



Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

South Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: Monday 30th March 2009

Subject: Out of School Activities for Children and Young People 2009/10

Electoral Wards Affected:

Ardsley and Robin Hood
Morley North
Morley South
Rothwell

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council
Function

X

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
report

Executive Summary

At the October Area Committee, Members ringfenced £35,000 Well being Funding to support the delivery of a programme of out of school activities for children and young people during 2009/10. A partnership of Area Management, Youth Service, Extended Services, Positive Activities for Young People (PAYP) and key voluntary organisations have worked together to identify needs in priority areas, gaps in provision and a process for allocating the funding. As requested by Members, this report provides further information on the programme of activities, benefits from joint working and a recommendation on how to involve Members in the process.

1.0 Purpose of This Report

- 1.1 To outline a coordinated programme of activities for 2009/10 across the Outer South that a range of partners will provide for children and young people and ask members to continue to support and develop the partnership.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 The 2008-11 Area Delivery Plan has Culture, Thriving, and Stronger themes at its core which identify supporting Youth Service and Extended Services in provision of out of school activities for children and young people as a priority.

2.2 In October 2008, Members ringfenced £35,000 to enable the development, with partners, of an annual programme of activities for 2009/10. This funding would also be used to lever additional resources from alternative sources.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Partners involved in the development of the programme of activities for 2009-10 are:

- Leeds City Council Youth Service
- Leeds City Council Sports Development
- Extended Services Clusters (Morley North, Morley South, Gildersome and Drighlington, Ardsley and Tingley and Rothwell).
- The Children's Project (constituted community organisation)
- Positive Action for Young People (PAYP)
- Dance Action Zone Leeds (DAZL)
- Voluntary and Community Sector

3.2 Partners acknowledged at early meetings that the pressure on funding was always going to be great and that match funding would play a key role in this process to deliver a broader programme of events than sole Area Committee funding could achieve.

3.3 A mapping exercise was undertaken by partners and areas of 'need' identified in each of the Ward localities which formed the basis of the decision making process.

3.4 All partners agreed a process for allocating funding that would demonstrate a level of equity to Members by being split equally between the four Wards but considered 'need' and a balance of activities for all ages.

4.0 Programme of Activities for 2009/10

The following programme has been agreed:

4.1 All Wards

4.1.1 Summer Activity Sports Camps

LCC Sport Development will be commissioned with a £3,500 contribution towards delivery of four weeks of Summer Activity Camps for young people (ages 12 and under) at three venues in the outer south (Rothwell, Morley, Tingley). Thirty places will be offered per camp at a reduced cost (including Breeze and Leeds card discounts). Ten free places will be offered per camp to other agencies that identify vulnerable young people.

4.1.2 Summer Diversions Activities and ROAR

LCC Youth Service will be commissioned with a £6,500 contribution towards targeted activities for young people (ages 13 to 18 years) in Morley North and Morley South and in Rothwell, Ardsley and Robin Hood (under the banner of ROAR). As part of an offer of alternative out of school diversionary provision, activities will be targeted at key times, to include the Harrops, Newlands and Denshaws, Fairfax estate areas, the

Rose Lund Centre, Windmill Youth Centre, Woodlesford Park, Manor Crescent, Sharp Lane Play area, Rodillian High School playing fields, Winthorpe Community Centre, St Gabriel's Youth Centre, Tingley Youth Centre and West Ardsley Community Centre.

4.1.3 **Breeze**

LCC Integrated Youth Service (Out of School Activities Team) will be commissioned with a £4,000 contribution towards the development and delivery of two free Breeze Events in Morley and Rothwell (ages 4 to 18 years). The delivery will be closely coordinated with partner support to ensure a broad take up, seeking to draw in audiences from across the outer south.

4.1.4 **Dance Action Zone Leeds (DAZL)**

DAZL will be commissioned with a £8,000 contribution towards the support of 8 established youth dance groups across the outer south (ages 4 to 18 years). Following consultation with young people undertaken by Youth Service, extra provision will also be delivered in Drighlington. DAZL have a strong list of match funders including the PCT and Aire Valley Homes to provide a strengthened DAZL programme for the benefit of Outer South Young People.

4.1.5 **Voluntary and Community Sector Training Package**

The partnership agreed that £1,000 will be earmarked for a programme of training for community and voluntary organisations to support activities such as First Aid and Child Protection training.

4.2 Morley North

Building on the success of a 2008 programme of activities, Drighlington Amateur Rugby League Football Club (In co-ordination with Gildersome Children's Centre) will be commissioned to develop a Summer Sports Camp 2009 for Drighlington, Gildersome and the surrounding area (ages 5 to 12 years) for £3,000.

