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## SCRUTINY BOARD (ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES)

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Meeting to be held in Civic Hall, Leeds, LS1 1UR on  
Monday, 9th October, 2017 at 10.30 am

*(A pre-meeting will take place for ALL Members of the Board at 10.00 a.m.)*

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### MEMBERSHIP

#### Councillors

B Anderson (Chair) Adel and Wharfedale;  
J Bentley Weetwood;  
A Blackburn Farnley and Wortley;  
K Bruce Rothwell;  
D Collins Horsforth;  
A Gabriel Beeston and Holbeck;  
P Grahame Cross Gates and Whinmoor;  
G Harper Hyde Park and Woodhouse;  
A Khan Burmantofts and Richmond Hill;  
M Lyons Temple Newsam;  
K Ritchie Bramley and Stanningley;  
G Wilkinson Wetherby;

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# A G E N D A

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1			<p><b>APPEALS AGAINST REFUSAL OF INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS</b></p> <p>To consider any appeals in accordance with Procedure Rule 25* of the Access to Information Procedure Rules (in the event of an Appeal the press and public will be excluded).</p> <p>(* In accordance with Procedure Rule 25, notice of an appeal must be received in writing by the Head of Governance Services at least 24 hours before the meeting).</p>	
2			<p><b>EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To highlight reports or appendices which officers have identified as containing exempt information, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.</li> <li>2. To consider whether or not to accept the officers recommendation in respect of the above information.</li> <li>3. If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-</li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following parts of the agenda designated as containing exempt information on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information, as follows:</p> <p><b>No exempt items have been identified.</b></p>	

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### **LATE ITEMS**

To identify items which have been admitted to the agenda by the Chair for consideration.

(The special circumstances shall be specified in the minutes.)

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### **DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and paragraphs 13-16 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

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### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES**

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutes.

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### **MINUTES - 11 SEPTEMBER 2017**

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

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### **SCRUTINY INQUIRY INTO LEEDS' RESPONSE TO GRENFELL - SESSION 2**

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To receive a report from the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presenting information in line with session 2 of the Board's Inquiry.

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### **THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY COMMITTEES - TRACKING OF SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS**

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To receive a report from the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presenting an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previous Scrutiny inquiry into the development of Community Committees.

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## **REVIEW OF CEMETERY AND CREMATORIA HORTICULTURAL MAINTENANCE**

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To receive a report from the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presenting a summary of the Scrutiny working group held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017 in relation to the Board's review of cemetery and crematoria horticultural maintenance.

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## **WORK SCHEDULE**

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To consider the Scrutiny Board's work schedule for the 2017/18 municipal year.

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## **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 10.30 am (Pre-meeting for all Board Members at 10.00 am)

## **THIRD PARTY RECORDING**

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## SCRUTINY BOARD (ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES)

**MONDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillor B Anderson in the Chair

Councillors J Bentley, A Blackburn,  
K Bruce, D Cohen, D Collins, A Gabriel,  
P Grahame, G Harper, A Khan, M Lyons  
and K Ritchie

### **22 Late Items**

The following late information was submitted to the Board:

- Agenda item 11 – Inquiry into Leeds’ response to Grenfell - draft terms of reference.

The above information was not available at the time of agenda despatch but was subsequently made available on the Council’s website.

### **23 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests declared to the meeting.

### **24 Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitutes**

An apology for absence was submitted by Councillor G Wilkinson.  
Notification had been received that Councillor D Cohen was to substitute for Councillor Wilkinson.

### **25 Minutes - 24th July 2017**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be approved as a correct record.

### **26 Migration in Leeds - Tracking of scrutiny recommendations**

The report of the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presented a progress update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from an earlier piece of Scrutiny work around migration in Leeds.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- James Rogers, Director of Communities and Environment
- Councillor Coupar, Executive Member for Communities
- Shaid Mahmood, Chief Officer Communities
- Bash Uppal, Area Leader

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- Liz Bailey, Head of Public Health, Adults and Health
- Sharon Foster, Adults and Health
- Chris Sutton, Leadership Partnerships Manager, Children & Families
- Rebecca McCormack, Lead for Admissions and Family Information, Children & Families.
- Dinah Beckett, Regional Coordinator for Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC), Migration Yorkshire

In consideration of the progress made, a position status category was assigned to each recommendation as follows:

- Recommendation 2 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 3 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 4 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 6 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 7 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 8 – (Cat 4) – Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.

The following key issues were also raised during the consideration of this report:

- The Chair explained that the Board had been given a demonstration of the new migration map toolkit that will be used by services and agencies to better understand the city's migrant communities and service provision needs. This was welcomed by Members.
- In relation to recommendation 8, the Board commended the ongoing efforts of the Council and partners in utilising all publically available data from the Home Office and also local intelligence surrounding the movement of EU migrant citizens. In acknowledging the continued need for more timely and accurate national intelligence from the Home Office and UK Border Agency, the Board agreed to keep monitoring progress against this particular recommendation.

In conclusion, the Chair acknowledged the positive work undertaken over the last 18 months and praised the continued efforts of the Council and partners in working collaboratively to drive improvements and strengthen the offer to migrant communities living in Leeds.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the report be noted.
- (b) That the above position status categories against each of the recommendations are agreed.

**27 Leedswatch CCTV Modernisation**

The report of the Director of Communities and Environment presented an update on the Leedswatch CCTV Consolidation and Modernisation project.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- James Rogers, Director of Communities and Environment
- Councillor Coupar, Executive Member for Communities
- Harvinder Saimbhi, Head of Operational Delivery, Communications and Environment
- Andrew Thomson, Head of Digital Change
- Richard Buffett, Business Partner, Digital and Information Delivery
- Jayne Russell, LeedsWatch Service Manager

The key areas of discussion were:

- Further to the update presented to Scrutiny in February 2017, the Board discussed the rationale for now moving towards a more integrated approach in providing fibre and digital services across the city.
- Acknowledging that the existing service provider levies a charge rate that is proportionate to the distance between a camera and the LeedsWatch Control Room, the Board was particularly pleased to learn that the new PSN Fibre Network solution will not be dependent on the location of the Control Room.
- The Board noted that a review of existing cameras had taken place to ensure that cameras are in the right place. However, further work was still to be undertaken to establish which cameras should be monitored real time and which should be recorded locally on site.
- Particular reference was made to the work being undertaken to expand the CCTV network to Housing Leeds multi-storey blocks.
- It was noted that a Project Board had been set up to oversee the LeedsWatch modernisation, which included officers from the Digital and Information Service. The Board also acknowledged the involvement of Councillor Dawn Collins in the ongoing development process based on her own engineering knowledge and experience.
- Details of the CCTV consolidation and modernisation action plan were acknowledged by the Board.
- It was noted that Members will continue to be consulted on the proposed fibre changes and updated on performance reportage.

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

## **28 Development of Community Hubs - Tracking of Scrutiny recommendations**

The report of the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presented a progress update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from an earlier Scrutiny inquiry into the development of Community Hubs.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- James Rogers, Director of Communities and Environment
- Councillor Coupar, Executive Member for Communities
- Lee Hemsworth, Chief Officer Customer Access

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- Susan Murray, Head of Customer Contact

In consideration of the progress made, a position status category was assigned to each recommendation as follows:

- Recommendation 1 – (Cat 2) – Achieved
- Recommendation 2 – (Cat 4) – Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.
- Recommendation 3 – (Cat 4) – Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.
- Recommendation 4 – (Cat 4) – Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.
- Recommendation 5 – (Cat 4) – Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.
- Recommendation 7 – (Cat 2) – Achieved

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the report be noted.
- (b) That the above position status categories against each of the recommendations are agreed.
- (c) That a further update report is brought back to Scrutiny within the next 6 months.

**29 Community Hubs - General Update**

The report of the Chief Officer (Customer Access) provided a general update on the roll out of Community Hubs.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- James Rogers, Director of Communities and Environment
- Councillor Coupar, Executive Member for Communities
- Lee Hemsworth, Chief Officer Customer Access
- Susan Murray, Head of Customer Contact

The key areas of discussion were:

- Progress on Phase 3, including confirmation that the key points raised during the Scrutiny working group meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017 have been taken into consideration as part of the ongoing consultation and engagement work with relevant Ward Members.
- The Board discussed the Bike Library initiative, which continues to be expanded.

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



**30 Inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell - draft terms of reference**

The report of the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support presented the draft terms of reference for the Board's forthcoming inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell.

**RESOLVED** – That the draft terms of reference in relation to the Board's forthcoming inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell be approved.

**31 Work Schedule**

The Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support submitted a report which invited Members to consider the Board's work schedule for the 2017/18 municipal year.

Further to the Board's approval of the terms of reference for its inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell, the Chair highlighted that the session 1 working group meeting had been scheduled for Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017.

**RESOLVED** – That subject to any on-going discussions and scheduling decisions, the Board's outline work schedule be approved.

**32 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 10.30 am (pre-meeting for all Board Members at 10.00 am)

(The meeting concluded at 12.15 pm)

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**Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities)**

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell – Session 2**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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**Summary of main issues**

1. At its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017, the Executive Board received a report detailing the work undertaken to-date by Leeds City Council and partners since the events of the Grenfell fire and agreed the following recommendation:

*That in relation to the role of Scrutiny Boards, the following Scrutiny Boards be requested to pick up scrutiny of the relevant actions / emerging issues:-*

- (i) *Scrutiny Board (Strategy and Resources) – emergency planning;*
- (ii) *Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure and investment) – private sector properties and building control;*
- (iii) *Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) – Council housing stock safety, resident engagement and investment decisions.*

2. In responding to this recommendation, the Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry and approved the terms of reference for this inquiry last month (these are attached as appendix 1).
3. In accordance with the agreed terms of reference, the purpose of this second inquiry session is to consider the following:
  - The actions currently in progress or completed in ensuring compliance with fire safety standards for Council housing stock;

- The role of the Council in encouraging fire safety compliance amongst other local housing providers, with particular reference to the Council's enforcement of the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS).
  - Contingency measures for re-homing council residents in the event of a major fire.
  - The medium/longer term investment strategy for Council housing stock in relation to fire safety measures, such as sprinkler systems, and associated communication methods.
4. Representatives from the Resources and Housing Directorate and the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service will be attending today's meeting to inform the Scrutiny Board of the current position in relation to the above areas.

### **Recommendation**

5. Members are asked to consider the information presented in line with session 2 of its inquiry into Leeds' response to Grenfell.

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

6. None used

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**SCRUTINY BOARD (ENVIRONMENT, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES)****LEEDS' RESPONSE TO GRENFELL****TERMS OF REFERENCE****1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1 The horrific events of the 14 June in west London have resulted in continued public and media interest in the safety of high-rise blocks across the UK. This has been particularly focussed on the presence of Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) types of cladding systems that are similar to the system installed at Grenfell Towers, which fire safety experts have pointed at as a possible reason the blaze spread so quickly.
- 1.2 The immediate priority for Leeds City Council following the events of Grenfell Tower has been the assurance of Leeds citizens regarding their personal safety. Initially this was focussed particularly on the Council's 116 high rise blocks, where investigations have confirmed that the 23 cladded blocks in Leeds do not have any Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) type of claddings systems that are similar to the system installed at Grenfell Towers. This, and further safety and advice and reassurance have been communicated to residents directly and through media and press releases. Resident engagement sessions for all blocks have also taken place.
- 1.3 However, other actions have also been taken as part of a strategic action plan to assess and respond to the impact of the Grenfell Tower fire in Leeds. This has included assessing other public buildings such as schools and hospitals, controlling procedures in case of the need to evacuate properties and keeping local stakeholders up to date on all developments. A strategic task group has been established to oversee this work which includes all relevant council service leads and representatives of the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service.
- 1.4 At its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017, the Executive Board received a report detailing the work undertaken to-date by Leeds City Council and partners since the events of the Grenfell fire. However, alongside the work of the strategic task group, the Executive Board also acknowledged the role of Scrutiny and agreed the following recommendation:

*That in relation to the role of Scrutiny Boards, the following Scrutiny Boards be requested to pick up scrutiny of the relevant actions / emerging issues:-*

- (i) Scrutiny Board (Strategy and Resources) – emergency planning;*
- (ii) Scrutiny Board (Infrastructure and investment) – private sector properties and building control;*

*(iii) Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) – Council housing stock safety, resident engagement and investment decisions.*

1.5 In responding to this recommendation, the Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry and establish formal terms of reference surrounding its particular areas of responsibility.

## **2.0 Scope of the inquiry**

2.1 The purpose of the Inquiry is to make an assessment of and, where appropriate, make recommendations on the following areas:

- The actions currently in progress or completed in ensuring compliance with fire safety standards for Council housing stock;
- The level of engagement activity undertaken with local residents regarding fire safety and details of ongoing engagement plans.
- The role of the Council in encouraging fire safety compliance amongst other local housing providers, with particular reference to the Council's enforcement of the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS).
- Contingency measures for re-homing council residents in the event of a major fire.
- The medium/longer term investment strategy for Council housing stock in relation to fire safety measures, such as sprinkler systems, and associated communication methods.

## **3.0 Desired Outcomes and Measures of Success**

3.1 It is important to consider how the Scrutiny Board will deem if their inquiry has been successful in making a difference to local people. Some measures of success may be obvious and others may become apparent as the inquiry progresses and discussions take place.

3.2 The key outcomes sought from the inquiry are:

- Providing reassurance that the Council is complying with current fire safety standards;
- Instilling confidence for the Council to lead by example to other housing providers;
- Ensuring that the Council's medium/longer term investment strategy for Council housing stock is informed by robust evidence.

## **4.0 Comments of the relevant Director and Executive Member**

4.1 In line with Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 12.1 where a Scrutiny Board undertakes an Inquiry the Scrutiny Board shall consult with any relevant Director and Executive Member on the terms of reference.

## **5.0 Timetable for the inquiry**

5.1 The Inquiry will take place over two sessions, including a working group meeting to provide flexibility for the Board to gather and consider evidence.

5.2 It is anticipated that the Scrutiny Board's report will be produced by November 2017.

## **6.0 Submission of evidence**

### **6.1 Session one – Working Group Meeting – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

To consider the level of engagement activity undertaken with local residents regarding fire safety and details of ongoing engagement plans.

### **6.2 Session two – Scrutiny Board Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

To consider evidence in relation to the following:

- The actions currently in progress or completed in ensuring compliance with fire safety standards for Council housing stock;
- The role of the Council in encouraging fire safety compliance amongst other local housing providers, with particular reference to the Council's enforcement of the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS).
- Contingency measures for re-homing council residents in the event of a major fire.
- The medium/longer term investment strategy for Council housing stock in relation to fire safety measures, such as sprinkler systems, and associated communication methods.

### **6.3 Session three – Scrutiny Board Meeting – 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

To consider the Scrutiny Board's draft report for formal approval.

## **7.0 Witnesses**

7.1 The following have been identified as possible contributors to the inquiry, however others may be identified during the course of the inquiry:

- Director of Resources and Housing
- Executive Member for Communities
- Chief Officer Housing Management
- Chief Officer Property and Contracts
- Chair of the Tenant Scrutiny Board

- Chair of Vital (Voice of Involved Tenants Across Leeds)
- Chair of the High Rise Tenant Group
- Representation from West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Representation from the University of Leeds

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

- 8.1 The Equality Improvement Priorities have been developed to ensure our legal duties are met under the Equality Act 2010. The priorities will help the council to achieve it's ambition to be the best City in the UK and ensure that as a city work takes place to reduce disadvantage, discrimination and inequalities of opportunity.
- 8.2 Equality and diversity will be a consideration throughout the Scrutiny Inquiry and due regard will be given to equality through the use of evidence, written and verbal, outcomes from consultation and engagement activities.
- 8.3 The Scrutiny Board may engage and involve interested groups and individuals (both internal and external to the council) to inform recommendations.
- 8.4 Where an impact has been identified this will be reflected in the final inquiry report, post inquiry. Where a Scrutiny Board recommendation is agreed the individual, organisation or group responsible for implementation or delivery should give due regard to equality and diversity, conducting impact assessments where it is deemed appropriate.

## **9.0 Post inquiry report monitoring arrangements**

- 9.1 Following the completion of the Scrutiny inquiry and the publication of the final inquiry report and recommendations, the implementation of the agreed recommendations will be monitored.
- 9.2 The final inquiry report will include information on the detailed arrangements for how the implementation of recommendations will be monitored.



**Report of the Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities)**

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Subject: The development of Community Committees – Tracking of Scrutiny recommendations**

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**1.0 Purpose of this report**

1.1 This report sets out the progress made in responding to the recommendations arising from the previous Scrutiny inquiry into the development of Community Committees.

**2.0 Background information**

2.1 During 2015/16, the former Citizens and Communities Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry into the development of Community Hubs. The inquiry concluded in March 2016 and a report setting out the Scrutiny Board’s findings and recommendations was published in May 2016. This report is available via the Council’s website ([click to access inquiry report](#))

2.2 The Citizens and Communities Scrutiny Board considered the formal response to its recommendations in September 2016 and then continued to track the implementation of these recommendations. The last update report was considered in April 2017 and three of the ten recommendations were officially signed off at that stage. It now falls within the remit of the Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board to continue monitoring progress against the remaining recommendations.

**3.0 Main issues**

3.1 The Scrutiny recommendation tracking system allows the Scrutiny Board to consider the position status of its recommendations in terms of their on-going relevance and the progress made in implementing the recommendations based on a standard set of criteria. The Board will then be able to take further action as appropriate.

3.2 This standard set of criteria is presented in the form of a flow chart at Appendix 1. The questions in the flow chart should help to decide whether a recommendation has been completed, and if not whether further action is required. Details of progress against each of these recommendations are set out within the table at Appendix 2.

#### **4.0 Recommendations**

4.1 Members are asked to:

- Agree those recommendations which no longer require monitoring;
- Identify any recommendations where progress is unsatisfactory and determine the action the Board wishes to take as a result.

