund at 16

Main issues

Current position

1. Since March 2016, the Committee awarded grants totaling £128,654 to 35 projects following an open application round. The list of projects funded so far in 2016/2017 is presented at **Appendix 1**.

Wellbeing balances

2. The remaining balance available per ward for 2016/17 are as follows:

Remaining Balances For 2016/17	
Armley	£5,064
Bramley & Stanningley	£14,344
Kirkstall	£20,620

New Wellbeing applications

3. There are 7 new applications for the Community Committee to consider:
4. Poplars Fencing Scheme - £2,557 - Armley
Housing Leeds are seeking £2,557 to match fund a Housing Advisory Panel grant to install fencing along the greenspace at Poplar Way in Armley ward to prevent access by motorbikes and quad bikes that are causing a nuisance to residents and damaging the grass.
6. Milford Sports Club Changing Rooms - £4k – Kirkstall
To contribute towards the cost of refurbishing the changing rooms at the club which are now in a very bad state of repair.
7. Wellington Gardens fencing –£13,636 - Bramley & Stanningley
Housing Leeds are seeking match funding of up to £13,636 towards the cost of replacing rotten wood knee high fencing around the Wellington Gardens sheltered housing project.
8. West Eagles Rugby Club Changing Rooms - £5,000 – Armley
West Eagles ARLFC is based at New Wortley Sports and Social Club and does not have adequate changing facilities for its growing team base or visitors. There are no separate female facilities for the women’s team. The grant will refurbish the changing rooms including a new roof, plastering and 10 shower heads. The amount applied for is half of the amount quoted, and the club is applying to the Housing Advisory Panel for the remainder.
9. Motiv-8 Counselling Project - £2,048 – £1,024 each Armley and Bramley & Stanningley

The Community Committee funded a counselling project for young people in the Bramley Cluster who were in need of support but did not meet the threshold for social services or CAMHS. Funding for the project ended in October, and due to demand, Barca are seeking £2,048 to run the project until the end of March. They have also submitted an application to run the project in 2017/18 which will be considered by the Committee in March.

10. Cragside Recreation Ground Masterplan (Hawksworth Wood) - £4,000.
Groundwork Leeds, working in conjunction with the HAVA board is seeking funding to pay for a Masterplan for Cragside Rec. Following lengthy discussions it has been proposed that HAVA will consider funding the ground surveys that are required and that an application would be made for Wellbeing funding to pay Groundwork to create a masterplan which would involve creating and agreeing a vision for the whole greenspace.
11. Litter Bin Project – Bramley & Stanningley £3,000
This project comes from a request from Ward Members to install additional litter bins across the ward. Locations of the new bins are yet to be decided.

Small grants and skips

12. There have been 2 small grants approved since the last meeting:
13. West Leeds Activity Centre Launch - £500
The Lazer Centre has rebranded to the 'West Leeds Activity Centre', and in October held an open day for the local community to view the amenities and have a go at some activities. The small grant paid for refreshments and publicity materials. Over 450 attended the event and the centre is now running an increased programme for the wider community rather than their core customers such as schools and youth clubs.
14. Castleton Primary School Parliament Visit - £500
The small grant contributed to the costs of taking a group of 30 Year 6 pupils to visit the Houses of Parliament in London. The trip gives the children an opportunity to learn more about democracy and raise aspirations by visiting the capital.

Capital Wellbeing Balance

15. The current Inner West Capital Receipts Incentive Scheme balance is £28,400 which includes a recent injection of £6,440.

Youth Activities Fund

16. The Inner West Community Committee had a Youth Activities Fund budget of £55,941 for 2016/17. Since April fifteen projects have been funded at a total cost of £55,842 and are listed at **Appendix 2**.
17. The ward balances of the Youth Activities Fund are as follows:
 - Armley - £0
 - Bramley & Stanningley - £0
 - Kirkstall - £99

2017/18 Wellbeing Funding Round

18. At the last meeting, Members approved the process for allocating grants and funding projects in 2017/18. The deadline for grant applications is 5pm on 13th January 2017. Members are asked to encourage projects to apply where they meet the Community Committee's priorities.
19. The Communities Team will consult with Members in ward groups before and during the process, bringing everyone together for a workshop to review all applications on week commencing 6th February 2017.

Corporate considerations

20. Consultation and engagement

Elected Members have been consulted on local priorities through the new Community Committee Plan.

Consultation with Young People will continue to identify potential projects for the Community Committee's Youth Activities Fund.

21. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

All Wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion, and Integration.

22. Resources and value for money

Aligning the distribution of Community Committee Wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be achieved.

