



Report of the West North West Leeds Area Manager

Report to: North West (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 2nd July 2009

Subject: Inner North West Area Delivery Plan 2008 – 2011

Electoral Wards Affected:

ALL



Ward Members consulted
(Referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity



Community Cohesion



Narrowing the Gap



Council
Function

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In



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

Executive Summary

The report informs Members of the proposed content and format of the Area Delivery Plan (ADP) for 2009-10.

Members are asked to approve the draft plan attached (Appendix 1), and agree whether they wish to continue with the current list of members of the Area Committee who act as "Champions" for the partnership themes.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 The report seeks to inform Members of the proposed updates to the content and format of the Area Delivery Plan (ADP) for 2008-2011. Members are asked to comment upon and approve the content of the draft updated plan.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 The 'Corporate Planning Framework – A One Council Approach' September 2007 states that ADPs would set out how an area contributes to achieving strategic outcomes and improvement priorities set out in the Leeds Strategic Plan and the Thematic Priority Plans.

2.3 At the Inner North West Area Committee meeting in July last year, the ADP for 2008-2011 was approved. The plan contained 87 actions against the following LSP themes, with Area Committee theme champions supporting each one.

- Culture Cllr Monaghan
- Enterprise and Economy Cllr Yeadon
- Learning and Young People Cllr Ewens
- Environment Cllr Matthews
- Transport Cllr Chastney
- Health and Wellbeing Cllr Chapman
- Thriving Neighbourhoods Cllr Bentley
- Stronger Communities Cllr Hamilton

2.4 The above Members are asked to confirm whether they would wish to continue in their role as theme champions for the ADP.

3.0 Progress to date

3.1 The Area Committee supports a number of sub groups to co-ordinate the delivery of the ADP actions. These include; Environment, Children & Young People, Transport, Community Safety and Planning.

3.2 In 2008/09, progress had been made against 77% of actions in the ADP, a number of which received funding through the Area Committee's Wellbeing fund.

3.3 A number of actions within the plan were not progressed for a variety of reasons, including lack of resources, competing service priorities or a need for a longer term approach.

3.4 In February this year, theme champions and service managers were invited to review the current ADP and put forward suggestions to update and revise the plan to meet current conditions and strategic priorities. Many service partners expressed concern that some actions within their theme were high level capital projects that did not already feature in the Council's forward plan. Without identified funding and service buy-in, some of these longer term issues may not be appropriate for a three year ADP. Other actions within the ADP were closely aligned to services on which the Area Committee or its sub groups would have little influence, for example, the timing of assessments for looked after children.

3.5 In March and April, the Area Management Team held a 'Your Community, Your Priorities' consultation event in each ward. The purpose of the events was to raise the profile of the Area Delivery Plan and seek residents' views on how the plan addresses local priorities. A total of 136 residents attended these events, with Hyde Park and Woodhouse attracting the most participation. Supporting local businesses, improving greenspaces and engaging young people were highlighted as key priorities across all wards.

4.0 Updating the Area Delivery Plan

- 4.1 Following an audit of actions in the 2008/09 plan, and considering the feedback from stakeholder and public consultation, a number of changes are proposed to the ADP for 2009/10.
- 4.2 The 2009/10 draft ADP at Appendix 1 remains linked to the eight LSP themes. The criteria for actions included in the plan is that they should be deliverable, resourced and supported by the responsible service.
- 4.3 The 09/10 plan has aimed to “add value” to partners existing work, and to try and reduce the number of city wide initiatives that have previously appeared (although relevant), and replace with area specific initiatives.
- 4.4 A number of new actions are included in the plan to reflect the challenges of the current economic climate including, support for people seeking work and improved skills training in priority neighbourhoods.

5.0 Implications For Council Policy and Governance

- 5.1 Members have been consulted and involved in the process of collecting information for the Area Delivery Plan.
- 5.2 The Area Management Team and its partners will be responsible for driving forward the delivery of the ADP.

6.0 Legal and Resource Implications

- 6.1 There are no specific legal implications, however resource implications will be accommodated through a combination of the Well-being budget, the Area Management Team and its partners.

7.0 Conclusions

- 7.1 Good progress has been made against a majority of the actions in the 2008-11 Area Delivery Plan. Consultation with Elected Members, service partners and local residents identified a number of key priorities for the coming year. Acknowledging the current economic constraints on statutory and voluntary sector services, it is proposed that the Area Delivery Plan for 2009-10 be amended to focus on actions that are deliverable, resourced and supported by the service delivery organisation.
- 7.2 The 2009/12 Area Delivery Plan is a live document and will continue to be updated throughout the year. Further input is required from a small number of key partners including Children’s Services, Youth Services and the PCT.
- 7.3 Further work is required to agree performance indicators and baseline data for the actions in the Area Delivery Plan. Area Management Team will consult with service delivery partners to secure their input.
- 7.4 A report will be brought to the September Area Committee that includes the results of further consultation with partners and sets out the strategic context and vision of the Area Deliver Plan.

8.0 Recommendations

8.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

- a) comment upon and agree the contents of the draft Area Delivery Plan
- b) agree which Member of the Area Committee will act as “Champion” for each partnership theme.

Background Papers: None