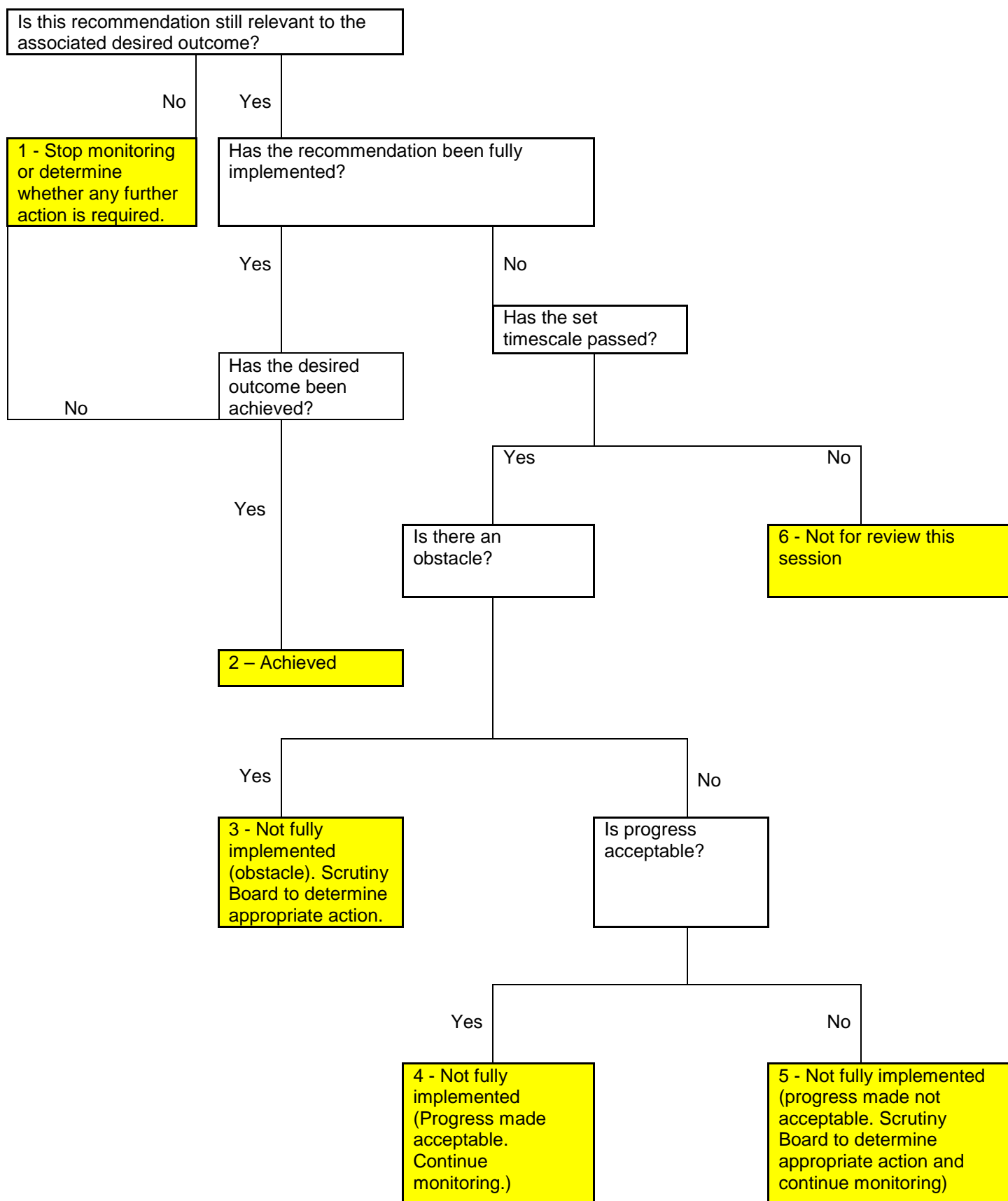
#### **5.0 Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

5.1 None.

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**Recommendation tracking flowchart and classifications:**  
**Questions to be considered by Scrutiny Boards**



Position Status Categories

- 1 - Stop monitoring or determine whether any further action is required
- 2 - Achieved
- 3 - Not fully implemented (Obstacle)
- 4 - Not fully implemented (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring)
- 5 - Not fully implemented (Progress made not acceptable. Continue monitoring)
- 6 - Not for review this session

<p><b>Desired Outcome</b> – That all directorates are committed to providing a dedicated resource in supporting Community Committee Champions to undertake their role effectively.</p>
<p><b>Recommendation 1</b> – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities)<sup>2</sup> takes the lead in working with Directors to secure a dedicated resource across directorates in supporting Community Committee Champions to undertake their role effectively.</p>
<p><b>Formal response in September 2016:</b></p> <p>Good progress has been made over the previous municipal year. Nevertheless, inconsistencies remain and the Executive Member for Communities and Chief Officer Communities has met with Executive Members to discuss this matter. As a consequence of the feedback they have received, the role description for champions has been simplified and Community Committee Chairs Forum is scheduled to discuss the matter at a forthcoming meeting with invitations to the Chief Officers of key services to attend the meeting. It is recognised that not all services are distributed in a way that allows for geographic responsibilities and also that as services have reduced and continue to reduce their workforce, that changes in personnel have had an impact. Following the forthcoming Chairs Forum meeting we will develop a paper to Corporate Leadership Team inviting Directors to put arrangements in place.</p> <p><b>Position reported in April 2017:</b></p> <p>The Executive Member (Communities) has taken a lead supported by the senior officers to engage directly with chief officers whose roles and services should be supporting community committee champions. At the Community Committee chairs meeting on 20 October 2016 and Friday 18th November the relevant chief officers attended, explained the work undertaken to date and agreed to improvement actions, which were minuted. These actions followed up by the chief officer. Lead officers in all directorates have now been established.</p> <p><b>Current position:</b></p> <p>In addition to the ongoing work of the Executive Member for Communities, all relevant the Executive Members now play a leading role in developing programmes of work with their teams of Community Committee champions, in partnership with the relevant chief officer. This is now an embedded way of working, providing the dedicated support which the recommendations suggested.</p>

<sup>2</sup> The role of Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) no longer exists. As from April 2017, this responsibility falls to the Director of Communities and Environment.

Champions can understand key developments in directorates, and partners services; and influence those plans from a local perspective

**Position Status (categories 1 – 6)** *This is to be formally agreed by the Scrutiny Board*

**Desired Outcome** – That Community Committee Champions undertake an appropriate level of challenge towards their relevant service areas on behalf of their Community Committees.

**Recommendation 2** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) takes the lead in working closely with Area Leaders in providing key tools that will assist in encouraging and supporting Community Committee Champions to undertake an appropriate level of challenge towards their relevant service areas.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

We will work with services to ensure that Community Committee Champions are well positioned to provide challenge and support to those services.

**Position reported in April 2017**

Community Committee Champions have been engaged in a series of Executive member led workshops, where the Executive member has set out the challenges faced by services, and have agreed their role as champions.

This has been demonstrated by Community Committee champion leadership on some key issues at Community Committees. Examples include:-

- Health and wellbeing developments including the Leeds Health Plan, and the STP;
- The development of a Children and young people’s “obsession” at a local level
- Services challenges in environmental services and the parks service
- The approach of local police, and liaison with Community Committee Champions

This emerging model of Executive Member led teams of Community Committee Champions, gives the opportunity for all champions and chairs to engage with Chief officers and Heads of key services to understand directorate plans, and to influence the impact at Community Committee level.

**Current position:**

Since the previous meeting of the Scrutiny Board, the Community Committee Champions have been further supported to enable them to provide challenge their relevant service area. The direct contact with Executive Councillors and Chief officers has provided the opportunity to examine key issues in depth challenging the plans which services and partners have planned

Examples of this include challenges from:

- the executive member for community safety, and the champions on the managed approach, resulting in an in-depth review of the approach in 2016 and leading to a refreshed and revised set of principles agreed around locations and times.
- the executive member for environment and the champions on parks maintenance, leading to a briefing from the chief officer for parks on challenges and changes as a result of reduced budgets;
- the executive member for children’s services and the champions regarding consistency of approach across the community committees in terms of quality of

Youth Activity Funded provision, the type of activities funded and expenditure; and

- The executive members for employment & skills and the champions on the work of the employment and skills boards in inner city areas and providers from further education and the voluntary sector. The impact of European Structural and investment funds in local communities, and the shape of jobshop services in community hubs

The Executive member for Health and Wellbeing and the champions on the work to develop the Leeds Health Plan, and contribute to the consultation on the NHS Strategic Transformation Project for Leeds. This resulted in a discussion at every Community Committee involving a senior NHS manager and a local GP. This ensured all members could give a local perspective into this important strategic work

**Position Status (categories 1 – 6)** *This is to be formally agreed by the Scrutiny Board*

**Desired Outcome** – That Community Committees are given the authority to take lead sponsoring roles for commissioning projects and funding bids.

**Recommendation 3** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) explores the feasibility of extending the authority of Community Committees to take a lead sponsoring role for commissioning projects and funding bids.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

It is recognised that Community Committees derive their authority from full council and also from the Leader of Council through the delegation of specific community committee executive delegations. As a consequence Community Committees can directly make bids which are open to applications from local authorities provided those bids relate to the functions within their remit. Increasingly though, funding streams are becoming available to the Third Sector directly or to consortia of mixed sectors and this means that the Council cannot itself apply directly. However in these circumstances Community Committees have a potential role in facilitating, or taking a lead sponsoring role, on external funding bids or commissioning projects, provided of course that these roles are undertaken in accordance with the Council's risk and financial accountability arrangements.

**Position reported in April 2017:**

The chief officer has made arrangements to better inform councillors and staff about funding opportunities, including a regular update on funding opportunities. Over time it is expected this will lead to more access to funding by local third sector organisations. Funding bids will be reported to community committees as part of the regular update report.

**Current position:**

The Communities team has collated and sent 30 updates on funding opportunities over the last year, including grants available from the community committees, to over 200 people, including ward members. This mailing list continues to grow as new organisations ask to be added. An example is attached at Appendix 3. This work means many more local organisations have access to funding

Officers are taking proactive steps to support applicants for wellbeing to attract match funding or support unsuccessful applicants to find alternative funding.

Examples include:-

The Inner South Community Committee part funding a feasibility study for a total rebuilding of Beeston Village Community Centre, which Health for all run. The centre was located in a former library building which was in poor repair. The study supported an application to the national lottery for substantial capital funds. The site is now leased by the council for a peppercorn rent, and the centre will be completely rebuilt.

The Inner and Outer North West Community Committees provided local charity OPAL with funding to help buy the lease to develop the new Tinshill Community Centre.

The Inner East and the Inner NE Community Committees have a long standing working relationships with two key local women's organisations. They have worked together to



deliver local programmes that empower women and girls and deliver a range of local projects, some supported through the Community Committees. In June 2016 two of the local groups approached the Communities team to see if they would facilitate some meetings to develop a Women's Consortium for Leeds, with the focus of bidding for newly announced Big Lottery resources. Due to the trust of local working arrangements that work across the city they felt that the Communities Team could neutrally facilitate the coming together of these various women's organisations to explore the options. These sessions took place, facilitated by the Communities Team and the group went on to development a successful consortia bid to the Big Lottery.

Community Committees have been central to the development of the Community Led Local Development Fund applications. In July Executive Board endorsed this work, and it is expected that contracts will be signed in the Autumn of 2017

The Communities team has successfully accessed the Controlling Migration Fund and deployed the resources locally, in Armley and Holbeck working with private landlords and GP surgeries. The fund seeks to develop the capacity and improve outcomes for new communities in areas of the city that have seen high levels of migration and rapid demographic changes, some of which has impacted on the city's more established communities. The programme delivery will be led by Touchstone, who were successful in securing the contract through a competitive tendering process.

**Position Status (categories 1 – 6)** *This is to be formally agreed by the Scrutiny Board*

**Desired Outcome** – There is transparency and accountability of the funding allocated by Community Committees in addressing local priorities set out in the Community Plan.

**Recommendation 4** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) ensures that a mid-year and end of year audit of the funding allocated by Community Committees against the priorities set out the Community Plan is undertaken at a formal meeting of the Community Committees.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

This financial information is already reported through the year to the committee. We will review this documentation and prepare an audit style document for half and full year reporting.

**Position reported in April 2017:**

A new audit style report is being prepared, this will build on the remodelled “Delegated Budget Report” which currently provides an account of expenditure and decision making for:

- Wellbeing Fund
- Capital funding
- Youth Activities Funding.

It is envisaged that this will be extended to account for

- Neighbourhood Community infrastructure Levy delegated to the Community Committees

And to give information on the other local funds available, such as the Neighbourhood Community infrastructure Levy delegated to Parish and Town Councils. It is envisaged that this report will be extended to give a fuller account of funding in a community committee area. This will be trialled at the end of the financial year.

**Current position:**

The revised reports to community committees continue to be produced in partnership with colleagues in Finance.

At the final meeting of each financial year a final position statement is shared, and this is aggregated so the executive member can monitor performance, and share the reports collectively with Community Committee chairs.

Local Community Committee priorities (Community Plan) are drawn from the priorities in the Best City Plan which is approved by Executive Board.

The attached report analyses expenditure by each community committee against these priorities

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## Community Committee 2016/17 Expenditure

Council Priority	Inner South	Outer South	Outer East	Inner West	Inner North W	Outer West	Outer North W	Inner North E	Inner East	Outer North E	Total
1 Supporting Communities and Tackling Poverty	117,887	76,523	89,978	116,573	62,297	113,439	103,270	77,521	197,803	37,761	993,052
2 Being a Child Friendly City	98,891	66,857	133,597	103,833	52,102	46,444	81,379	74,155	57,485	56,517	771,260
3 Dealing Effectively with the City's Waste	8,516	10,306	7,694	3,468	17,365	0	2,185	0	0	2,001	51,535
4 Promoting Sustainable and Inclusive Economic Growth	0	0	0	0	10,498	19,039	3,385	19,450	500	0	52,872
5 Delivery of the Better Lives Programme	3,702	50,870	18,471	1,793	18,140	2,600	28,135	7,005	1,000	3,100	134,815
6 Becoming a more Efficient and Enterprising Council	0	0	0	0	0	2,434	0	2,000	0	0	4,434
	228,997	204,556	249,739	225,667	160,402	183,956	218,354	180,130	256,788	99,379	2,007,968

**Desired Outcome** – That Highways and Transportation services actively engage with Community Committees and Community Committee Champions to share information and gather Member intelligence to help inform service delivery.

**Recommendation 6** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) works closely with the Director of City Development to promote the mutual benefits of engaging closely with Community Committees and Community Committee Champions in gathering local Member intelligence and experience to help inform service delivery within Highways and Transportation. In particular, the development and delivery of local traffic management schemes and the development of local flood management schemes.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

Discussions have taken place with the Chief Officer Highways and Transportation and Chief Officer Communities to explore how this might best be delivered. The Community Committee contribution to the consultation on the Transport Strategy following the recent Transport Summit is scheduled for September and will highlight the important role of Community Committees in Highways and Transportation issues. We will seek to build on this opportunity to inform service delivery and provide for improved ward level and regular community committee level reporting.

**Position reported in April 2017:**

Joint actions continue with the Chief Officer for highways and transportation. We have successfully delivered the local approach to the Leeds Transport Conversation, with all 10 Community committees holding workshops and other activities to engage the general public and local stakeholders in the discussion. The highways team report that the involvement of Community Committees has enhanced the effectiveness of this city-wide consultation. Individual community committees and neighbourhood improvement boards have engaged with highways staff both to discuss general highways issues in a committee area, and to consider particular schemes where the public and members have expressed their views. There is a better understanding of the contribution local committees can make to highways related issues. Further discussion on progress will be brought to the June round of community committees.

**Current position:**

In addition to the above, Highways now produce quarterly reports on schemes completed, in progress and in the new work in the research and planning phases. Highways officers are now also actively engaged in the community committee sub-groups and ward-based briefings.

The Executive Member for Regeneration, Transport and Planning has attended the Community Committee chairs forum, with the Chief Officer to brief chairs about the work of department and the links which it is making locally.

In the winter round of community committee meetings the directorate has asked chairs to agenda a full briefing of the outcomes of the transport conversation, and the schemes and projects which have been approved by government.

These discussions will reflect the changes in the individual committee areas.

**Position Status (categories 1 – 6)** *This is to be formally agreed by the Scrutiny Board*

**Desired Outcome** – That there are robust communication mechanisms between Community Committees and local Parish and Town Councils.

**Recommendation 9** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) works with the Area Leaders to ensure that robust communication mechanisms between Community Committees and local Parish and Town Councils are put in place in accordance with recommendations made previously by Scrutiny and in ensuring that Community Committees are complying with the Parish and Town Council Charter.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

Scrutiny developed strong recommendations in its inquiry into relationships with Parish and Town Council's that were welcomed by Community Committees and Officers and promoted strengthened arrangements in Leeds. Good links have been formed between PTCs and community committees in line with both the Charter and scrutiny recommendations with the development of engagement forums for discussion on items of mutual interest. It is timely to review our progress and contribution to the Charter principles.

**Position reported in April 2017:**

Communities team staff have developed a programme of visits to meet with the chairs or representatives of Parish and Town Councils, attended by Cllr Coupar, the chief officer and area leader, The first visit took place in late 2016 and further visits are scheduled throughout the start of 2017. Once these visits have taken place a further review of the Charter will be undertaken, taking into account feedback from Parish and Town Councillors.

**Current position:**

Support for the relationship with Town and Parish Councils has now moved over from Corporate Governance to the Communities Team (Communities and Environments). Area based staff have regular contact with Town and Parish Councils (T&PCs) on a range of locality based issues. The majority of the T&PCs are based in East North East however there are a substantial number in South South East with a smaller number in the West North West area of the city.

The existing relationship between the City Council and the 33 Town and Parish Councils is set out in the Charter and its two appendices dealing with Highways and Planning relationships respectively.

