

**INNER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - CONSULTATIVE
MEETING**

THURSDAY, 15TH JULY, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor J Akhtar in the Chair

Councillors J Bentley, K Brooks, E Flint,
C Howley, A Marshall-Katung, J Pryor and
N Walshaw

1 Chair's Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

As the meeting was being held remotely as a consultative meeting, any recommendations made would be ratified via delegated decision or at a future meeting.

2 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals.

3 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There was no exempt information.

4 Late Items

There were no late items.

5 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations.

6 Apologies

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor A Garthwaite.

7 Open Forum/Community Forum

In order to facilitate the Open Forum while the Community Committee was meeting remotely, the process had been adapted so that members of the public were able to submit written representations in advance of the meeting.

The following submissions had been made.

From Love in a Box:

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Love in a Box is a foodbank/clothes bank that operates from the Leeds Grand Mosque. They normally operated with Oblong and Rainbow Junction and open every week on a Sunday morning. Customers that normally visit both Oblong and Rainbow Junction will be now referred to Love in a Box. This would be for July and August and Love in a Box would have to open on an extra day through the week. More food would have to be obtained during this period and also as products were partly bought in, more money would have to be spent.

The organisation was asking the Committee for support in goods or money so support could continue to be given to the Community in Hyde Park.

Members were in support of the organisation and praised their work during the pandemic. It was recognised that support was needed and Members would consider what could be done following further budget discussions. A formal application for funding had not been submitted by the organisation.

From Leeds Residents Anti-Social Behaviour Support Group:

Over the last 15 years Headingley & Hyde Park residents have suffered due to anti-social behaviour in the area. It has made residents, families, children's and also students lives a misery and affected mental health and wellbeing. People have suffered sleep deprivation and families have moved out of the area due to student anti-social behaviour and all night music parties.

The Council receives hundreds of complaints each year from residents regarding this major issue in the community. Can I ask why Leeds Council and its enforcement team do not treat Leeds university and Becketts University as they would any other business in Leeds and issue formal warning legal notices leading to court action against the universities. Students are legally contracted to the Universities and are therefore an extension of the Universities.

The Universities of Leeds need to be held more accountable for the behaviour of their students and a threat of legal action would focus minds on this major local issue.

It was reported that there had been a meeting earlier in the day which involved MPs, Elected Members, West Yorkshire Police and representatives of the Universities and the Council. A summary of the meeting had been posted on the Headingley and Hyde Park Councillors Facebook page.

Issues focussed on at the meeting included noise disturbance, anti-social behaviour and environmental issues.

Although the universities provided extra resources to deal with these issues it was felt that these should be increased and re-directed. It was also felt that there was a need for the Universities to increase engagement with the

community. There would be another meeting next month and would be extended to Members in the other Inner North West wards. It was also suggested that residents groups should be involved.

It was further reported that LeedsWatch had been working with West Yorkshire Police and LASBAT regarding these issues.

8 Minutes - 11 March 2021

RECOMMENDED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2021 be confirmed as a correct record.

9 Community Committee Appointments 2021/22

The report of the City Solicitor asked the Committee to note the appointment of Councillor Javid Akhtar as Chair of the Inner North West Community Committee for the 2021/22 Municipal Year and also invited Members to make nominations for Outside Bodies, Cluster Partnerships, Housing Advisory Panels and Local Care Partnerships. Nominations were also sought for Community Champions and the Corporate Parenting Board.

Andy Booth, Governance Services presented the report.

It was agreed to follow up Member's queries with regards to invites for Local Care Partnerships.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) That the appointment of Councillor J Akhtar as Chair of the Community Committee for 2021/22 be noted.
- (2) That the following appointments be made for the 2021/22 Municipal Year

Organisation / Outside Body	No. of Places	Current Appointee(s)
Cardigan Centre	1	Cllr N Walshaw
Swarthmore Education Centre	1	Cllr A Marshall Katung
Ireland Wood Children's Centre	1	Cllr E Flint
Holt Park LCP & Woodsley LCP (meet jointly)	1	Shared between Cllr K Brooks and Cllr A Marshall Katung
Leeds Student Medical Practice	1	Cllr J Akhtar
Housing Advisory Panel	1 Member per ward	Cllr J Akhtar Cllr A Garthwaite Cllr J Bentley
Champions/Lead Members		
Environment & Community Safety	1	Cllr A Garthwaite
Children's Services	1	Cllr J Pryor
Employment, Skills & Welfare	1	Cllr K Brooks
Health & Wellbeing & Adult Social	1	Cllr N Walshaw

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Care		
Corporate Parenting Board	1	Cllr J Pryor
Extended Services North West Cluster	1	Cllr C Howley

10 Inner North West Community Committee Finance Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2021/22.

Carl Hinchliffe, Community Committee Team Manager presented the report.

