

Area Committee Charter Achievements from 2008/2009

- We set up a partnership project with the probation service, funded through the Area Committee to enable the Community Payback Scheme to provide services including clean up's, hedge trimming and painting in the Inner North East. The scheme will continue in 2009/10 with groups being able identify environmental work and make a referral.
- We delivered improvements to the Mandela Community Centre on Chapel Town Road including internal painting to the building, new furniture and equipment. New lighting and roof were installed as part of the project also.
- Improvements to Oakwood village centre including new parking bays and improvements to existing space were delivered in 2008/2009. The scheme also included a new pedestrian crossing, lighting columns and tree planting.
- Through a Healthy Living Grant various activities were delivered to residents in and around the Beckhill Estate during the year including a fun day in April 2009. The Beckhill Implementation Group (BIG) won an award for effective partnership from NHS Leeds for this work.
- Throughout the year 500 people attended events that were held across the area to have their say and shape the priorities and activities for the future. An annual cycle of events is now in place to ensure that all residents can be included in what they want to see improved in the Inner North East. Please see the events planner in this document to get involved.

Area Committee Pledges for Community Charters 2009/2010

Leeds Strategic Plan Theme	Area Committee Pledges 2009/10
<p>Culture</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide further improvements at the Mandela Community Centre including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase services provided from centre. • Support and develop the Young People’s Steering group giving them their own identity. • Improve facilities and condition of parks and open spaces with projects at Stonegate Playing Fields (Moortown) and The Bumps at Roundhay Park. • Increase the use of Palace Community Centre and usage of space within the centre by arts groups.
<p>Enterprise and Economy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support residents through the economic downturn in developing skills and training for employment by delivering job shop days in our neighbourhoods. • Further investment and implementation of the Chapeltown Heritage Initiative, a scheme to improve the historical centre of the area on Chapeltown Road, restore buildings and the Victorian splendour in the area. • To make key local shopping areas more attractive through the delivery of a festive lights programme.
<p>Learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will make sure that there is a full programme of learning activities for all residents in the community and that gaps in provision are filled. • We will deliver study support schemes for young people in the area and further develop the schemes in place at the Mandela and Palace.

Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local schemes that encourage greater use of bicycles in neighbourhoods.
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support communities in the Inner North East to improve allotment sites and create new spaces where people want and there is a need and help to promote 'grow your own' initiatives. • We will use the Community Pay Back scheme to make sure that offenders do work in the community that improves the environment of the area for residents, with projects being identified by you. • Deliver programme of multi-agency crime and grime operations across the area, to provide cleaner and safer neighbourhoods for you.
Health and well being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve sports and leisure facilities across the area and deliver activities across the area throughout the year. • Support events focussing on older peoples well-being and independence including setting up a slipper exchange event, to which older people in the community are invited. At the event, they are presented with a pair of new, properly fitting slippers in exchange for their old pair. This helps ensure that old, worn-out slippers are no longer being used, therefore reducing the risk of falling from wearing "sloppy slippers".
Thriving Places	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with organisations providing activities in the area to provide more activities for young people. • Deliver actions with the Neighbourhood Policing Teams to focus on under age drinking, working with licensed premises to reduce sales to young people. • Invest in physical measures to help reduce crime such as fences and ginnel gating. • Deliver 3 events in each ward over the year so that people can be more involved in making decisions about the area they live in and influence priorities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local community and voluntary groups activity through Well Being Funding and monies from other available sources.
<p>Harmonious Communities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and promote more Neighbourhood Watch schemes. • Deliver new and support existing community events such as galas and festivals in the area. • Provide support to local neighbourhood partnerships to help them narrow the gap and address inequalities through activities and projects including the Beckhill Implementation Group (BIG) Impact (in Chapeltown) and Moor Allerton Partnership (MAP). • Work with local residents to develop the greenspace to the rear of the new Chapeltown centre to provide a community space there. • Develop 'in bloom' projects with local community groups and create 'Friends of' groups where there is a need. • Increase community access to school facilities out of school times.