



Report of the South East Area Manager

East (Outer) Area Committee

Date: 9th February 2010

Subject: Area Delivery Plan 2008-11

Electoral Wards Affected:
All Outer East Wards

Ward members consulted
(referred to in this 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

This report presents Area Committee with an update on outcomes and outputs delivered this year from its Area Delivery Plan 2008-11. This update is intended to ensure that priorities and actions meet with current local needs. It explains the context for the plan including its links to the Leeds Strategic Plan and actions planned relating to responsibilities delegated to Area Committee by the Executive Board, both around Council functions and partnership working.

Purpose of this report

1. This report updates Area Committee on the Area Delivery Plan 2008-11.
2. It explains the context for the plan including its links to the Leeds Strategic Plan and actions planned relating to responsibilities delegated to Area Committee by the Executive Board, both around Council functions and partnership working.
3. The report presents the Outer East area priorities around which the work of the Area Management Team has focused in 2009/10 on behalf of the Area Committee.

Background

4. The Leeds Strategic Plan (LSP) sets out the Council's priorities for Leeds for the next three years and what the Council will do itself and in partnership with others to deliver these priorities.
5. The Leeds Strategic Plan brings together the themes in the existing Vision for Leeds, Local Area Agreement and Regeneration Plan, to provide an integrated framework geared to tackling neighbourhood needs and priorities. The Area Delivery Plan 2008-11 was agreed by the Area Committee in July 2008; this plan was refreshed and approved by Area Committee in July 2009 as part of an annual review to ensure that priorities and actions met with current needs.
6. The refresh of the plan had been undertaken with service managers and partners who had put forward suggestions to update and revise the plan to meet current conditions and strategic priorities. The 2009/10 plan translates the city-wide local improvement priorities in the Leeds Strategic Plan to specific priorities relevant to the Outer East.
7. The attached Area Delivery Plan provides details of work progressed against the priorities in 2009/10.

Delegated functions

8. From May 2008 there has been an increase in the range and number of service and function responsibilities the Area Committee now have which include:
 - Community engagement and facilities
 - Community safety
 - Environment (e.g. green and open spaces, Streetscene, environmental action teams)
 - Children and young people (e.g. youth services)
 - Adult social care and healthier communities
 - Regeneration and development including neighbourhood management coordination and management of Safer Stronger Communities Funds monies to support an Intensive Neighbourhood Management approach)
9. The ADP reflects these additional responsibilities presented within the themes of the Strategic Plan. It includes priorities the Area Committee wanted to progress relating

to these responsibilities, including priorities that have been assisted in achievement through the Well Being Fund and Area Committee capital budget.

Area Partnerships and developing local actions

10. The Area Delivery Plan is the local expression of the Leeds Strategic Plan and therefore it will be a partnership document, and partners are involved in putting it together. This is a development from previous ADPs which have concentrated primarily on local priorities linked to delegated council services which the Area Committee have influence over.
11. It has built on the move away from District Partnerships to thematic based area partnerships set up under the umbrella of the Leeds Initiative, with increasing accountability and direct links to Area Committees.
12. The following is a list of the partnership groups in the east area:
 - North East Divisional Community Safety Partnership
 - Children Leeds East Leadership Team
 - Jobs, Enterprise & Training (JET) Partnership
 - Health & Well Being Partnership
13. The Area Delivery Plan incorporates the 8 strategic themes of the Leeds Strategic Plan with each theme having an Elected Member as its champion. The champions agreed by Area Committee in 2008/9 are listed below.

Theme	Champion
Culture	Cllr Bill Hyde
Enterprise & Economy	Cllr Tom Murray
Learning	Cllr Tom Murray
Transport	Cllr Mick Lyons
Environment	Cllr Keith Wakefield
Health & Well Being	Cllr Suzi Armitage
Thriving Places	Housing – Cllr Peter Gruen Community Safety- Cllr Mark Dobson
Harmonious Communities	Cllr Pauleen Grahame

14. The Area Management Team will continue to work with members through their individual ward member meetings on further actions they would like to see included in the plan for 2010/11. Where these are ward specific actions, progress will also be reported at ward member meetings.

Community Engagement

15. The Area Committee has a community engagement strategy which is based around a cycle of community forums, a number of ward events and a number of partnership events. The forums and events have created opportunities for local people to influence service planning and ensure that residents are informed of how their views have been listened to and what will be delivered as a result.
16. There are a number of examples of how community engagement has directly led to local people influencing project work being delivered in the Outer East Leeds. Examples of work undertaken by ADP theme are illustrated below.

Culture

Providing new and improved sports and leisure facilities across Outer East - improved and new sports pitches in Whinmoor, Swarcliffe, Methley; new playground in Garforth; plans for new playgrounds in Whinmoor and Halton in 2010.

Enterprise and Economy

Increase the number of vulnerable people helped to live at home - supporting the work of neighbourhood network teams eg supporting the provision of luncheon clubs, help with volunteers, provide a decorating and gardening service for the elderly, plan and deliver an annual events week for older people

Learning

Encourage initiatives to enhance the skill level of the workforce – the worklessness project in Halton Moor and Osmondthorpe is currently providing intensive support to 20 families with 50 individuals supported into employment.

Transport

Support initiatives which enhance the transport system including walking and cycling – provision of new green gateways in the Wykebeck Valley and Halton Moor Nature Zone (scheduled for 2010).

Environment

Ensuring neighbourhoods are clean and well maintained – the Neighbourhood Warden service has been integral to this priority having been involved in numerous community clean up's and operations. Individual schemes include improvements at Hollyshaw Lane (Whitkirk) and Richmond Way (Garforth).

Health and Well Being

Reduce the rate of obesity and increase opportunities for physical activity – summer programme of cricket coaching; full range of activities for young people during school holidays; funding put into new leisure facilities and improvements to facilities eg skate parks, bowling greens etc.

Thriving Places

create safer environments by tackling crime and asb - days of action to combat crime and grime eg operation champion; funding LeedsWatch CCTV and providing CCTV schemes to vulnerable shopping parades, community centres etc; tackling hate crime especially in hot spot areas of Halton Moor and Osmondthorpe.

Harmonious Communities

encourage local community groups to participate in projects in their communities/increase sense of pride in communities - 'in bloom' groups carrying out environmental projects across Outer East; small grants to community groups/ Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) funded projects administered by Area Management; supporting user groups in community centres

Implications for Council Policy and Governance

17. The priorities for the Area Delivery Plan mirror the priorities of the Leeds Strategic Plan. This will enable local interpretations of the priority outcomes for the area to be developed and delivered against. Actions in the plan were formulated based on consultation with key stakeholders in the local area.

Legal and Resource Implications

18. The Well-Being budget delegated by Executive Board is used to finance projects which meet the objectives of the Area Delivery Plan, which links to the delivery of Leeds Strategic Plan outcomes. Members of the Area Committee are keen that wherever possible the use of well-being brings in additional match funding to the area.

Conclusions

19. The Area Delivery Plan working document is attached at the end of this report and sets out the priorities for 2008 - 2011 for Outer East Leeds and reports on actions, progress and outcomes against those priorities.
20. The Area Management Team will support partnerships and local services in this process and continue to champion the role of the Area Committee through the ADP.
21. There are a number of areas where information is still required at the ADP will be updated when this information has been made available.

Recommendations

22. The Area Committee is requested to:
 - a) Raise any questions relating to actions achieved in the ADP during 2009/10
 - b) Agree to start work on the development of priorities and actions for 2010/11.

Background Papers

Area Delivery Plan 2008/11 – July 2008

Area Delivery Plan re-fresh report – 7 July 2009