

**Report of:** Head of Locality Partnerships

**Report to:** Inner South Community Committee:  
Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park

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**Date:** 21 November 2024

**To Note**

## **Inner South Community Committee - Update Report**

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### **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.

### **Main issues**

#### **Children and Families - Champion: Cllr Ali**

3. On 9<sup>th</sup> September a Children & Families sub-group was held. The sub-group was attended by the Youth Service, St Luke CARES and Forward Leeds.
4. The partners in attendance gave an update on youth violence and drug misuse provision currently being delivered in the ward.

- The Inner South Youth Summit has been arranged for 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Invitations have been sent out to ward members, local primary and secondary schools.

**Environment and Community Safety Champion: Cllr Iqbal (Environment & Community Safety)**

- An Environment & Community Safety sub-group took place on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024. The sub-group had updates from West Yorkshire Police, LASBT, Selective Licensing, Housing, Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team, Refuse, Climate Energy and Greenspaces.

**Update from Key Services**

**Police Update**

Crime and ASB Overview - Beeston & Holbeck

|                          | Sept Crime | October Crime | Oct 2023 Crime |
|--------------------------|------------|---------------|----------------|
| Burglary                 | 6          | 11            | 3              |
| Robbery                  | 7          | 3             | 4              |
| Theft from Motor Vehicle | 30         | 24            | 16             |
| Theft of Motor Vehicle   | 12         | 9             | 9              |
| Hate crime               | 7          | 17            | 6              |
| Hate incident            | 6          | 2             | 3              |

| WYP Ward                                 | Offence Group / Nuisance Disposition            | Aug-24 | Sep-24 | Oct-24 |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b>BEESTON AND HOLBECK WARD B [CITY]</b> | Burglary - residential                          | -      | -      | 1      |
|                                          | Robbery of personal property                    | 1      | 1      | -      |
|                                          | Theft from a motor vehicle                      | 7      | 15     | 1      |
|                                          | Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle | 2      | -      | 1      |
|                                          | ASB – Youth Related                             | -      | -      | -      |
|                                          | ASB – Nuisance Motorcycle/ Quad                 | -      | -      | -      |
|                                          | ASB – Adult Non-alcohol                         | 1      | -      | -      |

Priorities

- To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs in the Beeston and Holbeck area.** We will be increasing high visibility patrols in the area and using a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply including executing warrants where we have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or [crimestoppers-uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

8. **To continue to work in partnership to tackle the problems caused by on-street sex working in the Holbeck area of Leeds.** Dedicated officers will conduct intelligence led, high visibility patrols in the Holbeck area and will respond to community concerns raised through the dedicated phone number.
9. **To continue to work in partnership to tackle anti social behaviour in Cottingley.** High visibility patrols in the area to deter anti social behaviour and continue to work with partners to use ASB legislation against offenders.
10. Weekly tasking meetings have been held with partners to create bespoke action plans for individuals involved in sex working. Enforcement action has been taken against individuals committing offences in the area.

#### Crime and ASB Overview – Hunslet & Riverside

|                                 | Sept crime | October crime | October 2023 Crime |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|--------------------|
| <b>Burglary</b>                 | 23         | 20            | 14                 |
| <b>Robbery</b>                  | 13         | 11            | 8                  |
| <b>Theft from motor vehicle</b> | 32         | 15            | 22                 |
| <b>Theft of motor vehicle</b>   | 8          | 9             | 5                  |
| <b>Hate crime</b>               | 4          | 5             | 6                  |
| <b>Hate incident</b>            | 1          | 2             | 5                  |

| WYP Ward                                     | Offence Group / Nuisance Disposition            | Aug-24 | Sep-24 | Oct-24 |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b>HUNSLET &amp; RIVERSIDE WARD B [CITY]</b> | Burglary - residential                          | 4      | 2      | 2      |
|                                              | Robbery of personal property                    | 5      | 8      | 10     |
|                                              | Theft from a motor vehicle                      | 9      | 15     | 9      |
|                                              | Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle | 3      | 9      | 3      |
|                                              | ASB – Youth Related                             | 1      | 4      | 5      |
|                                              | ASB – Nuisance Motorcycle/ Quad                 | 2      | -      | 1      |
|                                              | ASB – Adult Non-alcohol                         | 14     | 2      | 3      |