In order to meet the Community Committee's functions (see Council's Constitution Part 3, section 3C), funding is available via Well Being budgets.

23. Risk management

Risk implications are considered on all Wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

Conclusion

24. The Community Committee has invested its Wellbeing funding in a wide variety of projects that benefit local communities. The majority of projects are progressing as planned with some very positive outcomes recorded. There is some underspend in 2016/17, and Members are asked to identify projects to commit the remainder of their funds to.
25. Early feedback indicates that the summer holiday projects funded through the Youth Activities Fund were a great success.

Recommendations

26. Members are asked to:

- a) Note the balance of the Wellbeing budget for 2016/17
- b) Consider the new 2016/17 projects listed at 5-9
- c) Note the balance of the Capital Fund at 14
- d) Note the balance of the Youth Activities Fund at 16

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Appendix 1. IW Finance Statement
21 November 2016

Wellbeing Funding / Spend Items	A	B&S	K	Total Approved
Wellbeing Balance b/f 2015/16	£ 30,356.25	£ 34,019.25	£ 44,592.39	£ 108,967.89
Wellbeing New Allocation for 2016/17	£ 46,796.94	£ 45,879.71	£ 47,463.33	£ 140,139.98
Total Wellbeing Spend	£ 77,153.19	£ 79,898.96	£ 92,055.72	£ 249,107.87
2015-16 Approved & brought forward for payment in 2016/17	£ 19,457.06	£ 25,123.87	£ 31,869.86	£ 76,450.79
Amount of budget available for schemes in 2016/17	£ 57,696.13	£ 54,775.09	£ 60,185.86	£ 172,657.08
Total Spend for 2016-17 (incl b/f schemes from 2015-16)	£ 72,788.94	£ 65,554.49	£ 71,435.47	£ 209,778.90
Total Budget Available for projects 2016-17	£ 77,153.19	£ 79,898.96	£ 92,055.72	£ 249,107.87
Remaining Budget Unallocated	£ 4,364.25	£ 14,344.47	£ 20,620.25	£ 39,328.97

	2015/16 Revenue Projects Approved & Brought Forward	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall	Total Approved	Total Paid
IW/13/30/R	Domestic Violence Support Group	£ 800.00	£ -	£ -	£ 800.00	£ 400.00
IW/14/09/R	World War 1 commemoration (Bramley book)	£ -	£ 831.00	£ -	£ 831.00	£ 831.00
IW/14/25/R	Priority Neighbourhood Pot	£ 764.81	£ 764.80	£ 764.80	£ 2,294.41	£ 308.68
IW/14/33/R	Armley Children's Library equipment	£ 1,200.00	£ -	£ -	£ 1,200.00	£ 1,200.00
IW/15/01/LG	Small grants & skips	£ 605.00	£ 95.00	£ 500.00	£ 1,200.00	£ 1,200.00
IW/15/03/LG	Tasking Budget	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 4,500.00	£ 3,360.00
IW/15/05/LG	Community Committee Meeting and Publicity Budget	£ 102.67	£ 102.67	£ 102.66	£ 308.00	£ -
IW/15/11/LG	Aim For It - Revizit	£ 700.00	£ -	£ -	£ 700.00	£ -
IW/15/12/LG	New Wortley Community Centre	£ 2,500.00	£ -	£ -	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00
IW/15/13/LG	St George's Crypt Food Parcel Service	£ 500.00	£ -	£ -	£ 500.00	£ 500.00
IW/15/16/LG	Atlanta St CCTV	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00
IW/15/20/LG	Bramley Grit bin refills	£ -	£ 604.00	£ -	£ 604.00	£ 604.00
IW/15/26/LG	Childrens' Champion Hawksworth Wood	£ -	£ -	£ 1,250.00	£ 1,250.00	£ 1,250.00
IW/15/27/LG	Kirkstall Family Activities (Spens)	£ -	£ -	£ 6,073.00	£ 6,073.00	£ 1,344.80
IW/15/29/LG	Community Angels	£ -	£ 1,827.00	£ 1,827.00	£ 3,654.00	£ 3,654.00
IW/15/32/LG	Youth Service targeted summer activities	£ 155.40	£ 155.40	£ 155.40	£ 466.20	£ 466.20
IW/15/33/LG	Motiv-8 counselling service	£ 4,099.00	£ 4,099.00	£ -	£ 8,198.00	£ 5,269.23
IW/15/36/LG	Bramley Community Shop	£ -	£ 2,500.00	£ -	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00
IW/15/37/LG	Money Buddies	£ 710.00	£ 710.00	£ 710.00	£ 2,130.00	£ 2,130.00
IW/15/38/LG	Ley Lane CCTV	£ 2,696.00	£ -	£ -	£ 2,696.00	£ 2,696.00
IW/15/41/LG	Community Development Worker	£ 1,968.18	£ -	£ -	£ 1,968.18	£ 1,968.18
IW/15/42/LG	CLLD contribution	£ 1,156.00	£ 1,156.00	£ 1,156.00	£ 3,468.00	£ 3,468.00
IW/15/43/LG	Red Grit Acting Course	£ -	£ -	£ 1,811.00	£ 1,811.00	£ 1,811.00
IW/15/44/LG	Kirkstall Flood relief projects	£ -	£ -	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00	£ -
IW/15/45/LG	Milford Rugby Club equipment	£ -	£ -	£ 2,200.00	£ 2,200.00	£ 2,200.00
IW/15/46/LG	Kirkstall in Bloom garden	£ -	£ -	£ 3,000.00	£ 3,000.00	£ 3,000.00
IW/15/47/LG	Broadlea's Teatime Club	£ -	£ 5,779.00	£ -	£ 5,779.00	£ -
IW/15/48/LG	Kirkstall Pocket Park	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
IW/15/49/LG	Butcher Hill Fencing	£ -	£ -	£ 820.00	£ 820.00	£ -
Total Approved in 2015/16 to spend in 2016/17	£ 19,457.06	£ 25,123.87	£ 31,869.86	£ 76,450.79	£ 47,043.73	