Executive Board Member Visits

Cllr Coupar has undertaken a range of visits to Town and Parish Councils. These have included two visits to meet with joint representatives of Town and Parish Council in West North West, a meeting with joint representatives of Town and Parish Councils in South South East and attendance with representatives of all the Town and Parish Councils in Alwoodley, Harewood and Wetherby Wards at their combined Forum.

Town and Parish Councils welcomed the support and engagement with the Executive Board Member and shared a range of views on their relationship with Council services, how the Charter is working and suggestions for improvements moving forward.

The Charter and its Highways and Planning appendices require reviewing with involvement from Town and Parish Councils, supported by Officers within the Communities Team. Feedback from Town and Parish Councils suggests that the current document, which runs to 45 pages with appendices, is not an accessible document. Many Cllrs have not seen or read it and those who have, do not refer to it regularly. It has been proposed that a much shorter document setting out the relationship is considered, alongside some useful guides for Town and Parish Councils to help them access Council and partner services when required.

The Charter could also incorporate how Leeds City Council can assist with strengthening the relationship between Town and Parish Councils and other relevant Public bodies such as Health and the Police.

The current Charter approach focuses very heavily on Highways and Planning issues. These are two areas that Town and Parish Councils have traditionally had a significant focus on, however there is scope for a range of other issues to be strengthened around environmental services, sport and active lifestyles, health, community safety, youth work and older people's issues.

Community Committee chairs have considered a report on these issues and have agreed that a small working group of representatives from Town and Parish Councils is established to review the Charter. These representatives should reflect the diversity of Town and Parish Councils across the city.

It is proposed that the review takes place over a six month period with the intention that the new Charter comes into force for the start of the new financial year in 2018.

**Position Status (categories 1 – 6)** *This is to be formally agreed by the Scrutiny Board*

**Desired Outcome** – That residents are actively encouraged and supported to engage with Community Committees.

**Recommendation 10** – That the Assistant Chief Executive (Citizens and Communities) works with the Area Leaders to ensure there are consistent processes in place for publicising details of Community Committee events and meetings and responding to public requests for feedback or to be kept regularly updated on the work of their Community Committee.

**Formal response in September 2016:**

A cross locality communication action plan is in place and is monitored and reviewed. We will confirm that all committees are following best practice and that each committee has an effective approach to capturing resident contact information, in line with the Council's best practice for handling personal information.

**Position reported in April 2017:**

Details of community committees, events and workshops and responses to public requests are regularly published through the ten Facebook pages, the Twitter account, through quarterly newsletters, banners and posters, on partners' social media as well as the governance website (agendas and minutes). Social media is also now being used as a means of public engagement rather than simply a broadcast medium.

We capture contact information from residents who wish to maintain contact and this is undertaken in compliance with data protection.

**Current position:**

The key achievement is the success of the ten Facebook pages for the community committees as a new medium to connect with local people.

Details of community committees, events and workshops and responses to public requests are regularly published through the ten Facebook pages, the Twitter account, through quarterly newsletters, banners and posters, on partners' social media as well as the governance website (agendas and minutes).

A monthly average reach of over 100,000 has been sustained on Facebook for over a year. This has meant that the work of the council's community committees has reached audiences in an unprecedented way. Our staff have adapted to this communications challenge, which was new to everybody in the teams. They are now skilled at writing stories, finding the right photos and graphics, using video and promoting stories via tagging. Over 300 stories a month are being posted, a real step change in both the volume and targeting of local communications.

There has also been successful identification of and engagement in the local, citizen-led Facebook engagement, primarily through neighbourhood groups, and our stories are being shared in these hyper-local environments.

The team has made extensive use of hyper-local media including social media mentioned above but also local radio stations and newspapers/newsletters such as Fever FM, South Leeds Life, West Leeds Dispatch - further evidence that 'very local' is an effective tool to for locality working communications.

Examples are attached at Appendix 4

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## Funding Opportunities Update

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If you would like to receive updates about Arts Development, please email [arts@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:arts@leeds.gov.uk) to subscribe to the newsletter.

For funding information and information about where you can get support with accessing funding, go to Funding Leeds: [www.fundingleeds.co.uk](http://www.fundingleeds.co.uk)

Voluntary Action Leeds coordinate the [Leeds Funding Support Network](#), a network that provides training, support, discussions and opportunities around accessing funding. Whether you are a developed charity or a small community group- there is support available for all third sector organisations.

### Closing soon

#### **BBC Children in Need Main Grants Programme 2017**

Large grants of over £10,000 are available to support projects for up to three years for not-for profit organisations that are supporting children and young people who are experiencing disadvantage. Organisations that already hold a grant from Children in Need can apply for further funding providing the current grant is coming to an end within the next 12 months. The next deadline for applications is 13 September 2017. More information [here](#).

#### **Money Saving Expert Charity**

The Money Saving Expert Charity has relaunched for 2017, and will be having a themed approach to each funding round. The first round has closed. The second round is Life Changing Transitions which will focus on bereavement, redundancy, retirement, relationship breakdown, homelessness, offenders and resettlement. Applications will be accepted from 1 September 2017 to 29 September 2017. More information [here](#).

#### **Time to Shine Small Funds**

Grants for organisations who are developing ways of reducing loneliness and isolation and strengthen communities benefiting older people defined as over 50 years of age. Closing date 12noon Wednesday 13th September 2017. More information [here](#).

#### **LandAid Grants**

LandAid, a property industry charity, is open to applications for funding for small-medium sized charities in communities throughout the UK that want to undertake capital building work that is either refurbishment, conversion and extension of existing buildings of empty properties and also not-previously-empty properties or is a new building – using traditional methods built on site or using precision construction built off site in factories. Applications will be accepted from 14 August 2017 (10am) to 15 September 2017 (5pm). More information [here](#).

#### **Polden-Puckham Charitable Foundation Grants**

Grants between £5,000 and £15,000 per year, for up to three years, are available for projects that seek to influence values and attitudes, promote equality and social justice, and develop radical alternatives to current economic and social structures. The foundation has two main areas of interest: development of ways of resolving violent conflicts peacefully, and of addressing their underlying causes; and work that addresses the pressures and conditions that risk global environmental breakdown. Projects must be pioneering, with potential to influence UK national policy. The deadline for applications is 15 September 2017. More information [here](#).

## New

### **Gannett Foundation's Community Action Grants**

The Gannett Foundation is the charitable arm of Gannett Co, Inc. owner of Newsquest Media Group, which publishes regional and local newspapers, websites and magazines across the UK. Each year it awards grants of between £5,000 and £10,000 to registered charities that "make a lasting difference to communities" within the circulation and/or production area of the 300 Newsquest titles. The funding is intended to support one-off local activities or capital items that benefit a large number of local residents. Applications must be made to the local newspaper. To find out if they are within the area of eligibility, groups should first visit the Newsquest newspaper title listing to find out if they are located near a Newsquest publication. The application form can be downloaded from the local Newsquest newspaper and must be returned to the local Newsquest newspaper publisher. The deadline for applications is 9 October 2017 (5pm). Please note this deadline can vary according to the local newspaper, and groups should check their local paper to avoid disappointment. More information [here](#).

### **Comic Relief 'Try for Change' Large Grants**

In partnership with Comic Relief, England Rugby has announced a launch date of 4 September 2017 for the 'Try for Change' Large Grants programme, which follows a successful first round of Small Grants. Over four years, £4 million will be raised by England Rugby and then distributed as Large Grants in partnership with Comic Relief. Grants of up to £100,000 will be available for work delivered over two to three years, and will be accessible to charities, not-for-profit organisations and rugby clubs across England only. Contrary to the Small Grants programme, the Large Grants programme will be managed through a one-stage application process. Applications will be accepted from 4 September to 2 October 2017 (midday). More information [here](#).

### **Comic Relief's 'Core Strength' Local Communities Grants**

This programme offers grants to help cover the day to day costs of small locally led and based voluntary and community sector groups that are doing 'much needed' work in their local communities. Grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 or between £1,000 and £10,000 (depending on the local community foundation) are to be used to support groups that can evidence a sustained beneficial impact on people's lives who are excluded or disadvantaged. It is anticipated that this will be a very competitive programme. Groups should visit their local Community Foundation website to find out how to apply and the application deadlines. Each local Community Foundation will have different deadlines throughout the year. More information [here](#).

### **Litter Innovation Fund**

The Litter Innovation Fund (LIF) is a new £450,000 programme, which is funded by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) and the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) to reduce litter in England by funding innovative approaches to pilot, implement and evaluate small scale local research projects that could be replicated more widely. The charity WRAP is managing the programme. Grants of up to £10,000 are available to help investigate and carry out new ways of reducing litter. (Standard litter picking activity is not eligible for funding.) The deadline for expression of interest is 26 September 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Lloyds Bank Foundation Invest Programme**

The Invest Programme's funding will support longer term core or direct delivery funding for charities which are delivering clear outcomes as a result of their work with people aged 17

years and older who are experiencing multiple disadvantage. Funding is available for core organisational costs which are related to the day to day running of the charity. Consideration will only be given to requests for core costs where over 50% of the charity's work and expenditure meets the Foundation's criteria. Funding is also available for costs associated with the direct delivery of the charity's work. Grants are available for between £10,000 and £25,000 per year for two or three years, with the opportunity for continuation funding for a further period of up to six years in total. There is a two-stage application process. The deadline for initial applications to the Invest programme is 22 September 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Skills and Opportunities Fund**

The Skills and Opportunities Fund was set up in 2015 by the Royal Bank of Scotland in support of organisations that help people in disadvantaged communities develop, create or access the skills and opportunities they need to help themselves, skills that will enable them to get into work or start a business, now or in the future. Projects must be able to meet the priorities set for their region and focus: on a disadvantaged community within the UK or Republic of Ireland or on one or more of the following themes:

- Enterprise and entrepreneurship
- Financial capability

The maximum grant is £35,000 or 20% of the applicant's previous year's turnover. The deadline for applications is 22 September 2017 (noon). More information [here](#).

### **National Church Trust Grants**

The National Churches Trust offers funding for projects that are in line with its aims which are:

- To help maintain the UK's heritage of church buildings and to enhance their ability to serve local communities.
- To promote the benefit to communities of church buildings and to inspire everyone to value and enjoy them.

There are three grant rounds, including **Community Grants** of between £5,000 and £20,000 for projects that have an estimated cost of at least £25,000 (including VAT and fees), **Repair Grants** of between £5,000 and £40,000 to help with the cost of urgent and essential structural repair projects with estimated costs of at least £100,000 (including VAT and fees) and **micro grants** of £2,000 for churches awarded a National Churches Trust Community Grant to set up a social action project that meets the needs of local people. The next deadlines for applications are 30 October 2017, 5 March 2018 and 2 July 2018. More information [here](#).

### **Veolia Trust Grants**

The Veolia Environmental Trust offers grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 for projects located within the proximity of a qualifying Veolia site in England or Wales. Match funding of at least 20% is required, and applicants requesting grants of £40,000 or more require a Third Party Contribution. The funding is available for capital improvement projects at a single site with discrete start and end dates. Funding is available for community buildings, outdoor spaces and play and recreation.

The closing dates are:

- 30 November 2017 for projects taking place between 26 March 2018 and 25 June 2018.
- 1 March 2018 for projects taking place between 26 June 2018 and 23 September 2018.

More information [here](#).

### **Royal British Legion's External Grants**

The Royal British Legion offers grants of up to £50,000, though smaller applications are encouraged, for specialised projects or services for serving and/or ex-Service personnel

and/or their families that are not already being provided by the Legion and that are in line with the Legion's funding priorities. To be eligible, applicants must be based in England, Wales, or Northern Ireland and be working on a project that will directly benefit ex-Service personnel and/or their families. There are two funding streams available: service delivery and capacity building. The typical grant value is £100 - £10,000.

There are two different closing dates for applications:

- 15 September 2017 for Capacity Building applications.
- 10 November 2017 for Service Delivery applications.

More information [here](#).

### **Sport England 'Tackling Inactivity and Economic Disadvantage Fund'**

The new Tackling Inactivity and Economic Disadvantage Fund is part of Sport England's dedicated fund to tackle inactivity. This fund focuses on two different lower socio-economic groups: inactive people who are in employment and inactive people who are far less likely to have a steady income, or any income at all. There is a total funding pot of £3.15 million which is to be used for revenue costs (minor capital costs will be considered if essential to the project). There are three levels of funding available which grants of between £1000 and £500,000 available. The deadline for both expressions of interests (Option A/B) and full applications for small grants (Option C) is 6 November 2017 (5pm). More information [here](#).

## **Art and music**

### **PRS for Music Foundation Open Fund**

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for projects that involve the creation, performance and promotion of new music, and enable songwriters, composers, artists, bands and performers of all backgrounds to develop creatively and professionally. The next deadline for stage one applications is 2 October 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust**

The Austin and Hope Pilkington Trust has restructured its funding programme for 2017 and is now offering four rounds per year. This year the rounds are the Elderly, and Music and the Arts.

The deadline for applications are 31 October. More information [here](#).

### **Leeds Inspired Main Grants**

Grants are available for up to £10,000.

The next deadlines are 12 noon Thursday 26th October 2017 and 15th March 2018. Grant forms and guidance notes are available from the Leeds Inspired website. If you would like to talk about your project before submitting your application please ring to arrange a grant surgery on 0113 378 6009. More information [here](#).

### **Leeds Inspired Small Grants**

Grants are available for between £100 and £1,000.

The next deadlines are 12 noon 2 November in 2017 and 4 January 2018. Grant forms and guidance notes are available from the Leeds Inspired website. If you would like to talk about your project before submitting your application please ring to arrange a grant surgery on 0113 378 6009. More information [here](#).

## **Buildings**

### **Architectural Heritage Fund Loans**

The Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), an independent charity, encourages and supports the work of organisations dedicated to the preservation and renewal of buildings of

architectural and historic significance which have failed to find a viable re-use on the open market. Through the new Heritage Mortgage Scheme the AHF is offering mortgage-style loans of between £150,000 and £500,000 over terms of between 10 and 20 years (30 in exceptional circumstances) to assist registered charities and not-for-profit organisations in the UK to acquire buildings, or provide working capital for restoration projects. Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered on a quarterly basis. More information [here](#).

## **Community**

### **Safer Communities Fund**

The Safer Communities Fund has been launched to help voluntary, community groups, charities and partners keep their communities safe and feeling safe. Grants will be awarded in line with the outcomes and priorities set out in the Police and Crime plan. Grant round twelve opens for bids on 4 September 2017- theme to be confirmed. The deadline for applications is 6 October 2017 (12pm). Funds will be awarded on 14 December 2017 and successful bidders **must** be present at the Safer Communities Fund Awards Night in order to receive their grant. More information [here](#).

### **Near Neighbours Small Grants**

Small grants for local groups that are working to bring neighbours together to develop relationships and improve their communities. The Near Neighbours programme offers small grants of between £250 and £5,000, as seed funding for local groups and organisations working to bring together neighbours, and to develop relationships across diverse faiths and ethnicities to improve their communities. The Fund is available in areas that are multi-religious and multi-ethnic within specific parishes within Leeds and other cities and aims to encourage social interaction and social action. Charities, religious organisations, community interest companies, social enterprises and groups of individuals focusing on community benefit can apply. Preference is given to applications from small faith or community organisations with a turnover of less than £150,000. Applications will be accepted until the deadline of 17 November 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Leeds Community Foundation Micro Grants**

Grants of up to £500 are available as part of Leeds Community Foundation's Leeds Fund for locally-based community activity across the city. You can apply as an individual or a small group. There is no set deadline, applications will be reviewed every two weeks. More information [here](#).

### **Neighbourhood Planning Grants and Support Programme**

This programme aims to support local communities that are drawing up a neighbourhood plan for their area. Town and parish councils, neighbourhood forums and prospective neighbourhood forums preparing a neighbourhood development plan or neighbourhood development order in England may apply as long as they are based in England. The programme is particularly keen to help ambitious groups, from all types of neighbourhood, who want to really influence how their place grows and changes going into the future. The deadline for applications is 31 January 2018. More information [here](#).

### **Paul Hamlyn Foundation Shared Ground Fund**

Funding for projects relating to migration which contribute to staying safe and/or living well together for up to two years. More information [here](#).

### **Barchester Healthcare Foundation**

Barchester Healthcare Foundation is accepting applications from small community groups and small local groups helping adults aged over 18 with mental and physical disabilities, and older people aged over 65.

The Foundation's priority is continued from 2016: connecting or re-connecting people with others in their local community. Applications that combat loneliness and enable people to be active and engaged will receive the highest priority throughout the year. Grants of between £100 and £5,000 are available to groups in England, Scotland and Wales. Applications can be submitted online at any time. More information [here](#).

### **New way of working for the BIG Lottery: Reaching Communities England**

Reaching Communities provides funding between £10,000-£500,000 for voluntary or community groups.

Particularly interested in projects that support:

- Lasting and sustainable changes to places and spaces
- Communities to develop happier and stronger relationships with each other
- Taking action to focus on the root causes of social problems to tackle them at the earliest possible stage.

They want to talk to you about your ideas early on so that they can give you the best funding advice. This is because they are trialling a different, more local way of working with you.

Please contact them by emailing [YorksandHumberTeam@biglotteryfund.org.uk](mailto:YorksandHumberTeam@biglotteryfund.org.uk) or ringing 03450101112. Please do not download and submit an application form without calling first. Deadline is ongoing. More information [here](#).

### **Barrow Cadbury Trust Connect Fund**

The £1.8 million Connect Fund aims to make social investment work for a wider, more diverse range of charities and social enterprises. The Fund's vision is to facilitate the development of a strong, sustainable, collaborative community of social investment providers that work together to build a better market. All projects should engage with the social investment market in order to shift the narrative to focus on the funding realities that social organisations face. It is expected that most bids will fall in the range of: £5,000 to £15,000, £20,000 to £40,000 and £45,000 to £60,000. The deadlines for expressions of interest are:

- Data Projects – EOIs will be accepted at any time.
- Feasibility Projects – EOIs will be accepted between 2 October 2017 and 5 November 2017.

More information [here](#).

