

COALFIELD AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 22nd January, 2014 at 6:00pm

**VENUE – Easington Lane Community Access Point, Brickgarth,
Easington Lane, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 0LE**

Membership

Cllrs Anderson, Blackburn, Ellis, Heron, Lawson (Alternate Vice Chair of the Area Committee and Chair of the People Board), D. Richardson (Chair), Scott (Vice Chair of the Area Committee and Chair of the Place Board), D. Smith, Speding, Tate, Taylor, Wakefield.

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ELAINE WAUGH

Head of Law and Governance

14th January, 2014

At a Meeting of the COALFIELD AREA COMMITTEE held at BETHANY CHRISTIAN CENTRE, HETTON ROAD, HOUGHTON – LE - SPRING, on WEDNESDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER, 2013 at 6.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor D. Richardson in the Chair

Councillors Anderson, Blackburn, Ellis, Heron, Lawson, Scott, D. Smith, Speding, Tate and Wakefield

Also in Attendance:-

Ron Barrass	Member of the Public	
Susan Brown	Project Manager, VCS	ELCAP
Wendy Cook	Youth and Community Co-ordinator	SNCBC
Nonnie Crawford	Director of Public Health	Sunderland City Council
Dave Ellison	Area Response Manager	Sunderland City Council
Juliana Heron	Councillor	Hetton Town Council
Pauline Hopper	Area Community Officer, Coalfield	Sunderland City Council
Amelia Laverick	Member of the Public	
Malcolm Page	Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services & Area Lead Executive	Sunderland City Council
Rachel Putz	Coalfields Locality Manager, Children's Services	Sunderland City Council
Pat Robson	Member of the Public	
Bob Scott	Member of the Public	
Lesley Stobbart	Neighbourhood Operations Manager	Gentoo
Christine Tilley	Governance Services Team Leader	Sunderland City Council
Claire Tulley	Community Relations Manager	Nexus
Gill Wake	Area Co-ordinator	Sunderland City Council
Lee Wardle	VCS Representative	ELCAP
Michael Webb	Member of the Public	

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and in particular Councillor Anderson who was returning after a period of ill-health. He invited all those present to introduce themselves.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Taylor together with Mr. John Chapman and Ms. Melanie Caldwell both from Gentoo, Ms. Julie Stonebridge, Public Health Representative for the Coalfield Area and Neighbourhood Inspector Lisa Musgrove.

Declarations of Interest

Item 7 – Financial Statement and Proposals for Further Allocations of Resources

Councillor Heron declared an interest as a School Governor of Bernard Gilpin Primary School taking no part in any discussion or voting in respect of the application submitted by the school for SIB funding for the community facility at the school to deliver activities for older and vulnerable people and those experiencing dementia in the wider community.

Councillor Lawson declared an interest as an employee of Anchor Housing in relation to the application submitted from the Friends of Gillwood Court, taking no part in any discussion or voting in respect of the application.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 20th June, 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Strengthening Families Presentation

Ms. Rachel Putz, Coalfields Locality Manager provided Members with a comprehensive powerpoint presentation which advised the Committee of:-

- i) the context in which the Strengthening Families Programme would operate;
- ii) the underlying strategy supporting the programme including the Common Assessment Framework, Family Focus and the weekly meetings of the referral panels in each locality;
- iii) an overview of the Family Focus Project, its criteria and its development within the wider context of the Strengthening Families Programme;
- iv) the delivery model for the Strengthening Families Programme together with its links to the Community Leadership Programme.

(For copy presentation – see original minutes).

Members welcomed the presentation.

Ms. Putz advised that a regular update would be provided in future to the Committee detailing the number of families involved with the Programme. In response to Members' questions, Ms Putz informed that the programme would provide practical support and links to the right organisations to help and support individuals and families who were facing a number of issues. It had been estimated, according to Government figures, that there were 805 'troubled' families in Sunderland, however the Family Focus Project in Sunderland anticipated that it would need to work with about 1200 families to show success with 805. The skill of the Key Worker to engage and have the patience to continue to show they were committed to working with the individual and family, as a whole, on the issues they were facing and help them to control their own future and do things differently was very important.

There being no further questions or comments from Members, the Chairman thanked Ms. Putz for her presentation and it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the information within the presentation and brought out during the discussion be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports - Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network

Mr. Lee Wardle, Ms. Sam Gallilee and Ms. Ann Owen, Area Network Representatives submitted a report (copy circulated), providing an update with regard to the Coalfield Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms. Pauline Hopper, Area Community Officer highlighted that the Coalfield Area Network delegates would present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector. Ms. Hopper also highlighted the point that the Network had been invited to contribute to discussions with regards to the City Council's VCS Relationship Transition Project with one representative to sit on the project board and that the Transition Project had been set up to consider how best the Council can work with the sector to achieve joint objectives and priorities going forward.

