

## REPORT AGAINST 33 PROMISES CONTAINED IN THE COMMUNITY CHARTER 2009-10

<b>Inner East 2009-10</b>			<b>APPENDIX A</b>
<b>Theme</b>	<b>Promise</b>	<b>Progress against action</b>	<b>Concerns to highlight/traffic light</b>
Things to do	<p>1. Deliver a sports programme at Fearnville Leisure Centre, Thomas Danby College and a variety of venues; including two summer football camps, street athletics and a family sports day at Primrose High School.</p>	<p>A comprehensive programme of sports taster sessions were organised in collaboration with Sports Development, attended by children and young people from across the area.</p> <p>Street Athletics is a part of a national initiative to encourage a greater participation in sports and developing healthy lifestyles.</p> <p>Primrose family sports day was commissioned from extended services. It was very successful and attended by great many local children and parents.</p>	<p>The sport element formed a substantial part of the additional summer activities procured from the Youth Services at a cost of £5,000 per ward.</p>
Things to do	<p>2. Encourage local talent through community radio, webcasting, community events and youth arts festival.</p>	<p>Work ongoing in collaboration with East Leeds FM providing media based activities, live broadcasting and support to all summer and community events. Radio Fever is providing similar opportunities to residents from South Asian backgrounds.</p>	

		Work in co-operation with Find Your Talent is making an impact in Killingbeck and Seacroft resulted in an arts festival.	
Things to do	3. Provide a summer mobile play scheme for children in Seacroft.	Feel Good Factor were commissioned to provide 3 weeks summer open play activity from Rein park.	
Things to do	4. Provide activities designed better to involve girls and young women in Gipton and Harehills.	Women's health Matters were commissioned to deliver a programme of confidence boosting and practical healthy activities to girls between the ages of 11 - 16 in a community setting.	
Things to do	5. Extra summer activities for young people across all neighbourhoods.	A full summer programme was delivered by extended services, youth services (£5k in each ward) and voluntary sector organisations. This was a subject of a full report submitted to the Area Committee in September.	
Things to do	6. Hold community events across the area such as Gipton and Seacroft Galas, Celebrating Harehills and the new "Lark in the Park".	<p>The summer galas were a great success in Gipton and Seacroft; a full report went to the Area Committee in September.</p> <p>Lark in the Park was successfully re-arranged and took place on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2009 in East End Park from 11:00am to 3:00pm. The day was hugely successful, with everyone enjoying traditional games, Breeze inflatables,</p>	<p>The Harehills event did not go according to plan. It was to coincide with the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Shine.</p> <p>Planning of a new Harehills Festival has already started to remedy the situation for</p>

		climbing wall, information and advice stalls, bric-a-brac stalls, a healthy picnic and was helped along by the glorious sunshine.	next summer.
Clean & Green	7. Improve and maintain the cleanliness and condition of our neighbourhoods by funding other services to work across the area to meet community needs.	<p>Funding has been approved for Environment Action Team and additional neighbourhood warden services.</p> <p>Environment is an ongoing part of the tasking agenda.</p> <p>A new recycling facility has been approved by the Area Committee at Cromwell Heights and Naseby Grange.</p>	
Clean & Green	8. Refurbish and improve facilities in our local parks and playgrounds including Gipton Square and Oak Tree Drive.	<p>There is a close co-operation with colleagues from Parks and Countryside and Regeneration team. This has resulted in a systematic review and upgrading of Inner East play and green space facilities.</p> <p>Both Gipton Square (refurbishment of existing play park) and Oak Tree Drive (new facility) have been supported by the Area Committee funds.</p> <p>Richmond Hill and Ivy Street public open spaces will be refurbished with Area Committee's assistance.</p> <p>Harehills Park playground will be re-sited and improved using Playbuilders funding.</p>	<p>Plans are being drawn up to invest in Seacroft Gardens and the Rein.</p> <p>Further discussion is in place to upgrade Banstead Park to achieve a green flag status.</p> <p>Plans are in place to invest in the Wyke Beck Valley, although it may have to be done incrementally, as funds become available.</p>

