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**Report of the North East Area Manager**

**North East (Inner) Area Committee**

**Date: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008**

**Subject: Area Committee Working Groups and Area Partnerships - Membership**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

Chapel Allerton  
Moortown  
Roundhay

**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

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**Executive Summary**

This report seeks approval for the membership of the Area Committees' Working Groups for the 2008/09 municipal year and agreement on representatives on the various thematic Area Partnerships (subject to corporate approval through the Member Management Committee).

## **Purpose of this report**

- 1 This report seeks approval for the membership of the Area Committees' Working Groups for the 2008/09 municipal year and agreement on representatives on the various thematic Area Partnerships (subject to corporate approval through the Member Management Committee).

## **Background**

- 2 The Area Committee currently operates two Member Working Groups, as sub-groups of the Area Committee. They are:
- the Wellbeing Fund Members Working Group
  - the Youth Issues Working Group
- 3 Both Groups are made up from an Elected Member from each ward and in a way which ensure all three political parties are represented on each Working Group.
- 4 The Leeds Initiative has agreed to support the nomination of an Elected Member from each Area Committee to the relevant area based thematic partnership. This is to strengthen the links between partnership working and Area Committees.
- 5 The Area Committee has agreed for a representative, Councillor Rafique, to sit on the North East Divisional Community Safety Partnership. This decision is subject to approval of the Council's Member Management Committee who must agree on all Member appointments to Committees/Partnership Bodies.

## **Proposed Memberships**

### **Wellbeing Fund Members Group**

- 6 It is proposed that the Membership of this Working Group continues as:

Councillors Dowson, Kendall and Lancaster

### **Youth Issues Group**

- 7 It is proposed that the Membership of this Working Group continues as:

Councillors Lancaster, Loble, and a Member from the Chapel Allerton ward to be nominated and agreed at the Area Committee

- 8 It is further proposed that the Youth Issues Group takes responsibility to engage with Children's Services/Trust on behalf of the Area Committee to maximise opportunities for joint commissioning of activities and delivery of ADP outcomes relating to young people. Any proposals that emerge would be fed through the Wellbeing Fund Members Group for recommendation to Area Committee as appropriate.

## **Area Based Thematic Partnerships**

- 9 There are three area partnerships currently in operation, linked to the Leeds Initiative. These are:

- North East Divisional Community Safety Partnership (DCSP)
  - North East Children's Partnership
  - East North East Housing Partnership
  - East North East Jobs Enterprise and Training Partnership (JET)
- 10 The Area Committee has already nominated Councillor Rafique to the DCSP, so agreement is sought on representatives for the other three partnerships.
- 11 Further area partnerships are likely to be developed shortly; these will probably include a Health/Wellbeing Partnership for example.
- 12 It is proposed to agree representatives now for these anticipated partnerships and full briefs and inductions will be arranged once the partnerships are established for the relevant Members.

## **Recommendations**

- 13 The Area Committee is requested to:
- (a) Approve membership of the Wellbeing Members Working Group as set out in section 5
  - (b) Approve membership of the Youth Issues Working Group as set out in section 6 and agree a member from the Chapel Allerton Ward.
  - (c) Agree the strengthening of the Youth Issues Working Group role to maximise influence and joint commissioning opportunities through Children's Services/Trust.
  - (d) Note the continuation of Councillor Rafique as a representative on the Divisional Community Safety Partnership for the remainder of the municipal year (subject to corporate approval through the Member Management Committee).
  - (e) Agree representatives for the North East Children's Partnership, Housing Partnership, Jobs Enterprise and Training Partnership and any future Health/Wellbeing area partnership (subject to corporate approval through the Member Management Committee).

## **Background papers**

There are no background papers to this report.