



Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner North West Community Committee

(Headingley & Hyde Park, Little London & Woodhouse and

Weetwood)

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# **Inner North West Community Committee Update Report**

# Purpose of report

- 1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
- 2. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

### **Updates by theme**

**Children and Families: Champion Cllr Pryor** 

The Children & Families Sub-Group will be meeting in December to plan a programme of School visits and the Youth Summit for March 2024.

Update from Burley, Little London, Quarrymount Childrens Centres

Family Work has slowed a little and we currently have managed to reduce our waiting list to zero with the addition of a new family outreach worker. My team at present are all carrying a caseload of 10, so that is 60 open cases. Needs continue to be linked to Domestic abuse

/Children on CP / CIN Plans / Poverty /Mental Health of mother and children with Special Educational Needs of which we are seeing increasing numbers in the North West.

We have planned for service delivery from September to Christmas and have a number of things happening. We are delivering all the below currently, however these are in differing locations to identified below. (Within my 3 reach sites though).

- > Stay and Play groups in Burley and Little London. The Little London group is developing really well and continues to be very busy, as does our provision in Burley.
- ➤ PEEP A group for both parents and their children to come together at Little London Primary – the PEEP group will be recommencing in October in Little London Primary School
- ➤ HENRY (Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the really young)— will be delivered in Burley CC in September.
- Family Learning for adults –Burley Park commencing September only as there is a shortage of trainers.
- ➤ Breast feeding group in Burley and Little London have recommenced this week.
- > ESOL in Little London Primary School commencing in October.
- ➤ Leeds Domestic Violence Services will be delivering a group in Little London in September this is a confidential closed group and we do not promote this. It is invitation only.
- ➤ We are still continuing to gift the Moses baskets /Fire Alarms/Carbon monoxide detectors to families whom require these.
- ➤ A new stay and play group is planned for October in QMCC.

The Chatterbox project - which was funded through committees funding continues to grow as we are receiving more referrals from professionals where speech and language is an identified need for the child. This is what we are seeing as a result of the pandemic in young children

**Home Learning Packs** - This valuable resource is also really well used. Committees generously supported this project last year, and the children greatly benefit from these wonderful resources.

We have updated our WHATS ON leaflet, but given changes to the rooms in Little London it requires updating again, so once done I will send it on.

Committee members are welcome to attend any of our sessions to meet the staff and parents and children

### **Environmental Sub-Group: Champion Cllr J Akhtar**

4. The Environment Sub-Group met in October and November. The group which has local resident representation has set priorities for the remainder of the year including tackling graffiti especially in Hyde Park, issues with the PSPO implementation and ASB. The November meeting included a review of the 2023 student changeover process for which a final report will be completed in January 2024.

Health and Well-Being: Champion Cllr A Marshall Katung

The Inner North West Community Committee falls into 2 Local Care Partnership areas, Holt Park and Woodsley and Leeds Student Medical Practice. The LCPs work to develop integrated solutions across health and community sectors which support the local population. The LCPs will be rolling out Digital Health Hubs and a place based approach to domestic violence which was first trialled in Seacroft LCP.

**Healthy Leeds Plan** has identified 5 priority areas which account for highest amount of nonelective bed days I the city and a higher rate for residents living in more deprived areas of the city.

- 1 Children & Young People
- 2 Frailty and Cancer Populations
- 3 End of life
- 4 People living with multi-morbidity
- 5 Intermediate Care Provision

**Climate Action: Champion Cllr I Wilson** 

We launched this new role at the last Community Committee. We had a discussion with the audience about priorities for community climate action. There was a lot of interest in promoting walking locally, making that feel safer and more pleasant. Because there are so many ways we could do this, we're setting up a local working group to help us go through the ideas and pick a couple of specific ones for us to progress. We're launching this in the new year and asking people from local residents groups to join, if you're interested please say so. In the meantime, as champion I've raised walking as a priority for funding with the Transport team and with the Mayor of West Yorkshire.