Mr. Wardle briefed the Committee on the remainder of the report commenting that finance was the biggest issue for the Sector and that if this was not available then it would not be possible to offer the same level of service.

Mr. Wardle highlighted that a request for funding of £10,000 had been made to the Heritage Lottery Fund to commemorate the start 100 years ago of World War 1 in 1914 and that a decision on the application was anticipated by 28th October.

Ms. Susan Brown, Project Manager added that the network was pulling together a list of contacts to inform and involve people in the month long programme of activities to be developed to commemorate World War 1 in August 2014.

Councillor Lawson commented that some of the initiatives would not have been done without the VCS and thanked the Sector on behalf of the People Board.

3. RESOLVED that the update from the Area Voluntary and Community Sector be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports – Northumbria Police

Ms. Pauline Hopper, Area Community Officer read out a report which had been provided by Neighbourhood Inspector Lisa Musgrove who was unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments.

The Committee heard that Crime in Sunderland was showing a rise of 7% compared to the average year to date figures from last year. The Coalfields Area was showing an 8% rise with an increase of 79 crimes compared to the average last year. This in itself might appear concerning but it needed to be born in mind that the Coalfields Area had a 14.2% decrease in crime for the same period last year.

The crime areas that were showing a minor increase were criminal damage, violent crime without injury and vehicle crime. However there were no hot spots for these offences. Burglary was showing a decrease in all areas.

Youth Anti Social Behaviour in Sunderland was showing an average decrease of 33% on the year to date figures and the Coalfields Area was actually showing a 39.9% decrease which was an excellent result. There had been a report of a rise in minor youth ASB on the Hall Lane estate as discussed at the LMAPs meeting the previous day and the local officers were working with partners in order to identify the offenders and deal with them appropriately.

Theft of metal was a priority for the local neighbourhood teams at the moment and a number of operations had been carried out in order to tackle this issue.

Neighbourhood Inspector Lisa Musgrove had invited the Committee to forward any questions to her and she would ensure that they were answered.

4. RESOLVED that the update from Neighbourhood Inspector Musgrove be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports – Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service

Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service submitted a report (copy circulated) providing Performance Monitoring details in relation to the Local Indicators for the Coalfield Area Committee area from 1.6.2013 to 31.8.2013 compared with the same period in 2012/13.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

5. RESOLVED that the contents of the report be received and noted.

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Place Board Progress Report

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update against the Place Board Work Plan for 2013/14.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Scott, Chair of the Place Board, introduced the update on the progress made by the Place Board on the priorities identified, highlighting the work carried out to develop proposals in respect of a Dog Control policy and drawing attention to the order proposals for the various locations in the area detailed at annex 2 of the report.

Mr. Dave Ellison, Area Response Manager advised that Officers were seeking to develop a consistent approach in respect of the Dog Control policy which would be applied across the city, however it was possible to adapt a bylaw to a specific area where this was needed.

Mr. Ellison briefed the Committee on the detail of the work undertaken to improve areas of neglected land.

Councillor Wakefield asked that thanks be recorded to Mr. Ellison and his team for the work done commenting that a number of compliments had been received from local people.

Ms. Pauline Hopper, Area Community Officer briefed the Committee on the work done around the local shopping centres advising that an evaluation report was due March 2014.

Mr. Ellison briefed the Committee on the work undertaken to improve allotments in the area advising that positive feedback had been received from residents who were very happy with the improvements.

Mr. Ellison updated Members with regards to the flood defence work carried out in partnership with Northumbrian Water.

Councillor Scott asked that thanks be reported back to all those who had worked on the flood risk planning adding that the Council's Emergency Helpline had proved extremely helpful.

In response to Councillor Lawson who enquired whether residents were also contacting the Northumbrian Water Helpline, Mr. Ellison advised that residents confirmed that they were logging incidents with Northumbrian Water.

Mr. Ellison then informed the Committee of the area's recent success in the Northumbria in Bloom Awards including Hetton-le-Hole and Houghton-le-Spring which had both achieved the Gold Award in the Large Town Class and Herrington Country Park winning the trophy for best in class achieving the Gold Award for the Best Conservation area out of 38 nominations.

Mr. Ellison paid thanks to the community groups, schools, voluntary and business participants as well as Area Committee Members for their contributions and efforts in achieving the success in this year's competition.

