



Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Outer North West Area Committee

Date: 25th February 2008

Subject: Acting Area Manager's Report

Electoral Wards Affected: ALL <input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Specific Implications For: Ethnic minorities <input type="checkbox"/> Women <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled people <input type="checkbox"/> Narrowing the Gap <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This purpose of this report provides an update on a number of projects, not covered elsewhere on the agenda. The Area Committee is asked to note the contents of the report and to make comment.

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 This report provides Members with information about issues in the area which are not addressed elsewhere on the agenda.

2.0 Otley and Yeadon DPPO's

2.1 Two Legal notices were carried in the Wharfedale Observer on the 16th January for the Otley and Yeadon Designated Public Places Orders (DPPO's). They are due to expire on the 13th February, marking the end of the consultation period.

2.2 The next stage of the process is to present a report to Licensing Panel incorporating the views received from Otley Town Council, Otley and Yeadon Pubwatches, West Yorkshire Police and through correspondence received from members of the public. All correspondence received so far, supports the introduction of DPPO's in Otley and Yeadon.

3.0 Town & District Centre Regeneration Schemes

- 3.1 **Otley** - A planning application has been submitted by LeedsWatch for the installation of a 5 camera CCTV system in Otley Town Centre. An outcome is still awaited however after discussions with planning officers this is expected soon. Work is still anticipated to start on site by the end of March.
- 3.2 The tender for the remainder of the work on the Market Place has gone out with a closing date for submission on the 20th February.
- 3.3 An information session will be held at The Buttercross in Otley Market Place on the 22nd February from 10am until 4pm to inform members of the public about the progress of the scheme.
- 3.4 **Yeadon** - A planning application has been submitted by LeedsWatch for the installation of a 3 camera CCTV system on Yeadon High Street. An outcome is still awaited, however after discussions with planning officers, again this is expected soon. Work is still anticipated to start on site by the end of March.
- 3.5 A further planning application was submitted in early January for the works to the area immediately in front of the Town Hall.
- 3.6 The Design and Cost Report for the remainder of the scheme has been submitted to the Executive Board and was due for consideration at the 8 February meeting. Following this, tender documents will be finalised and invitations for the work will be sought.
- 3.7 An information session will be held on Thursday 6th March from 1pm- 7pm at Yeadon Town Hall to inform members of the public about the progress of the scheme.
- 3.8 **Otley Civic Centre** – Executive Board agreed to financially support the refurbishment of Otley Civic Centre in conjunction with Otley Town Council, following which the freehold would be transferred to the Town Council. A formal partnership offer has been made to Otley Town Council and a response is awaited.
- 3.9 **Horsforth Old Library** – Work is on going with the asset management unit, area management and the youth service regarding the conversion of the former Horsforth library into a purpose-built facility for young people in the area, as well as providing office accommodation for the Area Management team.
- 3.10 **Bramhope**- As reported at previous meetings, a parking scheme for Bramhope village centre was worked up in preparation for any available new funding. This scheme will need to be revisited if new Town and District Centre funds are made available.

4.0 Community Centres Update

- 4.1 As of the 1st February, a further two Community Centres have transferred to Environment & Neighbourhoods to the portfolio of the Area Committee – Cross Green Community Centre in Otley and Stanhope Drive Youth Centre in Horsforth.
- 4.2 The Area Committee now has responsibility for 7 Community Centres in the area. Three of these are leased and the remaining four are directly managed.

4.3 A report is currently being prepared that will compare the current charges made at Community Centres with the proposed new pricing structure and the effect that will have on current users of the centres. It is intended to present this report to the April Area Committee meeting.

5.0 Neighbourhood Improvement Areas Update

5.1 An action plan has been drafted for the Holtdales in Adel and Wharfedale ward. The next stage is for officers from WNWH, Streetscene Services, Highways and Area Management to attend the Holt Park Residents AGM on the 4th March, with the aim of seeking residents views on their area.

5.2 A household survey is being developed for the Henshaws in Otley & Yeadon ward and residents will be asked for their thoughts on where they live. Residents views will be sought on issues including the environment, community safety and parking.

5.3 A final report and action plan has been presented to the Churches Together in Otley, Weston Estate Steering Group by the consultant employed to work with the group. All relevant actions are being followed up by appropriate officers in the Council and other agencies.

6.0 Netherfield Road Car Park

6.1 The Council is currently in the process of having the car park at Netherfield Road in Guiseley conveyed to them and are determining timescales for the resurfacing and lighting of the car park. An application has been submitted to the Local Transport Plan (LTP) to enable the work to be carried out.

6.2 Consideration is also been given to car park pricing and what Traffic Regulation Orders may need to be introduced to the area. The car park will be operated by Leeds City Council as a park and ride facility for the station providing in the region of 100 spaces.

6.3 In addition to the new car park it is hoped that the clock that was previously located on the Brook Crompton site, will be incorporated into the car park scheme, as it is considered to be a significant, local landmark for the area.

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 The Area Committee is asked to note the updates provided in this report.