#### Priorities

11. **To reduce persistent begging in the Dewsbury Road area.** Through proactive high-visibility patrols and partnership working, we shall work to engage with those involved in persistent begging in the area, encouraging those individuals to access support services and taking action against those who continue to persistently beg.
12. **To act on community intelligence to tackle and disrupt the illegal supply of drugs and the linked anti-social behaviour which affects those living in the community.** We will conduct high visibility patrols in the area and use a number of different tactics to disrupt the drugs supply, including executing warrants where we

have intelligence. You can help us by reporting any information or concerns you have directly to us or by using Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

13. As a result of increased patrols, crime prevention advice being given to residents and businesses in the Fox Way Industrial area we have seen a decrease in theft offences in this particular area however we will continue to monitor this and still provide high visibility patrols to deter offenders.

14. Drug supply – Officers have utilised a variety of policing tactics, including warrants and stop search to disrupt drug supply in the area. We have also worked with partner agencies resulting in closure orders being obtained in relation to problem addresses linked with drugs and drug related anti-social behaviour.

### Crime and ASB Overview – Middleton Park

|                                 | <b>Sept Crime</b> | <b>October Crime</b> | <b>October 2023 Crime</b> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Burglary</b>                 | 7                 | 5                    | 17                        |
| <b>Robbery</b>                  | 3                 | 2                    | 2                         |
| <b>Theft from Motor Vehicle</b> | 4                 | 5                    | 3                         |
| <b>Theft of Motor Vehicle</b>   | 9                 | 4                    | 3                         |
| <b>Hate crime</b>               | 5                 | 5                    | 1                         |
| <b>Hate incident</b>            | 4                 | 3                    | 1                         |

### ASB

| <b>Row Labels</b>                                   | <b>Count of Incident Ref</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Adult Nuisance - non alcohol related</b>         | <b>1</b>                     |
| Town St                                             |                              |
| <b>Alcohol</b>                                      | <b>0</b>                     |
|                                                     |                              |
| <b>Fireworks/Snowballing</b>                        | <b>4</b>                     |
| Ring Rd<br>Highlands Cl<br>Acre Rd<br>St Georges Rd |                              |
| <b>Littering/Drugs Paraphenalia</b>                 | <b>0</b>                     |
|                                                     |                              |
| <b>Neighbour Related</b>                            | <b>3</b>                     |
| Town St<br>Lingwell Rd<br>Sissons Rd                |                              |
| <b>Nuisance Car/Van</b>                             | <b>1</b>                     |
| Lingwell Vw                                         |                              |

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
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| <b>Nuisance Motorcycle/Quad Bike</b>                                                                                                                                          | <b>9</b>  |
| Helston PI<br>Acre Rd<br>Middleton Gr<br>Town St<br>Helston PI<br>New Forest Way<br>Helston St<br>Ring Road Middleton<br>Thorpe St<br>Ring Road Middleton                     |           |
| <b>Youth Related</b>                                                                                                                                                          | <b>11</b> |
| Middleton Way<br>Holme Well Rd<br>Middleton Gr<br>Middleton Park Rd<br>Acre Rd<br>Middleton Way<br>Middleton Pk<br>Holme Well Rd<br>Ring Rd<br>Belle Isle Rd<br>Middleton Way |           |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                                                                                                                                                            | <b>30</b> |

### Priorities

15. **To target the Antisocial vehicle use and criminality involving the use of Off Road Bikes and Quad bikes around the Belle Ilse Road, Middleton Park and Middleton Ring Road.** We will be continuing to target our patrols in the area to tackle this issue in conjunction with the Off Road bike team. We continue to develop the training of our officers in order to assist in tackling the issue and develop intelligence regarding the storage of the vehicles and offenders involved.
16. **To Target Drug dealing and antisocial Drug use in the area.** We will use intelligence led Policing and High demand reporting areas to identify the areas of drug dealing and ASB use take place and actively target those areas through patrols and disruption. Look to develop intelligence around addresses and offenders linked to the dealing of drugs.
17. To assist us in tackling this issue, if you have any information in relation to these issues please ring 101 or report it through [www.westyorkshire.police.uk](http://www.westyorkshire.police.uk). The information you provide can be provided ensuring that it cannot be linked back to you.
18. Alternatively you can call crime stoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit [crimestoppers-uk.org](http://crimestoppers-uk.org).

