

INNER NORTH EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 2019

PRESENT: Councillor M Shahzad in the Chair
Councillors J Dowson, J Goddard,
S Hamilton and A Wenham

(At the commencement of the meeting, the Chair noted that the meeting was inquorate (Council Procedure Rules 28.3 refer) and Members were advised that no formal decision could be made until the meeting became quorate. The Committee resolved to hear the report regarding Waste Management Services first (minute 39 refers))

33 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against refusal.

34 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There was no exempt information.

35 Late Items

There were no formal late items. However some supplementary information was distributed in relation to Items 8 – Update Report and 9 – Finance Report.

36 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

37 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Tunnicliffe, Taylor, Charlwood and Rafique.

38 Open Forum

In accordance with the Community Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions within the terms of reference of the Community Committee.

No matters were raised on this occasion.

39 Waste Management Services - Update on the Refuse Service Review and National Waste Strategy implications for Leeds

The report of the Deputy Chief Officer, Waste Management, provided the Community Committee with an update on the progress with the review of the Refuse Service in Leeds and provided a brief update on the development of a new National Resources and Waste Strategy and how that relates to Leeds.

The following documents were appended to the report:

- Review Objectives
- Key Principles/Actions developed and agreed
- Waste Strategy for Leeds 2019-21
- Christmas bin collections 22 December - 5 January

John Woolmer, Deputy Chief Officer, Waste Management, was in attendance and highlighted to Members the following key points:

- Appendix A of the submitted report listed the objectives of the service. The service are working alongside the unions to provide a better service;
- The current routes have been used for 9 years and need to change to adapt with the demography of the community changing;
- A report is due to be taken to the January 2020, Executive Board on the subject of missed bins in relation to access routes;
- The service are due to have 45 new vehicles by the end of December 2019;
- Garden routes have also been redesigned and these will be relaunched in March 2020;
- The new role of Chargehand was provided to Members and the use of in cab technology;
- Routes have been redesigned to link with the Community Committee areas and include recycling facilities;
- The Government are due to publish the Waste Strategy in December 2019. Highlighted within the strategy will be the recycling of glass, food and plastics. There is a social media campaign to provide clarity on what can be put into green bins;
- End of day reports will be more detailed and are monitored as a back office process;
- Ideas on how we engage within the communities to change behaviours and support activist groups;
- The service needs to have better links to the Community Committees and the Cleaner Neighbourhood Teams to address issues at a local level whilst still delivering a city-wide service.

Members discussed a number of matters including:

- *Raising awareness in regard to recycling plastics.* Members identified scope for further education surrounding items that can be recycled and queried the measures in place for language barriers. The Deputy Chief Officer informed Members that the appended document on Christmas bin collections would be mailed to each household in Leeds, and that

the use of social media was increasingly being used to promote guidance.

- *Black and green bin re-routes.* Members heard that bin collection days would be changed as per the change of the routes across the city; it was noted that Members would be consulted on this prior to this information being released and it was expected that this would take place in June 2020.
- *Recycling centres.* Members queried the measurements in place, to encourage residents and the options available. Members heard there was a possibility to incorporate more recycling banks into the community, and that these can be provided upon request of Members providing a suitable location; these could not be policed.
- *Parking offences.* A Member raised concern in regard to cars blocking access for the bin wagons, and questioned the options available to mitigate the issue. In responding, it was confirmed that the police are able to issue fines as a short-term solution, and going forward, traffic regulation orders can be actioned for areas causing repeat issues.
- *Staffing structure.* Members raised concern that they had been having problems when getting in contact with the refuse team. Members heard that as part of the service restructure, Team Leaders will be recruited.
- *Sidewalk obstructions.* Members were informed that as part of the staff appraisal process, staff receive safety instructions on how to leave the bin. Once the Team Leaders are in place, they will be able to undertake quality assurance.

RESOLVED –

- a) To note the contents of the report, and the discussions during the meeting
- b) To note the actions outlined in the minutes as per the discussions

(During consideration of this report, Councillor Goddard arrived at the meeting at 18:35. As such, it was noted that the meeting had become quorate in line with the Council Procedure Rules 28.3, and therefore the Committee was able to take formal decisions from that point in the meeting)

40 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the previous meeting held Monday 2nd September 2019, be approved as an accurate record.