	2016/17 Revenue Projects Approved	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall	Total Approved	Total Paid
IW/16/AB	Armley Billboard (Majority of costs reclaimed)	£ 93.33	£ 93.33	£ 93.34	£ 280.00	£ 560.00
IW/16/01/LG	Small Grants & Skips	£ 4,109.54	£ 3,907.47	£ 4,615.95	£ 12,632.96	£ 7,298.30
IW/16/02/LG	Festive Lights Hire	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,600.00	£ 2,400.00	£ 7,000.00	£ -
IW/16/03/LG	Communications Budget	£ 517.81	£ 517.82	£ 517.82	£ 1,553.45	£ 243.29
IW/16/04/LG	Tasking Budget	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	£ 3,000.00	£ 166.63
IW/16/05/LG	Fairfield Community Centre Development Project	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 2,500.00
IW/16/06/LG	New Wortley Community Association	£ 10,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 10,000.00	£ 5,000.00
IW/16/07/LG	Armley Light Switch On	£ 4,320.00	£ -	£ -	£ 4,320.00	£ 1,500.00
IW/16/08/LG	Shine a Light on Bramley Christmas Lights Switch on 2016	£ -	£ 3,380.00	£ -	£ 3,380.00	£ 2,670.00
IW/16/09/LG	Kirkstall Festival	£ -	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00
IW/16/10/LG	Hanging Basket & Easter Egg Hunt	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ -
IW/16/11/LG	Kirkstall Community Mosaic Project	£ -	£ -	£ 4,137.50	£ 4,137.50	£ 4,137.50
IW/16/12/LG	Youth Service summer activity funding	£ 700.00	£ 700.00	£ 1,680.00	£ 3,080.00	£ -
IW/16/13/LG	Kirkstall Art Trail 2016	£ -	£ -	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 1,500.00
IW/16/14/LG	Music in the Attic	£ -	£ -	£ 2,080.00	£ 2,080.00	£ -
IW/16/15/LG	Care and Repair	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ -
IW/16/16/LG	Second Chance (Furniture) Project	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	£ -	£ 4,000.00	£ -
IW/16/17/LG	Armley Street Drinkers Breakfast Club	£ 4,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 4,000.00	£ -
IW/16/18/LG	Hollybush for Enduring Wellbeing	£ 1,757.00	£ 1,757.00	£ 1,757.00	£ 5,271.00	£ -
IW/16/19/LG	Young Person's Community Cohesion Project	£ 800.00	£ -	£ -	£ 800.00	£ -
IW/16/20/LG	Breeze Saturday Night Project (BSNP) at Armley Leisure Centre	£ 6,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 6,000.00	£ -
IW/16/21/LG	Children's Champion: Hawksworth Wood	£ -	£ -	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00
IW/16/22/LG	National Pool Lifeguard Qualification	£ -	£ 2,841.00	£ -	£ 2,841.00	£ -
IW/16/23/LG	Aireborough Supported Activities Scheme 2016	£ -	£ -	£ 811.00	£ 811.00	£ 811.00
IW/16/24/LG	Egyptian Mummy Learning Experience	£ -	£ 3,000.00	£ -	£ 3,000.00	£ -
IW/16/25/LG	Broadlea Grove CCTV monitoring	£ -	£ 1,650.00	£ -	£ 1,650.00	£ -
IW/16/26/LG	Broadlea Hill CCTV Monitoring	£ -	£ 1,784.00	£ -	£ 1,784.00	£ -
IW/16/27/LG	Bramley Shop	£ -	£ 8,000.00	£ -	£ 8,000.00	£ 4,000.00
IW/16/28/LG	All together Armley	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00
IW/16/29/LG	Assumption Church Centre Development	£ -	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ -
IW/16/30/LG	Money Buddies	£ 2,949.00	£ -	£ 1,473.00	£ 4,422.00	£ -
IW/16/31/LG	Tackling Noise Nuisance	£ -	£ -	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	£ -
IW/16/32/LG	Leeds Women's Aid Appointment Session	£ 3,656.00	£ -	£ -	£ 3,656.00	£ -
IW/16/33/LG	Basketball Sport & Active Lifestyle	£ 2,755.20	£ -	£ -	£ 2,755.20	£ -
IW/16/34/LG	Round House	£ -	£ -	£ 4,000.00	£ 4,000.00	£ -
IW/16/35/LG	Bramley Credit Union Expansion	£ -	£ 1,200.00	£ -	£ 1,200.00	£ -
Total Approved in 2016/17	£ 48,657.88	£ 40,430.62	£ 39,565.61	£ 128,654.11	£ 35,886.72	

