

Inner West Area Panel Meeting held 22nd October 2012

Minute Taker:	Susan Cullerton-Wass - CSST
Date of Meeting	22nd October 2012 @ 17:30pm
Present - Area Panel Members:	Hugh Morgan-Pugh (Chair), Andy Liptrot , Jenny (Zeniada) Holt, Graham McDonald, Deanne Hodgson, Jim McKenna, Jean Paxton.
Present - Officers:	Akbar Khan - Area Performance Manager Stephen Towler – Tenant Scrutiny Officer Susan Cullerton-Wass – CSST - Minutes Dawn Appleyard - External Funding Officer.
Leeds City Council:	Chris Dickinson, Martin Lawn, David.....
Apologies for Absence:	Betty Nyamayaro,

1.0	<p><u>Meeting - Introductions</u></p> <p>Andy Liptrot addressed the meeting asking for a Resident/Tenant to volunteer to take the Chair which had been discussed with Governance, as unfortunately due to ill health John Willshaw has had to step down. Hugh Morgan-Pugh volunteered to take the Chair. Andy Liptrot then advised that he would now hold the chair until April 2013. Also at tonight's meeting, we have Representatives from Leeds City Council</p>	
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3.0	<p><u>Changes to the Agenda</u></p> <p>Akbar advises that there have been one or two changes to the Agenda since they were issued.</p> <p>Item 5 on the Agenda, will now be a short presentation by Dawn Appleyard who is the WNW External Funding Officer. Akbar also states that due conflicting appointment, he will have to leave the AP Meeting early.</p>	
4.0	<p><u>Area Panel Training</u></p> <p>The panel are informed that the lack of Training will be addressed in the next few months. The training will take place over the next few months. Training will be a series of half hour sessions, the first of which will be held before December and deal with: EQUALITY & DIVERSITY, it is estimated that should in fact be delivered in November. It was also mentioned that E-Learning would be a good idea, the panel should suggest a list for E-Learning for the Next Meeting.</p>	
5.0	<p><u>External Funding by Dawn Appleyard</u></p> <p>Dawn briefly explained to the panel what her role entailed in Fundraising.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The redevelopment of Land, particularly where there is a positive activity for youths. • There are a range of Sources such as: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Big Lottery Funding 2. Private Businesses 3. Trust and Foundation Funding 4. Community Engagement Team may also be able to give Advice, Assistance and Sign Posting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DA can assist with Identifying Funding • Creating an Application • Help with creating and maintaining relationships <p>DA would welcome any lists of ideas, for funding applications and would invite all panel members to create a list of ideas.</p>	

	<p>Continued/.....</p> <p>HM-P added that he was already aware of a major project that bidding is starting for in New Wortley, that will need external funding that as far as he know is going to be extended into next year. Please contact Dawn: dawn.appleyard@wnwhl.org.uk</p>	
6.0	<p><u>Arms Length Management Organisations Review - by LCC Mark Lawn</u></p> <p>Mark Law ran through key points of the Review, a copy of the review of the ALMOs Terms of Reference were handed out to everyone present. The Review has now been extended for one year.</p> <p>Key points are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accountability • Governance • Customer Satisfaction • Financial <p>The ALMOs were created in 2003, housing is currently provided by: East North East Homes (ENE), West North West Homes(WNW) and Aire Valley Homes (AVH). All three ALMOs were graded as 2* by the Audit Commission.</p> <p>The Focus of the Review is to take a fresh look at the delivery model ensuring that we have the most effective service.</p> <p>The review will be carried out in 2 stages:</p> <p><u>Stage 1</u> will involve Staff Consultation, across all the ALMOs by December It is expected – the Executive board to receive options paper.</p> <p><u>Stage 2</u> During January – March 2013 Consultation will take place with attention on tenants.</p> <p>April - December 2013 Implementation of review recommendations.</p> <p>JM thanked LCC for the consultation and asked what the likely outcome would be.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stay as 3 Almos 2. Return back to council <p>JM also asked if central government had been involved</p> <p>Not all the money that was previously available will be there in future so there will be a economic impact.</p>	

Decisions will be based on need and it is the responsibility of LCC to look at if the ALMOs are the best way forward.

We have to ensure that tenants still have a voice whatever the outcome.

Any further updates and information will be sent to AK.

At this stage LCC representatives left the meeting.

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6.Neighbourhood Improvement Programme
Chris Dickinson – LCC Area Support Team

Working on behalf of Leeds City Council targeting Inner West in particular Fairfields, Wythers and Broadleas. Target work going forward will include:

- Local Area Meetings
- Local Issues
- Working with Partners
- Working closely with Akbar

Some of the issues to be worked on are:

1. Community Issues and Security
2. Jobs, Health and Education
3. Neighbourhood Improvement Boards

Claire Warren, Richard Walker and Cllr. McKenna are also involved and will have Bi –Annual meetings.

Safety & Environmental

Litter Clearing on the estates

Creating opportunities for jobs in Neighbourhoods

New Wortley has an active community wherehas Wythers and Fairfields are extremely lacking.

LCC and Children’s services are working very close together with things like Welfare Reform and other agencies are all working together.

