

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

**Report to: Outer South Community Committee (Ardsley & Robin Hood, Morley North, Morley South and Rothwell)**

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**For decision**

## **Outer South Community Committee Summary of Key Work Report**

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### **Purpose of report**

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

### **Background information**

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

### **Main issues**

#### **Community Plan**

3. At the March 2014 Area Committee, Members signed off the completed 2013/14 Area Committee Business Plan Priorities and Actions. This plan provides a starting point for the 2014/15 Community Plan which sets out the key priorities for Outer South Community Committee. The Community Plan will consist of a suite of documents that will be available on request and includes ward profiles and the priorities and actions. It will outline how Wellbeing funds are used to improve services to the community, improve local facilities and support community and voluntary groups. It will also detail partnership working, the work of the Community Champions and include a community engagement plan.

4. Further work will be undertaken with the Community Champions and Service Leads to develop local priorities. Members of the Community Committee are invited to engage with the Community Champion to help inform the plan. Meanwhile, members will be informed by email when all documents are prepared and available

### **Appointments to Community Committee sub groups**

5. At the 9<sup>th</sup> July Community Committee Members appointed Area Lead Members. Area Lead Members are now superseded by Community Champions. Members are asked to confirm representation on the following Community Committee Sub Groups for the new municipal year:

<b>Sub Group</b>	<b>Number of places</b>	<b>Current Appointees</b>	<b>Community Committee Champion</b>
<b>Children &amp; Families Sub Group</b>	4	Cllr Bob Gettings (Chair) Cllr Neil Dawson Cllr Lisa Mulherin Cllr Karen Bruce	Cllr Bob Gettings
<b>Community Centres Sub Group</b>	4	Cllr Bob Gettings (Chair) Cllr David Nagle Cllr Judith Elliott Cllr Lisa Mulherin	n/a
<b>Environmental Services</b>	4	Cllr Karen Bruce (Chair) Cllr Karen Renshaw Cllr Robert Finnigan Cllr Shirley Varley	Cllr Karen Bruce
<b>Older Person's Working Group*</b>	4-5	Cllr Karen Renshaw (Chair) (Adult Social Care) Cllr Lisa Mulherin (Health & Wellbeing)	Cllr Karen Renshaw (Chair) Cllr Lisa Mulherin

- \* The Terms of Reference for the Older Person's Working Group state that:  
 "The group will consist of the Community Committee Champions for Health and Wellbeing and Adult Social Care who will form the core membership of the group, while associated and co-opted Members will provide guidance and data on key service areas." Given that the current Champions for Adult Social Care and Health & Wellbeing represent the Ardsley & Robin Hood Ward, Members are asked to consider widening the Membership to take account of the above by appointing one member from each of the other three wards.
6. Each of these groups forms a key part in the delivery of the priorities set out as part of the Outer South Community Committee Plan.

### **Updates by theme: Children's Services**

#### **Community Committee Champion: Cllr Bob Gettings**

##### **Children & Families Sub Group**

7. The Children and Families Sub Group met on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2014. Highlights from the meeting include:
  - a. Feedback from the summer Breeze events funded through Youth Activities Fund;
  - b. Consultation feedback from young people about the activities they would like to be involved. This information will inform activities to be funded in 2015/16;
  - c. Agreed timetable for inviting applications for 2015/16 activities (subject to Leeds City Council Executive Board approval of budgets);
  - d. Briefing on Fostering and adoption.
8. Minutes are available on request.

## **Updates by Theme: Employment, Skills & Welfare**

### **Community Committee Champion: Cllr Neil Dawson**

#### **South Leeds Debt Forum**

9. On Friday 13th June over 90 delegates came together from across Leeds for the annual joint Leeds Debt Forum Conference. This year was the first time South Leeds Debt Forum was represented. The event focussed on the positive steps being undertaken by Leeds City Council and local neighbourhood based organisations to combat debt and financial hardship.
10. Presentations were received from Leeds CAB, Leeds City Credit Union, Money Buddies, Leeds City Council Financial Inclusion Team and The Centre for Decision Making Research at Leeds University Business School. A full report and minutes from the conference is currently being developed and will be available on request.

## **Updates by theme: Environment & Community Safety**

### **Community Committee Champion: Cllr Karen Bruce**

#### **Outer South Environmental Sub Group**

11. The Outer South Environmental Sub Group met on 25th June 2014 and 24th September 2014. Minutes are available on request.

#### **Community Safety**

12. The South Leeds Community Safety and Environmental Partnership met on 29th April 2014 (minutes are available on request). The Partnership reviewed the action plan and received an update on progress made in integrating services. Further to the workshop held on 2nd April, a set of Design Principles were approved to guide the development of Neighbourhood Teams across Outer South. A Design Team will ensure that co-location at key sites is developed in all areas of the wedge. A Tasking structure is under discussion and will be implemented in due course to allow for regular meetings of front line workers to address priority issues at a ward level.
13. Child Sexual Exploitation: A Level one awareness briefing session was held on 24th March. Colleagues from services working with young people, families and communities attended. Specialist services gave presentations on their roles and showed DVDs that highlight the issues. A follow up evaluation is planned and further sessions will be arranged later in the year.

