

Report of Area Leader – South East Leeds

Report to South Leeds (Inner) Area Committee

Date: Wednesday 13th February 2013

Subject: A Summary Of Key Work

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Beeston & Holbeck City & Hunslet Middleton Park
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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 and corporate governance considerations

1. This report details a range of activities taking place within the Inner South Leeds Area, some of which are dealt with in greater detail elsewhere on the agenda.

Recommendations

2. The Area Committee is asked to:
 - a) note the contents of the report and make comment as appropriate.

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To bring to Members' attention in a succinct fashion, brief details of the range of activities with which the Area Support Team are engaged based on the Area Committee Business Plan priorities, that are not addressed in greater detail elsewhere on this agenda. It provides opportunities for further questioning or the opportunity to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Members will recall at the June 2011 Area Committee, a revised title and format for this report was introduced based on proposed changes to the Leeds Initiative partnership and planning framework for the city and in an effort to be more focused on current priorities.

3.0 Area Chairs Forum

3.1 Meetings

- 3.1.1 The last meeting of the group took place on the 10th January with the minutes being approved at the next meeting of the group on 1st March.
- 3.1.2 The minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd November are attached as **Appendix 1**

4.0 Updates by theme: Children & Families – Cllr Gabriel

4.1 Children & Young People's Sub-group

- 4.1.1 A meeting of the representative Councillors took place on the 25th January which focused on the membership of the group and key actions going forward. This discussion was timely with the recent recommendations being approved at the January Area Committee, meant that it is an appropriate time to further enhance the working group.
- 4.1.2 The next meeting of the working group is being scheduled at the moment and will focus on the development of the activities brochure.

5.0 Updates by theme: Safer Stronger Communities Board – Cllr Ogilvie

5.1 Inner South Environmental Sub-Group

- 5.1.1 The last meeting of the group took place on the 13th February, the minutes of which were to be approved at the next meeting. The agenda included discussions on service performance, delivery of SLA2 priorities and timetable for SLA3.
- 5.1.2 The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th October are attached as **Appendix 2** for noting.

5.2 Community Safety – Cllr Groves

5.2.1 Crime and Grime Partnership

The next meeting of the South Leeds Crime and Grime Partnership is due to take place on 30th January. An update on that meeting will be presented to the Area Committee via the Summary of Key Work report at the March meeting.

5.2.2 Burglary Reduction Programme

The strategic burglary group has allocated £3000 to City and Holbeck Division for burglary reduction activity during 2012/13. It has been agreed to allocate an amount of £1000 to three NPTs in the Division (excluding City Centre) in order to provide a subsidised reactive target hardening scheme to all burglary victims.

5.2.3 Burglary work in schools

A project to deliver burglary reduction advice to primary school pupils has been piloted in the Middleton area. The project was developed by Leeds Community Safety and delivered by Rothwell NPT to four primary schools (Middleton Primary, Westwood Primary, St. Phillips Primary and St. Marys Primary). A burglary reduction package targeting Year 7's was developed that included a one hour lesson plan which can be delivered by a teacher or an NPT representative. This is followed up by a home assessment survey which the children take home to discuss and do with their parents / guardians. It is now at the evaluation stage however the feedback from children and teachers has been very positive. The aim is to review the project following the evaluation and roll out to schools across Leeds.

5.2.4 Reducing alcohol related domestic violence

Members were briefed at the January meeting on the range of activity that has been delivered by the South Leeds Alcohol Harm Reduction Partnership. Further progress has been made on ensuring that Police Safeguarding officers are referring victims and perpetrators to ADS where alcohol is a contributory factor in the domestic violence incident. In the first month of the referral process being established 15 referrals were made. ADS and the Safeguarding lead will review referrals and present an update on outcomes achieved in April – this will be shared with the Area Committee after that date.

5.2.5 Reducing availability of cheap alcohol

A key focus of the South Leeds Alcohol Harm Reduction Partnership has been exploring how to limit the availability of alcohol in communities with high levels of alcohol related health and community safety issues. Following a discussion with the licensing sub group in December, officers have set up a working group to progress the issue. The aim is to develop a local licensing framework for LS10/11. This will involve the provision of information to licence applicants about alcohol related concerns in the neighbourhood. Members will be advised of progress at future meetings.

6.0 Updates by theme: Health and Wellbeing – Cllr Truswell

6.1 Smoking OBA in Belle Isle

- 6.1.1 An Smoking OBA session took place on the 27th November to examine the topic of Smoking in Belle Isle. Attendance was high at the session from a variety of individuals working in the area and those working to address the agenda around smoking.
- 6.1.2 Videos were shared in relation to local residents and young peoples views in relation to:
- Why they think local people smoke.
 - What they think would encourage local people to not start smoking / stop smoking.
 - What would help individuals living in Belle Isle to become more healthy.
- 6.1.3 The following key themes came out of the session and work is currently been carried out to the develop work programmes under the key themes that emerged from the workshop:
- a) Demand for a local smoking cessation clinic.
 - b) Need for involvement with local schools and youth service provision in order to promote smoking prevention and smokefree homes.
 - c) Local promotion of key relevant messages.
 - d) Addressing illicit tobacco sales.
 - e) Healthy Belle Isle, carry out local activity to address other healthy lifestyle topics and the wider determinants of health in the Belle Isle area.
- 6.1.4 A copy of the action plan will be circulated and discussed at the Belle Isle & Middleton NIB, and will be presented to all members at a future Area Committee meeting.