Clean & Green	9. Organise special action days and community clean-ups to target "grot spots" and support residents in keeping their neighbourhoods clean and tidy.	Throughout the year 6 weekly operation champion/ action days are held. Focus of these alternates between crime and grime, incl. environmental crime.  Wardens and housing staff conduct environmental audit and issue Waste in Garden letters, supported by environmental enforcement colleagues.	Resident groups are encouraged to take care of their neighbourhoods and the use of small grants to enhance the environment is promoted. However, a more systematic work in this area can only happen in co-operation with housing colleagues.
Clean & Green	10. Provide a community Payback Team with Probation Services to undertake community clean-ups, hedge trimming, painting and decorating of community facilities, etc.	Probation service Community Payback scheme provides free labour to address problems identified through tasking and community and voluntary organisations with great success. So far, the team has completed 45 jobs across the area.  Most recently, Alston Lane CC has been decorated.	
The Local Economy	11. Encourage the business sector to provide professional advice and assistance to our local community organisations to support their development.	Partnerships between business and voluntary sector have been established, the aim of which is to provide professional services to voluntary sector. Following relationships have been established: for CASAC – a recruitment of a board member from Yorkshire Bank; for Leeds Gate – a business mentor from LCC has been found. A Jobs and Skills Market in partnership with East Area Management, Shine, Learning Partnerships, Jobs and Skills and Leeds City	Further partnerships are being negotiated: Board members for Shantona and Leeds Gate, survey advice for Canopy, and space management for RETAS.

		<p>College (Thomas Danby) took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009 at Shine. The Jobs and Skills Market provided information and advice through various organisations and agencies for attending residents. Area Management Team had a significant input consulting and information sharing.</p> <p>Involvement with local business ensures their participation in local consultation events.</p>	
The Local Economy	12. Invest in community projects. For example, help set up a community greengrocer scheme.	<p>Financial support was given to a community greengrocer project run from the Richmond Hill CC to allow it to continue its work.</p> <p>Harehills Youth in Partnership were assisted in developing a contract with a primary school to provide a "Climb in Education" scheme for key stage 2 children to improve their academic achievements.</p> <p>Streetwork Soccer were enabled to develop a contract with Leeds PCT to deliver physical exercise to children in primary school setting.</p>	This range of Area Management work aims to assist voluntary sector organisations to become self sufficient and less reliant on grant funding.
The Local Economy	13. Deliver a "World of Work" scheme in six local primary schools; where volunteers from local businesses	Leeds Ahead have been contracted to provide "World of Work" days in primary schools. So far, this activity has been delivered in All Saints, Richmond Hill and Cross Gates primary schools.	"World of Work" days are being arranged further in St. Augustine's, Seacroft Grange and Brownhill primary schools.

	will work with young children to explore what it is like to work and why it is good to have a job.		
Learning for All	14.Tackle truancy on the streets and in other public areas through a dedicated Truancy Watch Team.	Safer Stronger Community Fund and Wellbeing budget have combined to extend the truancy project throughout the Inner East Leeds. A joint team of truancy and police officers patrol the area, take truanting children back home or to school and work with families to address the problem.	
Learning for All	15.Deliver out of school activities for children to help them achieve better results in school.	Continuation of "Climb in Education" project being delivered at Harehills Primary School.  "Mad Science" summer programme was supported by a small grant and delivered from St. Richard's church hall.  Activities delivered through Youth Services and extended services as part of an ongoing programme.  A "Saturday Night" project has been established in Fearnville Sports Centre, providing additional leisure, educational and life style changing activity for children and young people between the ages of 8-14. Some funding has been made available from SSCF.	

Learning for All	16. Provide courses, activities and advice for young people not in education, employment and training.	<p>Additional activities commissioned mainly through Youth Services.</p> <p>Close co-operation in tasking teams resulted in extra outreach work with young people causing anti-social behaviour.</p>	
Safe Neighbourhoods	17. Introduce a selective licensing scheme to improve the quality of rented accommodation.	The scheme was implemented in October in Cross Green/East End Park.	
Safe Neighbourhoods	18. Tackle local crime and ASB priorities identified by residents through public Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings, held every four weeks.	<p>PACT findings and comments from residents obtained through Ward Members are being fed through and tackled by tasking. Community consultation events allow members of the public to identify particular hot spots on maps of their area and are a particularly popular way of information gathering.</p> <p>PCSO's have been given mobile phones dedicated to race hate incidents to enable them to respond promptly.</p> <p>Local shops throughout the area suspected of selling alcohol to minors have been targeted.</p> <p>In September, the Area Committee approved the purchase of 8 memocams for Gipton and Harehills ward to be added to the ones already in use in Seacroft. They</p>	