### **Greggs Foundation's Local Community Projects Fund**

The Greggs Foundation's Community Projects Fund provides grants of up to £2,000 to not-for-profit organisations across Great Britain for projects or for equipment for people in need at the heart of local communities. Projects can support a variety of people, including: disabled or suffering chronic illness, living in poverty, voluntary carers, homeless, isolated older people and other demonstrable significant needs. Eligible projects should also be able to demonstrate that they have achieved at least one of the following Key Performance Targets for their beneficiaries: decreased social isolation, improved health and wellbeing, improved resilience/coping mechanisms, improved life skills and improved opportunities. **The programme is over-subscribed and there is huge competition for the grants available.** The deadline for applications is 29 September 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Masonic Charitable Foundation's Community Support**

Large grants of more than £5,000 and small grants of up to £5,000 are available for registered charities who help people experiencing poverty and disadvantage, sickness and disability or barriers to education and employment. There is a two-step application process for large grants. The first step is to complete an enquiry form and the deadline for this is 13 October 2017. Small grants applications can be submitted at any time but should reach the foundation by the third Friday of each month for consideration. More information [here](#).

### **Leeds Recycling & Energy Recovery Facility (RERF) Community Benefit Fund**

Leeds Recycling & Energy Recovery Facility (RERF) Community Benefit Fund has been established following the operational commencement of the RERF facility. The fund is

credited each April and divided equally between the wards of Temple Newsam and Burmantofts & Richmond Hill. The fund will support community groups, activities and environmental projects in the two wards most local to the RERF (Burmantofts & Richmond Hill and Temple Newsam). **Applications for projects outside of these two wards will not be considered.** The maximum award from this fund is £1,000 per application. What can be funded: Purchase, maintenance and repairs of equipment and supplies to support activities, sponsorship of one off stand-alone events, hire of premises and equipment for events, minor works to public amenity buildings/spaces, waste recycling and reuse projects, learning initiatives, community garden/allotment projects, energy efficiency projects, wildlife & habitat creation and improvement. This list is not exhaustive, proposals that are broadly consistent with the definitions and spirit of the fund may be considered. What cannot be funded: every day running costs, costs relating to projects with religious or political aims, projects that have already taken place, projects not benefiting the specific wards and revenue or staff costs. **To request further information and/or an application form and guidance notes please contact 0113 3785785 or email [communitycommitteefunding@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:communitycommitteefunding@leeds.gov.uk)**

### **Building a Stronger Britain Together In-Kind Support**

The counter-extremism strategy encourages partnership between the government and people involved in projects that counter extremism and build stronger communities. In-kind support is available for organisations through the BSBT programme. Various support is available including advice and consultancy, brand, website and campaign development, Event materials, leaflet and brochure design, video and film, PR and training. The call for in-kind support will remain open all year. Applications will be regularly reviewed for assessment and award, however funds are limited and early applications are encouraged. More information [here](#).

## **Digital**

### **Transform Foundation Website Grants**

Funding of up to £18,000 is available to cover the strategy, design, build, content strategy, training, QA and launch of a new mobile optimised website, with sophisticated marketing, fundraising, appeals, social media, e-commerce and website management tools. The grant covers 100% of the website design and build costs. Your organisation will need to cover ongoing costs. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. More information [here](#).

### **Creative England Games Lab Project**

Creative England are running a project called GamesLab Leeds, taking place in the Leeds City Region to help fund and assist creative organisations in Games and Tech. They have recently announced a new round of funding between £1000-£5000 for projects based on Storytelling, Diversity and Social Mobility and Research and Development. If you have an exciting idea for a project that involves Games and Tech in your community, they'd love to hear from you. The deadline for applications is 15 December 2017 but may be extended depending on funds. More information [here](#).

## **Environmental and Animal Protection**

### **Natura 2000 Awards**

The Awards celebrate and promote best practice in nature conservation, and in particular, the management and promotion of the Natura 2000 network. Any organisation or person involved in the Natura 2000 network of protected areas can enter, including public and local authorities, businesses, NGOs, landowners, educational institutions and individuals. The deadline for entries is 29 September 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Support Adoption for Pets Grants Programme**

Funding of up to £50,000 for charities and non-profit organisations whose main objective is to find homes to UK pets. The grants are aimed at projects that have a direct impact on animal welfare, and make a real difference to the welfare of UK domestic pets in rescue. Grants can include running costs, and building costs. Applications can be submitted at any time. More information [here](#).

### **Horizon Prize on Materials for Clean Air**

The Horizon Prize on Materials for Clean Air is a €3 million prize that will be awarded to the person or team who can most effectively meet the following challenge: develop the best innovative design-driven material solution to reduce the concentration of particulate matter in urban areas. The contest is open to any single person and legal entity or group of legal entities established in EU Member States or countries associated to Horizon 2020, the EU's research and innovation programme. The deadline for entries is 23 January 2018. More information [here](#).

### **Growing a Greener Britain Small Grants Programme**

Grants of up to £1,000 available for projects which transform green spaces in Great Britain. They are looking for creative and innovative ideas that could help improve local spaces. Applications are accepted at any time. More information [here](#).

### **Greggs Foundation's Environmental Grants**

Grants of up to £2,000 are available for projects in England, Wales or Scotland that deliver a real benefit to the environment that address one or more of the following: improving the local environment, ensuring involvement of local communities, delivering a sustainable and measurable difference and supporting people in need. The next deadline for applications is 29 September 2017. More information [here](#).

## **Equality**

### **Rights, Equality and Citizenship (REC) Programme - 2018 Operating Grants**

The annual call for operating grants aims to support the annual work programmes of European networks active in the area of rights of persons with disabilities and which have signed Framework Partnership Agreements with the European Commission. Grants will fund operating costs and those activities of the network which have EU added value and contribute to the implementation of the objectives of the REC Programme, including: analytical activities, training activities, mutual learning, cooperation, awareness-raising and dissemination activities. Funding will enhance the capacities of the networks to contribute actively to the development and implementation of all relevant policies. A budget of €3.5 million is available for the 2018 call. The Commission expects to fund between eight and 12 proposals. Up to 80% of project costs will be supported. Applicants must guarantee co-financing of the remaining amount from their own resources or from other sources other than the European Union budget. The deadline for applications is 22 September 2017. More information [here](#).

## **Families and children**

### **Armed Forces Covenant Large Grants**

The Ministry of Defence (MoD) is currently accepting applications to the Families in Stress priority of the £10 million per year Covenant Fund. Grants of between £20,000 and £300,000 are available for programmes of work lasting between two to three years. The funding is for projects that support families of serving personnel who are experiencing a significant stressful life event and would benefit from an intervention from a provider who can offer specialised, localised (or easily accessible) and immediate support. These life events could include: life-changing injury, bereavement, domestic abuse, relationship break-up, those subject to the civil or service justice system or mental health issues. Local charities (or a



branch of a national charity) or community interest companies that provide specialist services can apply. The lead organisation must work in close partnership with one or more armed forces base. The applicant must be able to provide evidence of real engagement and partnership working between the charity and the armed forces base(s). Applications can be submitted at any time during 2017. Applications will be reviewed four times in every 12 month period so no one should have to wait more than 20 weeks for a decision. More information [here](#).

### **BBC Children in Need's Curiosity Fund**

Grants of up to £10,000 are available for projects should use exciting and engaging science activities to encourage young people to be curious about the world around them and inside them, making a positive difference in their lives: building confidence and self-esteem, developing life skills and expanding horizons. Projects should be fun and 'hands on'. To be eligible for funding, applicants should have a track record of working with disadvantaged children and young people aged up to 18. Applicants do not have to be experts in science or even have delivered science activities before to participate. The deadline for applications is 22 September 2017. More information [here](#).

## **Heritage**

### **Big Ideas Company- The Unremembered- Small grants**

Big Ideas Company is offering small-scale funding for local communities in England to join in with The Unremembered project commemorates the efforts of the Labour Corps in World War One. You can apply for small-scale funding to hold your own Unremembered event from 1 April. Activities could include inviting a speaker, visiting a Labour Corps grave or holding a performance. Big Ideas can provide a resources pack for inspiration and send out email updates. To sign up or to find out more, email them on: [theunremembered@bigideascompany.org](mailto:theunremembered@bigideascompany.org) or find out more [here](#).

### **Heritage Lottery Fund: Then and Now**

Grants from £3000 to £10000 are available for community projects that explore the heritage of the First World War. Project should make a difference for heritage, people and communities. There are also grants available through the Our Heritage stream for funding from £10,000- £100,000. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. More information [here](#).

## **Human Rights**

### **Law Society Charity Grants**

Grants of between £5,000 and £15,000 are available for projects which promote human rights, access to justice, and legal education. The last remaining deadline is 1 December 2017. More information [here](#).

## **International and European Relations**

### **DFID Launches New Small Charities Challenge Fund**

Grants of up to £50,000 are available for projects of up to two year. The funding aims to support and strengthen the work of small not-for-profit organisations that are registered in the UK and working in specific countries abroad, to help enhance their capacity and efforts to tackle poverty, and towards achieving the Global Goals. Any small-sized, not-for-profit UK registered organisation with an annual income of £250,000 or less can apply. The funding is for projects to scale-up and increase the reach and efficiency of their interventions in:

- Any of the lowest 50 countries in the UN Human Development Index (HDI).
- The countries that DFID considers to be of high or moderate fragility.

Please note that this funding cannot be used for poverty alleviation work or awareness raising activities in the UK.

The fund will remain continually open, and all applications will be reviewed on a six-monthly basis. More information [here](#).

### **European Youth Foundation Grants**

The European Youth Foundation provides grants for youth activities which serve the promotion of peace, understanding and co-operation in a spirit of respect for the Council of Europe's fundamental values such as human rights, democracy, tolerance and solidarity. International youth non-government organisations (NGOs), international networks of youth NGOs, regional networks of youth NGOs, national youth NGOs and local youth NGOs can apply for the programme, which has a total annual budget of €3 million. The types of activities that are eligible for financial support include educational, social, cultural and humanitarian activities of a European character, activities aimed at strengthening peace and co-operation in Europe and studies, research and documentation on youth matters, amongst other areas. The next application deadline for international activities, work plans and structural grants (regional networks) is 1 October 2017. More information [here](#).

## **Older People**

### **Solutions for an Ageing Society Do It Awards**

Leeds Community Foundation is seeking applications from individuals for their [Solutions for an Ageing Society Do It Awards](#).

Awards of up to £5,000 are available to people of all ages who are looking to set up a social enterprise which will help older people to live well by creating new services or technologies that ensure older people can independently, access activities, support or information or be more connected to friends and communities. Initially, applicants complete an Expression of Interest by phone. This can be done at any time. Full applications will be considered at panel meetings in September 2017, November 2017 and March 2018. More information [here](#).

### **IDOP Leeds Community Grants 2017**

International Day of Older People is celebrated worldwide on the 1 October each year; in Leeds the celebration is stretched out over a week to allow organisations to hold events to celebrate the contribution that older people make to the city. The events focus on a different theme each year and the theme for 2017 is Diversity of Older People. Organisations can apply for Community Grants of up to £200. For an application pack or for more information please email [hello@forumcentral.org.uk](mailto:hello@forumcentral.org.uk).

### **Solutions for an Ageing Society**

Grants up to £5,000 for social entrepreneurs with sustainable ideas to help older people to live positive, independent lives in local communities. Expressions of interest can be submitted at any time. More information [here](#).

## **Regeneration**

### **Trusthouse Charitable Foundation Grants**

Trusthouse Charitable Foundation award grants to small, well-established organisations in the UK who address local issues in areas of extreme urban deprivation, or in remote and fragile rural communities. Grants are awarded for projects tackling the following: rural issues and urban deprivation. Grants Committee meetings are held in February, late April/early May, July and late October/early November. Applications need to be received at least six

weeks before a meeting to be included on the agenda. Small Grant applications can be made at any time through the year and will receive a final decision within 6 weeks. More information [here](#).

## **Religion**

### **ChurchCare Grants**

ChurchCare, the Church of England's national resource to support parish churches and cathedrals, offers grants to Anglican churches across England to help care for, preserve and conserve these buildings. A number of different grants are available including grants for: monuments, timberwork, metalwork, churchyard structures, church plates, books and manuscripts. ChurchCare works in partnership with various grant-giving organisations to provide funding to ensure that conservation projects in Anglican churches are carried out to a high standard. In addition to the grants programme, expert conservation advice is provided to ensure that repairs follow best practice.

The next deadline for applications is 13 November 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Inter Faith Youth Trust Small Grants**

Grants of up to £500 are awarded for proposals for inter faith activities by children and young people from Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and other faiths and those of no formal faith in understanding and co-operation. The age range for young people is 11-25 years. Projects should take place during Inter Faith Week 2017 (12-19 November). The deadline for applications is 15 September 2017 (12pm). More information [here](#).

## **Sport and Recreation**

### **Sport England Community Asset Fund**

Grants available for community organisations, sports clubs, statutory bodies and educational establishments to enhance local community spaces which encourage people to play sport and get active. Three levels of funding available ranging from £1,000 to £150,000. Applications accepted on an ongoing basis. More information [here](#).

### **The Rowing Foundation Grants**

The Rowing Foundation, a registered charity, aims to promote the participation in rowing of young people (those under 18 or still in full time education) and the disabled of all ages. The Foundation is currently accepting applications from clubs and organisations in Britain that are supporting participation in rowing. The Foundation prioritises participation in rowing by the young or disabled through the provision of equipment, such as boats, sculls, ergos, oars and essential safety equipment. Grants of between £500 and £3,000 are available, for up to 50% of the overall cost of the project, to initiate projects. The Foundation prefers to fund groups whose requirements may be too small or who may be otherwise ineligible for an approach to the National Lottery or other similar sources of funds. The next deadline for applications is 6 November 2017. More information [here](#).

## **Young People and Youth Issues**

### **Esmée Fairbairn Foundation Funding Stream for Young People Leaving Care**

Funding support for organisations that develop supportive relationships for young people in and leaving care, or work that has a positive impact on the support that care leavers receive from their local authority and other statutory services. Applications can be submitted at any time. More information [here](#).

### **East North East Leeds Wellbeing and Youth Activities Fund**

The wellbeing funding is open all year round and the Youth Activity funding has a commissioning round at the start of the calendar year, with the possibility to apply for YAF throughout the year for the remainder of the funding left. For more info and an application pack please contact: [Preet.Matharu@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Preet.Matharu@leeds.gov.uk) (0113 336 7634).

## Other

### **Homeless Link's Social Investment Fund**

Homeless Link, the national membership organisation for homelessness and supported housing agencies, is launching a £4.5 million Social Investment Fund on 19 June 2017. The programme is funded by Access - The Foundation for Social Investment, through its Growth Fund. The money will be invested over the next three years and offer homelessness organisations in England unsecured loans of amounts of between £25,000 and £150,000. More information [here](#).

### **Energy People Trust Grants**

The Energy People Trust, with funding from Scottish Power, is offering grants to grassroots organisations that help people who are on low incomes, live in poor housing or suffer ill health. Grants of up to £50,000 are available. The deadlines for applications is 4 October 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Building and Social Housing Foundation World Habitat Awards**

Two prizes of £10,000 are available for projects which have provided practical and innovative solutions to current housing needs and problems. The deadline for submissions is 1 March 2018. More information [here](#).

### **Feminist Review Trust 2017**

The Feminist Review Trust has funding grants of up to £15,000 available for projects which transform the lives of women in the UK and internationally. These can be hard to fund projects, pump priming activities, training and development projects, one-off events and other projects. There are three funding rounds per year, and the next deadline for applications is 30 September 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Tesco Bags of Help Programme**

Programme offering monthly grants to community groups with projects which deliver improvements to the physical environment or that encourage the use and long term stability of outdoor spaces. Deadline is ongoing and projects are funded every other month. More information [here](#).

### **Big Issue Impact Loans**

Registered charities and social enterprises are invited to apply for loans of between £20,000 and £150,000 as part of Big Issue Invest's £5 million Impact Loans England scheme. The funding can be used to: buy new equipment, hire new talent, and progress with business development plans. Expressions of interest can be submitted at any time. More information [here](#).

### **Ideas that Change Lives**

Kick Start Investment of up to £4,000 and Development investment up to £15,000 to support social enterprise activity to support residents of Leeds, aged 16+, with care and support needs such as older people, people with a learning disability, physical disability or sensory impairment, people with mental health needs, people with alcohol or substance use issues, people with long term health conditions, carers and/or young people in transition between services. Closing date 12noon Wednesday 18th October 2017. More information [here](#).

### **Dunhill Medical Trust Grants**

The Dunhill Medical Trust offers grants to third sector organisations active in the UK who work directly with older people who need some form of extra support to make everyday living that bit easier. In particular grants are available to support: the care of older people, including rehabilitation and palliative care and projects which, if successful, could enable applicants to apply for funding from other sources.

The following levels of funding are available:

- Projects** – Grants of between £5,000 and £40,000 are available to support time-limited projects which focus on the development of care and support services for older people which are innovative and/or based on evidence of best practice and which can become self-sustaining within a planned period.

- Building and physical infrastructure** – Grants of between £5,000 and £100,000 are available to provide accommodation/developments in the built environment for older people to enhance and maintain their health, well-being and independence and/or specific pieces of equipment or furnishings which can be used for the care and support of individuals (for example, installation of a hearing loop system).

- Capability** – Grants of between £100 and £5,000 are available to support the development of knowledge, skills and capabilities in community-based organisations.

The deadline for project grant applications is 29 September 2017 (5pm). More information [here](#).

### **SUEZ Communities Trust Landfill Communities Fund**

Applications can be made to the Primary Fund for grants of up to £50,000, as long as the project has an overall cost of less than £100,000 and to the Smaller Project Fund for grants of up to £20,000 as long as the project has an overall cost of less than £40,000. Projects must fit within one of the following objects; public amenities, biodiversity and historic buildings, structures or sites. Organisations must own or hold a lease for the project site with at least 10 years remaining. Projects applying for Public Amenity, Biodiversity or Historic Building funding must be on a site that is in the vicinity (within three miles) of a landfill site or transfer station. The next deadline for applications is 2 October 2017 (5pm). More information [here](#).

