



Report of the West North West Area Manager

Report to the Inner West Area Committee

Date: 3rd April 2008

Subject: Inner West Area Delivery Plan 2008-2011 - Proposal

Electoral Wards Affected:

**Armley
Bramley and Stanningley**

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council
Function

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call in Details set out in the
report

Executive Summary

To bring members up-to-date with the proposed Inner West Area Delivery Plan for 2008-2011. This with regards to the lay-out, content, member involvement and information received to date from key partners, stakeholders and from public consultation events undertaken.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 The report seeks to inform Members of the proposed content and format of the Area Delivery Plan (ADP) for 2008 – 2011 and up date them on progress so far. The report provides an overview of how the ADP will link with the Leeds Strategic Plan. Members are asked to approve the general approach and request the completed Area Delivery Plan to come back to the Area Committee in June 2008.

2.0 Background Information

21. The ADP for 2007/8, approved by the Inner West Area Committee, has been used to inform the work of the West Leeds Area Management Team over the year. It set out the priorities for action under the main Area Management responsibilities and acted as a tool for the Area Committee to monitor progress.

2.2 The Area Management Review includes ADPs within the proposed Area Committee Responsibilities under the 'local control' category.

2.3 The 'Corporate Planning Framework – A One Council Approach' September 2007 states that ADPs would set out how an area contributes to achieving strategic outcomes and improvement priorities set out in the Leeds Strategic Plan and the Thematic Priority Plans.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 A report to Executive Board on 4th July 2007 proposed the merger of the new Local Area Agreement and the Council's Corporate Plan into a single document called the 'Leeds Strategic Plan' (LSP) to cover the period 2008-11. The role of the ADP will be strengthened and feed into the LSP.

3.2 The plans would identify key actions for delegated services, influenced services and local funding, allocate resources and identify priority areas for scrutiny and appraisal. ADPs would be used by Area Committees to monitor progress regularly with deliverers of delegated services being held accountable. The ADP will also inform priorities contained within Service Plans. ADPs will be developed and overseen by the relevant Area Committee. A sub-set of ADPs may be Priority Neighbourhood Plans which would aim to set out key actions to improve deprivation indices in key neighbourhoods and to increase service user and citizen involvement.

3.3 Following development work on the ADP It is proposed that the plan for 2008 -11 will be developed under the headings contained within the Vision for Leeds and be a local expression of the city's commitment to the LAA and the Vision for Leeds. A proposed template of what the ADP action table will look like is included at Appendix 1.

3.4 It is suggested that a member from each ward works with the Area Management team to develop the details for each of their priorities.

4.0 Progress to date

4.1 Members have been consulted on priorities for their communities and which theme they would like to champion with the support of an officer or agency group. Key priorities for members were :

Theme	Initial Priorities expressed by members	Cllr Champion	Lead Agency
Culture & Environment	Increase the no of waste re-used and re-cycled. Address neighbourhood problem sites: improve cleanliness and access to quality green space.	Cllr Taggart	Leeds Voice
Enterprise and Economy	Reduce worklessness in deprived areas	Cllr Hanley	Leeds Ahead
Learning and Children	Improve participation and early learning outcomes for all children with a focus on families in deprived areas.	Cllr Lowe	Children Leeds West
Transport			Leeds Bradford Corridor Group/West Leeds Gateway Board
Health and Well being & Older People	Increase the number of people helped to live at home	Cllr Harper	PCT/Adult Services
Thriving Communities	Reduce crime and Fear of Crime Reduce Anti-Social Behaviour	Cllr Mckenna	Police & Safer Leeds

Stronger Communities	Enable a robust and Vibrant Community, voluntary and faith sector. (utilizing Cultural events) Strengthen the role of elected members as community champions	Cllr Atkinson	ALMO/Area Management
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- 4.2 Some issues have a greater priority for members than others but from the ADP template one can see that Leeds has chosen 35 national indicators out of a possible 198 as key issues for the authority. However where other indicators help us to deliver actions more relevant to the theme or the needs of the neighbourhood then these will be included. Delegated functions also need to be included as well as the themed improvement priorities. Monitoring and progress reports will be a key aspect of the plan to ensure actions are being delivered and impact assessed.
- 4.3 Members will be aware that since January 2008 various consultation events have been held with stakeholders and local communities ('What's the Big Idea') asking them for their ideas and input on a range of issues facing their communities.
- 4.4 In Inner West, events were held at Armley Leisure Centre Armley, and St Peter's Church Bramley. Attendance at both events averaged 28 people most of whom were 65yrs plus although young people did attend both events. Attendees were asked to write comments on flags and to stick them in maps of the two wards according to the above themes. A lot of very useful information has been collected which requires in-depth analysis and although many of the comments refer to issues affecting them as individuals there were many suggestions on how the wider community can be improved. For example in Armley there was enthusiasm for more cultural events on the Moor and the need for a Post Office, whilst in Bramley a key issue was improvements to the shopping centre and the need to create a 'heart' to Bramley which local people thought was lacking.
- 4.5 A stakeholder event was also held at Stanningley Rugby Club on 21st January 2008 where all agencies from the voluntary, community and faith sectors as well as statutory agencies were invited to give their views on services they currently provide and where they would like to focus in the future. This will facilitate better partnership working which will assist the delivery of projects in communities more efficiently and with more innovation.
- 4.6 Over the following weeks the Area Delivery Plan will be drafted which incorporates the views collected and with knowledge of the service plans of key partners.

5.0 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

Member Consultation

- 5.1 Members have been fully consulted and involved in the process of collecting information regarding the Area Delivery Plan and their approval will be sought on the final plan in June.
- 5.2 The Area Management Team will be responsible for driving forward the delivery of the plans and for liaising with partners over actions to be delivered.

6.0 Legal and Resource Implications

6.1 Progress against actions will be reported to Area Committee on 6 monthly basis.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 Significant work is underway with the drafting of the Area Delivery Plan for Inner West Leeds with community and agency involvement and with the support of ward members as Champions of the key themes of the Plan.

8.0 Recommendations

8.1 That members note progress so far and request the final plan to come to the Area Committee in June 2008.

8.2 Comment on Area Delivery template and identify lead member from each ward to work on the themes within the plan.