Another area of interest was promoting local giveaway groups and insulation projects, which we will prioritise for funding and work with any local organisations involved in this work

# **Public Health Update**

#### DECEMBER 2023

Little London-Caring for Community ('Health Checks') Project

Due to the success of the BARCA (<u>Home | Barca-Leeds</u>) operated Caring for Community project where local residents could access basic health checks provided by specially trained local residents with appropriate community languages Public Health and partners are investigating the possibility of restarting the project. BARCA continued the project for a while when the Intergrated Commissioing Board's Health Inequalities money ended and Central Local Care Partnersip provided partner links through local pharmacies where out of service hours help could be accessed. The project provided checks and advice on weight management, blood pressure and a mental and emotional health first aid session. Apart from the warm embrace recieved from local residents the project it also increased footfall at the Little London Community Centre by 25% and allowed residents to access the services under that roof such as a food pantry, councillor surgery, clothes bank, budgeting, debt and financial advice, language classes and friendship groups as a few examples. Nothing has been decided as yet but it is hoped the project will restart

### **Cost of Living Advice & Leaftleting.**

A small team of CARVIEW (Care View Leeds) volunteers leafleted and talked to residents from sections of local private rented and social housing with Help for Families leaflets (School Wellbeing) and advice. Some of the volunteers had community languages and explained what cost of living support was available. During this street campaign the emphasis was put on Healthy Start Vouchers. A copy of the leaflet is attached to this report

# Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Update Headingley & Hyde Park + Little London & Woodhouse Wards

### **Street Cleansing**

Demand for service requests is currently on the higher side compared to most wards and the team are doing a good job of having a quick turnaround time on these. Jobs involving deweeding or cutting of vegetation are taking the longest due to being lower priority than the majority of our other responsibilities, service requests are prioritized based on risk to public health. Due to the leafing program and the financial crisis, we have struggled with staff levels across the wards but have still managed to keep on top of the workload. Some weeks there may be a slightly noticeable difference in resource up until Christmas, but we feel after the Christmas break, we should be fully caught up.

### **Enforcement**

Our enforcement workload is going well and we are still in the process of investigating a lot of our student changeover cases and hope to see some positive enforcement action soon. The amount of service requests our wards receive for enforcement is also very high, but we have a constant flow of cases concluding as new cases come in. Due to the service request/student changeover workload most of our workload is reactive, whilst most of the pro-active work is picked up in the education section with out Street Warden, James.

### **Education**

Me and James (Street Warden) attended the Little Woodhouse Community Association (LWCA) meeting to update them on our responsibilities and how we structure the cleansing team's workload. We answered a lot of questions and received some good feedback on how they didn't even notice student changeover happening this year due to the proactive work from our teams. The LWCA provided us with the results of some information gathering they had done in the area where residents listed their biggest issues and problem locations, the majority of the issues were bins on streets and side waste. James has done some education work on the problem areas and we received feedback from the LWCA that this is making big improvements, which is always nice to hear.

### **PSPO**

Last month we successfully prosecuted a further 16 people in LS6 for waste related breaches of the PSPO. This means the people found guilty all received criminal records, and were ordered to pay fines, costs, and victim surcharges of around £9,000 in total. We continue to patrol as much as possible with the resource available.

### **Leafing**

Leafing is going to plan and after a few mechanical issues early on in the program, we are now consistently getting two days a week of a dedicated leafing team working through our area. We have been prioritising high footfall routes and cycle lanes to begin with but are now getting deeper into side streets and estates. If you have any specific location concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

### Leedswatch

### 1.0 Cameras in the Inner North West area

The following cameras were used to capture incidents in the Inner North West area.

