

Report of Deputy Chief Executive

Report to North West (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 15 December 2011

Subject: Priority Neighbourhood Update Report

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Headingley, Hyde Park and Woodhouse, Kirkstall.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

This report provides members with an update of neighbourhood improvement work in Inner North West Leeds. It provides an update on the delivery of the Hyde Park Neighbourhood Improvement Programme including a brief review of progress made to date in addressing the key neighbourhood improvement priorities: environment, community safety, parking and health and wellbeing.

The report also provides a summary of the emerging Hawsworth Wood Neighbourhood Programme and seeks support for the inclusion of Hawsworth Wood as a priority neighbourhood for the Inner North West Area Committee.

Recommendations

1. Members are asked to:

- Note to progress made in Hyde Park as part of the neighbourhood improvement work.
- Agree development of neighbourhood improvement work in Hawsworth Wood and agree the inclusion of Hawsworth Wood as a priority neighbourhood for the Inner North West Area Committee.

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report provides members with an update of neighbourhood improvement work in Inner North West Leeds. It provides an update on the delivery of the Hyde Park Neighbourhood Improvement Programme and provides a summary of the emerging Hawksworth Wood Neighbourhood Programme. The report also seeks support for the inclusion of Hawksworth Wood as a priority neighbourhood for the Inner North West Area Committee.

2 Background information

Hyde Park

- 2.1 In June 2010, a delegation of Hyde Park residents presented a deputation to full Council outlining a number of issues facing the Hyde Park neighbourhood including; housing density, crime, poverty and environmental concerns.
- 2.2 In response to this deputation, the Executive Board recommended that a programme of targeted interventions be developed to address these issues through closer partnership working between the public sector, universities, voluntary organisations and the local community.
- 2.3 In response to a request from Executive Board, the Inner North West Area Committee in February 2011 approved the launch of the Hyde Park Neighbourhood Board to oversee the work of the Hyde Park Tasking Team and the delivery of a programme of neighbourhood improvements.

Hawksworth Wood

- 2.4 The Hawksworth Wood Estate is located in the Kirkstall Ward and has a history of challenges particularly in relation to social deprivation, crime and anti-social behaviour. Previous interventions funded through Single Regeneration Budget and other regeneration programmes have not been successful in making lasting improvements to the area and have been criticised for not being delivered with full involvement of the local community.
- 2.5 The Hawksworth Hood Neighbourhood Programme acknowledges the lessons learned from this earlier work and seeks to develop a programme of activity which will be delivered in partnership with the local community and based primarily on mainstream resources.

3 Main issues

Hyde Park

- 3.1 The Hyde Park Neighbourhood Improvement Board has now been meeting for nine months and a range of work has been undertaken around the key neighbourhood improvement priorities: environment, community safety, parking and health and wellbeing.

- 3.2 Attached at appendix 1 is a “Programme Review and Way Forward” report that was submitted to the Hyde Park Neighbourhood Improvement Board on 29th November 2011.
- 3.3 The Area Committee is asked to note the content of “Programme Review and Way Forward” report.

Hawksworth Wood

- 3.4 Attached at appendix is a paper entitled “Hawksworth Wood Neighbourhood Improvement Programme - Programme Development Proposal: November 2011” This paper was considered at a meeting of the Hawksworth Wood Priority Neighbourhood Programme Board on 22nd November 2011.
- 3.5 The Area Committee is asked to note the content of “Hawksworth Wood Neighbourhood Improvement Programme - Programme Development Proposal: November 2011” report and is asked to support the inclusion of Hawksworth Wood as a priority neighbourhood for the Inner North West Area Committee.

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 Consultation and Engagement forms a key element of both the Hyde Park and Hawksworth Wood neighbourhood improvement work. Further detail is provided on this within the appendices to this report.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

- 4.2.1 Equality and diversity issues were considered when developing neighbourhood improvement work in both Hyde Park and Hawksworth Wood and this forms a key element in both strands of work.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 4.3.1 Integrated Neighbourhood Planning (INP) forms a key part of the Councils approach to improving local communities and falls in line with council policies and city priorities.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

- 4.4.1 There are no resource implications as a result of this report.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

4.6 Risk Management

- 4.6.1 There are no risk management issues relating to this report.

5 Conclusions

5.1 This report provides members with an update of neighbourhood improvement work in Inner North West Leeds.

6 Recommendations

6.1 Members are asked to:

- Note to progress made in Hyde Park as part of the neighbourhood improvement work.
- Agree the development of neighbourhood improvement work in Hawksworth Wood and agree the inclusion of Hawksworth Wood as a priority neighbourhood for the Inner North West Area Committee.

7 Background documents

- Hyde Park Deputation Response Report,
- Appendix 1
- Appendix 2