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**Report of the North East Area Manager**

**North East (Inner) Area Committee**

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2007**

**Subject: Area Delivery Plan 2007/08**

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**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

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**Executive Summary**

This report provides information on the Area Delivery Plan for 2007/08 and specifically the priorities and programme of work for next year. The Area Committee is requested to approve the Area Delivery Plan ready for submission to the Executive Board for final approval.

## **Purpose of this report**

1. This report provides information for members of the Area Committee on the Area Delivery Plan for 2007/08. It highlights priorities and actions, identified through consultation with members at ward meetings and through feedback from community forums, to form the 2007/08 Area Delivery Plan (ADP). Members are requested to approve the ADP proposed for 2007/08.

## **Background**

2. The Council's constitution tasks Area Committees to produce an Area Delivery Plan which sets out priorities and actions for the local area. The Area Delivery Plan identifies priorities for 2007/08 and will inform decision making in the allocation of resources and the work programme for the Area Management Team. The Council's Executive Board approves each Area Committee's ADP each year and in doing so provides the Area Committee with the authority to take decisions in line with the stated ADP priorities.
3. The full version of the plan will include an introduction and updated area profile describing the geography of the area, key local services and organisations active in the area and a breakdown of key facts and statistical information relevant to the area. The final version will be circulated to the Area Committee and once approved it will be available also via appropriate links to the Council's website.

## **Priority Areas and Themes**

4. The Area Committee's priority areas in previous years have been closely linked with the service themes which the Area Committee has most influence over – the delegated functions of Youth Services, Community Safety and Streetscene. For the 2007/08 ADP the development of the Local Area Agreement (LAA) offers an opportunity for the two to be linked together.
5. The Area Committee agreed to support this approach at the December 2006 meeting and as a result officers have prepared the ADP following the blocks of the LAA (see appendix 1). This action plan will provide a checklist for the Area Committee to monitor progress against actions, which will be updated every quarter. The actions identified have been discussed and agreed with officers from the relevant services and the children and young people's section discussed by the Youth Issues working group.
6. The LAA has a number of cross cutting principles that reflect the principles and policy of the council and the Area Committees. One of these principles in particular is emphasised in the proposed ADP 2007/08 – empowering local people and building the role of the voluntary, community and faith sectors.
7. To encourage as wide as possible engagement with local residents and community groups and provide maximum opportunity for residents to express their views, the Area Management Team will work with Members on a menu of different engagement choices. A report outlining this work will be presented to the Area Committee at its meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

## **Commissioning**

8. Proposals for taking a commissioning approach with the Well-Being Fund are discussed in a separate report. It is worth emphasising that the 2007/08 ADP is prepared with this approach in mind. Many of the actions require organisations to deliver additional activities and projects which will not be able to go ahead without funding support. That said, officers will work with delivery organisations to identify other sources of funding that can support work, in order to deliver best value with the spending of Well-Being Fund.

## **Recommendations**

9. The Area Committee is requested to comment on and approve the priorities and actions proposed under each of the four blocks of the Local Area Agreement.