6. RESOLVED that:-

- (a) the progress and performance update with regard to the Place Board work plan for 2013/14 be noted;
- (b) the proposed locations for Dog Control Orders be approved; and
- (c) a letter of thanks on behalf of the Committee be sent to all those contributing to the Area's success in the Northumbria in Bloom Awards.

People Board Progress Report

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on the progress made against the 2013/14 People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

The Chair of the People Board, Councillor Lawson, presented the report highlighting the work that had been done by the Board up to September 2013 in influencing early intervention and locality services and invited Members to continue to provide suggestions for services/programmes that can improve provision in the area by feeding into the re-commissioning of Children's Centres.

Ms. Pauline Hopper, Area Community Officer, drew attention to the Directory which was being developed using information and knowledge from Council Departments, Public Health Services, Elected Members, the VCS Network partners and residents to raise awareness of services available for Older and Vulnerable People and encouraged the Committee to provide further intelligence to assist in the collection of accurate information.

Ms Hopper drew attention to the recommendations submitted for approval for SIB funding in respect of the provision of dementia training in the community for health champions and also for equipment to enable delivery of a project at a community 'dementia café' facility based at Bernard Gilpin School.

Ms. Nonnie Crawford, Director of Public Health advised that the Council had become responsible for public health in April 2013 and that the commissioning of Sexual Health Services became one of the areas of responsibility. It had been considered opportune at this time to undertake a review of the sexual health services available across the city which had commenced in July and was looking to improve the mental and sexual wellbeing of young people; identify gaps in service provision and research best practice. Ms Crawford welcomed the Area People Board and Area Committee's engagement and involvement in the review.

Councillor Lawson commented that the dementia training for health champions had been very well received. Councillor Lawson thanked the VCS and Elected Members for all the work they had undertaken and their attendance at the People Board meetings.

Full consideration having been given to the report it was:-

7. RESOLVED that:-
 - (a) the progress and performance update with regards to the People Board work plan for 2013/14 be noted;
 - (b) Members continue to support the Area Community Officer in the development of a 'One Directory' by providing local intelligence on a ward by ward basis;
 - (c) Members be involved in the citywide Sexual Health Review; and
 - (d) the recommendations for SIB funding in respect of the Area Priority 'Transformation of Adult Social Care' as detailed above and in the report, be agreed.

Love Where You Live Progress Report

The Chairman of the Area Committee provided an update (copy circulated) of progress on the Love Where You Live project which cuts across the work of both the Place and People Boards and also the VCS Network.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

The Chairman of the Area Committee introduced the report and invited Ms. Pauline Hopper, Area Community Officer to brief the Committee on the work carried out by the project in partnership with Responsive Local Services Street Scene services. Ms Hopper explained that the project complemented and added value to the work the Council carried out as part of its day to day activity and did not replace or duplicate mainstream services.

Mr. Dave Ellison, Area Response Manager advised that 17 client claiming job seekers allowance had taken part in the project gaining work experience; the majority of whom had been really good, adapting well and making a difference.

8. RESOLVED that:-
 - (a) Members continue to support and become involved in the project in their own ward and across the wider area;
 - (b) a formal letter be written to the work placement clients offering the Committee's thanks and recognition for the work they have carried out; and
 - (c) further reports be submitted to the Committee on the progress of the project in due course.

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB), Community Chest and Healthy Cities Investment Fund (HCIF) - Financial Statement and Proposals for Further Allocation of Resources

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) providing a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB), Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) funding, Healthy Cities Investment Fund (HCIF) and Community Chest and presenting proposals for allocation of SIB for the Area Committee's consideration to support initiatives that will benefit the area.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms. Pauline Hopper presented the report drawing attention to the projects submitted for approval from the People and Place Boards detailed at paragraph 2.2 and to the recommendation from the People Board that an allocation of SIB be made for the development of a call for projects to support the 'health of young people' priority detailed at paragraph 2.3. Further recommendations were being made to the Committee in respect of the use of the remaining balance of the Strategic Investment Plan for the Houghton Ward and a small sum remaining from the HCIF.

The Chairman commented that a number of Community Chest applications were being referred to him requesting him to reverse the decision. He explained that in a number of cases the request had come in too late for the application to be given further consideration as the organisation had already been informed of the decision on their application. The Chairman urged Members to give early consideration to the applications forwarded to them and to inform the appropriate Officer in the Area and Scrutiny Arrangements Team of their views.