19. Our monthly community meetings occur on the first Monday of each month, 1800 hours at the Middleton Elderly Age in conjunction with the Middleton community Group.
20. We also urge you all to follow and share our work in tackling these issues on our social media Facebook Page West Yorkshire Police-South Leeds. On here we will publish our patrols and any successful work in line with these priorities.
21. We also hold PCSO Contact Points for you to provide information directly to us or have any issues you wish to ask. Dates/times and locations will also be published through our Facebook page.

## **CCTV**

22. This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Inner South area committee, for the six month period, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.
23. The following cameras were used to capture incidents in the Inner South area: Tempest Road (183), Maud Avenue, Cross Flatts Park (184), Cross Flatts Park (185), Domestic Street (213), Top Moor Side (214) and Meynell Heights Roof (216)

## GDPR – Information Sharing

24. The introduction of the GDPR 2018 regulations reviewed the area of information sharing and therefore restricted the detail of what can be provided. As a result, the content of this report may not have the detail of specific incidents previously reported but provides a summary of the types of incidents within the area.

## Incidents captured by CCTV operators

25. CCTV also contributes towards Police enquiries as requests are made for footage which may not have been observed “real time”. These incidents are not included in this report but can contribute towards arrests being made in the Inner South Area.

## Requests for new Cameras

26. The Surveillance Camera Commissioner is appointed by the Home Secretary to ensure that surveillance camera systems in public places keep people safe and protect and support them.
27. Following changes to Data Protection legislation the council needs to ensure that all its CCTV systems are managed in line with the Commissioner’s recommendations to ensure there are no data breaches (this includes CCTV systems in all Leeds City Council assets including libraries, sports centres, council vehicles fitted with CCTV, etc.).
28. A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.

29. The compliance team also work closely with Information Governance to assist in ensuring all system owners are compliant with their codes of practice, policies, and procedures.

CCTV incidents captured 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

|                            | 183 | 184 | 185 | 213 | 214 | 216 | Total incidents per category |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|
| <b>Camera Number</b>       |     |     |     |     |     |     |                              |
| <b>Alarm Activation</b>    |     |     |     |     |     |     |                              |
| <b>ASB</b>                 | 8   | 4   | 4   | 44  | 36  | 20  | 116                          |
| <b>Cash In Transit</b>     |     |     |     |     |     |     |                              |
| <b>Drugs</b>               |     | 1   |     | 4   | 4   |     | 9                            |
| <b>Enforcement</b>         |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 1                            |
| <b>Fire</b>                |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   | 2                            |
| <b>Health &amp; Safety</b> | 3   |     | 1   |     | 6   |     | 10                           |
| <b>Metro</b>               |     |     |     |     |     |     |                              |
| <b>Police Operation</b>    | 3   | 1   |     | 10  | 8   | 7   | 29                           |
| <b>Public Order</b>        | 12  | 6   | 2   | 2   | 5   | 5   | 32                           |
| <b>Road Traffic</b>        | 2   | 1   |     | 5   |     | 2   | 10                           |
| <b>Sexual Offences</b>     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 1   |     | 3                            |
| <b>Suspicious Events</b>   |     | 1   | 1   |     | 1   | 3   | 6                            |
| <b>Travellers</b>          |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1                            |
| <b>Theft</b>               | 1   |     | 1   |     | 2   | 3   | 7                            |
|                            |     |     |     |     |     |     |                              |
| <b>Total Per Camera</b>    | 29  | 16  | 9   | 66  | 64  | 42  | 226                          |

## Public Health

### Inner South Public Health Localities and Primary Care Team Annual Report

30. A report has been produced to show the work that has been carried out by the Localities and Primary Care team in the Inner South Area. The report covers the work of both the Advanced Health Improvement Specialist and the Health Improvement Specialist for Inner South and provides an overview contracts, projects and partnerships. For further information please contact: [Nicola.kelly-johnson@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Nicola.kelly-johnson@leeds.gov.uk) or [Joanne.loft@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Joanne.loft@leeds.gov.uk).