6.2 Obesity Review

- 6.2.1 The obesity review document was signed off at the 24th January Health & Wellbeing Partnership. The next stage is for it to be circulated to relevant groups.
- 6.2.2 A pilot scheme is being developed to work in Middleton and will be coordinated through the Neighbourhood Improvement Board and associated sub-group led by Cllr Truswell.

7 Integrated Locality working

7.1 Beeston, Holbeck & Hunslet Neighbourhood Improvement Board

- 7.1.1 The most recent meeting of the board took place on the 14th January 2013, the minutes of the meeting will be presented to a future meeting.
- 7.1.2 The next meeting of the group is planned for the 22nd April 2013.

7.2 Belle Isle & Middleton Neighbourhood Improvement Board

7.2.1 The last meeting of the Neighbourhood Improvement Board was held on the 4th December 2012. The minutes of the meeting will be presented to members at a future Area Committee meeting.

7.2.2 The next meeting of the group is planned for the 5th March 2013.

7.3 Cottingley Neighbourhood Improvement Plan

7.3.1 The latest meeting of the NIP took place on the 7th December 2012, the minutes will be presented to a future Area Committee.

7.3.2 The next meeting of the group is planned for 25th January 2013.

8.0 **Localism**

8.1 Neighbourhood Planning Front Runners Pilot

8.1.1 The previous Area Committee was informed about the December meeting of the Holbeck Neighbourhood Forum. (Draft minutes of the Forum 10th December meeting are attached at **Appendix 3**). Following a presentation about the plans by Unity Housing Association to provide new homes on the site of cleared houses on Brown Lane East/Runswick Place, a small group of members of the Forum met a representative of Unity Housing Association and of the Council's City Development directorate to discuss the proposals in more detail. As a result suggestions have been made about changes to carparking and the access road and the need for improvement to other houses nearby so that the new scheme blends in with the surrounding area. The small group of residents was happy to support the planning application.

8.1.2 The next meeting of the Holbeck Neighbourhood Forum is being held on Saturday 23rd February at 11.00 a.m. at St. Matthews Community Centre.

8.1.3 The first meetings of task groups to progress publicity and the content of the Neighbourhood Plan are due to take place shortly. There will be engagement with local businesses shortly to encourage to become involved with the Forum and Plan. Progress is being made with developing the constitution of the Forum.

8.1.4 A support group continues to meet to support and guide the Holbeck work. The group includes representatives of the three residents' groups in Holbeck. The acting chair of the Forum is being provided with continuing support by LCC Officers

9.0 **Local Updates**

9.1 Inner South Christmas Trees & Lights for 2013

9.1.1 To ensure a consistent and efficiently planned process for Christmas trees and lights for 2013 the South East Area Support Team will co-ordinate arrangements.

9.1.2 The timetable for approval of schemes is as follows:

Action	Deadline
New installations and alterations to existing displays Liaison with Members to develop draft proposals for each ward to be completed by:	1 st March 2013
Leeds Lights provide costings by:	15 th March 2013
Final confirmation of arrangements with Members:	20 th March 2013
Proposals for Area Committee approval:	20 th March 2013
Confirmation of Outer South arrangements with Leeds Lights:	31 st May 2013

9.1.3 This project only effects Middleton Park ward and the details will be discussed in detail at future ward based briefings.

9.2 Update to the merger of Joseph Priestley College and Leeds City College

9.2.1 Members have previously been presented with updates on the merger of Joseph Priestly College and Leeds City College. An update on the progress is presented to members for noting as **Appendix 4**.

10.0 Corporate Considerations

10.1 Consultation and Engagement

10.1.1 Projects are developed to address priorities in the Area Committee Business Plan. The production of this plan is informed by Local Councillors and local residents. All projects developed are in consultation with Elected Members and local communities. Approval for any contribution from the Well being budget is secured at Area Committee.

10.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

10.2.1 Community groups submitting a project proposal requesting funding from the Well being budget have an equal opportunities policy and as part of the application process, complete a section outlining which equality groups the project will work with and how equality and cohesion issues have been considered.

10.2.2 Internal and statutory partners are committed to equality and cohesion and all projects they are involved with will have considered these issues.

10.2.3 A light touch Equality Impact Assessments is carried out for all projects.

10.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

10.3.1 The projects outlined in this report contribute to targets and priorities set out in the following council policies:

- Vision For Leeds
- Children and Young Peoples Plan

- Health and Well being City Priority Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Regeneration City Priority Plan

10.4 Resources and Value for Money

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

10.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

10.5.1 All decisions taken by the Area Committee in relation to the delegated functions from Executive Board are not eligible for Call In.

10.5.2 There are no key or major decisions being made that would be eligible for Call In.

10.5.3 There are no legal implications as a result of this report.

10.6 Risk Management

10.6.1 This report provides an update on work in the Inner South and therefore no risks are identifiable. Any projects funded through Well being budget complete a section identifying risks and solutions as part of the application process.

11 Conclusions

11.1 The report provides up to date information on key work areas of the Area Committee.

12 Recommendations

12.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

- a) note the contents of the report and make comment as appropriate.

Background documents¹

There are no background papers associated with this report

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.