

Matters Arising from previous meeting

The following provides an update on issues from the last Area Committee meeting held on 13th November 2008 that do not appear on the agenda of this meeting.

44d BMX track In order to help establish the viability of the proposed BMX sites, details of each of the sites will be put through the LEDA process (Land Evaluation Development Appraisal). This is attended by representatives of Departments including Housing, Parks & Countryside, Development, Highways and Education and provides the opportunity for comments to be received about the sites. Following a report from LEDA, a meeting will be set up with Members and relevant stakeholders to begin developing a project plan. This will include identifying all relevant stakeholders, sources of funding and the appropriate level of consultation. The sites that have been put forward are:

- Dobby Row - land between the A65 and the goit in Kirkstall opposite Burley Wood Mount
- Cragside recreation ground, Hawksworth
- Queenswood Drive recreation ground
- West Park Playing Fields
- Meanwood Park
- Woodhouse Ridge

44e Waste Disposal Site, Evanston Ave Kirkstall Road

The Council, along with other local authorities, is planning to develop treatment facilities for waste that is not recycled so as to minimise the environmental impact of landfill. Those bidding for the contract to construct and operate such a facility have been invited to come forward with alternative suitable sites. Should a treatment facility be constructed in the East of the City, it is likely that a waste transfer station would be required in the West of the City, in order to minimise the environmental impact and inefficiencies of all refuse collection vehicles in the City delivering waste to a single location. Waste would be 'bulked up' at this facility for onward transfer to the main treatment facility. It is currently anticipated that the contract will be finally awarded in mid 2010.

Managing any potential impacts on local communities is of paramount importance to the Council. Any redevelopment of the Evanston Avenue site would be to a very modern and high specification that would far surpass the existing facilities in terms of minimising these impacts. This would obviously mean the removal of the existing fire-damaged structures on this site. Any such redevelopment would also be carried out in consultation with local residents.

However, it is important to emphasise that the Evanston Avenue site does not represent the Council's preferred option for a waste transfer station, and further work is in progress to assess the suitability of this site and any potential alternatives.

45 West Park Centre. The Chair of the Inner North West Area Committee has written a letter to the Executive Board Member for Development stating the Area Committee support the retention of the West Park Centre for community use and the West Park playing fields as Green Belt, Urban Green Corridor and Urban Green Space. In addition the letter requests that the West Park Centre is removed from the Council's disposal list.

49b LGHS opposition to planning applications. The Community Planning Officer has written a letter to the Director of Development stating the Area Committee's opposition to planning applications relating to the Leeds Girls High School.

53b Well- Being Fund

i. **Sandy Lane Footpath.** Staffing issues unfortunately caused a delay in progressing this project, however the legal notices for making this footpath a right of way have been made. There now follows a period for comments and objections followed by a further legal notice . It is anticipated that this footpath will become a right of way in February 2009. A range of options are currently being developed to improve lighting on this path.

ii.**Hyde Park Festive Lights** No lights have been installed or used during 2008. Discussions have taken place about the possibility of locating the festive lights in the shopping area on Woodsley Road once the lighting columns in this area have been upgraded as part of the streetlighting PFI. The funding for this project can be rolled forward into 2009/10.

iii. **Woodhouse Moor Survey.** Friends of Woodhouse Moor secured Well-Being funds of £2.439 in March 2007 to carry out research to establish an understanding of how people think about and use the Moor. Approximately 700 questionnaires were returned. An analysis of these are currently underway and a report outlining the findings will be presented to the Area Committee in February 2009.

iv. **Yorkstone Paving** The decision on how this money will be spent will be made by the Streetscene subgroup. Members will be asked to suggest locations in each ward, which will then be costed and the group will make a decision on how to spend the monies.

Future reports to Area Committee

Community Centres Pricing and Lettings Policy

Neighbourhood Management/Neighbourhood Improvement Plans

Area Delivery Plan progress and monitoring report

Flood Risk

Sports Pitches