		<p>will provide an additional capacity in detection of repeat and hate crime as well as burglary.</p> <p>Negotiations are taking place to reprioritise of new lighting installation in high crime areas.</p>	
Safe Neighbourhoods	<p>19.Introduce local schemes which will allow police to break up public gatherings of young people where residents feel intimidated and ban the drinking of alcohol in the streets where this is leading to anti-social behaviour.</p>	<p>Exclusion orders have been in place in Burmantofts / Richmond Hill, Gipton and one is planned for Seacroft.</p> <p>Agencies are working together not only to disperse groups of potentially troublesome young people, but also to signpost them to additional activities available to them. Extra outreach youth work has been commissioned through tasking in Gipton and a pod has been moved to Harehills Park from Banstead Park, to respond to changing needs. Youth activities will commence from there shortly. PSCO's and housing staff signpost young people to organised activities.</p>	
Safe Neighbourhoods	<p>20.Put the safety of children living in our area at the centre of how local services work together.</p>	<p>Detailed police intelligence is provided for tasking meetings. This is due to the development and adoption of an information sharing protocol among participating agencies. It allows partner organisations respond in both, supportive and punitive manner.</p>	<p>Establishment of the preventative tasking will better address this issue in the future. It will be piloted in Gipton and eventually developed throughout the area.</p>



		<p>Theatre in Education was commissioned to explore issues around domestic violence in our primary schools and Women's Health Matters are also delivering domestic violence work alongside Gipsil.</p> <p>As a result of the work of Gipton cohesion pilot, from September 2009 five out of six primary schools in the area agreed to work towards Stephen Lawrence standard.</p>	<p>The purpose is to ensure mainstream resources are targeted as efficiently and effectively as possible at identified residents/households to prevent them becoming the subject of enforcement, being victims of crime, ASB, abuse or having avoidable health problems.</p>
Safe Neighbourhoods	<p>21. Make improvements to our streets and open spaces to make crime more difficult to commit. Such as improved lighting, fencing and gating of "escape routes" and cutting back of overgrown bushes, etc.</p>	<p>An alleygating programme includes sites in Bk Cross Green Crescent, Bk Hovingham Grove, Bk Dorset Road, Bk Hovingham Mount and Terrace.</p> <p>New fencing and/or bollards have been installed on Brander Drive/ South Farm Rd, Dawlish Rd.</p>	
Safe Neighbourhoods	<p>22. Help residents to protect their homes by providing property marking kits and trembler alarms for those who feel most at</p>	<p>Smart water initiatives have been carried out in response to police intelligence. Trembler alarms were given out to community and resident groups and at community events/ forums. Personal safety leaflets were handed out in robbery hot spots around Banstead Park,</p>	<p>Levels of crime in Inner East Leeds remain high. Burglaries are a particular problem, especially in Gipton and Harehills. Tasking partners are aware of the</p>

	risk.	Harehills Corner and Ford Green.  Sneak in burglary DVD's were distributed to ALMO and One Stop Shops.	situation and additional action is taken to remedy the situation.
Community Life	23.Organise galas and provide support to other events that bring community together such as school and church fairs.	Organised and/or supported – Gipton and Seacroft galas, Lark in the Park, Big Lunch, family fun days and sports days, Aston Lane CC open day, youth arts festival, Jobs and Skills Market.	
Community Life	24.Deliver at least three events in each ward over the year so that people can be more involved in making decisions about the area they live in, get to meet local services and influence what is in next year's charter.	Burmantofts and Richmond Hill ward continue to have evening meeting style forums.  Gipton has had two new style consultative events. Seacroft and Harehills moved to the new style in the Autumn and both, held one event each.  "Plan It Harehills" event took place on 30.9.09. Attended by 70 families, the event proved successful in attracting people not normally seen at the old style Harehills Forum. Issues of crime and grime as well as other concerns expressed by the members of the public have been discussed with tasking partners and addressed by them.  "Plan It Seacroft" event took place on	A review of community engagement in Burmantofts and Richmond Hill ward is being carried out by re'new whose brief includes organisation of forum meetings.

		<p>11.11.09 and was attended by around 100 residents. It was well received and produced a wealth of information currently being analysed.</p> <p>A Spring round of events is currently being planned to take place in early March.</p> <p>Gipton Square and East End Park consultation took place to allow local residents a say in the development of new/improved facilities.</p> <p>The third annual INM residents' satisfaction survey is being prepared at the moment.</p> <p>Ivy Street and Oak Tree Drive public consultation to gain public views on future developments is being planned.</p>	
Community Life	25. Provide support to local community and voluntary groups through our local budget and use of Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) monies.	<p>£12,000 has been set aside from the wellbeing budget to fund small grants to the voluntary and community sector. Grants exceeding £9,000 have been awarded and there are no concerns about reaching the target by the end of the financial year.</p> <p>So far, POCA funded projects to the value of £9,792.</p>	There remains £7,008 in the POCA budget. The availability of the grant is being promoted through consultation events and voluntary and community groups. A concerted effort to publicise the scheme is needed.
Community	26. Expand our resident	Residents' networks exist in the INM areas	The Plan It Harehills

