



Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 4th December 2006

Subject: Area Committee Forums - Feedback

Electoral Wards Affected:

Chapel Allerton
Moortown
Roundhay

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

This report updates the Area Committee on the feedback from the consultative forums held in the North East inner area.

Background Information

1. At the Area Committee meeting in September 2004, Members agreed a set of forum arrangements for the Inner North East Area. The purpose of the forums is to consult with local residents on area priorities and to identify and discuss local issues.
2. The Area Committee is requested to consider the feedback given, and through the Area Management Team, identify projects and service improvements that can be targeted to meet local needs.
3. Since the last Area Committee meeting, there have been two consultative forums – Roundhay Talbots on 26th October and Chapel Allerton Village on 8th November.

Feedback from the forum

4. Feedback from the forums is attached in appendix one.

Recommendations

6. The Area Committee is requested to note the contents of this report.

Chapel Allerton Village Forum

Wednesday 8th November 2006

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Policing Issues
- Yorkshire Bank Site
- Parks & Countryside
- Chapel Allerton Arts Festival

FEEDBACK FROM THE MEETING

Policing Issues:

Inspector Andrew Briggs informed that there has been an increase in burglary dwelling, motor vehicle, damage to property and anti social behaviour in the area, but the figures are a lot less compared to some other areas. Several youths have been arrested and the CCTV van has been making regular visits to the area.

Inspector Briggs also informed that no shopkeepers in the area have been found to be selling alcohol or fireworks to underage young people, through a joint operation with West Yorkshire Trading Standards. There have been some prosecutions in other parts of inner north east.

Yorkshire Bank Site

Architect Richard Lockey and Chris York the owner of Associated Tower Cinemas attended the meeting, a plan for the site was on display, and the meeting was informed that the developer is proposing to provide shops, offices and living accommodation on the site with 350 parking spaces, 300 in the basement and 50 on the ground level.

It was agreed that representatives of Planning, Highways and Streetscene will be invited to a future meeting to address the issues arising out of the proposed development.

Parks & Countryside – Chapel Allerton in Bloom

Richard Gill from Parks & Countryside informed that there are 31 in bloom groups in Leeds, groups are formed including residents, councillors and council departments. The groups can enter competitions to improve their profile. The groups can also apply for grants.

RG offered to provide further information and support if the Chapel Allerton residents agree to form a formal group.

Chapel Allerton Arts Festival

Steven Hunter informed that the festival number 9 was very successful, 20/25 people are normally involved in organising the event, a total of £20,000 is the normal cost out of which 35% was from the money put into the bucket at the event, £6000 was from organising the stalls, £4,000 sponsorships and the rest was from mice money and grant money form North East (Inner) Area Committee.

£4,000 was paid to performers, £11,000 for organising the event, £3,000 Licence and £2,000 for posters and flyers.

Plan for the next year is to provide an even better event, more community involvement and re-introduction of some events in the evening.

All feedback and advice is welcome and anyone, who have time and wants to get involved is welcome.

Roundhay Ward – Talbot Area Forum

Thursday 26th October 2006

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Policing Issues**
- **Street Scene**
- **Parks & Countryside**

FEEDBACK FROM THE MEETING

Policing Issue:

PC Dave Brooke provided crime figures for the last six months, stating that there is a marked improvement from last year, he also praised the local residents for being active and working alongside the police to bring about the change.

DB informed the meeting that the Chapeltown Police Station has been re-named to Stainbeck Police Station.

Cllr Lobley informed the meeting about the Open Door Project on Lidgett Lane which opens Mon – Friday from 1:00.a.m. – 4:00.p.m. and Saturday from 10:00.a.m – 2:00.p.m

The meeting was also informed that a number of organisations operate from this base, making available a number of activities including youth provision in the evenings and Cllr surgeries.

Surgery times are as follows;

- Moortown Cllrs - every 3rd Wednesday of the month.
- Roundhay Cllrs – every 2nd Monday of the month.

A number of residents raised the issue of anti social behaviour issues in the area. DB asked the residents to contact their local Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Richard Chaplin for non emergency issues on 0113 241 3270.

Street Scene:

Ian Barker outlined the services provided by the streetscene services and also addressed a number of queries raised by the residents present at the meeting.

Replying to queries regarding trade waste and graffiti nuisance, IB stated that all trade premises are required by law to contain their refuse. IB also stated that streetscene services have a dedicated graffiti team to deal with the graffiti nuisance.

IB agreed to investigate the trade waste issue and also to contact the graffiti team to look into the graffiti nuisance mentioned by the residents.

On the issue of late collection, IB explained that in some areas (due to residents putting gardening waste or extra waste in the bins) the lorries get full quicker, which means They have to make more than usual journey's to collect the waste, resulting in late collection from some streets.

IB to look into the complaints of non collection from some streets.

IB informed that all old brown bins will be withdrawn and replaced with black bins for the household waste and new brown bins will be issued for the garden waste.

The meeting was also informed that a new hand held equipment to will be in operation in near future to pick up leaves and other waste form the streets.

Any one wanting to contact Ian Barker regarding a streetscene issue can contact him on 0113247 6699.

Parks & Countryside

Simon Frosdick from Council's Parks & Countryside section attended the meeting to provide the feedback on removal of playground from Talbot Fold.

SD displayed a map, showing the proposed new plan for the site and stated that local residents will have up to end of November to come up with any comments on the proposals.