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Appendix 2. IW Finance Statement

30 September 2016

Youth Activity Funding / Spend Items	A	B&S	K	Total Approved
Balance Brought Forward from 2015-16	£ 10,258.61	£ 6,579.37	£ 10,784.00	£ 27,621.98
New Allocation for 2016-17	£ 13,936.39	£ 14,853.63	£ 13,270.00	£ 42,060.02
Total available (inc b/f bal) for schemes in 2016-17	£ 24,195.00	£ 21,433.00	£ 24,054.00	£ 69,682.00
Schemes approved 2015-16 to be delivered in 2016-17	£ 4,497.00	£ 5,977.00	£ 3,267.00	£ 13,741.00
Total Available for New Schemes 2016-17	£ 19,698.00	£ 15,456.00	£ 20,787.00	£ 55,941.00
Total Spend for 2016-17 (incl b/f schemes from 2015-16)	£ 24,195.00	£ 21,433.00	£ 23,955.00	£ 69,583.00
Total Budget Available for projects 2016-17	£ 24,195.00	£ 21,433.00	£ 24,054.00	£ 69,682.00
Remaining Budget Unallocated	£ -	£ -	£ 99.00	£ 99.00

2015/16 Youth Activity Projects Approved & Brought Forward	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall	Total Approved	Total Paid
NWCC Youth event & consultation	£ 670.00	£ -	£ -	£ 670.00	£ 670.00
Playbox summer activities	£ 2,000.00	£ -	£ -	£ 2,000.00	£ 2,000.00
Community Angels	£ 1,827.00	£ 1,827.00	£ -	£ 3,654.00	£ 3,654.00
Woodbridges youth project	£ -	£ -	£ 3,267.00	£ 3,267.00	£ 553.50
School holiday camp	£ -	£ 4,150.00	£ -	£ 4,150.00	£ -
Total Approved in 2015/16 to spend in 2016/17	£ 4,497.00	£ 5,977.00	£ 3,267.00	£ 13,741.00	£ 6,877.50

2016/17 Youth Activity Projects Approved	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Kirkstall	Total Approved	Total Paid
Inspire! Holiday Programme	£ 3,334.00	£ -	£ -	£ 3,334.00	£ 2,469.54
Mini Breeze	£ 4,375.00	£ 4,375.00	£ 4,375.00	£ 13,125.00	£ -
Flotsam & Jetsam	£ 1,323.00	£ 1,323.00	£ 1,323.00	£ 3,969.00	£ -
YMCA Summer holiday programme	£ -	£ -	£ 2,085.00	£ 2,085.00	£ -
Bramley Summer Playscheme	£ 1,466.00	£ 5,134.00	£ -	£ 6,600.00	£ -
New Wortley Summer Club	£ 4,235.00	£ -	£ -	£ 4,235.00	£ 4,235.00
Inner NW Hub trips	£ -	£ -	£ 2,100.00	£ 2,100.00	£ 1,767.00
Children's Champion: Hawksworth Wood	£ -	£ -	£ 2,500.00	£ 2,500.00	£ -
Up To You	£ -	£ -	£ 1,260.00	£ 1,260.00	£ -
West Leeds Activity Centre	£ 1,108.00	£ 1,107.00	£ 1,107.00	£ 3,322.00	£ -
AIM Higher Youth Club	£ -	£ 2,293.00	£ -	£ 2,293.00	£ -
Get Outdoors	£ 306.00	£ 1,224.00	£ -	£ 1,530.00	£ -
Kids Club	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Summer Diversionary Project	£ 2,225.00	£ -	£ -	£ 2,225.00	£ -
Woodbridges youth project	£ -	£ -	£ 5,938.00	£ 5,938.00	£ -
Total Approved in 2016/17	£ 18,372.00	£ 15,456.00	£ 20,688.00	£ 54,516.00	£ 8,471.54