LCC Sports Development will be commissioned to deliver six weeks of summer holiday provision for young people (ages 13 -18yrs) at Lewisham Park with a £250 contribution.

4.3 Morley South

Morley South Children's Services Cluster will be commissioned to deliver a Summer Creative Arts project (ages 4 to 18 years) with a £2,500 contribution. The project will seek to broaden the horizons of young people beyond their immediate boundaries and will be delivered in partnership with ArtForms, Find Your Talent and the White Rose Study Support Centre.

4.4 Ardsley and Robin Hood

The Cluster of Ardsley and Tingley Schools and Services will be commissioned to deliver an annual programme of targeted activity (ages 5 to 12 years) with a £2,500 contribution. Activities will include multi-sports and dance leaders, free places for vulnerable children will be available.

The Cluster of Ardsley and Tingley Schools and Services will be commissioned with a £500 contribution towards Easter 2009 activities covering a host of similar activities.

4.5 Rothwell

Rothwell Cluster Extended Services will be commissioned to deliver an annual programme of holiday provision (ages 5-12 years), providing safe and supervised sports, arts and crafts, street/cheer dance, drama, ICT and environmental activities with a £2,000 contribution.

The Children's Project will be commissioned with a £1,250 contribution to provide a term time Giraffes Club (ages 8-12 years) in John O'Gaunts. Sessions will support the development of social skills, self confidence and help reduce health inequalities in children.

5.0 Table of Finance

5.1

Outer South Combined	
DAZL	8,000
LCC Sports Development	3,500
VCFS Training Package*	1,000
Total	12,500
<i>Total Per Ward</i>	<i>3,125</i>

* Child Protection, First Aid etc

Morley North	
<i>Combined Activities</i>	<i>3,125</i>
LCC Breeze	1,250
LCC Youth Service	1,000
Drighlington ARLFC Summer Camps	3,000
Sports Lewisham Park	250
	8,625

Morley South	
<i>Combined Activities</i>	<i>3,125</i>
LCC Breeze	1,250
Youth Service	1,500
Extended Services	2,500
	8,375

Ardsley & RH	
<i>Combined Activities</i>	<i>3,125</i>
Youth Service	2,500
ES Cluster EASTER activities	500
Extended Services	2,500
	8,625

Rothwell	
<i>Combined Activities</i>	<i>3,125</i>
LCC Breeze	1,500
Youth Service	1,500
Extended Services	2,000
Children's Project	1,250
	9,375

6.0 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

6.1 There are no implications for Council Policy and Governance.

7.0 Legal and Resource Implications

7.1 There are no legal implications as a result of this report

7.2 The Area Committee's Revenue Well Being Budget for 2009 /10 has £35,000 ringfenced to support the outlined programme of activities. The project funding is subject to annual Executive Board approval of the delegated Well being Budget for 2009/10.

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 **A Strong Programme of Activities** has been developed with approximately 4000 Children and Young People engaged during the annual programme's 2009/10 duration. The programme encompasses a broad range of activities that addresses need, all age ranges and demonstrates a level of equity across the Outer South wards.

8.2 **Match Funding** that partners plan on leveraging in to following the initial support from the Outer South Area Committee of £35,000 is approximately £110,000 which will deliver a greater programme of activities than would have been delivered solely with Member support.

8.3 **Stronger Links with Partners** have been developed as a result of the working group. Partners have voiced their appreciation of the process and this level of coordination to successfully achieve the programme of activities. This enthusiasm is now focusing on achieving a robust monitoring system that will form the basis of an evaluation report to a future Area Committee meeting.

8.4 **Support and developing capacity within community groups** was an aim for the partnership at the start of this process. Voluntary and community sector proposals are being support through the funding allocation. Significantly, partners and the Priority Neighbourhood Worker highlighted a need to support training courses for community groups that then enables them to deliver activities for their community themselves e.g. First Aid Training, Food Hygiene and Child Protection Policy. The partnership responded with an allocation to support a training programme across the Outer South.

8.5 Members are asked to consider how to continue to support and develop this partnership and may wish to nominate the Outer South Area Committee Thematic Lead for Children and Young People to join the working group to support forward planning for 2010/11.

9.0 Recommendations

9.1 Members are asked to:

- a) note contents of the report
- b) agree that the Outer South Area Committee Thematic Lead for Children and Young people joins the working group.
- c) agree to receive a monitoring and evaluation report to a future meeting.

Background Papers

- Activities for Children and Young People 2009/10 October 2008