Full consideration having been given to the report it was:-

9. **RESOLVED** that:-

- (a) the financial information set out in sections 2,3,4 and the previously approved Community Chest applications detailed in section 5 and on Annex 2 and be noted;
- (b) the SIB project applications listed in section 2.2 and detailed in Annex1 totalling £16,450 be approved as follows:-

St Aidan's Angling Training	- £5,000
Dementia Training	£5,750
Bernard Gilpin School	
Community Project	£5,700

- (c) a sum of £30,000 for small projects to address the young people and health priority be approved;
- (d) approval be given to the allocation of £14,000 SIP to Houghton Rectory Park improvements as part of a larger project; and

- (e) approval be given to the allocating of the remaining £413 HCIF to the existing Men's Health Project.

The Chairman having thanked everyone for their attendance, closed the meeting.

(Signed) D. RICHARDSON,
Chairman.

22 JANUARY 2014

REPORT OF COALFIELD AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report provides an update with regard to the Coalfield Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network

2. Background

- 2.1 To develop the capacity and influence of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) across the City, Area Networks have been established and delegates represent each Area Network at Area Committee taking forward issues on behalf of the whole VCS in the area, reporting on area priority delivery by the VCS, and reporting back, providing a two-way flow of communication.
- 2.2 Coalfield Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

3. Coalfield Voluntary and Community Sector Network (VCSN) Progress Report

The Coalfield VCSN has met three times since the last Area Committee in September 2013.

3.1 October 2013

A presentation was given by the Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (SCCG). Penny Davison is the Commissioning Manager for the Coalfields area and shared the key health challenges for Sunderland, the Coalfield area in particular. The Network were informed that the SCCG do not run services and are not providers, but they do commission them and are working in partnership to improve the running of services for people in the local area. The group will be kept informed of funding and commissioning opportunities via the Network information sharing.

Colleagues from Sunderland City Council Sport and Leisure service gave information on how they can support local VCS organisations who are delivering sporting activities within the community. The Sports Development Officer for the Coalfield area, Laura Bartlett, advised the Network that a Sunderland active newsletter goes out, which regularly provides updates of available funding and informs of any events coming up, which people can sign up for. Grant funding and training advice is also offered and the group were asked to let Laura know of any clubs or groups who need support.

3.2 November 2013

Laura Cassidy, Health Improvement Practitioner, is the Public Health representative who covers the Coalfield area. Public Health has moved to the Local Authority and their aim is to improve health and focus on prevention. Public Health is working in partnership with the SCCG. At present Public Health is looking at obesity issues with children and at the integrated wellness model to move forward and improve services for people in the future.

There is a need to promote engagement and maximise communities and organisations contributions to improve health and reduce inequality. This has been demonstrated recently via the Call for Projects for Healthy Life Choices for Young People.

An update was given on Welfare Reform and the Benefits Cap, and its impact on the local community. The recent changes in crisis support were discussed and the group wanted to ensure that the distribution of food parcels in the area was consistent and fair.

Lee Wardle, VCS Network Representative and Co-Chair of this group has resigned from ELCAP and, therefore, this group. A replacement rep will be sought, via nominations.

3.3 January 2014

Sunderland City Council procurement team attended the meeting to give the group an overview of the purchasing and procurement process of the Local Authority. Groups wishing to be considered for any future funding opportunities or contracts were given information on how to register their interest and receive information when relevant.

The group discussed the planning of events for 2014, the main focus being on activities and events to commemorate 100 years of the beginning of World War 1. The group are supportive of the proposal to this meeting to allocate SIB funding for the development of local events.

Future meetings

13 February 2014

20 March 2014

4. Recommendations

4.1 Members are requested

- To note the contents of the report and consider the views of the Network in the influence and delivery of Area Priorities

Contact: Sam Gallilee, Area Network Representative.
Ann Owen, Area Network Representative

22 January 2014

REPORT OF THE TYNE AND WEAR FIRE SERVICE

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report gives Performance Monitoring details in relation to the Local Indicators for Sunderland Coalfields Committee area from 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013.

2 Background

- 2.1 At its September 2013 meeting Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each Committee meeting.