### **Biffawards**

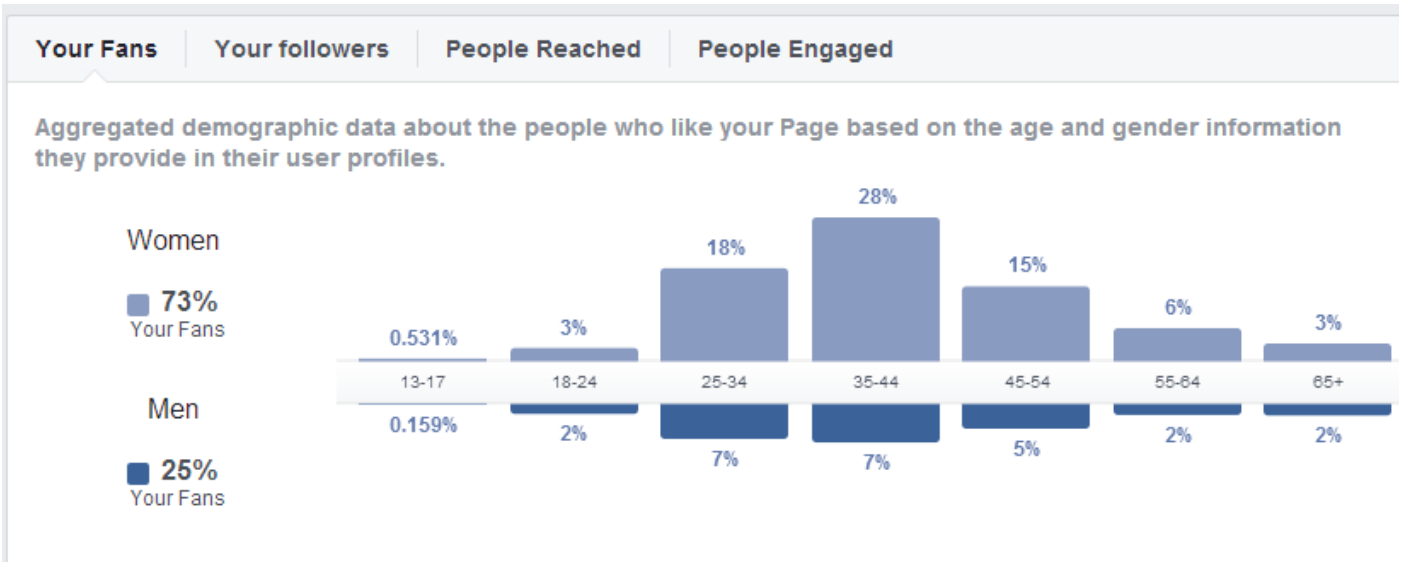
Grants of between £10,000 and £75,000 are available for non-for-profit organisations to improve the quality of life and foster vibrancy in communities located within the vicinity of a Biffa operation. There are three different themes: Recreation, Community Buildings and Rebuilding Biodiversity. There is one application date left this year on the 12 December 2017 (rebuilding biodiversity and recreation). More information [here](#).

**Send details of any funding opportunities you hear about to:**  
[fundingopps@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:fundingopps@leeds.gov.uk)

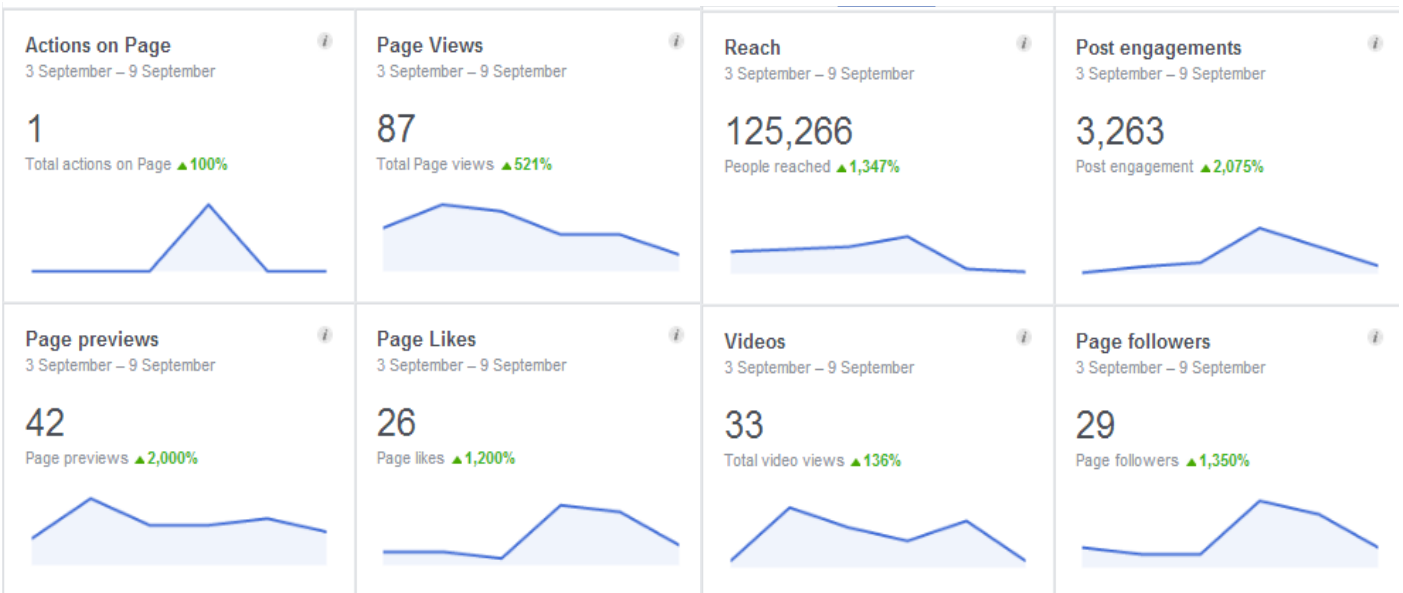
**Facebook**

Using the Outer East Community Committee Facebook page in the examples below as it has been the trailblazing page since we started back on 30 June 2014, the following overview gives a clear picture of the way the Community Committee pages have developed over the past three years, gaining even more momentum every month as more local residents engage with the pages.

The make up of a typical audience:



Outer east statistics over a recent 7 day period:



Hyper-local posts keep things interesting and keep local residents engaged to come back to the page to hear how the Community Committees are helping to improving local neighbourhoods since posts from / about the work of the Committees doesn't happen every day...

**Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee**  
Published by James Leedscc · 5 September at 21:00 · 🌐

Does your little one like music? Can you get to Cross Gates? Check these free sessions out!



**COMMUNITY MATTERS  
YORKSHIRE**

## Music Madness free sessions

Music for children 0 to 5 and their parents



Wednesdays 1:30pm to 2:30pm  
6th September to 18th October 2017



**Crossgates Library, Farm Road, LS15 7LB**  
To book phone: 0113 378 5729

**79,152** People Reached

**13** Likes, Comments & Shares

5 Likes	4 On Post	1 On Shares
4 Comments	4 On Post	0 On Shares
4 Shares	1 On Post	3 On Shares

**34** Post Clicks

10 Photo views	0 Link clicks	24 Other Clicks
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**NEGATIVE FEEDBACK**

3 Hide Post	0 Hide All Posts
0 Report as Spam	0 Unlike Page

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The most impressive single post 'reach' since the Cross Gates Christmas lights event page of 2015 which achieved 75,000!

**Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee**  
Published by James Leedscc · 2 August · 🌐

Problems with the No 19 bus at Town End, Garforth. Something fell off and the diesel has spilt - Police and Fire on the scene and manually managing the traffic, which is starting build...



8,981 people reached **Boost post**

👍 😂 🙄 27 17 Comments 27 Shares

👍 Like    💬 Comment    ➦ Share

**8,981** People Reached

**161** Reactions, comments & shares

54 Like	19 On post	35 On shares
19 Haha	6 On post	13 On shares
7 Wow	2 On post	5 On shares
1 Sad	0 On post	1 On shares
52 Comments	28 On Post	24 On Shares
28 Shares	27 On Post	1 On Shares

**2,266** Post Clicks

975 Photo views	0 Link clicks	1,291 Other Clicks
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Over 2,000 people clicked on a story about a broken down bus in Garforth

**Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee**  
Published by James Leedscc (7) · 10 August at 11:06 · €

**\*\* This is a massive plan for the future of east Leeds \*\***

The East Leeds Extension (infrastructure) planning application has been submitted - be sure to let LCC have your comments before Tues 29 Aug 2017.

<http://www.leeds.gov.uk/residen.../East-Leeds-Extension.aspx>



**East Leeds Extension**  
New development in East Leeds  
LEEDS.GOV.UK

**11,164** People Reached

**58** Reactions, comments & shares

17 Like	1 On post	16 On shares
1 Love	0 On post	1 On shares
1 Sad	1 On post	0 On shares
10 Comments	1 On Post	9 On Shares
29 Shares	29 On Post	0 On Shares

**1,787** Post Clicks

2 Photo views	1,193 Link clicks	592 Other Clicks
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**A few examples of Outer East Community Committee content, spreading LCC and other key local messages across south east Leeds, and beyond...**

**Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee**  
Published by James Leedscc (7) · 9 June · €

**Consultation time!**  
Should Leeds' communities get new Anti Social Behaviour powers?  
See [www.leeds.gov.uk/pspo](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/pspo) for full details including maps  
The survey runs from 12 June to 16 July 2017

**Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs)**  
—should Leeds' communities get new Anti Social Behaviour powers?

Please help shape new anti social behaviour powers available to Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Police by completing this online survey > <http://www.leeds.gov.uk/pspo>  
It should only take a short amount of your time.

Leeds currently has 18 Designated Public Place Orders (DPPOs), which do not allow people to consume alcohol within certain 'public places'. Following the changes in the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, Leeds City Council has to reconsider its DPPOs and either withdraw or replace them with the new Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs). We need to do this by October 2017.


We want to replace all 18 DPPOs with PSPOs to help resolve anti-social behaviour.

Leeds City Council, West Yorkshire Police, and Community Safety Partners including ward councillors believe that the existing DPPOs have helped agencies. We want to know if you agree with the views of Leeds City Council, West Yorkshire Police, and community safety partners.

The consultation starts on Monday 12 June 2017 and closes on Sunday 16 July 2017.

If you need further information please

- email: [LASBT@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:LASBT@leeds.gov.uk)
- write to Stephen Stewart, PSPO consultation, Safer Leeds, Leeds City Council, 71 Roundhay Road, Leeds, LS7 3BE
- or call 0113 378 8099



**3,648** People Reached

**15** Likes, Comments & Shares

7 Likes	3 On Post	4 On Shares
0 Comments	0 On Post	0 On Shares
8 Shares	3 On Post	5 On Shares

**152** Post Clicks

72 Photo views	19 Link clicks	61 Other Clicks
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**NEGATIVE FEEDBACK**


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**Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee**  
added 4 new photos.  
Published by James Leedscc (7) · 8 May · €

**JOBS JOBS JOBS!**  
Spotted over the weekend in Cross Gates and Garforth...

We always have our eyes peeled for those local jobs that aren't always online or in the job papers, so why not give our page a Like to keep up to date and improve your job search?



**Bright House**  
Store Vacancy  
Apply within

**Cross Gates Shopping Centre, Station Road, Cross Gates**

**6,062** People Reached

**46** Reactions, comments & shares

18 Like	9 On post	9 On shares
1 Love	0 On post	1 On shares
9 Comments	7 On Post	2 On Shares
18 Shares	17 On Post	1 On Shares

**1,038** Post Clicks

597 Photo views	0 Link clicks	441 Other Clicks
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**Event listings are often create interest:**

**JUN 13** Outer East Community Committee meeting  
13/06/17  
Public · Hosted by Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee

**JUL 27** Temple Newsam Communities Together meeting (27/07/17)  
Public · Hosted by Leeds City Council Outer East Community Committee

**INSIGHTS SINCE 22/05/2017**

<b>3.8k</b> Reached +0 this week	<b>206</b> Viewed +0 this week	<b>15</b> Responded +0 this week
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**INSIGHTS SINCE 17/07/2017**

<b>2.2k</b> Reached +0 this week	<b>322</b> Viewed +0 this week	<b>23</b> Responded +0 this week
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**Public Meeting**  
**With First Bus**  
**To Discuss Issues with**  
**Service Numbers**  
**33, 33A, 97**  
**Monday, 19 June 2017**  
**From 7pm to 9pm**  
**At**  
**Yeadon Town Hall**  
**High St, Yeadon LS19 7PP**

8,278 People Reached

81 Likes, Comments & Shares

19 Likes	1 On Post	18 On Shares
20 Comments	0 On Post	20 On Shares
42 Shares	41 On Post	1 On Shares

471 Post Clicks

88 Photo views	0 Link clicks	383 Other Clicks
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Leeds City Council Outer North West Community Committee  
 Published by Susan Skinner (?) · 3 September at 10:00 ·

**\*\*Job Opportunity\*\*** Yeadon Westfield Junior School are advertising for an administrator, see the link below. Closes on Friday 8th September.  
<https://jobs.leeds.gov.uk/administration-yeadon-w.../24377/job>



**Office Administrator**  
 The Governors at Yeadon Westfield Junior School are actively seeking to recruit an outstanding Administrator to start before Christmas 2017. Yeadon Westfield Junior School prides itself on providing a...

JOBS.LEEDS.GOV.UK

Get more likes, comments and shares  
 Boost this post for £2 to reach up to 1,700 people.

5,382 people reached Boost Post

3 Likes 8 Comments 19 Shares

Like Comment Share

5,382 People Reached

48 Likes, Comments & Shares

10 Likes	3 On Post	7 On Shares
19 Comments	10 On Post	9 On Shares
19 Shares	19 On Post	0 On Shares

755 Post Clicks

0 Photo views	294 Link clicks	461 Other Clicks
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Leeds City Council Outer North West Community Committee  
 31 July ·

Booking opens TOMORROW for Guiseley Camp in the Park run by Active Community Education in Sport! Funded by Outer North West Committee and continuing our fantastic #SummerofFun for young people 🏆🏀🏈🏏🏹🎯🎪🎡🎢🎠🎡🎢🎠



**GUISELEY CAMP IN THE PARK**

Tuesday 29th August –  
 Wednesday 30th August:  
 ANSA Clubhouse, Nunroyd Avenue, Yeadon, Leeds LS19 7HR

ACES are excited to announce we have received funding from Leeds City Council Outer North West Community Committee for a FREE All-Sports Camp for the Summer Holidays.

ACES, is a specialist sports education company working in schools and the community to make sport accessible to all. ACES sports camps are for all children aged 4 – 14 with an interest in playing sports irrespective of ability or experience.

Each day, campers will participate in a range of fun multi-sport activities, developing leadership, communication and organization skills whilst making lots of new friends. Sessions are specific to the interests of each group and may include dodgeball, football, rugby, athletics, cricket, team building and much more.

**PRICE - FREE**  
**10am - 3pm,**

5,003 People Reached

71 Reactions, comments & shares

23 Like	8 On post	15 On shares
1 Love	1 On post	0 On shares
28 Comments	18 On Post	10 On Shares
19 Shares	17 On Post	2 On Shares

312 Post Clicks

129 Photo views	3 Link clicks	180 Other Clicks
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Leeds City Council Outer North West Community Committee shared Friends Of Otley Lido's photo.  
 5 November 2015 ·

An old picture of Otley Lido. Would people like to see it restored and available for use by local people again?



Friends Of Otley Lido · Otley Lido Members Site Visit Like Page

24 October 2015 ·

3,050 people reached Boost Post

55 Likes 70 Comments 3 Shares

Like Comment Share

3,050 People Reached

142 Likes, Comments & Shares

56 Likes	55 On Post	1 On Shares
77 Comments	74 On Post	3 On Shares
9 Shares	3 On Post	6 On Shares

280 Post Clicks

12 Photo views	0 Link clicks	268 Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner East Community Committee** added 2 new photos. Published by Mel Bratton [?] April 21 ©

**DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT HOW ISSUES ARE BEING DEALT WITH IN YOUR COMMUNITY?**

Come along to one of our meetings and hear from the services who are tackling issues in the Killingbeck & Seacroft ward. The first meeting is at Kentmere Community Centre on the 4th May 2017 - 7pm-8:30pm. The next meeting is at Cross Gates Community Centre on the 11th May 2017 - 7pm-8:30pm. Please see flyers below for details of both meetings.

Meeting 1	Meeting 2
on Thursday 4th May 2017 at 7:00pm - 8:30pm Kentmere Community Centre, Kentmere Avenue, LS14 1EP	on Thursday 11th May 2017 at 7:00pm - 8:30pm Cross Gates Community Centre, Maryfield Avenue, LS15 7TU
Come along and find out what is going on in your community and how issues are being tackled by local services in Seacroft	Come along and find out what is going on in your community and how issues are being tackled by local services in Killingbeck
<b>POLICE</b> Nuisance motorbikes Parking issues	<b>POLICE</b> Nuisance motorbikes/burglaries Parking issues
<b>HOUSING LEEDS</b> Estate & garden cond	<b>HOUSING LEEDS</b> Estate & garden conditions
<b>POLICE/YOUTH SERVICE/LEEDS ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TEAM</b> Youth nuisance and anti social behaviour	<b>POLICE/YOUTH SERVICE/LEEDS ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR TEAM</b> Youth nuisance and anti social behaviour
<b>YOUTH SERVICE</b> Provisions in the area	<b>YOUTH SERVICE</b> Provisions in the area
<b>TENANT INVOLVEMENT</b> Update on projects and Housing Advisory	<b>TENANT INVOLVEMENT</b> Update on projects and Housing Advisory

**2,800** People Reached

**27** Likes, Comments & Shares

10 Likes	3 On Post	7 On Shares
5 Comments	0 On Post	5 On Shares
12 Shares	11 On Post	1 On Shares

**197** Post Clicks

72 Photo Views	0 Link Clicks	125 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Inner East Community Committee** Published by Neil Young [?] August 16 ©

Free community event for young people in East Leeds, put on by The Youth Association See poster for more info.