Life	networks and ways that we communicate so that more people are provided with updates on what is happening locally and able to offer their views and ideas.	and the numbers are increasing with each public event held.	event has not identified any great interest in setting up a residents' network. Ethnic minority populations can be reached through Radio Fever and we are working closely with our housing associations and ALMO colleagues to reach as many people as possible. The Tasking Team will need to consider the best method in the current climate.
Community Life	27. Make improvements to our community centres so that they can be better used for community activities	<p>User groups have been established in Alston Lane and Kentmere CC's. Initial meetings have been held in Henry Barran to set up one there.</p> <p>Alston Lane centre has been given a facelift and a new kitchen. A new children's play scheme is being delivered from there.</p> <p>Kentmere CC has been improved, with redecoration pending.</p> <p>Both, the Pakistani and Bangladeshi CC's have been successfully moved into community ownership/management. Area Management remains involved in supporting the new organisations to</p>	<p>The CC Working Group is currently working on adjustments to the pricing policy to bring all 3 East North East areas into line.</p> <p>The Muslim Cultural Society are being assisted to bring into use the old Tradex building. It is hoped that its use will significantly improve facilities available in Harehills.</p> <p>Work is underway to find</p>

		<p>manage the facilities.</p> <p>A Community Drop-in was held at Richmond Hill Community Centre to display plans and give information on the proposed building plans for the centre. The Drop-in was attended by over 40 people which included local user groups and residents, who supported the plans. Planning permission is currently being sought and design finalised.</p> <p>Work to upgrade the Ebor Garden CC has started.</p>	<p>alternative venues for groups currently using Harehills Place. The building has been judged to be unsafe and will be closed down.</p>
<p>Healthy Living</p>	<p>28.Support people to live healthier lifestyles by improving local facilities and providing more activities for all age groups to access.</p>	<p>Two specific lifestyle projects have been commissioned from the Wellbeing budget. Mind, Body and Soul are running two 30 week healthy living programmes from September 09 to July 09 in Gipton and in Seacroft. They provide a holistic approach to changing the participant's life for the better, looking at smoking, healthy eating, emotional health, confidence, etc.</p> <p>A lot of additional sporting opportunities have been developed and delivered by Sports Development, extended and youth services and voluntary sector partners.</p> <p>Healthy eating courses delivered – one, for parents at St Peters Primary school, LS9 and a second started at Nowell Mount</p>	

		Community centre.	
Healthy Living	29.Improve local allotments to encourage greater use for growing healthy foods.	Work with Red Road Allotments Association has resulted in the improvement of parking facilities at the allotment and in October, the Area Committee agreed to fund an extension to the allotment.	At the moment Red Road allotments are the only ones to benefit from Area Management team's support.
Healthy Living	30.Deliver social opportunities and support networks for older people living in our area to help them live healthy, happy and independent lives including support for local good neighbour schemes and Richmond Hill Elderly Action.	Falls prevention campaign has been organised in co-operation with Leeds PCT where older people were given information packs and practical assistance to limit danger of falls.  In order to promote gentle exercise for elderly and disabled people who may not otherwise be active 12 new instructors completed training via PCT, and graduated in September. Initial voluntary sessions are set up in care homes	At the moment, older people's networks are not universally engaged.
Getting Around	31.Deliver local schemes and initiatives to help make roads safer in our neighbourhoods, including parking improvements, road resurfacing and traffic calming.	Parking schemes in Malham Close, Fearnville Close, Asket Avenue, Monkswood Raise – completed.  Difficult parking conditions around St. James Hospital are finally getting addressed by introduction of a residents' parking scheme. Public consultation details are being worked out.	Skelwith Walk, an unadopted road, subject to periodical flooding and other difficulties is being addressed. The outcome will depend on the cost of the scheme.

Getting Around	32. Make further improvements to the Wykebeck Way as a safe and attractive walking and cycling route through the heart of our area.	A pot of funding is being put together to implement major improvements. LCC is working in partnership with BTCV and Leeds Ahead, among others. £350,000 bid to Access to Nature has been successful at stage 1. Stage 2 application is expected to be submitted in December 2009.	
Getting Around	33. Expand the number of walking buses in our area helping children get safely to school.		This initiative remains to be developed with extended services.