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S106 Monies

Greenspace								
Development Location	Planning Application			Sums Rec'd	Sums Committed or Spent	Sums Available to Spend	Sums Still Due	Comments / Restrictions on Spend / Suggestions for Spend
Ward: ARMLEY								
Henconner Lane,	24	373	04	£112,959	£19,585	£93,374	£0	Suggestion for spend: considng options to invest in Armley Park
Land at Wyther Park Hill	24	45	05	£57,500	£0	£57,500	£0	Must be spent on play provision. Exploring options at Lay Lane or Jaily Fields
Rear of Stanningley Rd, 7 Back Lane	24	570	05	£25,746	£0	£25,746	£0	Suggestion for spend: Gotts Park
Poplar Way	24	381	93	£0	£0	£2,495	£0	
Land North Of Morrissions		00991	11	£0	£0	£0	£70,186	Standard restrictions. Suggestion: Replacement of Outgang Lane play area, Victoria Park Avenue.
Broad lane		04358	11	£42,135	£0	£42,135	£0	Standard restrictions. Suggestion: Replacement of Outgang Lane play area, Victoria Park Avenue.
Total:				£238,340	£19,585	£221,250	£70,186	
Grand Total:				£238,340	£19,585	£221,250	£70,186	

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S106 Monies

Greenspace							
Development Location	Planning Application	Sums Rec'd	Sums Committed or Spent	Sums Available to Spend	Sums Still Due	Comments / Restrictions on Spend / Suggestions for Spend	
Ward: BRAMLEY & STANNINGLEY							
Town End Works, Back Lane	01847 08	£0	£0	£0	£59,200	Towards the provision of and or the enhancement to greenspace within the community area or adjoining community area. Suggestion: Bramley Falls Wood, including access and tree work.	
Land off Gladstone Terrace	00706 13	£41,571	£0	£41,571	£0	Standard Greenspace Restrictions. Suggestion: Improvements to Stanningley Park.	
Land Off Broad Lane	01591 12	£50,319	£0	£877	£0	Standard Greenspace Restrictions. Suggestion: Improvements to Stanningley Park	
Belgrave Works, Town Street,	02943 13	£0	£0	£0	£0	Greenspace Maintenance Contribution - the amount has yet to be confirmed when a Full Permission is approved.	
Land At Half Mile Lane	03007 13	£0	£0	£0	£30,338	Standard Greenspace Restrictions. Suggestion: Improvements to Rodley Park	
Swinnow Road	01313 14	£0	£0	£0	£76,164	Standard Greenspace Resrictions. Suggestion: Improvements to Stanningley Park	
Total:		£91,890	£0	£42,448	£165,702		
Grand Total:		£91,890	£0	£42,448	£165,702		

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S106 Monies

Greenspace							
Development Location	Planning Application		Sums Rec'd	Sums Committed or Spent	Sums Available to Spend	Sums Still Due	Comments / Restrictions on Spend / Suggestions for Spend
Ward: KIRKSTALL							
Boston Exchange Diner, St Anns Lane	01602	13	£33,689	£0	£33,689	£0	Standard restrictions. Suggestion: Developments to play area at Cragside Recreation Ground and Hawksworth Wood.
Land At 57 Cardigan Lane	00901	15	£0	£0	£0	£44,188	To be paid to the Owner to the Council in lieu of the provision of and/or the enhancement to greenspace on the Land in accordance with Policy G4 of the Core Strategy and SPG4 to be used by the Council to for the purpose of enhancing Greenspace through the
Total:			£33,689	£0	£33,689	£44,188	
Grand Total:			£33,689	£0	£33,689	£44,188	

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Report of: The West North West Area Leader (Citizens and Communities)

Report to: The Inner West Community Committee (Armley, Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall)

Report author: Sarah Geary (3367872)

Date: 30th November 2016

For decision

Community Committee Update Report

Purpose of report

1. This report updates the Community Committee on the work of the sub groups of the Committee: Children and Young People and Environment.
2. This report updates the Committee on community events, local projects and partnership working that has taken place in the area since the last meeting.