**Community Event @ Killingbeck Pavillion**

- \*Bingo
- \*snacks - hot dogs fruit kebabs
- \*Chocolate Fountain
- \*Tea & coffee
- \*house games

**2,135** People Reached

**26** Reactions, Comments & Shares

12 Like	3 On Post	9 On Shares
1 Wow	1 On Post	0 On Shares
1 Comments	0 On Post	1 On Shares
12 Shares	12 On Post	0 On Shares

**44** Post Clicks

14 Photo Views	0 Link Clicks	30 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Inner East Community Committee** Published by Laura Eagle [?] August 11 ©

Would you like to volunteer or host a stall at the 2017 Harehills Festival??? Get in touch!

**HAREHILLS FESTIVAL**

We are planning the Harehills Summer Festival for 24th September 2017 in Banstead Park, Harehills.

Do you want to get involved in planning the Harehills Summer Festival 2017 or be a volunteer on the day? You may want to have a stall, undertake an activity or perform?

**4,505** People Reached

**42** Likes, Comments & Shares

24 Likes	6 On Post	18 On Shares
6 Comments	0 On Post	6 On Shares
12 Shares	12 On Post	0 On Shares

**52** Post Clicks

17 Photo Views	0 Link Clicks	35 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Inner East Community Committee** Published by Mel Bratton [?] July 25 ©

**FREE ACTIVITY AFTERNOON** tomorrow 10th August in Harehills Park 12-3pm.

Come along and see what is available in your area for children and young people to access. Free activities including silent disco, seaside, silly olympics, sports, free donkey rides and information from service providers. See information for dates and further information.

All activities are free as funding has been provided by Inner East Community Community and Housing Advisory Panel.

**Children & Young People's Events**

- Friday 28th July 2017 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Denis Healey Centre field
- Thursday 3rd August 2017 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Seacroft Village Green
- Thursday 10th August 2017 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Harehills Park
- Thursday 17th August 2017 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Cross Gates Children's Centre

**IT'S ALL FREE**

- Face Painting
- Sports
- Treasure Hunt
- Silent Disco
- Hundreds of FREE Activities

**2,896** People Reached

**80** Likes, Comments & Shares

23 Likes	5 On Post	18 On Shares
23 Comments	12 On Post	11 On Shares
34 Shares	33 On Post	1 On Shares

**152** Post Clicks

45 Photo Views	0 Link Clicks	107 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Inner South Community Committee** is feeling happy. Published by Addaquay Light · 19 January ·

**\*\*If you like this post, why not give the Leeds City Council Inner South Community Committee page a like for more local community news? \*\***  
**GREAT NEWS!**  
**NEW BUS SERVICE TO THE WHITE ROSE SHOPPING CENTRE...**  
 See more



52,932 people reached Boost Post

**52,932** People Reached

**1,441** Reactions, comments & shares

562 Like	182 On post	380 On shares
23 Love	8 On post	15 On shares
5 Haha	1 On post	4 On shares
1 Wow	0 On post	1 On shares
487 Comments	325 On Post	162 On Shares
363 Shares	348 On Post	15 On Shares

**14,297** Post Clicks

1,018 Photo views	2 Link clicks	13,277 Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner South Community Committee** Published by Martin Hackett · 12 May ·

The Inner South Community Committee takes environmental issues very seriously. A regular complaint is about owners not cleaning up after their dogs. Starting this month a campaign will be launched to address this issue with posters and banners being displayed in prominent places and an educational project in schools. The attached photo illustrates the type of banner you will see. The campaign is being led by the Inner South Community Committee Environmental Champion, Cllr Adam Oglvie, along with colleagues from adjacent wards, Cllr Mohammed Iqbal and Cllr Kim Groves.



4,039 people reached Boost Post

**4,039** People Reached

**59** Reactions, comments & shares

40 Like	13 On post	27 On shares
3 Love	0 On post	3 On shares
1 Sad	1 On post	0 On shares
3 Comments	3 On Post	0 On Shares
12 Shares	5 On Post	7 On Shares

**229** Post Clicks

42 Photo views	1 Link clicks	186 Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner South Community Committee** Published by Martin Hackett · 15 March ·

Looking for a job? Fancy working at The White Rose? Why not pop along to this.



Come along and find out more about job opportunities at the new cinema and restaurant development... **coming soon!**  
 Bring along your CV and find out how we can help you.

Contact us for more information  
 Find us at the top of the escalator by the Customer Service Centre, near car park 6.  
 https://white-rose.co.uk/point - Call: 0113 277 6124 - Email: thepoint@leeds.gov.uk

Leeds, Leeds City College, Department for Work & Pensions, LandSecurities, white rose shopping centre

**10,520** People Reached

**150** Likes, Comments & Shares

39 Likes	7 On Post	32 On Shares
67 Comments	24 On Post	43 On Shares
44 Shares	43 On Post	1 On Shares

**422** Post Clicks

136 Photo views	2 Link clicks	284 Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner North East Community Committee** ...  
 is with White Rose Shopping Centre.  
 Published by Preet Matharu (?) · 17 July · €

**\*\*\*JOBS FAIR\*\*\***  
 Jobs & Information Fair 2017 at White Rose Shopping Centre.  
 Thursday 10 August 2017, 11am - 9pm... See more



**Come along to the Jobs and Information Event**  
**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017**  
**Central Atrium at White Rose Shopping Centre**

We have a great package on offer for you throughout the day:

- 11am-9pm** - Visit the **Information Hub** for advice in looking for work, jobs and training opportunities
- 11am-5pm, 30 minute sessions** - Get **top hints and tips** about what it's like to work in the White Rose Shopping Centre and making a great first impression!
- 1pm-5pm** - Chat to businesses about their **current and seasonal vacancies**

Bring along multiple copies of your CV!

For more information visit: <https://white-rose.co.uk/whats-on-offers>



**13,738** People Reached

**90** Likes, Comments & Shares

<b>19</b> Likes	<b>0</b> On Post	<b>19</b> On Shares
<b>26</b> Comments	<b>5</b> On Post	<b>21</b> On Shares
<b>45</b> Shares	<b>45</b> On Post	<b>0</b> On Shares

**321** Post Clicks

<b>62</b> Photo views	<b>3</b> Link clicks	<b>256</b> Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner North East Community Committee** ...  
 is with Chapel Allerton Allotments and Gardens Association and 4 others.  
 Published by Neil Pentleow (?) · 23 June · €

**Free Herbs for the community!**  
 The Chapel Allerton Ward Members - Cllr Jane Dowson, Cllr Mohammed Rafique and Cllr Eileen Taylor - have funded a herb planter which is now located in the centre of Chapel Allerton.

The project is a real team effort with the community. The planter and plants were provided by LCC Parks & Countryside, will be cared for by Chapel Allerton Allotments & Gardens Association (CAAGA), and watered by the baristas from Opposite Cafe.... See more



**7,310** People Reached

**341** Reactions, comments & shares

<b>251</b> Like	<b>115</b> On post	<b>136</b> On shares
<b>24</b> Love	<b>12</b> On post	<b>12</b> On shares
<b>3</b> Wow	<b>0</b> On post	<b>3</b> On shares
<b>42</b> Comments	<b>25</b> On Post	<b>17</b> On Shares
<b>24</b> Shares	<b>24</b> On Post	<b>0</b> On Shares

**962** Post Clicks

<b>220</b> Photo views	<b>0</b> Link clicks	<b>742</b> Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner North East Community Committee** ...  
 added 16 new photos — with Rjc Dance.  
 Published by Neil Pentleow (?) · 7 July · €

**Exciting programme of summer activities for young people!!**  
 With the summer school holidays fast approaching, the Inner North East Community Committee has been busy finalising the 2017 summer programme of activities for young people that will be supported with the Youth Activity Fund (YAF).

There's no need for young people to sit around bored this summer, just get along to one of the many activities happening in the area... See more



**3,081** People Reached

**19** Likes, Comments & Shares

<b>5</b> Likes	<b>1</b> On Post	<b>4</b> On Shares
<b>2</b> Comments	<b>0</b> On Post	<b>2</b> On Shares
<b>12</b> Shares	<b>12</b> On Post	<b>0</b> On Shares

**288** Post Clicks

<b>205</b> Photo views	<b>0</b> Link clicks	<b>83</b> Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Inner North West Community Committee**  
Published by Nicole Darbyshire (7) · 20 March · €

Here is a fun one for the Easter break... free children's sports activity camps for kids living in the area are running at Lawnswood School from 3 - 7 April from 10am - 3pm. The Inner North West Community Committee have awarded funding to Active Community Education in Sport to run these camps over the school holidays. Get your kids registered if you'd love to take them along to this! More info in the poster.

**4,837** People Reached

**60** Likes, Comments & Shares

<b>26</b> Likes	<b>13</b> On Post	<b>13</b> On Shares
<b>15</b> Comments	<b>5</b> On Post	<b>10</b> On Shares
<b>19</b> Shares	<b>16</b> On Post	<b>3</b> On Shares

**250** Post Clicks

<b>103</b> Photo views	<b>3</b> Link clicks	<b>144</b> Other Clicks
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**04 Bonfire and firework display at Woodhouse Moor**

NOV Fri 18:30 · Woodhouse Moor · Leeds

See all insights

**27,788**  
Total event reach

**745**  
Total responses

**Leeds City Council Inner North West Community Committee**  
Published by Laura McNulty (7) · 20 March · €

Looking for something to do with the kids this Easter? Have a look at this at Headingley Library.. Leeds Libraries

**CodeBugs**  
Wednesday 5 April Headingley Library  
10.30am – 12.30pm

Design and code a wearable device at our fun-filled CodeBug session! Learn how to program the CodeBug with simple drag and drop blocks and then design and craft a wearable object to use it in. Make a colour star wand, a scrolling name badge or create your own invention. Suitable for ages 8 years and above

Funded by the Inner North West Community Committee

Free event with limited spaces, booking essential. Please visit [www.ticketsource.co.uk/leedslibraryevents](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/leedslibraryevents) to book.

For more information call 01943-466572  
[www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries)

**2,115** People Reached

**10** Likes, Comments & Shares

<b>3</b> Likes	<b>0</b> On Post	<b>3</b> On Shares
<b>5</b> Comments	<b>0</b> On Post	<b>5</b> On Shares
<b>2</b> Shares	<b>1</b> On Post	<b>1</b> On Shares

**42** Post Clicks

<b>24</b> Photo views	<b>0</b> Link clicks	<b>18</b> Other Clicks
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**Leeds City Council Outer West Community Committee**  
 Published by Rachael Mitchell [?] · 16 November 2016 · €

Have your say about how bus services can be improved in Pudsey. See below for dates of drop in sessions.

## Customer Notice

### Bus Services in the Pudsey Area

Following the public meeting held at Café Lux on Wednesday 7 September, the West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA) is organising drop-in sessions with First West Yorkshire to find out what improvements passengers would like to see on bus services in the Pudsey area.

Please come and tell us what you think.

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday 22 November	17:00 – 19:30	Robin Lane Health & Wellbeing Centre (Café Lux)
Wednesday 30 November	15:00 – 18:00	St. James Vicarage (Galloway Court, off Galloway Lane)
Friday 2 December	16:00 – 12:30	Pudsey Bus Station

If you are unable to attend but would like to comment please email [busconsultation@westyorks-ca.gov.uk](mailto:busconsultation@westyorks-ca.gov.uk) or contact MetroLine on 0113 245 7676.

Get more likes, comments and shares  
Boost this post for £2 to reach up to 1,900 people.

3,397 people reached Boost Post

Josie Jarosz 1 Comment 27 Shares

Like Comment Share

**3,397** People Reached

**50** Likes, Comments & Shares

15 Likes	1 On Post	14 On Shares
7 Comments	2 On Post	5 On Shares
28 Shares	27 On Post	1 On Shares

**214** Post Clicks

125 Photo views	0 Link clicks	89 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Outer West Community Committee**  
 Published by Harpreet Singh [?] · 10 April · €

Please find information about the Highway Improvement Scheme for Stanningley Bypass - Dawson's Corner to Stanningley Road

The Occupier

Dear Resident/Business

**HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME – STANNINGLEY BYPASS Dawson's Corner to Stanningley Road**

As part of our highway improvement programme we intend to carry out works at the above location. The works will consist of carriage patching.

The works are planned to commence on Tuesday 18th April and will be completed in approximately 5 weeks. The contractor's working hours will be Monday – Friday 20:00 – 06:00 and a road closure with signed diversion will be in place during these hours. The closure will be from Dawson's Corner roundabout to the end of the bypass inbound only, towards Leeds. However access will be permitted under a lane closure to the Owlcoates Centre and the rail station.

I would like to take this opportunity to apologise for any inconvenience and assure you that every effort will be made to keep disruption to a minimum. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact The Highways Helpline on the above telephone number.

Yours faithfully

**Russell Martin**  
Highway Maintenance Manager

**Leeds CITY COUNCIL**

Highways Services  
 Selectwood 6  
 Ring Road  
 Middleton  
 Leeds LS10 4AX

Contact: The Highways Helpline  
 Tel: 0113 2224407  
 Textphone for deaf and hard of hearing people: 0113 2224410  
 Your reference: HM/1 28/MT  
 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017

11,197 People Reached

**103** Reactions, comments & shares

21 Like	0 On post	21 On shares
1 Wow	0 On post	1 On shares
1 Angry	0 On post	1 On shares
30 Comments	4 On Post	26 On Shares
50 Shares	49 On Post	1 On Shares

**1,093** Post Clicks

651 Photo views	4 Link clicks	438 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Outer West Community Committee**  
 Published by Harpreet Singh [?] · 17 March · €

Morning All

Please find an update below about the current situation on Littlemoor Road.

Due to a suspected foul sewer pipe the foundations of Littlemoor Road at the junction of Moor Grove has been undermined quite severely. There is approximately a 5 meter sinkhole that could result in the road collapsing if traffic, especially buses and LGV's, were to continue using this road. As a result while investigations are fully undertaken by Yorkshire Water and the Geotechnical team this section of Littlemoor Road has had to be closed. Metro have been made aware so they can divert their bus routes.

Yorkshire Water are sending out a camera team to survey the sewer pipework which will identify the full extent of the damage caused. After doing so they will then be in a better position to advise the extent of the works required. As such at this present moment in time Highways can only advise that this section of the road will be closed for the next couple of days.

Please share to make all residents aware of the situation.

Get more likes, comments and shares  
Boost this post for £2 to reach up to 1,900 people.

7,016 people reached Boost Post

Rose Killooley, Ruth Minich and 4 others 11 Comments 52 Shares

**7,016** People Reached

**112** Reactions, comments & shares

12 Like	4 On post	8 On shares
4 Wow	2 On post	2 On shares
40 Comments	30 On Post	10 On Shares
56 Shares	52 On Post	4 On Shares

**1,021** Post Clicks

1 Photo views	0 Link clicks	1,020 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Outer West Community Committee**  
 added 2 new photos.  
 Published by Rachael Mitchell [?] · 28 July · €

A lovely dedication by Pudsey In Bloom to those hard working souls who slaved away in the Pudsey Treacle Mines. Funded by Leeds City Council Outer West Community Committee.

2,835 People Reached

**74** Reactions, comments & shares

59 Like	28 On post	31 On shares
7 Love	3 On post	4 On shares
0 Comments	0 On Post	0 On Shares
8 Shares	2 On Post	6 On Shares

**322** Post Clicks

168 Photo views	0 Link clicks	154 Other Clicks (#)
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**Leeds City Council Outer South Community Committee** added 14 new photos — 🥳 feeling excited.  
Published by Carl Hinchliffe [?] · 1 September at 16:22 · €

Outer South Community Heroes 2017 Celebration Event – Voting Opens!!  
How to cast your vote!  
Read through the nominations on the attached document and email your votes back to southeast.ast@leeds.gov.uk or carl.hinchliffe@leeds.gov.uk ... See more

**Outer South Community Heroes 2017**  
Inspirational Project of the Year  
A project which has resulted in real benefits for its local community through schemes such as environmental initiatives, community safety activities or community integration projects)  
The Patient Club (and Patient Club Committee) was formed in 2014 originally to support setting up Chair Aerobics, but has grown and developed significantly since its formation. It is a non-profit making trust. It is made up entirely of volunteer members of the local community who meet to consider new health projects, identify needs, arrange marketing, etc. They have set up a very popular chair aerobics group in the local GP practice, and due to its popularity, they had to move to a bigger venue. They are currently looking to set up a second activity which is aimed at slightly more mobile people who are not quite ready for seated exercise. The Patient Club subsidises the cost of participants' attendance at Chair Aerobics by selling books in the GP practice and holding coffee mornings. It enables this to be a very inclusive way that people can afford Chair Aerobics, get out once a week, one-on-one, take part in light exercise and provide social interaction for many of the older patients who attend. In particular, the Chair Aerobics instructor, Doreen Young, has received special recognition as she is so committed to the group and the individuals, willing that she even organises her own day trips for the group members. Doreen's style is very inclusive, warm and welcoming and she never turns anyone away, despite how popular it has become. The Patient Club have also organised arts and crafts sessions, singing teams (currently looking for new members at the local hospital, and they do sessions for them on a Sunday). They hold a monthly coffee morning and invite speakers to entertain the visitors with presentations about a range of things including crime prevention, computer knowledge, etc. They organise social events including a Christmas party and lunches, and they all take place after Chair Aerobics for a group reason and what. The Patient Club's Committee is made up of several people, but more to be able to do what they all do. In addition to the Patient Club committee there is also Annette and Margaret who have volunteered to make drinks at all the events, and they set the room up and look up afterwards and they are such wonderful volunteers that are always in the background. It would be amazing to find a way of thanking them. The Patient Club is a team of very hard working, very dedicated, very nice people who give their time to be able to make a difference for others in their local community, and we are so very lucky to have them as a club.  
The Research Group – is a team of ladies who come into the practice to support the Doctors with a range of information gathering, including patient satisfaction surveys, asking patients what other developments they might like the patient club to take on next, researching what activities are already in the community and they even help out at the clinic, to make the most from arrival to reception very smooth. Recently when the GPs needed to hand out questionnaires to 200 of patients, these ladies came in twice a day for several weeks a like to patients in the waiting room. We can't thank them enough for their dedication and enthusiasm.  
When Village Residents Association – have set up a monthly club for elderly people who live in the village who may feel lonely or isolated. (see further to passenger about support for people in Carlton and she teamed up with Sarah Faith who is the landlord of the Union Inn in Carlton and together they run 'The Cozy Club'. (see linked to local residents are needed on people's doors to identify elderly of people who may feel isolated or lonely and asked to them about a monthly club she was setting up and invited them along. This lovely event is held at the Union Inn and activities are organised and a light lunch is provided. The Cozy Club have attended the theatre, made bird boxes, painted, had a bottle drive table tennis, baked, sang, shared dominoes, visited Thorpe World and had a gentle exercise session. In some just a few of their activities. (see and Sarah ask the members what they could like to do and then the activities to suit. They were asked for a week in September... what to work in progress for Jan and Sarah!!!!!! One member explained the difficulty herself and her neighbours had with having a grassed area outside their homes so Jan teamed up with Carlton in Bloom to tidy and plant the area, an example of people working together in the village. From this linkups have been both up and Jan and Sarah can keep an eye on our vulnerable people living in Carlton, particularly elderly people living on their own. They charge £1 per session and have roughly 10 members. They collect people who have mobility problems and ensure everyone stays has lots of fun. A stop up Christmas are organised for them too. I think they have both created a fantastic group and are such brilliant volunteers, completely worthy of being called community heroes.

