

COMMUNITY CHARTER PROMISES 2010-11

Appendix A

Theme	Promise – WE WILL:	Progress against Action	Concerns to Highlight
Things to do	1. Provide more local activities for children and young people during school holidays; including sports, educational, leisure and free play activities in local parks.	Range of activities funded through wellbeing budget during the summer holidays: Reports from CHES and Inner East Cluster attached as Appendix B.	Green
Things to do	2. Showcase local talent through community radio, webcasting, community events and youth arts festival.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Arts Festival took place on 25th September supported by east Leeds FM, East Leeds Youth Theatre, Seacroft Film Factory and others. Harehills Festival took place on 24 July 2010 – a celebratory event attended by about 1500 people from different aspects of the community. 	Green
Things to do	3. Provide additional activities for specific groups: girls and young women, young people not in education, employment or training (NEET), residents with disabilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U Can Shine summer camps held jointly funded through wellbeing monies and the Activities Fund which is for providing sports and arts activities targeted at disadvantaged children and young people from the community. Wellbeing funded awarded to Getaway Girls to work with young women who are refugees and asylum seekers. 	Green
Things to do	4. Increase the community's use of school facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellbeing funding supporting a series of workshops and events in Parklands Girls High School to bring together the school and the local community. 	Green
Clean & Green	5. Improve the cleanliness and condition of our neighbourhoods by taking effective action against fly tipping, graffiti, untidy gardens and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed report from Environmental Services was presented to the October 2010 area committee. 	Green

	other environmental blight.		
Clean & Green	6. Deliver action days and community clean-ups to target “grot spots” and support residents in keeping their neighbourhoods clean and tidy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day of action in Hazelwoods (Ebor Gardens) in conjunction with local schools, churches and partner organisations with over 120 volunteers. Week of action around South Seacroft. 	Green
Clean & Green	7. Improve the quality of open spaces by keeping them free of litter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Days of action, plus enforcement action delivered through EAT, referred to elsewhere in action table. 	Green
Clean & Green	8. Promote recycling and anti-litter campaigns through community events and in schools.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycling Improvement Plan has been agreed. Work with Streetscene is progressing on redesigning of routes and a roll out of green bins. 	Amber
Clean & Green	9. Refurbish and improve facilities in our local parks and playgrounds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EASEL team Access to Nature bid, £391,000, for Wykebeck Valley successful. Work on refurbishment of Harehills Park complete. Improvement of paths and signs in East End Park wellbeing funding approved in 2009/10 work now complete 2010/11. Improvements to land adjacent to Hovingham Primary School undertaken by the local community. 	Green
The Local Economy	10. Support initiatives to boost local economy. Work with voluntary sector organisations to make them less dependent on public grants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compton binyard project - 5 construction trainees have benefited from work experience on the construction site totalling 24 weeks; taking part in demolition, labouring, bricklaying and steel fixing. 2 construction trainees working on the Compton binyards have been employed as full time apprentices by the contractor Taurus Workforce Ltd 	Green
The Local Economy	11. Deliver community projects providing training and new skills for residents; for example, a new bicycle repair scheme.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A bicycle reparation project is being commissioned to provide training and experience of work for young people in danger of becoming involved in anti-social behaviour and/or NEET. 	Green

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In partnership with ENEHL – a community enterprise has been established to provide gardening services to elderly and vulnerable people (The Garden Gang). This will provide supported employment with opportunities to undertake accredited and work-based training in various aspects of garden design, maintenance and horticulture. 	
The Local Economy	12. Deliver a “World of Work” scheme in six local primary schools; where volunteers from a variety of businesses will work with young children to explore what it is like to work and why it is good to have a job.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussions are being held with Leeds Ahead to agree the scheme. 	Amber
Learning for All	13. Provide activities after school hours to help children do homework and improve their educational prospects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through the school clusters a range of after school activities are in place for children and young people. Family support and parenting courses are offered to help parents give support to their children. 	Green
Learning for All	14. Provide learning opportunities for all residents in local venues such as community centres and libraries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Libraries provide job seeker / CV writing sessions when requested and promote financial literacy / numeracy to children and young people via ‘Count Me In’ (partnership with Yorkshire Bank). New mobile library launched on 13 August for children and families. This includes 1500 items for children including popular stories and resources to help with homework. The new mobile service will visit nurseries and children’s centres. 	Green
Learning for All	15. Provide courses, activities and advice for young people not in education, employment or training (NEET).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gipton Preventative Tasking established. Its purpose is to ensure 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 or abuse, or, having avoidable health problems. The aim 	Amber