Main issues

3. Children & Young People – Champion: Cllr C Gruen

There has been no sub group meeting since the last Community Committee.

In response to increased anti-social behaviour certain parts of the area including Hawksworth Wood, Bramley, Fairfields and New Wortley in the run up to bonfire night, additional resources were pulled into the inner west, co-ordinated by the Area Leader and head of the Youth Service.

A 'Children and Young People Summit' is being planned for 2017 which will invite all schools in the area to bring four of five pupils to participate in a day of consultation, activities and understanding more about local democracy.

4. **Environment – Champion: Cllr Illingworth**

The Environment Sub Group met on 21st October, and welcomed new representatives from Parks and Countryside and the Environment Locality Team. An update was provided by each service, and Members highlighted some areas for further investigation including:

- How the Housing Managers' discretionary environmental budget is split across the city
- How abandoned vehicles are managed
- Improving communication on how to report fly tipping, especially in Armley where rates are low
- Improving waste collection in high rise blocks and maisonettes

In the second half of the meeting, the head of Waste Collection attended along with Cllr Yeadon in her capacity as Executive Member for Environment and Sustainability. They outlined the revised policy for waste collection and enforcement. Members welcomed the policy and suggested areas where waste collection and recycling could be improved.

5. **Health & Wellbeing & Adult Social Care – Champion: Cllr Lowe & Cllr Venner**

The revised Leeds Suicide Audit found that the majority of people who ended their own lives had not been in contact with specialist mental health support services. The crisis cards are designed to include the contact details for a broad range of local services, including housing, debt, and bereavement support. The cards have now been updated and are available to order for free from the Public Health Resource Centre (phrc@leeds.gov.uk) Inner West Leeds has a high suicide rate, especially in LS12 and LS13. There is a multi-agency approach to try and reduce suicide rates in the area. Please also share and promote the pdf across your networks and on websites/ news bulletins/ social media: <http://www.leeds.gov.uk/docs/CrisisCard.pdf>

Health trainers

The service has recently embarked on a pilot programme working with prisoners at Her Majesty's Prison Armley to offer support around resettlement and help prepare them for life after prison. The objective is to help prisoner's develop life skills, access other support services and advice, learn new skills through volunteering and get involved in things that help create stability and prevent re-offending. This work is an exciting opportunity to continue to invest in those most vulnerable to poor health and offer a holistic approach to improving their health and wellbeing.

Winter health

As the weather gets colder, there are a number of ways that we can keep well over the winter months. This resource from the NHS has some useful advice and information: <http://www.nhs.uk/livewell/winterhealth/Pages/Winterhealthhome.aspx>. The WNW Public Health team have been training up local partners on High Impact Interventions to keep people well over winter.

Winter grants

Public Health have funded a range of community-based projects that target helping vulnerable people in Leeds who are most susceptible to the adverse effects of cold weather. This includes households with young children and pregnant women as well as people with a range of health problems, on low income or aged over 65. Groups funded in Inner West are Bramley Elderly Action, Christ Church Armley, Armley Helping Hands and New Wortley Community Association.

6. Employment, Skills & Welfare – Champion: Cllr McKenna & Cllr Heselwood

7 Adult Learning Programme:

For the academic year, 2016-17, there is a breadth of engagement provision across Inner West, currently being delivered by 5 providers across 11 venues and in community settings. Current courses are:

- Health, public services and care
- Agriculture, horticulture and animal care
- Arts, media and publishing
- Preparation for life and work

Providers currently delivering activity in the Inner West locality are:

- Cardigan Centre
- The City of Leeds YMCA
- The Conservation Volunteers
- Internal Family
- Workers' Educational Association

In the last academic year 2015-16, residents of Inner West attended Adult Learning courses delivered at venues in the locality and also at venues in other Leeds areas:

- A total of 679 individuals living in Inner West attended courses in the academic year 2015-16. This includes:
 - 258 learners enrolled on courses at venues in Inner West
 - 452 Inner West learners enrolled on courses in **other** localities
 - Also 201 learners **from** other localities enrolled on courses in Inner West

Please note: some individuals attended more than one course

8 Employment Skills and Welfare Board have set new priorities for the forthcoming year these are:

- Reducing unemployment and improving health
- Reducing the numbers of young people who are NEET
- Reducing impact of welfare reform

9 From April to September - Armley Jobshop has had 284 new customers , achieved 216 Job outcomes and had 2166 visits to the Jobshop.

The Council Personal Work Support Package has supported 75 starts and achieved 15 jobs.

From June 2016 - The Workplace Leeds contract based in Armley Jobshop which supports unemployed customers with mild to moderate mental health has had 18 starts from Inner West.