Outer South Community Heroes 2017  
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**Leeds City Council Outer South Community Committee** added 2 new photos.  
Published by Carl Hinchliffe [?] · 31 August at 17:22 · €

Invite to Outer South Community Committee business meeting + chat afterwards to discuss end of life planning  
Please feel free to join us for a cup of tea and a chat...

**Dying Matters in Leeds**  
Monday 18th Sept  
Thorpe Community C

Everything you wanted to know about death were too afraid to ask  
The Outer South Community Committee invites you to a 'cup of tea and a chat' to discuss end of life plan going to happen to all of us at some point so its important that we're prepared.  
5.30 - 7pm, Monday 18th Sept 2017  
orpe Community Centre, Stanhope Gate Thorpe, WF3 3DP  
4 - 5pm feel free to also pop along and observe the unity Committee business meeting—light refreshments are provided  
There will also be a presentation, as well as tables, stand and leaflets

Joining us for a 'cup of tea and a chat'  
- Carole Clarke (Ageing Well Team)  
Dominic Mackenzie from Ison Harrison Solicitor (answering questions on legal matters)  
- Full Circle Funerals (offering general advice)

for more information contact the Communities Team - South East southeast.ast@leeds.gov.uk 0113 378 5008

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**Leeds City Council Outer South Community Committee**  
Published by Jonny R Lcc [?] · 5 September at 15:15 · €

Leeds City Council Housing Leeds are recruiting for a number of housing vacancies across Leeds! Book your place at the free information event 14 September 2017. Don't miss out on these great job opportunities  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lcc-housing-vacancies-tickets-...>

**Do you have the excellent customer service skills we need?**  
Housing Leeds provides high quality housing services meeting needs of tenants and positively contributing to their communities  
We have vacancies across Leeds for Housing Advisers, Officers and Assistants  
Salary £18,070 to £24,964, 37 hours per week with flexible/part-time working available  
Information sessions – 14 September, Carriageworks Theatre, Millennium Square, Leeds  
To reserve a place (90 minute slots available) see [www.eventbrite.com/e/lcc-housing-vacancies-tickets-37600457982](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lcc-housing-vacancies-tickets-37600457982) or contact 0113 3785165  
Application deadline – 17 September  
You do not need to attend the information sessions to apply. For job descriptions/to apply see <https://jobs.leeds.gov.uk/housing-resources-housing-housing-assistant-officer-adviser/24739>  
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**Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee**  
 Published by Kate Sibson [?] - September 16, 2016

The Council, Police and All Together Armley are hosting public meeting aimed at residents from our Central and Eastern European communities to listen to their concerns and provide reassurance following recent events. It's on Tuesday 4th October at 6pm in Armley Library. Everyone is welcome from across the community to show that we stand together against racism and Hate Crime.

**Public Meeting**  
 Tuesday 4th October  
 04.10.16 - 6pm  
 Armley Library

**We're Listening:**  
 Join us to share your concerns and tell us how we can help you and your family here in Armley.

**Sluchamy:**  
 Dołącz do nas, aby dzielić swoje obawy i nam, jak możemy Ci pomóc i swoję rodzinę tu w Armley.

**Jame Poslechu**  
 Přidejte se k nám podělit o své obavy a řekněte nám, jak jsme vas i vaši rodinu může pomoci tady v Armley.

**Noi Ascultăm**  
 Vino alături de noi pentru a împărtăși preocupările dumneavoastră și spuneti-ne cum tu și familia ta.

**Mēs klausīsimies**  
 Pievienojieties mums, lai dalīties ar jūsu bažām, un pastāstītu mums, kā mēs varam palīdzēt jums un jūsu ģimējam.

Služamo

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**Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee**  
 Published by Zoe Tyler [?] - July 5

Hi everyone. Leeds City Council are promoting an initiative called 'Play Streets'. The local community can apply to close their road to allow their children to play out safely. The street could be closed to through traffic during the session, but would still remain accessible to the people who live on the street. See the poster and link for more info. It could be a nice idea for the summer holidays?!!

<http://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/Pages/Play-Streets.aspx>

**Play Streets**  
 A child friendly Leeds initiative to allow street closures so children can play safely.

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**Leeds City Council Inner West Community Committee**  
 added 2 new photos  
 Published by Jonny R Lcc [?] - December 11, 2015

Pass it on!  
 Leeds' bins will be emptied one or two days later than normal from Christmas Day until 10 January.

As we are saving £75,000 by not sending letters out, please spread the word among colleagues and neighbours using the poster and leaflet below!

**Christmas and New Year 2015/16**

If your normal bin day is...	Your Christmas collection days and dates will be...
Monday	Tuesday 29 December; Tuesday 5 January
Tuesday	Wednesday 30 December; Wednesday 6 January
Wednesday	Thursday 31 December; Thursday 7 January
Thursday	Saturday 2 January; Friday 8 January
Friday	Sunday 27 December; Sunday 3 January; Saturday 9 January
Saturday	Monday 28 December; Monday 4 January; Sunday 10 January

2,580 People Reached

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Report author: Angela Brogden  
Tel: 3788661

**Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to the Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board**

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Subject: Review of Cemetery and Crematoria Horticultural Maintenance**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Purpose of this report**

1. At the beginning of the municipal year, the Environment, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake a review of local cemetery and crematoria horticultural maintenance, with particular reference to issues associated with the enforcement of grave conditions.
2. In view of the sensitivity and urgency of this matter, the Board agreed to undertake its review over the summer period and via a working group meeting. The Scrutiny Board held its working group meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017.
3. A summary note setting out the key issues arising from this working group meeting will be shared with the full Scrutiny Board during today's meeting. This summary note also presents proposed recommendations stemming from the working group's discussions for the Scrutiny Board's consideration and agreement.

**Recommendations**

4. Members are asked to consider the key issues and proposed recommendations set out within the working group summary note and formally agree the Board's recommendations in relation to this piece of Scrutiny work.

**Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

5. None used.

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**Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities)**

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**Subject: Work Schedule**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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**Summary of main issues**

1. The Board's work schedule is attached as appendix 1. This will be subject to change throughout the municipal year.
2. Also attached at appendix 2 are the minutes of the Executive Board meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**Recommendation**

3. Members are asked to consider the work schedule and make amendments as appropriate.

**Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

4. None used

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Area of review	Schedule of meetings/visits during 2017/18		
	June	July	August
<b>Air Quality in Leeds</b>		Air Quality in Leeds - Consultation Preparations SB 24/07/17 @ 10.30 am	
<b>Leeds' response to Grenfell</b>			Scoping meeting – 16/07/17 @ 3pm
<b>Horticultural Maintenance in Cemeteries</b>			Review of existing challenges WG – 30/08/17 @ 1pm
<b>Briefings</b>	Scrutiny Board Terms of Reference and Sources of Work SB 26/06/17 @ 1 pm		
<b>Recommendation Tracking</b>		Reducing repeat customer contacts through tackling failure demand – formal response SB 24/07/17 @ 10.30 am	
<b>Budget &amp; Policy Framework/pre-decision Scrutiny</b>		Revised Safer Leeds Plan 2017/18 SB 24/07/17 @ 10.30 am	Roll out of Community Hubs – Phase 3 WG – 16/08/17 @ 10 am
<b>Performance Monitoring</b>		Performance Update SB 24/07/17 @ 10.30 am	

## Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Work Schedule for 2017/2018 Municipal Year

Areas of review	Schedule of meetings/visits during 2017/18		
	September	October	November
<b>Air Quality in Leeds</b>			Consultation analysis and inviting the views of Scrutiny. WG – TBC
<b>Horticultural Maintenance in Cemeteries</b>		Summary note of Scrutiny WG meeting. SB 09/10/17 @ 10.30 am	
<b>Raising Standards in the Private Rented Sector</b>		Informing the development of a Selective Licensing approach and maximising the Rouge Landlord Unit. WG - TBC	
<b>Leeds' response to Grenfell</b>	Agree terms of reference SB 11/09/17 @ 10.30 am	Session 1 – WG 02/10/17 @ 10.45 am  Session 2 SB 09/10/17 @ 10.30 am	Agree Scrutiny report SB 06/11/17 @ 10.30 am
<b>Review of Housing Advisory Panels</b>			
<b>Locality Working Review</b>		Background and current position WG – TBC	
<b>Achieving Leeds Parks Quality Standard</b>			
<b>Briefings</b>			Update on the delivery of the Multi-Storey Strategy SB 06/11/17 @ 10.30 am
<b>Recommendation Tracking</b>	Migration in Leeds SB 11/09/17 @ 10.30 am  Development of Community Hubs SB 11/09/17 @ 10.30 am	Development of Community Committees SB 09/10/17 @ 10.30 am	Universal Credit SB 06/11/17 @ 10.30 am
<b>Budget &amp; Policy Framework/pre-decision Scrutiny</b>	Roll out of Community Hubs - update SB 11/09/17 @ 10.30 am  Future Provision of CCTV – update position SB 11/09/17 @ 10.30 am		

Key: SB – Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Meeting

WG – Working Group Meeting

## Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Work Schedule for 2017/2018 Municipal Year

Area of review	Schedule of meetings/visits during 2017/18		
	December	January	February
<b>Air Quality in Leeds</b>			
<b>Raising Standards in the Private Rented Sector</b>			
<b>Review of Housing Advisory Panels</b>	Overview of engagement findings and proposals moving forward. SB 04/12/17 @ 10.30 am		
<b>Increasing Recycling in Leeds</b>	Key issues surrounding the city's Waste Management Strategy SB 04/12/17 @ 10.30 am		
<b>Locality Working Review</b>			
<b>Achieving Leeds Parks Quality Standard</b>		Overview of key challenges WG – date TBC	
<b>Briefings</b>	Refuse collection re-routing update SB 04/12/17 @ 10.30 am		
<b>Recommendation Tracking</b>			Reducing repeat customer contacts through tackling failure demand. SB 12/02/18 @ 10.30 am
<b>Budget &amp; Policy Framework/pre-decision Scrutiny</b>		Financial Health Monitoring SB 15/01/18 @ 10.30 am  2018/19 Initial Budget Proposals SB 15/01/18 @ 10.30 am	
<b>Performance Monitoring</b>		Performance Update SB 15/01/18 @ 10.30 am	

Key: SB – Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Meeting

WG – Working Group Meeting

## Scrutiny Board (Environment, Housing and Communities) Work Schedule for 2017/2018 Municipal Year

Area of review	Schedule of meetings/visits during 2017/18	
	March	April (TBC)
<b>Raising Standards in the Private Rented Sector</b>		
<b>Review of Housing Advisory Panels</b>		
<b>Locality Working Review</b>		
<b>Briefings</b>		
<b>Recommendation Tracking</b>		
<b>Budget &amp; Policy Framework/pre-decision Scrutiny</b>		
<b>Performance Monitoring</b>		



## EXECUTIVE BOARD

WEDNESDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2017

**PRESENT:** Councillor J Blake in the Chair

Councillors A Carter, R Charlwood,  
D Coupar, S Golton, J Lewis, R Lewis,  
M Rafique and L Yeadon

**SUBSTITUTE MEMBER:** Councillor J Pryor

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor L Mulherin

### 52 **Substitute Member**

Under the provisions of Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1.6, Councillor Pryor was invited to attend the meeting on behalf of Councillor Mulherin, who had submitted her apologies for absence from the meeting.

### 53 **Late Items**

Although no formal late items of business had been submitted for the Board to consider, prior to the meeting and with the Chair's agreement, Board Members had been in receipt of correspondence which provided an additional recommendation to agenda item 21 entitled, 'Leeds Children and Families Services' Sector Led Improvement Role' (Minute No. 71 refers).

### 54 **Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

There were no Disclosable Pecuniary Interests declared at the meeting, however, in relation to the agenda item entitled, 'Leeds Talent and Skills Plan – Consultation Draft', Councillor Golton drew the Board's attention to his role as an 'Inclusive Jobs Champion' with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority.

In addition, in relation to the agenda item entitled, 'Request to approve the model for continuing Leeds City Council's Investment in Neighbourhood Network Services', Councillor A Carter drew the Board's attention to his position as Chair of the Farsley, Calverley and Tyresal Live at Home Scheme

(Minute Nos. 58 and 67 refer).

### 55 **Minutes**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017 be approved as a correct record.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY**

### 56 **The development of a new park in Moortown and an update on the Parks and Countryside Service apprenticeship scheme**

The Director of Communities and Environment submitted a report which highlighted the value of community greenspaces in Leeds and how funding

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting  
to be held on Wednesday, 18th October, 2017

from development had been used to support facilitating the improvement of existing greenspaces. In addition, the report detailed proposals for the establishment of a new park in Moortown, with associated approvals being sought regarding injection of funding and 'authority to spend', and which also highlighted the potential to support the continued expansion of the Parks and Countryside services apprenticeship programme.

Members welcomed the proposals, emphasised the importance of continuing to engage with local Ward Members during the development of the project, and also welcomed the proposal to establish an associated 'friends of' group.

Furthermore, in highlighting the benefits of looking to increase community greenspace provision, Members encouraged replicating this scheme in other areas across the city, where possible and appropriate.

**RESOLVED -**

- (a) That the injection together with 'authority to spend' of £300k, to be fully funded from section 106 monies in order to support the development a new park in Moortown, be authorised;
- (b) That the future commitment of a further £200k investment to support the ongoing maintenance of the site be noted, with the potential for this to support the continued expansion of the Parks and Countryside services apprenticeship programme also being noted.

**ECONOMY AND CULTURE**

**57 Design and Cost report for the development and delivery of design proposals for public realm improvements at Quarry Hill**

Further to Minute No. 48, 17<sup>th</sup> July 2017, the Director of City Development submitted a report outlining proposals for the Council to progress public realm improvements to the area of land known as Gateway Court and Playhouse Square which sit adjacent to West Yorkshire Playhouse.

Members welcomed the proposals which had been submitted and in response to an enquiry, received clarification on aspects of the financial implications arising from the proposals. In addition, it was also noted that there was no intention from the Council to seek a change in the name of the area known as Quarry Hill.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the injection of £1.926m into the Capital Programme (Capital Scheme no 32804) towards the proposed public realm improvements for the existing green space at Quarry Hill, known as Gateway Court and Playhouse Square, be authorised;
- (b) That authority to spend £1.926m from the Capital Scheme no. 32804 for the proposed public realm improvement works to Gateway Court and Playhouse Square be approved, subject to the outcome of the

planning submission of the scheme and the tender for the proposed works being within the project's cost plan allowance;

- (c) That it be noted that in July 2017 Executive Board: gave approval to the submission of a planning application later this year for the Gateway Court and Playhouse Square landscape proposals under development, as presented to this Executive Board for approval in principle; and authorised the award of the contract for the proposed landscape improvement proposals at Gateway Court and Playhouse Square, subject to the tender for the proposed works being within the project's cost plan allowance;
- (d) That it be noted that in July 2017, Executive Board approved in principle the inclusion of the proposed public realm improvement works to Gateway Court and Playhouse Square in the contract for the proposed works to the West Yorkshire Playhouse;
- (e) That it be noted that in July 2017, Executive Board gave approval to the Council bringing forward for disposal for residential use, the site on Quarry Hill previously held for use as a coach layover facility and to the use of the subsequent capital receipt to contribute towards the cost of the proposed public realm improvement works at Gateway Court and Playhouse Square;
- (f) That subject to consultation with the Executive Member for Regeneration, Transport and Planning, approval be given to authorise the Director of City Development to negotiate and approve the final terms of all legal agreements associated with the delivery of the project, in accordance with the Council's officer delegation scheme.

## **EMPLOYMENT, SKILLS AND OPPORTUNITY**

### **58 Leeds Talent and Skills Plan - Consultation Draft**

The Director of City Development submitted a report which set out the recent work undertaken in order to develop the first Leeds Talent and Skills Plan for the period 2017 – 2023. The report outlined the work undertaken so far in preparation of the draft, together with the approach being taken towards proposed publication in the autumn.

Responding to Members' comments, it was highlighted that the aim of the Council was to attract new employers into the city, adding to those already operating in Leeds, in order to provide a whole range of job opportunities for local communities. In addition, the aim was also to ensure that such employers provided social value in line with Council's ambitions. With regard to the issue of relocating jobs from other parts of the UK into Leeds, the Board was provided with further detail of the benefits that such relocation would bring to the local economy.

