



Report of the Director of Environment & Neighbourhoods Directorate

South Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: Monday 14th April 2008

Subject: Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011

Electoral Wards Affected: Ardsley & Robin Hood Morley North Morley South Rothwell <input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:
Equality and Diversity <input type="checkbox"/>
Community Cohesion <input type="checkbox"/>
Narrowing the Gap <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Council Function <input type="checkbox"/>	Delegated Executive Function available for Call In <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report <input type="checkbox"/>
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Executive Summary

This report provides the Area Committee with an update on the progress of the development of the Area Delivery Plan (ADP) 2008 – 2011. This report provides an update on specific tasks that are being or will be undertaken in order to complete the ADP for the first Area Committee of the municipal year. Details are also provided about a community consultation exercise, big issues big ideas postcard, which will feed in views from the local community. Consultation with Members is also being planned on a Ward basis for inclusion in final draft. Members are invited to put forward any comments or suggestions about the 2008 – 2011 ADP.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview and update on how the South Leeds (Outer) Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011 is being developed and the timeline for further work to completion.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 In December 2007, a report was presented to Area Committee regarding the changes that were to be made to various structures as part of the Area Management Review. Some of the recommendations covered changes to the structure of Area Delivery Plans (ADP) in order to link in more closely to Leeds Strategic Plan (LSP). The LSP ensures that themes within the Vision for Leeds, Local Area Agreement and Leeds Regeneration Plan are an integrated framework which will help tackle neighbourhood priorities.

2.2 The main changes that are proposed to the existing ADP structure were that the plans would cover a three year period rather than the current one year, local performance indicators will be developed to show how specific actions can provide benefits locally while contributing to city-wide targets and finally, the ADP would cover a much broader remit to fall in line with as many as the eight themes of the LSP as appropriate. The LSP themes are as follows:-

- Culture
- Enterprise & Economy
- Learning
- Transport
- Environment
- Health & Well Being
- Thriving Communities
- Stronger Communities

2.3 The ADP will also incorporate the Area Function Schedule delegated responsibilities. It is imperative that both the delegated functions and the ADP action plans link to reflect what work can be undertaken to influence and develop these delegations to address local priorities. As previously reported, there will be a greater level of delegated responsibilities handed to the Area Committee:-

- **Community Engagement & Facilities** – Community Centres, Community Space in Libraries, Community Engagement and Community Greenspace
- **Community Safety** – Neighbourhood Wardens, Neighbourhood Policing, PCSO's & CCTV and Multi Agency Crime & Grime Operations
- **Environment** – Enforcement Services (Area Action Teams), Street Cleansing, Highways Maintenance and Grounds Maintenance
- **Children & Young People** – Local Children & Young People Plans
- **Adult Social Care and Healthier Communities** – Adult Social Care (support to vulnerable people to live at home) and Healthier Communities (improving health and tackling health inequalities).
- **Regeneration and Development** – Area Based Regeneration Schemes and Town & District Centre Projects, Neighbourhood Management Co-ordination and Conservation Area Reviews

2.4 South Leeds Area Management Team is currently producing a draft Area Delivery Plan incorporating the various themes. The section below outlines the processes undertaken to date and the next steps to produce the finalised plan.

3.0 Development of 2008-2011 Area Delivery Plan

3.1 The development of the 2008 – 2011 Area Delivery Plan is being progressed in a three stage process:-

- Stage 1 – discussion with agencies and services to define local performance indicators and consider actions that can be measured by local performance indicators

while addressing city-wide improvement priorities. This work is mainly informing the development of the detailed thematic action plans;

- Stage 2 – consultation is to be undertaken with Ward Councillors and the community. Consultation with Councillors will be carried out in Ward based meetings. In the meantime, however, Members are invited to comment on what they would like to see as key priorities and key actions as part of the action plan. The local community has been targeted with 3000 postcards which have been sent to groups, individuals and community buildings across Outer South Leeds. The postcards invite local people to identify their top three big issues and big ideas on how to resolve them.
- Stage 3 – completion of the ADP. The views of Ward Members and the community will be fed into the draft plan. The draft ADP will then be considered by agencies and services to enable them to agree their roles and responsibilities in the delivery of these actions and confirm monitoring arrangements.

3.2 Stage one took the form of six workshops attended by various services operating across the South Leeds area. Six workshops were held as some themes from the LSP improvement priorities complemented each other and were better being discussed along with other themes rather than in isolation. For example, a combined Learning and Economy & Enterprise workshop was held, as a number of these issues link in closely and a number of agencies have a focus to address both these themes.

3.3 From the workshop sessions held, a number of key actions have been suggested, these include as simple examples only:-

- Provision of various activities and advice sessions to address premature deaths from circulatory diseases, levels of obesity and teenage pregnancy
- Development and delivery of activities to support Domestic Violence Programme
- Tackling ASB through a number of various methods
- Deployment of a number of crime prevention methods in targeted neighbourhoods
- Promotion and delivery of home composting and garden waste schemes
- Work closely with South Leeds Employment, Education and Training Group to develop a work programme to address worklessness and training issues across South Leeds
- Developing a community involvement directory which will let local people know how they can get involved with community projects and local decision making

3.4 Meetings with Councillors have taken place or are about to occur. The meetings will focus on Ward level priorities and give Members the opportunity of expressing their views on draft action plans and identifying any specific areas they feel need to be developed further. Members are invited to take this opportunity to put their views forward or suggest areas they'd like to see incorporated into the ADP action plans.

3.5 Alongside this, 3000 big ideas, big issues postcards have been distributed across the Outer South Area. The postcards have been placed in community buildings such as libraries, sports centres, schools and community centres, sent to the Outer Area Committee Newsletter mailing lists and distributed to a number of community and residents groups.

3.6 A short exercise will also be undertaken to assess past community consultation results such as those which have fed into the development of Neighbourhood Improvement Plans. These will form a baseline of key issues on a neighbourhood basis which can pinpoint specific areas of concerns on a much localised level.

- 3.7 Once consultation with Members and the results of community views have been incorporated into the action plans, officers from Area Management will then liaise with delivery agencies to finalise the plan in terms of agreeing lead organisations for delivering actions and the timescales required. An agreement will also be sought on monitoring processes and deadlines for update reports from agencies on progress of actions and progress against local performance indicators.
- 3.8 The final ADP is scheduled to be presented to the first Area Committee in the new municipal year in July. When the final plan is presented, it will have the following content:-
- Introduction from the Area Committee Chair and Area Manager
 - An overview of Area Management and Area Committees
 - Details on Equalities, Cohesion and Engagement
 - Local Strategic Context for Committee area
 - Priority Neighbourhoods section highlighting the focus neighbourhoods for the next three years
 - Thematic objectives section and how these link in with delegated functions which have become Area Committee responsibilities
 - Detailed thematic action plans based upon the LSP themes

4.0 Implications For Council Policy and Governance

- 4.1 There are no direct implications associated with Council Policy and Governance as a result of this report. This report and its content are in line with the Area Committee's function for developing an Area Delivery Plan.

5.0 Legal and Resource Implications

- 5.1 There are no direct legal implications associated with this report. Area Committee may decide to allocate its Area Well Being funding resource to support the delivery of some of the actions outlined in the ADP at future Area Committee meetings.

6.0 Recommendations

- 6.1 The Area Committee is asked to:-
- 6.2 note the contents of this report and the progress made in developing the Area Delivery Plan 2008 - 2011
- 6.3 provide comments or suggestions for inclusion in the Area Delivery Plan.