41 Inner North East - Update Report

The Head of Stronger Communities submitted a report that provided a summary of the work undertaken by the Communities Team based on the priorities identified by the Inner North East Community Committee.

A Facebook engagement update was provided to Members prior to the meeting.

The Localities Officer presented an overview of the report and highlighted the following:

- *Youth Summit*. It was mentioned that a number of schools had attended, and the Lord Mayor had been in attendance. Further to this, the Chair requested that attendees be more varied, and a variety of children attend these events in the future.
- *Youth Activity Fund (YAF)*. It was noted that the YAF for 2020 is open until 31st January 2020.
- *CC in March 2020*. Members were informed that an officer from Parks and Countryside would be in attendance at the upcoming CC, to provide an update in regard to their strategy.
- *Appendix 1 – Facebook engagement*. Members heard that the recent posts had reached out to many people.
- *Festive light switch on*.

Members also provided further feedback from the various sub groups.

Members discussed a number of matters including:

- *Social media engagement*. It was suggested that the use of twitter be explored.
- *Employment skills and welfare*. A Member requested that the statistics for the last two years are collated, for comparison purposes and to identify where there is a trend.
- *Working groups*. To work as a CC in identifying more structured workshops, and provide ideas for the upcoming 'Forward Plan'.

RESOLVED – To note the contents of the report and discussions during the meeting.

42 Inner North East - Finance Report

The Head of Stronger Communities submitted a report that set out the delegated budget position for the Community Committee and invited Members to consider the wellbeing applications submitted.

Two additional wellbeing applications for consideration were distributed to Members following agenda publication.

The projects set out in the report were discussed and agreed as follows:

Project Title	Wards	Amount Requested	Decision
Massage Sessions	Chapel Allerton	£250 (ward pot)	Approved
Moortown SIDs	Moortown	£14,500 (ward pot)	Approved
Roundhay Noticeboards	Roundhay	£4,000 (ward pot)	Approved

Roundhay Bench	Roundhay	£1,000 (ward pot)	Approved
Love Meanwood	Chapel Allerton, Moortown	£500	Approved
Improvement of Facilities in Support of Community Events	Roundhay	£1,400 (£700 area wide and £700 ward pot)	Approved
Period Poverty	Chapel Allerton, Moortown & Roundhay	£1,500 (£500 each ward pot)	Approved
Jamaica House	Chapel Allerton	£5,000	Approved
Toy Library	Chapel Allerton	£400	Approved
Toy Library	Moortown	£400	Approved
16 Days of Action Against Domestic Abuse & White Ribbon Campaign	Chapel Allerton	£400	Approved
O, Art Thy Heritage Traders Sings	Chapel Allerton, Moortown & Roundhay	£400	Approved
Path Forward	Chapel Allerton, Moortown & Roundhay	£6,000	Approved
Heroes, Warriors And Leaders	Chapel Allerton	£4,000	Approved
Beckhills Playground	Chapel Allerton	£20,000	Approved
Chapel Allerton Herb Planter	Chapel Allerton	£250 (ward pot)	Approved
Moortown Grit Bins	Moortown	£1854.26 (ward pot)	Approved

Members' attention was also drawn to the following:

- Point 41. The remainder of the YAF budget being £561.50
- Point 43. The remainder of the Capital Budget being 17k, as a result of the Roundhay Playground application being approved.

A Member requested that for future projects approved by the Inner North East Community Committee, Members of the CC receive an invite to those.

RESOLVED -

- a) That the details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted;
- b) That the wellbeing applications be approved as set out above;
- c) That the details of the projects approved via Delegated Decision be noted;
- d) That the monitoring information of the Committee's funded projects be noted;
- e) That the details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position be noted;

- f) That the details of the Small Grants Budget be noted;
 - g) That the details of the Community Skips Budget be noted;
 - h) That the details of the Capital Budget be noted;
- That the details of the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget be noted.

43 Community Comment

The CC resolved to use the Community Comment section of the meeting to facilitate comments from residents to continue the discussion on the climate emergency and air quality.

No matters were raised by members of the public.

44 Date and Time of Next Meeting

RESOVLED - To note the date and time of the next meeting as Monday 2nd March 2020.