JMCK added there needs to be adequate funding which then needs to be prioritised.

It is pointed out that the Armley area has an higher than average Male suicide rate amongst the 35-55 age group.

There are also a number of young people not in education.

NHS services are also looking at Healthcare in these areas.

	<p>Deanne added that mental health issues in the over 35's does not get nearly enough attention.</p> <p>JMc says we need much better targeted resources in all these areas.</p> <p>We need to "Do it better together"</p> <p>Working with teachers, health workers and police toward more jobs and better health in the community.</p> <p>We are advised that updates are sent to Senior key people such as Claire Warren, Richard Walker and Mick Parker.</p> <p>AL requested that we should receive at least a summary report at each Area Panel meeting.</p> <p>Briefing notes were issued from Chris</p>	
8.0	<p><u>7. Capital Expenditure</u></p> <p><u>7.1</u> Akbar apologises that the full report has not been included and that he will escalate this.</p>	
9.0	<p><u>8. Customer Involvement</u></p> <p><u>8.1 Area Panel Bids</u></p> <p><u>AP09-2012 Wharfe Valley Cat Protection</u></p> <p>AK at the moment one area panel has declined the bid and the other panel is waiting for an outcome from Inner West before making a final decision. DECLINED The panel does not believe that it meets the criteria required for Area panel.</p> <p><u>AP19-2012 Landseer Road</u></p> <p>Bid to supply Fencing around three blocks of cottage style flats nos. 6-28 This will discourage dog fouling in the area. Cost 5049.07 APPROVED.</p>	

AP32-2012 Poplar Way Verges

This is a resubmitted bid that was brought to area panel in August and approved for £3,500, this an updated bid due to cost differing from quotes received. An additional £3,500 is required bringing the total to £7K.

APPROVED.

AP39-2012 Westerly Rise

Tenants in the area have been consulted and should benefit around 100 tenants in the area – Fit approx 30m meters of fencing which would be fixed to the existing wall. **APPROVED.**

AP40-2012 Broadlea Grit bins

To supply Grit bins to Broadlea Estate, caretakers will grit the area. A lot of the estate is difficult to get around in bad weather £500.00 **APPROVED.**

AP54-2012 Wortley Community Centre

To supply and fit lighting to The New Wortley Community Centre which would reduce the need for the PCSO's patrolling the area along with reducing the amount of time Out of Hours spend patrolling the area, plus it should increase the numbers of the public using the centre £1019.00 **APPROVED.**

AP63-2012 Armley Christmas Lights

Application towards the cost of staging the event now in its 3rd year, it is estimate around 300 people will be in attendance and will enhance community spirit. £500.00 **APPROVED.**

AP64-2012 A Frame Broadlea Terrace

This is intended to stop Motorcyclists and deter fly tippers thus reducing tipping cost, AL wants this to be subject to Wheel Chair Access. £1500.00 **APPROVED subject to wheelchair access.**

AP70- 2012 Burnsall Court – Improvement to facilities

To improve communal areas and facilities to Burnsall Court which finds itself in a shabby state, A conservatory as well as an extension to the garden which needs planters to improve outlook. The decorating communal areas, plus a cooker.

All works (5650.00) **APPROVED.**

Conservatory (1200.00) **DECLINED** it was suggested that this could be presented at a later date and may be suitable for match funding.

AP71-2012 Burnsall Grange Walkway Improvements

To improve the communal area for both tenants and visitors to the area by repairing the steps at the side of Burnsall Grange and refurbish the walkway and stairwell that up to the Croft from the Grange. (£10500.00) **APPROVED.**

<p>10.0</p> <p>11.0</p> <p>12.0</p>	<p><u>AP72-2012 Summerfield Place Flat complex</u></p> <p>To install two bin storage and recycling sites on the side of the complex. This will benefit the residents but it will also make it easier for refuse collectors who do not have a good access point currently, the current site outside the main entrance, the bins present a highly offensive odour in summer months, it is hoped that through recycling, residents will take more responsibility for their environment. (£8,000.00). APPROVED.</p> <p><u>AP78 -2012 Clyde Walk Footpath</u></p> <p>The path runs from Copley Street to Canal Street through the New Wortley Estate and serves approximately 600 households. (£50,000.00) DECLINED The project is considered as too big for area panel to consider, and there would be insufficient funding.</p> <p><u>8.2 Update on previous bids</u></p> <p>Sharon Guy has requested £1500.00 from each of the area panels (subject to funds being available) for Fire Retardant Mats. The panel do not agree with this request on the basis that they are likely to be stolen.</p> <p><u>8.3 Community Engagement and Inclusion Team Reports</u></p> <p>Stephen Towler briefly went through the summary of the reports which had already been presented to the panel. Area Representatives have been consulted, on the new draft guide produced for them and what they should expect from WNWHL.</p> <p>Involvement with TRA's Tenant and Residents associations providing advice and support to the groups.</p> <p><u>10.1 Any other business</u></p> <p>10.2 Next years' meeting date will be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p><u>11.1 Date and time of next meeting</u></p> <p>10th December 2012 at 5.30pm Westfield Chambers</p>	
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