		<p>is to help households improve their life chances and contribute to a stronger, safer Gipton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The approach will provide a framework for staff on the ground to look collectively at safeguarding issues (for all ages) and residents identified through offender management work. A particular local focus to the initial work of the PTT in Gipton will be to prevent the formation of gangs, reduce infant mortality and reduce the number of residents not in education, employment or training (NEET). • NEET pilot running in South Seacroft involving key partners working together to reduce NEETs, this has included a workshop for frontline staff. Learning from this pilot will inform Preventative Tasking in priority neighbourhoods. 	
Safe Neighbourhoods	16. Reduce burglary by working with the Neighbourhood Policing Teams.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burglary reduction plan in Seacroft ran for 22 weeks from February to July 2010, using wellbeing funding, matched by West Yorkshire Police funding. Full evaluation to follow. • Next phase of burglary reduction targeting will be in Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Ward. The top 25 streets have been identified and this will commence at the end of October. 	Green
Safe Neighbourhoods	17. Work with the Police and local communities to increase awareness of harm from use of drugs, irresponsible consumption of alcohol and domestic violence.	<p>3 events, 1 per ward have taken place during 2010 to raise awareness of domestic violence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gipton & Harehills – Gipton Children’s Centre • Seacroft & Killingbeck Kentmere Community Centre. • Burmantofts & Richmond Hill - Richmond Hill Community Centre 	Green
	18. Tackle crime and anti-social behaviour priorities identified in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of PACT meetings has taken place resulting in some changes to timings and venues. Crime and 	Green

	Police and Communities together meetings.	Grime tasking meetings include an agenda item for issues raised by the public through PACT meetings.	
Safe Neighbourhoods	19. Work with the Police and local residents to put in place crime prevention measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harehills dispersal order ran until December 31. Initial findings indicate that it was effective in reducing Anti-social behaviour. • Burmantofts & Richmond Hill – DPPO in place. • Seacroft dispersal order expired, exit strategy in place through activities at the Dennis Healey Centre. • Gipton Preventative tasking meeting established to look collectively at safeguarding issues (for all ages) and residents identified through offender management work. 	Green
Safe Neighbourhoods	20. Make improvements to our streets and open spaces to make crime more difficult to commit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hovinghams and Dorsets alleygating scheme due to start in February 2011. 	Green
Community Life	21. Involve residents in developing and overseeing improvement plans for the Gipton, Seacroft, Harehills, Burmantofts and Richmond Hill neighbourhoods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood Improvement Plans developed for Gipton and Seacroft by the Neighbourhood manager. • Neighbourhood manager now in post for Burmantofts and Richmond Hill and working closely with local residents and ward members. 	Green
	22. Work with residents to hold summer galas in each ward and provide support to other events that bring communities together.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various events took place over the summer – Seacroft and Gipton Gala, Harehills Festival, Lark in the Park. All were very well attended and very successful. 	Green
	23. Support local community and voluntary groups through a small grant scheme and use of Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) monies.	<p>To date this year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21 well-being small grants awarded totalling £7,310 • 20 POCA grants awarded totalling £5023 	Green
	24. Develop new ways for local people to better influence decision making about where they live.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Engagement Strategy with proposals for Community Leadership Teams and Local management teams approved at June Area Committee. • Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Forums held in September 2010. 	Green

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First meeting of Seacroft CLT held December 2010, well attended and well received. First meeting of Gipton CLT January 2011. 	
Community Life	25. Review the usage of our community centres to ensure that they meet the needs of our local communities and offer value for money.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Centre working group re-established to progress a strategy for community centres. • South Gipton and Harehills Place Community Centres declared surplus. Work ongoing to identify alternative venues for community facilities. 	Green
Healthy Living	26. Support people to live healthier lifestyles by promoting awareness of better diet, harm done by smoking and alcohol as well as benefits of exercise.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellbeing funding provided for a Stop smoking campaign to be targeted at Bangladeshi men in Harehills. • Further information provided in a separate report from Health and Wellbeing Improvement manager. 	Green
Healthy Living	27. Support the 'Garden to Eat' scheme and other forms of growing local food (allotments);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Garden to Eat" scheme - the Big Lottery bid submitted by BTCV has not been successful, BTCV are rethinking the scheme on a smaller scale. 	Amber
Healthy Living	28. Commission schemes to tackle teenage pregnancy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 10 week programme run by Women's Health Matters for girls and young women to raise their aspirations has been commissioned for the pilot areas of Seacroft and Gipton. • Wellbeing funded awarded to Getaway Girls to work with young women who are refugees and asylum seekers. 	Green
Getting Around	29. Prioritise dangerous roads for maintenance and repair.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alerting highways to frost damaged roads and residents complaints. 	Green
Getting Around	30. Make further improvements to the Wykebeck Valley as a safe and attractive walking and cycling route through the heart of our area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to Nature bid, £391,000, for Wykebeck Valley successful. This is for improving the quality of the local green space, by providing better access and linkages to the surrounding areas. 	Green
Getting	31. Deliver local schemes and initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellbeing funding identified for new car parking at 	Green

Around	to help make roads safer in our neighbourhoods, including parking improvements, road resurfacing and traffic calming.	Eastdean Drive and residents only parking schemes in Lyme Close.	
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