

WEST (INNER) AREA COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, 17TH MAY, 2013

PRESENT: Councillor J McKenna in the Chair

Councillors C Gruen, T Hanley, A Lowe
and N Taggart

Co-optees Ms Boutle, Bowes and Smales

Apologies Councillor J Harper

109 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

110 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

111 Late Items

There were no late items submitted to the agenda.

112 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

No declarations were made.

113 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Harper and Kevin Ritchie
(Co-opted Member).

114 Open Forums / Community Forums

In accordance with Paragraphs 6.24 and 6.25 of the Area Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions on matters within the terms of reference of the Area Committee.

On this occasion, there were no members of the public present.

115 Minutes -

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20th March be approved as a correct record.

116 Matters Arising

Children's Services Report (Minute No. 101)

Members considered that the Executive Member for Children's Services should be invited to attend the next meeting of the Area Committee.

RESOLVED – That the Executive Member for Children’s Services, Councillor Blake, be invited to attend the next meeting of the Area Committee.

117 Minutes - Community Forum

The minutes of the Armley Community Forum and PACT meeting held on 19th March 2013 and the Bramley Community Forum and PACT meeting held on 28th March 2013 were considered by the Area Committee.

Members agreed that the Bramley Community Forum and PACT meeting had been a very successful meeting attended by Mark Burns Williamson the Police Commissioner for West Yorkshire.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be noted.

118 Minutes - Area Chairs Forum

The minutes of the Area Chair’s Forum meeting held on 1st March 2013 were considered by the Committee.

It was noted by the Area Committee that papers for the ‘Lead Member Discussion’ will be circulated on Monday 20th May 2013.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be noted.

119 Wellbeing Fund Report

The Area Leader West North West submitted a report which advised the Area Committee on the current position of the Inner West Wellbeing revenue budget. It also presented a number of new projects for approval and listed the applications received during the commissioning round that were deferred at the last meeting.

The report also sought approval for a change of use for a large grant awarded to Interplay Theatre Company in 2012, and advised Members on 2 projects that are currently in development pending a full application.

Members considered it important that the Bramley Lights project be pushed forward and that a report be brought to the next meeting of the Committee.

Projects In Development

Members requested that the proposed project to provide a subsidy for community groups using the Lazer Centre should be reviewed by Officers to include a wider range of venues and groups for any future application.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the balance of the Wellbeing Revenue Budget for 2013/14 be noted;
- (b) That the following new and Wellbeing applications be funded as detailed below:

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Project	Armley	Bramley & Stanningley	Decision
St Catherine's Replacement Bicycles	-	£410	Approved
Ganners Alley Gates	-	£1,890	Deferred
Bramley Grit Bins	-	£530	Approved
Armley Town Street Interpretation Panel	£80 cleaning & maintenance budget plus a commitment from the Committee to fund any repairs for two years.	-	Approved
Bramley Villagers	-	£2,500	Approved
Projects Deferred From March Area Committee Meeting			
Dosti Mental Health Service	£7,276	£1,580	Refused
Youth Service Summer Activities	£600	£600	Approved – further funding to be delegated to the Area Leader and considered outside the meeting
Welfare Reform Budget	£5,000	£2,500	Approved
New Wortley Community Centre Manager		£19,500	Refused
Activ-8 Youth Project at Bramley Baths	-	-	Approved – funding to be delegated to the Area Leader and considered outside the meeting
Broadleas Young Tenants Project	-	£7,000	Refused

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- (c) That the projects in development listed in section 3 be noted;
- (d) That the change of use request from Interplay Theatre Company detailed at paragraph 3.6 be approved; and
- (e) That a report be brought to the next meeting outlining the progress made in relation to Bramley Park Sports Pitch Floodlights.

120 Business Plan Report

The Area leader West North West submitted a report which presented for approval a refreshed Inner West Area Committee Business Plan for 2013 – 2015.

It was highlighted to Members that further work on the Business Plan is currently being undertaken and that a further updated version will be brought to the Committee.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the contents of the report be noted;
- (b) That the refreshed Business Plan attached at Appendix 1 be approved;
- (c) That the Area Support Team continue to monitor and develop the Business Plan; and
- (d) That updates be received at future meetings and an annual refresh of the plan.

121 Election of Area Committee Chair for the 2013/2014 Municipal Year

The Chief Officer (Democratic and Central Services) submitted a report on the election of Area Committee Chair for the 2013/14 municipal year.

Appended to the report was a copy of Paragraph 5 of the Area Committee Procedure Rules which dealt with the process by which Chairs for Area Committees were elected (Appendix 1 refers).

It was reported that one nomination had been received for Area Committee Chair on behalf of Councillor C Gruen.

At this point the current Chair thanked the Area Committee for their support during his time in office and wished the new Chair well for the 2013/14 municipal year.

The Committee responded by thanking Cllr J McKennna for all the work he had done whilst Chair of the Committee.

RESOLVED -

- (a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted; and
- (b) That Councillor C Gruen be elected as Chair for the 2013/2014 Municipal Year.

122 Date and Time of Next Meeting

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5pm Wednesday 26th June 2013.

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