10 **Planning Sub Group – Inner North West**

The INW Planning Sub Group met on 14 September. Concerns were raised that the retrospective planning application for the Kirkstall Design Centre will increase traffic in the area. Cllr Illingworth also spoke of plans for the pocket park at St Ann's Mills and the difficulties associated with obtaining planning permission for the site after a gate was installed which would limit access to any new footpaths. Key messages from the meeting included; improving footpath linkages in the area, that a message be sent to Planning that the cumulative impact that developments can have on an area needs to be better considered as part of the planning process.

There was another Planning Sub Group meeting on 9 November where the group received a presentation regarding the city's transport conversation. The general consensus was that improvements need to be made to the city's bus network to improve the flow of traffic. Following the presentation, the group discussed planning applications and concerns were raised about the number of applications that there were for car parks in the Kirkstall area; in areas where there are already traffic problems. Key messages included; that a request be sent to Planning that enforcement of developments should not be delegated to non-planning officers, and that further information be sought regarding the Broadlea site at Willow Road.

11 **Armley Forum**

The Armley Forum met on 18th October and 15th November.

The October meeting focused once again on the environment, with the new Locality Team manager attending to introduce himself and learn a bit more about the area.

There was also a long discussion on the impact of street drinking and how the police are working with All Together Armley to tackle it.

The November meeting welcomed the new head of housing for inner West area, and heard about the successful pilot to improve security in the New Wortley high rise blocks.

12 **Bramley & Stanningley Ward Forum**

At the forum on 6th October 2016 the following issues were discussed:

- Residents highlighted to Locality Team Officers in attendance the abundance of graffiti on street names in the Bramley area. Officers were aware and indicated that cleansing work was underway on the affected signs.
- The roundels on Stanningley Road were raised as an issue of concern by forum members. It was noted that results of a Highways safety audit of the area would be available shortly.
- Work to arrange the Bramley Christmas Lights Switch event on November 25th is well underway.

- Conversion works at Bramley Shopping Centre start in January centre to develop the Viewpoint flats. There was some discussion around what the works entailed, residents parking and links were made with the lettings agents Whitegates, who will be returning to future forum to give an update.
- Residents heard about the new Leeds Culture Strategy and the city's bid to be European Capital of Culture 2023.
- A Locality Team Officer was in attendance, giving an update on the cleansing of the cycle superhighway and the de-leafing season. Residents had the opportunity to pass on any local areas of concern.
- The group discussed the Council's consultation 'Leeds Transport Conversation' with some residents completing the survey at the forum. Forum members were encouraged to attend the next Community Committee on 12th October 2016 to learn more.
- The next forum is on Thursday 24th November 2016.

13 Free Lets

One of the delegated functions of the Community Committee is to consider requests for free lets for the 2 managed community centres in the area – Strawberry Lane Centre in Armley and Bramley Community Centre.

The table below shows the values of paid and free lettings between 1st April 2016 and 30th November 2016 for your information.

	Paid Lets Value	Paid Lets Hours	Free Let Value	Free Let Hours
Bramley Community Centre	£5,679.34	948.5	£6,858.75	1337
Bramley Elderly Action	£50.00	640.5	£3,388.00	635.5
Bramley History Society	£0.00	0	£665.25	135.5
Bramley Luncheon Club	£0.00	0	£2,685.50	509.75
Gemma Cole	£62.50	2.5	£0.00	0
Igbo Community Yorkshire & Northern England	£175.00	14	£0.00	7
LCC Bramley Housing Office	£0.00	0	£42.50	4.25
LCC Children Services - Youth Service Localities	£75.00	15	£0.00	5
LCC Children Services ENE Group	£75.00	15	£5.00	5
LCC Children's Social Work Service	£5.00	1	£0.00	0
LCC Electoral Services	£211.84	15.5	£0.00	0
LCC Family Group Conference Service (Mark Woodhead)	£35.00	7	£0.00	0
LCC SE Communities Team	£0.00	0	£10.00	2
LCC WNW Community Team	£0.00	0	£62.50	17

Masowe Echishanu UK	£3,900.00	156	£0.00	0
The Word Christian Fellowship Centre	£890.00	50	£0.00	0
UBU	£200.00	32	£0.00	16
Strawberry Lane Community Centre	£30.00	3	£47,452.00	11943
Armley Helping Hands	£0.00	0	£44,930.50	11475
LCC Youth Service - Harper	£0.00	0	£841.50	153
Leeds Older Peoples Forum	£30.00	3	£0.00	0
People In Action	£0.00	0	£1,680.00	315
Inner West Total	£5,709.34	951.5	£54,310.75	13280

Corporate

13 **a. Consultation and engagement** - Local priorities were set through the Community Plan process.

b. Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration - The Business Planning process takes into account equality, diversity, cohesion and integration issues.

c. Council policies and city priorities - The themes in the Business Plan mirror the themes and priority outcomes at a city wide level and also reflect the delegated functions and priority advisory functions.