31. The report can be viewed on this link:

<https://leedsgovuk.sharepoint.com/sites/LCC002-CORP/PUBLIC%20HEALTH/Locality%20Public%20Health%20and%20Primary%20Care/Locality%20Working/2-South/IS%20Localities%20Annual%20Report%202023-24.docx>

### Illegal money lending and Loan Shark activity

32. Stop Loan Sharks (the England Illegal Money Lending Team) is a national organisation that investigates and prosecutes loan sharks and supports borrowers. It works with partner organisations across the country to do this, including local authorities, healthcare providers, charities, debt advisors and many more.
33. The IMLT was set up in 2004. Since then it has supported over 32,000 people, successfully prosecuted 424 loan sharks (leading to total jail terms of over 606 years) and written off at least £91.3 million of illegal debt.
34. Of those supported by the IMLT in the first half of 2024:
- 42% went without food, fuel or missed rent or mortgage payments in order to repay the loan shark
  - Had used a food bank and 11% had applied for fuel vouchers from their local authority
  - 37% borrowed for household bills
  - 27% had borrowed specifically for food, fuel, care of young children or clothing for their family – a larger number of clients than in previous years.
35. In these scenarios, borrowers are likely to be experiencing poor physical and mental health. The IMLT's work in the Leeds area in recent months has seen two suspected loan sharks arrested. The team has also received additional allegations of loan sharks operating across the city.
36. For further information on the team's activity and how they can support in Leeds please contact Trish Cassidy: [Trish.Cassidy@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:Trish.Cassidy@birmingham.gov.uk)

### Local Care Partnership (LCP) Dashboard

37. The attachment (LCP Dashboard Q3 2024) is a dashboard giving details of the current priorities and areas of focus within the Local Care Partnerships. The plan is to refresh and circulate this quarterly. We will also be introducing a series of Teams sessions, similar to our Introduction to LCPs session, to give an overview of current activity, share some more detailed examples of what is happening and answer any questions.



LCP Dashboard Q3  
2024.pdf

38. The dashboard aims to spotlight specific projects that are currently being shaped or implemented in different Local Care Partnerships. Each Local Care Partnership also has regular meetings that are aimed at supporting partners to share local activity and build connections, therefore the topics covered in an LCP meeting could be much more wide ranging than those listed on the dashboard.

### Community Mental Health Transformation: Citywide Rollout



39. Community mental health care in Leeds is changing, with all areas of the city set to benefit from early next year. A new model of care and support has been piloted in three areas of Leeds, and original plans had been to extend this further in two distinct waves. But this has now changed, and from February 2025, parts of the new model will roll out citywide.
40. This means that all areas of Leeds will start to be served by new community teams made up of people from different health, social and voluntary sector organisations. Initial changes will focus on how these teams work together, how patients are triaged, and securing advice and guidance on psychological therapies. Over time, keyworkers will also be introduced so that everyone has a named contact to help them on their journey. You can find out more [here](#).

### Cold Weather Communications

41. On 1 November, the Cold-Health Alerting system jointly provided by UKHSA and Met Office will go live. As with previous years, stakeholders are advised to sign up to receive the alerts. During alerts, UKHSA will undertake communications at the regional and/or national level to highlight the forecast and the potential impacts on public health. Sign up to receive the alerts [here](#).
42. The Adverse Weather and Health Plan aims to protect individuals and communities from the health effects of adverse weather and to build community resilience. See the plan [here](#).

