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Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

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Subject: North East District Partnership update

Electoral Wards Affected: Chapel Allerton Moortown			Specific Implications For: Ethnic minorities
Roundhay			Women
			Disabled people
			Narrowing the Gap
Council Function	Delegated Executive Function available for Call In	X	Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report

Executive Summary

This report provides Members with a summary of recent actions and achievements of the North East District Partnership.

Background Information

1. This report has been prepared at the request of the Area Committee Chairs and Executive Board of the North East District Partnership. It provides a summary of key issues and the work programme of the North East District Partnership and decisions taken by the Executive Board.

Significant action and achievements since the last Area Committee meeting

- 2. At its meeting on 23rd February the Executive Board of the North East District Partnership was presented with a report setting out the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan (NIP) for the IMPaCT Intensive Neighbourhood Management area for 2007/08. The Chair of the IMPaCT partnership commented on the need for commitment and awareness of partners to understand the key objectives of the NIP and how their work contributes to the achievement of its objectives. It was agreed by members of the Executive Board to reinforce this within their individual organisations to ensure a collective understanding of the NIP and the contribution of all partners in achieving its outcomes. Members of the Executive Board agreed the NIP and endorsed expenditure under the Safer and Stronger Communities Fund.
- 3. A review of the North East District Partnership action plan is currently being undertaken. Comments on the draft plan from members of the Area Committee were reported to the meeting of the North East District Partnership Executive Board on 23rd February. The following is a summary of these comments
 - Comments were made regarding the need to ensure adequate parking provision to avoid obstruction and to minimise vehicle and pedestrian conflict. Other comments were made to counter this, that measures should be taken to reduce the level of unnecessary car use by investing instead in other more sustainable forms of transport and for example, car clubs. This matter was not resolved at the meeting and the District Partnership Executive Board agreed to refer this to the Council's Transport Department
 - Members commented on the priority concern to maintain the drive for decent homes, accredited landlord schemes, empty properties and affordable housing. The District Housing and Environment satellite partnership have prioritised these issues through their respective individual plans and strategies. The Executive Board agreed that there is no specific action for the District Partnership Executive Board other than a responsibility through the monitoring process for the implementation of these plans
- 4. Members of the North East District Partnership Executive Board approved the final draft of the District Plan. The final 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 members and it will be available also via appropriate links to the Council's and Leeds Initiative website.
- 5. The Executive Board of the District Partnership agreed a forward plan of strategic issues for consideration at future meetings. All meetings will consider a monitoring report on progress with the District Partnership and Satellite Partnership Action Plans. Theme Champions from the Executive board will be invited to raise strategic issues relevant to their theme.

Recommendations

- 6. Members are requested to;
 - note the recent actions and achievements and provide comment as appropriate.
 - Note the approved draft of the North East District Action Plan appended.