Conclusion

14 The work of the sub groups are essential in the delivery of the Community Committee priorities. The Communities Team continues to look at opportunities to develop projects and promote new ways of working to achieve the objectives outlined in the Community Plan.

Recommendations

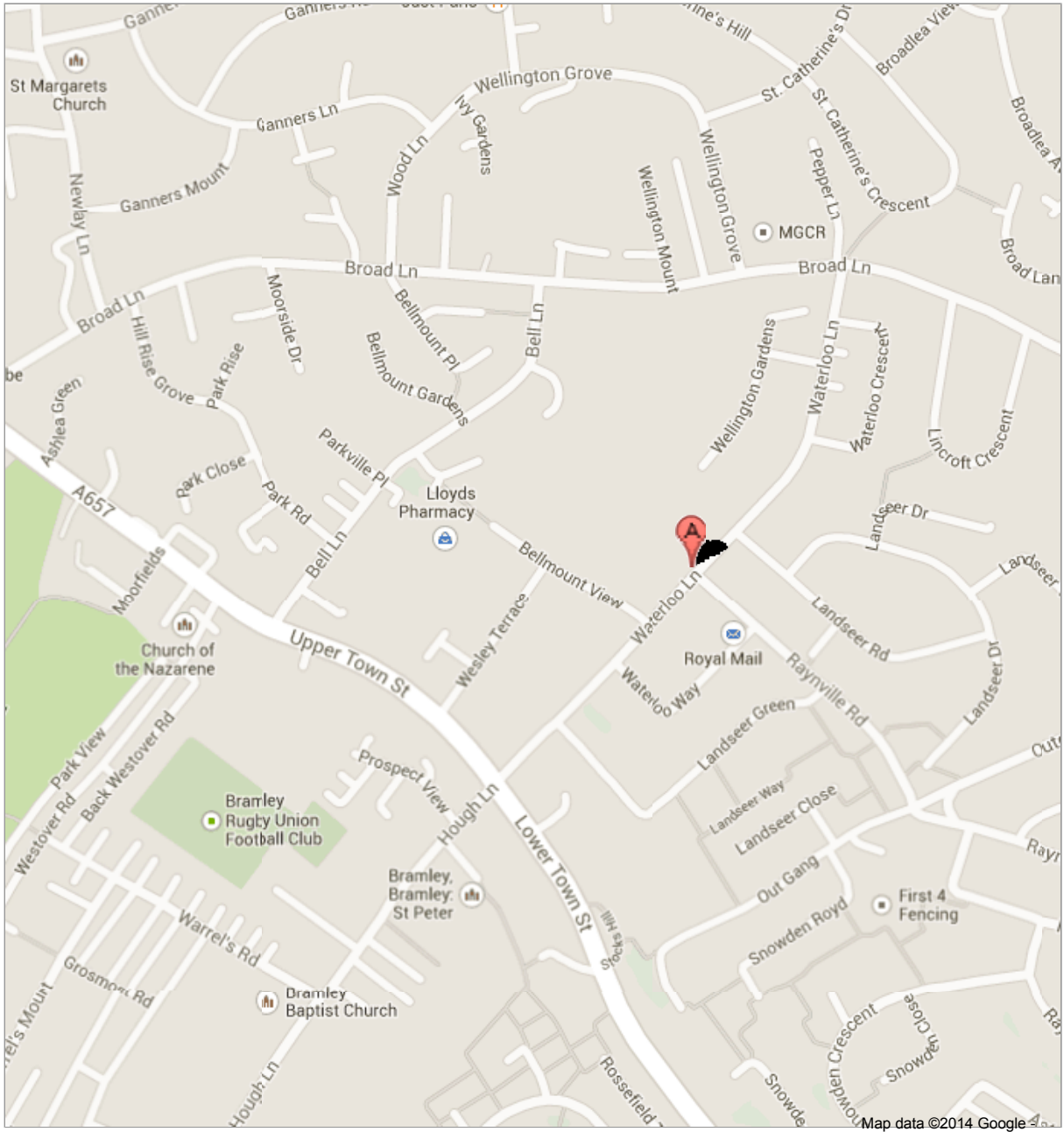
16. To note the report including the key outcomes from the sub groups and approve the new Community Plan

Background information

- None



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