## **Updates by theme: Health and Wellbeing**

### **Community Committee Champion: Cllr Lisa Mulherin**

14. The following work provides an update of the Health & Wellbeing August to September 2014:
  - WNW CCG commissioned Consortia bid headed by Barca to deliver Patient Empowerment programme. The programme is to focus on areas of higher health need with the aim of addressing health improvement activity through volunteers (social navigators). Touchstone to undertake the work in Outer South Morley and Tingley areas.
  - SE Health and Wellbeing Core Group and wider partnership forum – the exec group at their meeting on September 16th received a presentation on the better care fund; and discussed issues linked to access to primary care services ; considered agenda plan for wider health and wellbeing partnership forum workshop which is to be held on November 18th at John

Charles centre for Sport from 11 – 1.30pm. On the agenda is an update on key priorities for the locality for 2014-16 and a workshop session on creating pathways to enhance links with local services and activities through social prescribing.

- Joint meeting of member champions with SE CCG GPs was held on 16th July 2014. Over 100 GPs and practice managers present. Discussion focussed on opportunities for improving links between the local members and GP practices to address health inequalities. Meeting highlighted knowledge gap between the 2 partners on their respective roles and responsibilities as well as differing community engagement processes. GPs keen to link with local community committees and partnerships to better understand decision making processes such as housing allocations and to influence major planning developments such as Thorpe Park.
- Wellbeing Packs for Older People – public health supporting this work. Identifying key information materials and resources to include as well as additional match funding to increase bulk buying and reduce costs. Also engaging key partners to support targeted distribution via integrated health and social care teams, GPs, care and repair who support etc.
- Tackling childhood Obesity – the WNW CCG have also now signed off a preventing childhood obesity action plan to be delivered across their localities. A working group to progress the activity is in the process of being established.
- Increasing take up of health checks – Public Health are looking to run a pilot scheme with 4 ASDA pharmacies in the city, to offer health checks. Included is the Asda in Morley.

## **Updates by theme: Adult Social Care**

### **Community Committee Champion: Cllr Karen Renshaw**

#### **Older Persons Working Group**

15. The Outer South Community Committee Older People's Working Group was established on the 7th August 2014 and the Terms of Reference was agreed. The overall aim of the group is to focus on co-ordinating support to older residents within the Outer South area. The group is chaired by the Community Committee Champion for Adult Social Care, Cllr Karen Renshaw and supported by the Community Committee Champion for Health & Wellbeing, Cllr Lisa Mulherin.
16. The initial topic for the group focused on the Winter Warmth Scheme delivered in 2013 and the challenges in ensuring that packs were delivered to the most vulnerable members of the community. The group proposed that an enhanced scheme would be aimed at reaching the most vulnerable throughout the year and suggested that Wellbeing packs be considered. A copy of the notes and Wellbeing pack report are available on request.
17. Additional funding of £4,000 has been secured from Public Health. The Wellbeing pack content has been agreed and a further meeting of the Older Person's Working Group is being set up to determine distribution, ensuring that the most vulnerable are targeted.

## Integrated Locality working

### Neighbourhood Improvement Officer

18. Recruitment to this post was recently concluded. The post holder will work in all four wards. It is expected that the successful applicant will take up their duties on 20<sup>th</sup> October. Introductions will take place at Outer South Community Committee and Ward Based Briefings.

## Localism

### Community First Grants

19. Information on Community First Grants for Outer South is summarised below. A detailed summary of groups funded is available on request.

#### Ardley & Robin Hood Community First Panel

20. From an allocation of £50,865 the following summarises the grant requests position.

	<b>Recommended Amount</b>	<b>Amount Approved</b>	<b>Amount Pending</b>	<b>Final actual spend</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	£39,071.59	£30,603.59	£8,468.00	£9,138.45

#### Morley South Community First Panel

21. From an allocation of £33,910 the following summarises the grant requests position.

	<b>Recommended Amount</b>	<b>Amount Approved</b>	<b>Amount Pending</b>	<b>Final actual spend</b>
<b>Grant total</b>	£29,747.00	£22,601.00	£7,146.00	£17,652.00

## Conclusions

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

## Recommendations

23. The Community Committee is asked to:

- a. Note the content of the report and make comment as appropriate;
- b. Agree nominations to Community Committee sub groups:
  - i. Children & Families Sub Group;
  - ii. Community Centres Sub Group;
  - iii. Environmental Services Sub Group;
  - iv. Older Person's Working Group and amend the Terms of Reference .

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

None.

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.