Members attention was brought to the 'minimum conditions' as outlined in paragraph 13. These conditions referred to the taking of delegated decisions. Members were invited to review the conditions and consider whether any amendments were required.

Members were informed that there had been a total of £123,709 available for the 2021/22 Wellbeing Budget. There was £7,812.33 remaining and details of allocated funds were listed in paragraphs 19 to 24. This also included spending from the Capital Budget, Small Grants & Skips Budget, Youth Activity Fund and CIL Budget.

Members were asked to consider the following applications for funding:

- Eatwell Café - £9484.75 requested
- Hyde Park Unity Day - £5,000 requested

It was reported that there were not sufficient funds remaining in the Wellbeing Revenue Budget for these applications and it was suggested that some of the £15,000 ringfenced for Covid 19 funds be used. Concern was expressed that the ringfenced amounts for Covid should not be used as it was not yet known what may be required in the winter months and it was agreed that the £15,000 should remain ringfenced for Covid 19.

Members were informed of the remaining budget for Youth Activities Funds (YAF). Members were asked to consider the following two applications for funding from Youth Activities Funds:

- Super Summer Art Camp @ Shire Oak - £3,600 requested
- Jungle Kids June Holiday Camp - £4,000 requested

It was reported that there was a slight shortfall in the remaining YAF budget. It was suggested that these be given on a pro-rata basis. It was anticipated that there would be further funds available through the year due to underspend on other projects and it was agreed to fund both applications.

Members were also informed of remaining funds in the Small Grants & Skips; Capital; and Community Infrastructure Levy budgets.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) That details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted.
- (2) That the minimum conditions as outlined in paragraph 13 be agreed.
- (3) That monitoring information of funded projects be noted.
- (4) That details of the Youth Activities Fund position be noted.
- (5) That details of the Small Grants & Skips budget be noted.
- (6) That details of the Capital Budget be noted.
- (7) That details of the Community Infrastructure Levy budget be noted.

11 Inner North West Community Committee - Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships brought Members' attention to an update of the work which the Communities Team was engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided opportunity for further questioning or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

Carl Hinchliffe, Community Committee Team Manager presented the report.

Members were asked for nominations to Sub-Groups for the 2021/22 Municipal Year.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the following Sub-Group appointments be made:

Environment Sub-Group

Councillor A Garthwaite (Chair)
Councillor E Flint
Councillor K Brooks

Children & Families Sub-Group

Councillor J Pryor (Chair)
Councillor C Howley
Councillor A Marshall Katung

12 Inner North West Community Committee Youth Activity Fund Consultation Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Community Committee with background and context to the decision not to hold a Youth Summit in 2020/21.

It also provided an update on Youth Activity Fund (YAF) consultation and how this aimed to inform the YAF spend for 2021/22.

Carl Hinchliffe, Community Committee Team Manager presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to how youth providers had adapted to provide services during the pandemic. Further issues highlighted included the following:

- Revised criteria for Youth Activity Funds
- Digital Inclusion
- YAF Consultation Survey – there had been 70 responses which showed priorities for locations and activities to be provided.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) That reflections from the last 12 months during the pandemic (paragraphs 12-22) be noted.
- (2) That details of the Youth Activity Fund consultation survey be noted.
- (3) That it be noted that the Youth Activity Fund survey informs the Youth Activity Fund for 2021/22.
- (4) That it be noted that any projects funded from the Youth Activity Fund focus on the themes and activity priorities identified in the Youth Activity Fund survey.
- (5) That the Communities Team arrange a physical Youth Summit with young people this financial year, 2021/22 and that this informs the Youth Activity Fund spend for 2022/23.

13 Dates and Times of Future Meetings

RECOMMENDED – That the Inner North West Community Committee meets on the following dates:

Wednesday, 29 September 2021 at 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 6 January 2022 at 6.00 p.m.

Wednesday, 30 March 2022 at 6.00 p.m.