239 – Burley Lodge Park

240 - Burley Park - Alexandra Road

241 – Burley Park – Burley Lodge Road

242 – Woodsley Road

334 - Hyde Park - Brudenell Road

335 – Hyde Park – Royal Park Road

336 - Hyde Park - Moorland Road

# CCTV incidents captured 1st May - 30th October 2023.

Camera Number	239	240	241	242	334	335	336	Total incidents per category
<b>Alarm Activation</b>								
ASB	6	1			3		1	11
Cash In Transit								
Drugs								
Enforcement								
Fire	4	2	2					8
Health & Safety					1			1
Metro								
<b>Police Operation</b>	1	2			1	1		5
Public Order	3	2	1	2	2	3	1	14
Road Traffic		1	1	1	1			4
Sexual Offences								
<b>Suspicious Events</b>					1	1	1	3
Travellers								
Theft						1		1
<b>Total Per Camera</b>	14	8	4	3	9	6	3	47

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# **Housing Advisory Panel**

#### Bids for consideration this month

INW\_18\_2324 - Music House - Mini Jam music sessions, Covering INW

INW\_20\_2324 Holborn Towers – Furniture for communal room to create a warm space.

INW\_22\_2324 Blenheim Mums – Christmas event for group.

INW\_23\_2324 Little London Pantry Christmas – For purchasing of special items for Christmas

INW\_24\_2324 Caring Together – Various activities.

INW\_25\_2324 Litter Pickers

# Update on previous bids

INW\_01\_2324 Little London Fun Day - Underspend of £1,290.66

INW\_13\_2324 Beevers Court Gardening - Price increased by £1.15

INW\_15\_2324 Little London Residents – Underspend of £175

### **Budget Summary below**

Budget S Inner Nor	•	Sheet 2023/24	Totals	2023/24 Budget Expenditure	
Budget for 2023/24			£29,22 8.75	42.06%	
	Car	ry Forward from 2022/23	£250.9	42.00%	
	Т.	OTAL 2023/24 BUDGET	£29,47 9.71	% available	
Budg et Sum mary Sheet 2023 /24 Inner Nort	Totals	2023/24 Budget Expenditure	£12,39 9.32	57.94%	

h West			
	Budg et for 2023 /24	£29,22 8.75	32.90%
	Carry Forw ard from 2022 /23		
	TOTA L 2023 /24 BUDG ET	£29,4 79.71	% available
	Approved Budg et Spend 2023 /24	£9,700 .00	67.10%
	Avail able Budg et (Bala nce)	£19,7 79.71	

Approved Budget Spend 2023/24

Available Budget (Balance)

£17,08 0.39

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The Dress for Success programme provides work wear and interview clothing for people who are looking for work. It removes barriers to employment by providing PPE such as work boots, or interview clothing. It was run as a pilot by the Merrion Job Shop for residents of the Inner North West.

The Merrion Centre Job Shop is used by many people across the inner area. As funding didn't extend to other areas, I requested funding (through councillors' MICE) across inner Leeds to ensure access for all.

### **Community Project Updates:**

Little London Voices Family Fun Day 30th October

Little London Voices is a new community group in Little London, this was their first event supported by the INWCC and HAP. The event was very well attended by local families and the group plan to do more activities in the future.





Hamara Women's Group at Burley Lodge International Girls Day 18th November

This celebration of international girls day was attended by the Lord Mayor and was very uplifting with messages of empowerment for all women and girls while specifically celebrating the lives of women who have made a difference in the world such as Mother Teresa.





### **Social Media**

3. The Inner North West Community Committee Facebook Page now has 1K followers (4/12/23) an increase of 24 from September 2023.

# **Consultation and Engagement**

4. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information

# **Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration**

5. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team

ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

# **Council Polices and City Priorities**

- 6. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:
- 7. 76Vision for Leeds 2011 30
- 8. Best City Plan
- 9. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- 10. Children and Young People's Plan
- 11. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- 12. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

### **Resources and Value for Money**

13. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

### Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

14. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

### **Risk Management**

65. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all projects and wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

### **Conclusions**

15. The report provides up to date information on key areas of work for the Community Committee.