Emphasis was also placed upon the important role to be played by the Apprenticeship Levy in the promotion and creation of opportunities, whilst Members also highlighted the collaborative approach which needed to be taken with partners in order to ensure that Leeds citizens had the appropriate skills base in order to fully benefit from current and future employment and skills opportunities.

In conclusion, Members looked forward to receiving information which provided the outcomes of the proposed consultation exercise. Also, having received an update on the current position regarding the employment opportunities being brought to the local economy by Burberry, it was suggested that further evaluation of such matters could be submitted to the Board at the appropriate time for consideration.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the publication of the Leeds Talent and Skills Plan draft be approved for the purposes of consultation;
- (b) That the approach proposed by officers to engage with business and stakeholders and to seek specific commitments, be supported;
- (c) That agreement be given to the Plan being published in the autumn of 2017;
- (d) That it be noted that the Head of Employment Access and Growth will be responsible for the implementation of such matters.

**RESOURCES AND STRATEGY**

**59 The New Leisure and Wellbeing Centre for East Leeds**

Further to Minute No. 119, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016, the Director of City Development submitted a report providing an update on the progress which had been made in developing proposals for a new leisure and wellbeing centre for inner east Leeds, and which sought agreement of the preferred site, for the purposes of consultation and further feasibility works.

Responding to a Member's enquiry, the Board was provided with further information in respect of proposals regarding the associated financial delivery model for the project.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That approval be given for the site of the new inner east Leeds Leisure and Wellbeing Centre to be within the boundary, as set out within Appendix A to the submitted report;
- (b) That following resolution (a) above, approval be given to the commencement of a public consultation exercise, the outcome of which will be used to inform the future facility mix of the new centre and to comment upon the site proposal;

- (c) That following the conclusion of the consultation exercise, 'authority to spend' of £300k be approved to commission a feasibility study to develop proposals for a new Leisure and Wellbeing centre at a new location within the existing Fearnville Leisure Centre and surrounding site;
- (d) That the current position regarding progress made on the wider 'Vision for Leisure & Wellbeing Centres' programme be noted, and that it also be noted that further updates will be submitted to Executive Board for consideration in February 2018;
- (e) That it be noted that the Head of Sport and Active Lifestyles will be responsible for the implementation of such matters.

**60 Financial Health Monitoring 2017/18 - Month 4**

The Chief Officer (Financial Services) submitted a report presenting details of the Council's projected financial health position for 2017/18 as at month 4 of the financial year. In addition, the report sought approval of a virement to increase the Children and Families budget in order to provide resource to fund the additional costs of children looked after, whilst the report also sought approval for an adjustment to the 2016-17 outturn and general reserve, following the identification of two post balance sheet events, as detailed within the submitted report.

Responding to an enquiry, the Board was provided with assurances that appropriate processes were in place with regard to the Council's Carbon Reduction Commitment submission. Linked to this, Members also briefly discussed the issue of street lighting provision in the city.

Members noted the proposed virement to increase the Children and Families budget in order to fund the additional costs of children looked after, with it being noted that the level of demands on resource in this area would continue to be monitored, as part of established budget monitoring processes.

The Board also received further information regarding the Council's approach towards the provision of reserves.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the projected financial position of the authority, as at month 4, be noted, together with the ongoing work within the Children and Families directorate to balance the revenue budget;
- (b) That a virement to increase the Children and Families budget by £3.7m in order to provide resources to fund the additional costs of children looked after, be approved; with it being noted that the officer responsible for the implementation of such matters is the Chief Officer (Financial Services), together with the fact that the virement will be actioned before the next reporting period;

- (c) That the adjustments to the 2016-17 outturn and general reserve, following the identification of the two post balance sheet events, as outlined within the submitted report, be approved.

## **REGENERATION, TRANSPORT AND PLANNING**

- 61 Leeds Local Plan - Adoption of the Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan**  
Further to Minute No. 194, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017, the Director of City Development submitted a report which sought Executive Board's approval to recommend that Council adopt the submission draft Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan (AVLAAP), together with the Main Modifications to it, as recommended by the independent Inspector.

Members welcomed the advanced stage that the AVLAAP had now reached, and thanked all concerned for the work which had been undertaken to enable it to reach this stage.

Responding to a Member's enquiry, the Board received an update and further information regarding a proposal for the potential development of a rolling stock depot for HS2 within the AVLAAP area, a matter which was currently the subject of public consultation.

### **RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the recommendations and proposed Main Modifications of the Inspector, as detailed within their report (dated August 2017) at Appendix 1 to the submitted cover report, be noted;
- (b) That Council be recommended to adopt the Aire Valley Leeds Area Action Plan, as submitted for examination and including: the Main Modifications recommended by the Inspector (as detailed within the submitted Appendix 1; map changes at Appendix 2 and the Additional Modifications at Appendix 3), pursuant to Section 23 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended);
- (c) That any further additional modifications which are required to be made as grammatical, consequential or factual updates, be delegated to the Chief Planning Officer in consultation with the relevant Executive Member.

(In accordance with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, the matters referred to within this minute were not eligible for Call In as the power to Call In decisions does not extend to those decisions made in accordance with the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules)

- 62 Key Junction Improvements (CIP Phase 1)**  
The Director of City Development submitted a report which sought support for the development of junction improvement schemes at Dawson's Corner, Dyneley Arms and Fink Hill, together with relevant approvals for 'authority to spend', from the West Yorkshire Combined Authority 'Corridor Improvement

Programme' grant, in order to enable the progression of Phase 1 scheme development.

Members welcomed the proposals, highlighted the need to ensure that local Ward Members were kept informed and also emphasised the need for a comprehensive consultation exercise to be undertaken in respect of the three schemes.

With specific emphasis to Dawson's Corner, a Member highlighted the need to ensure that the proposed changes enabled fluent traffic movement through the junction.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That in principle support be given to the development of junction improvement schemes at Dawson's Corner, Dyneley Arms and Fink Hill, together with land acquisition where required, with it being noted that the West Yorkshire Combined Authority has approved in principle sufficient capital to substantially fund the implementation under the Corridor Improvement Programme (CIP);
- (b) That 'authority to spend' £1.525M, which is funded from the West Yorkshire Combined Authority CIP grant be approved in order to enable Phase 1 of the scheme development, in advance of signing the grant funding agreements, if required;
- (c) That it be noted that officers will return to Executive Board in order to seek approval for the construction of Phase 1 schemes, subject to the outcome of the development work and consultation;
- (d) That it be noted that the Chief Officer Highways and Transportation is responsible for the programme delivery, with a substantial completion date of March 2021.

**63 Delivering the East of Otley Housing Allocation**

The Director of City Development submitted a report which sought approval to the key principles of a potential transaction for land in the Council's ownership that would enable the development of the East of Otley mixed use development allocation.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the Heads of Terms, as outlined in section 3.6 of the submitted report be approved, in order to enable a detailed agreement to be developed for further consideration by Executive Board;
- (b) That the proposal to develop a marginal viability application with the developers of the East of Otley site, for submission to the Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF), be noted.

**64 Phase 2 Leeds (River Aire) Flood Alleviation Scheme**

Further to Minute No. 170, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016, the Director of City Development submitted a report providing an update on the emerging proposals for the Phase Two River Aire Leeds Flood Alleviation Scheme in advance of widespread engagement with stakeholders. In addition, the report sought approval for the submission of funding applications, together with the subsequent undertaking of an accelerated package of advanced works.

Members welcomed the innovative proposals which had been submitted and how they would build upon phase one of the scheme. With regard to phase two, Members specifically welcomed the 'whole catchment' approach which was being taken.

With regard to phase two, the Chair welcomed the offers of cross-party support which had been made during the discussion in respect of approaching Government for the financial support required to deliver such proposals.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the emerging proposals for Phase Two in relation to Natural Flood Management; the construction of actively controlled river floodwater storage areas; the removal of existing obstacles effecting the river channel in high flow events; and the residual construction of linear defences and potential terracing, be noted;
- (b) That widespread engagement to be undertaken with stakeholders on the emerging proposals, be approved;
- (c) That support be given to ensure that defence works are progressed as quickly as possible; that the submission of business cases to ascertain funding in relation to £3.4m of advanced works be endorsed; and subject to the outcome of those business cases, that the necessary 'authority to spend' for the undertaking of such works be delegated to the Director of City Development, in consultation with the Director of Resources and Housing;
- (d) That it be noted that a further report will be submitted to Executive Board in December 2017 which seeks approval of the outline business case submission to the Department of Environment, Food & Rural Affairs and the subsequent planning application submission.

**HEALTH, WELLBEING AND ADULTS**

**65 Better Lives - Phase 3 Implementation**

Further to Minute Nos. 136 and 153, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017, the Director of Adults and Health submitted a report providing an update regarding the implementation of Phase 3 of the Council's 'Better Lives' programme.

Responding to Members' enquiries, the Board was advised that currently, there were no plans to submit to the Board a report which considered a fourth



phase of the Better Lives Programme, although it was highlighted that such matters would continue to be kept under review.

With regard to former residents of The Green, again responding to an enquiry, the Board was provided with further information and context in respect of the choices which had been made by those residents and their families in respect of the homes that they had moved into. During the discussion, it was also acknowledged that Councillor A Carter was currently in correspondence with the Director of Adults and Health in respect of specific issues regarding The Green.

Members also discussed the submitted evaluation data regarding the outcomes from the former users of the Radcliffe Lane Day Centre.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the successful transfer of all customers to alternative services, where that was their preference, be noted;
- (b) That it be noted that the closure of all establishments has been achieved without any compulsory redundancies, with staff having made a successful transition to their new posts within the Council, where they have chosen to remain in employment;
- (c) That the planned opening date of November 2017 for The Green as a new recovery facility, as part of the Council's wider Leeds Recovery Service, be noted.

**66 Adults and Health Regulated Services Quality Account**

The Director of Adults and Health submitted a report presenting the 2017 'Quality Account' in respect of regulated Social Care services (those registered and inspected by the Care Quality Commission) for Leeds.

In receiving the submitted Quality Account, the Board discussed the aim of developing a 'one city' approach towards the evaluation of quality of care provision, and also discussed the options available, together with the potential restrictions regarding the role which could be played by members of the local community in such processes.

In addition, responding to an enquiry, Members were assured that the Council liaised with those Local Authorities who performed highly in this area, in order to share experience of good practice.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the contents of the submitted report be noted; that the work outlined within it to deliver improvements be supported; and that approval be given for the publication of the Adults and Health Quality Account for Leeds, as appended to the submitted report;
- (b) That it be noted that the Head of Commissioning (Contracts and Business Development) for Adults and Health will ensure that the

Quality Account 2017 is published on the Leeds City Council website by the end of this calendar year.

**67 Request to approve the model for continuing Leeds City Council's investment in Neighbourhood Network services from 1st October 2018**

The Director of Adults and Health submitted a report which sought approval to proceed with the proposals to establish new arrangements for the funding, length of agreement and awarding mechanism for Neighbourhood Network services from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.

Members welcomed the proposals and highlighted the crucial role played by Neighbourhood Network services across the city, with an emphasis being placed upon the need to continue to raise awareness of the valued work undertaken by those organisations.

Responding to an enquiry, the Board was provided with further information regarding the formula which had been used for the submitted funding proposals, and a Member highlighted the need to ensure that the funding arrangements for such organisations was regularly evaluated in order to ensure the sustainability of those organisations.

**RESOLVED** – That the following proposals be approved:-

- (a) To continue the contributory funding of Neighbourhood Network services for a further 5 years based largely on the current mapping of the city. This investment to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 through to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023, with the proviso to review the service prior to the expiry of the agreement and to seek approval for the continuation of the grant agreement for a further 5 years on a rolling programme. The formal approval process will be adhered to at the appropriate juncture.
- (b) To move away from the current contracting approach to long term grant arrangements based on core, central principles aligned with the Leeds Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2021, the Better Lives Strategy 2017-2022 and Best Council Plan 2017/18. A fair, open and transparent competitive grants process to be utilised for the award of funding. This would be based 100% on quality, and the price for each Neighbourhood Network area will be set before going to market, as per the details within Appendix 2 to the submitted report;
- (c) To standardise the funding currently labelled as either dementia add-on or additional funding as core funding for those areas affected (16 in total);
- (d) To increase the overall value of the contract by a further £564,967 per annum, with the areas that currently receive the lowest investment seeing the greatest uplifts;

- (e) To engage on a case by case basis with current providers adjacent to unallocated areas of the city in order to redefine the boundaries to be covered by the funding allocation;
- (f) That Commissioning Officers (Adults and Health) engage in the work necessary to develop the funding agreement document and formalise how processes will be managed for the award of funding for the ensuing 5 year period covered by the submitted report, with these proposals being submitted to the Director for Adults and Health for approval before going to market to set arrangements in place.

**68 Delivery of the Leeds 'Person Held Record' (PHR) Programme**

The Director of Adults and Health and the Director of Resources and Housing submitted a joint report regarding the development and proposed rollout of the 'Personal Held Record' programme in Leeds, with the report also seeking approval of the relevant expenditure.

Responding to an enquiry, assurance was provided with regard to the level of security that the system would use in order to protect the data within it.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to initially incur expenditure of £590K (year one) of a total of £1,800K over three years, in order to develop and rollout the 'Personal Held Record' programme in Leeds for those reasons as outlined within the submitted report, with subsequent releases of funding being subject to successful progress and gateway reviews.

**CHILDREN'S AND FAMILIES**

**69 Outcome of a statutory notice to change the lower age limit of Hovingham Primary School from 3-11 years to 2-11 years**

Further to Minute No. 7, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017, the Director of Children and Families submitted a report which detailed the outcome of a statutory notice regarding a proposal to change the age range of Hovingham Primary School from 3 - 11 to 2 - 11 years, and which sought a final decision in respect of such matters.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the proposal to permanently change the lower age limit of Hovingham Primary School from 3 years to 2, changing the school's age range from 3-11 years to 2-11 years, with effect from October 2017, be approved, which will enable the school to deliver free early education entitlement for eligible 2 year olds;
- (b) That it be noted that the responsible officer for implementation of such matters is the Head of Learning Systems.

**70 The Role of Learning Improvement in driving up standards, with a focus on Vulnerable Learners**

The Director of Children and Families submitted a report which focussed upon the role of the Council with regard to learning, and the development of the

education system in the city. The report also considered the collaborative approach being taken towards the delivery of education provision in Leeds, and how this could be developed further.

Responding to an enquiry, the Board was provided with further information on the bespoke approaches being taken to further develop the Council's learning improvement objectives with a range of cohorts across the city.

Members also discussed the current position in respect of the Education Services Grant (ESG).

Following a suggestion that this matter be referred to the relevant Scrutiny Board for consideration, it was noted that the Scrutiny Board (Children and Families) was currently conducting an inquiry into 'the impact of child poverty on attainment, achievement and attendance', and it was undertaken that the Scrutiny Board would be made aware of the matters being considered today, should they wish to take them into consideration either as part of that inquiry or associated work.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That it be acknowledged that the Council has an important role to play in the future of education;
- (b) That it be agreed that the Council should use Learning Improvement in order to develop a model for collaboration between schools and settings;
- (c) That it be recognised that co-operation between schools and settings should be enhanced;
- (d) That agreement be given to develop a stronger collaboration with key comparative cities in order to strengthen the learning improvement offer across Leeds, which will be developed in the next 12 months;
- (e) That the future plans to reduce the learning gaps for vulnerable learners, be acknowledged;
- (f) That it be noted that the officer responsible for the implementation of such matters is the Chief Officer Learning Improvement.

**71 Leeds Children and Families' Services Sector Led Improvement Role**

The Director of Children and Families submitted a report which reviewed the Children and Families directorate's recent and ongoing work with other Local Authorities in order to support their improvement, and which also set out the proposed plans for developing the directorate's future role in the field of sector led improvement.

Responding to an enquiry regarding the Council's sector led improvement role, assurances were provided that as part of the ongoing negotiation

process which was currently taking place, sufficient resource would be maintained for Leeds whilst the Local Authority undertook this role.

Prior to the meeting, Board Members had received correspondence proposing the incorporation of an additional recommendation to the submitted report. The additional recommendation was considered alongside the submitted agenda, and it was

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the contents of the submitted report be noted, with the agreement that support continues to be provided in respect of the improvement agenda in Children and Families in Leeds;
- (b) That in relation to the development of a formal Improvement Partnership between Leeds City Council, Kirklees and the Department for Education, the necessary authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Director of Children and Families, the Executive Member for Children and Families and the City Solicitor, in order to enable him to undertake the negotiation and agreement of the detailed terms of the partnership agreement, and other agreements and arrangements to be implemented.

**COMMUNITIES**

**72 Citizens@Leeds: Tackling Poverty and Supporting Communities - Update**

Further to Minute No. 62, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016, the Director of Communities and Environment submitted a report providing an update on the progress which had been made in supporting communities and tackling poverty in Leeds over the past 12 months, presented the ongoing and planned activities for the forthcoming year, whilst also providing information on key challenges in this area.

Responding to enquiries, the Board was provided with further information on how 'Priority Neighbourhoods' had been identified, and the collaborative approach which would be taken to ensure the delivery of an 'enhanced focus' upon those neighbourhoods. It was noted that a further report regarding the Priority Neighbourhoods was currently scheduled to be submitted to the Board in November 2017, and it was undertaken that Councillors A Carter and Golton be provided with a briefing on related matters prior to the further report being submitted to the Board.

In conclusion, Members thanked officers within the Financial Inclusion team for the valuable work which they continued to undertake.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the information as detailed within the submitted report be noted;
- (b) That the progress made in delivering against the actions which had been identified for 2016/17 be noted;

- (c) That the key activities being delivered in 2017/18 be noted;
- (d) That a report be submitted in a further 12 months, which sets out the progress made in respect of supporting communities and tackling poverty.

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