



Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 5th February 2007

Subject: Area Committee Working Groups update

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 informs Members of the issues raised at the Area Committee Working Groups held since the last meeting of the Area Committee.

Purpose of this report

1. This report provides an update to the Committee on the progress of the Working Groups.
2. The Area Committee established the Working Groups at their meeting on 5th April 2005. The groups have no decision making powers, tabling recommendations for consideration by the Area Committee.
3. The primary roles of the Working Groups are to drive the achievement of actions in the Area Delivery Plan, and scrutinise service areas in order to meet local need.

Feedback from the Working Groups

Community Safety

4. The Area Committee will recall that a decision was taken not to continue with these meetings, as the working group were happy with officers progress in spending the Well-Being Funds and do not wish to scrutinise aspects of community safety at the moment. Updates on progress are dealt with through the Action and Achievements report.

Youth Issues – 8th January 2007

5. The working group heard feedback from the meeting held with John Paxton in December which clarified the delegated function position and sought positive ways to enable Members to get involved with activities. Members were offered the opportunity to shadow Youth Officers for a day. A discussion took place around how priorities were developed – based on intelligence. Members are keen to see young people targeted through schools benefit from Well-Being Funded Youth Service projects.
6. The latest version of the YAG – MAG, produced by the Youth Development Worker was circulated for comments. When finished this will provide details of youth provision across the inner area covering Youth Service, voluntary, community and private sector provision. It was reported that Ian Jones, the Youth Development Worker has taken up a two month secondment in west Leeds and will resume the Youth Development role in March 2007. The latest progress report from Ian Jones is attached as appendix 1.

Well-Being Fund

7. As the Well-Being Fund has been fully allocated for 2006/07 no meeting was held. There will be a working group meeting in advance of the March Area Committee to consider any underspends from 2006/07 and commissioning proposals for 2007/08 Well-Being Fund allocations.

Recommendations

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