### Vaccination Programme

43. The seasonal vaccination programme is underway. UKHSA now publish a weekly update on national flu, covid and other respiratory illnesses. You can access the update [here](#).
44. The key message is that it is important that those who are eligible get vaccinated as soon as possible, ahead of any winter outbreaks of covid and flu, so that they are protected against serious illness and hospitalisation.
45. The booking system for flu is available [here](#).
46. The booking system for Covid is available [here](#).
47. There is further information about the vaccination programme [here](#).
48. RSV vaccine: this vaccination programme is for older adults and pregnant women. There is further information available [here](#).

### Campaigns

#### Quit Smoking Campaign

49. While smoking rates have declined in recent years, over 5 million people in England still smoke and smoking remains the single biggest preventable cause of preventable

ill health and death. Data shows that using willpower alone remains the most common approach to quitting smoking, despite being proven to be the least effective and so this campaign signposts people to the free Leeds Stop Smoking Service. Key messages are:

- With the average smoker spending nearly £3,000 a year on cigarettes, there's never been a better time to quit.
- Cigarettes are the number-one preventable cause of death and disease in the UK. When you stop the many health benefits will happen faster than you think.
- It's never too late to stop smoking, and with the right support you're up to three times more likely to quit for good.

50. Information about the free support in Leeds is available [here](#) or by phoning 0800 169 4219

### Training and Development

**51. Gambling Understood: begin the conversation Dates: 6 or 7 November, 9.00am to 12.00pm.** Building on the gambling understood awareness campaign, a gambling harms awareness training package has been commissioned to encourage and empower professionals in the area to begin the conversation around this topic. Gambling addiction is one of the most common addictions, harming millions. It can affect anyone, at any time. The online session aims to provide you with the information, tools, and training that you need to support those harmed by gambling. You can find out more and book online [here](#).

**52. Want to know more about... Lung cancer Date: 7 November, 11.15am to 12.15pm.** Lung cancer is one of the most common types of cancer in the UK. November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month and is a great opportunity to find out about more about, and raise awareness of, lung cancer. You can find out more and book online [here](#).

**53. Tackling anti-microbial resistance: UKHSA webinar Date: 14 November, 10.30 to 11.30am.** This webinar will explore UKHSA's work on tackling anti-microbial resistance (AMR). AMR occurs when medicines used to fight infections lose their effectiveness because the organisms they target have evolved or acquired adaptations to survive. You can find out more and book online [here](#).

**54. Want to know more about... Anti-microbial resistance (AMR), date: 19 November, 1.00 to 2.00pm.** Anti-microbial resistance occurs when medicines used to fight infections lose their effectiveness. AMR is a growing problem, in 2019 it was responsible for about 1.27 million deaths globally. Sustained action is needed to curb inappropriate use of antibiotics, the main driver of AMR. The webinar is suitable for anyone who has contact with the general public. You can find out more and book online [here](#).

**Neighbourhood Centres Co-ordinator**

55. Organisers for the trial street market launched for Holbeck Moor are looking to undertake additional consultation with some neighbourhood centre stakeholders with the intention of running it intermittently on a Sunday. Consideration is being given to holding one before or shortly after Christmas in liaison with local partners.

56. Dewsbury Road Town Team has gained additional business attendees and recently undertaken consultation with input invited from all businesses in the TT area on preferred ways of using its available finances. Hunslet square between the shopping centre and library has had some layout changes but ASB occurred around one piece of wildflower planting in front of the shops. Businesses acted which seems to have resolved the problem, confirmation has been received from CEGS that they will monitor the site.

57. The weekly email circular to businesses in all areas of the city has continued.

### **Community Engagement: Social Media**

58. *Appendix 1* provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner South Community Committee Facebook page.

### **Corporate Considerations**

### **Consultation and Engagement**

59. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information detailed within the report.

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

60. 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**

61. 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:

- Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
- Best City Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

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

62. 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**

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

### **Risk Management**

64. 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**

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

### **Recommendations**

66. The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and comment as appropriate.

### **Background documents<sup>1</sup> None**

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.