3. Tyne and Wear Fire Service Update

- 3.1 LI2 Number of Deaths from all fires
No deaths from fires during this period
- 3.2 LI3 Injuries from Accidental Dwelling fires
No injuries from fires during this period.
- 3.4 LI8 Accidental Fires in Dwellings
There were three accidental fires in dwellings during this period.
- **North Road;** Fire in an under stair cupboard caused by clothing on top of an extension to which a tumble dryer was plugged in. Consumer box severely damaged by fire, tumble dryer moderately damaged by fire, boiler control panel severely damaged by heat and a quantity of clothing destroyed by fire. The remainder of the cupboard was severely damaged by heat and smoke. The remainder of the ground floor was slightly damaged by smoke. The occupant and her young son attended the day unit at Sunderland Royal Hospital for a precautionary check. Home Safety Check (HSC) done at time of incident and a Hot strike carried out in the area by crews from Hotel
 - **Market Crescent;** Combustible items (clothing) placed onto cooker which had been used previously but was switched off .There was enough residual heat to ignite the clothing .Hot strike in the area where 9 HSC's were carried out with another 15 no replies.
 - **Brick garth;** Cause of fire was due to a chip pan left unattended. Although the smoke detector did not raise the alarm due to damage he attempted to fight the fire by smothering the pan with a cloth; the fire was out on arrival of FRS and action taken was removal from the property. The occupier was administered first aid by FRS crew due to smoke inhalation and Gentoo were contacted to assess the damage and possibly rehouse the occupier. A HSC and Hot strike was carried out by crews from stn. H following the incident.
- 3.5 LI14 All Deliberate Property Fires
There were three deliberate property fires during this period
- **Durham Street;** Single storey detached garage constructed with possible asbestos sheet for roofing and contents SDBF
Northumbria police in attendance and investigating

Local authority in attendance to dispose of asbestos. Environmental health been informed and progressing.

- **Queensway**; Firework put in letter box causing damage to letterbox 4 persons left property but returned straight away as no internal fire or smoke damage. Police investigating as this was a targeted attack rather than a random incident; HSC carried out to property and hotstrike carried out next day by crews from Hotel. Flap lock was also fitted
- **Broadway**; Furniture ignited in subway- fire, heat and smoke damage to walls, ceiling and light fittings of subway.

3.6 LI15 Number of vehicle fires started deliberately

There were two deliberate vehicle fires during this period.

- **Kirklee**; Van on fire, no firefighting action taken by crews as the fire had been extinguished by member of the public using garden hose prior to arrival of Fire Service. Police were in attendance and investigating the incident
- **The Avenue**; Minibus passenger window had been broken and a fire set on passenger seat by persons unknown, crew's extinguished fire using HrJet, Northumbria police in attendance and investigating

3.7 LI16 Number of secondary fires not involving property or road vehicles started deliberately

There have been 52 deliberate secondary fires during this period.

- Hetton Lyons park has had a number of fire and is being monitored by Fire Service
- Shiney row ward has seen a slight increase and again is being monitored to ascertain any hotspot areas.
- Kirklee playing fields was a concern over the bonfire period where crews came under attack on three occasions whilst attending incidents.
- November had a total of 34 incidents which is historically a busy month for the Service.

3.8 SafetyWorks is an interactive centre run by the Fire Service and supported by partner agencies such as Police, Environmental officers and Gentoo. It was aimed to have all year 6 pupils in the Sunderland area attend the centre within this academic year to receive themed messages. Of the 15 schools within the Coalfields area, 10 (with a total of 3690 pupils) are booked in to attend.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Note the content of the report.

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22 January 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

Place Board Progress Report

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year’s (2013/14) Place Board Work Plan.

2. Background

2.1 Earlier this year the Local Area Plan’s priorities associated with Place were referred to the Coalfield Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The Place Board is initiating action on those priorities, the report set out below and **Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3. Area Governance Arrangements

3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council’s Executive Function and have two key roles:-

- (a) Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
- (b) Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council’s Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensure maximum impact where necessary through utilising its own resources.

3.2 Each ward has elected member representation, whose role is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the Place Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

- Cllr John Scott (Chair)
- Cllr Mel Speding (Shiney Row)
- Cllr David Tate (Hetton)
- Cllr Sheila Ellis (Houghton)
- Cllr Bob Heron (Copt Hill)

3.3 Members are required to represent their ward and should liaise with ward colleagues on Place Board matters accordingly. Cllr Dennis Richardson attends Place Board as Chair of Area Committee to assist co-ordination between Place and People Boards.

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements to date (January 2014)

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Coalfield Place Board to date.

Action Taken	Outcome
Strategic Influence: Responsive Local Services Streetscene	
Influence operational deployment of RLS Streetscene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Area Response Manager ensures regular communication with all elected members informs the street scene service delivery is appropriate to the local needs

<p>Place Board members requested that by-laws be reviewed to include more specific enforcement regulations around the control of dogs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Dog Control policy with five separate Orders has been developed. Members have been asked to identify specific locations of concern, which are attached at Annex 2 to this report.
<p>The issues around the large volume of fly tipping in the Coalfield area was discussed and Place Board requested the purchase of cameras to deliver a pilot project to address the problem</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working in partnership with colleagues at Durham County Council, a project plan was developed to build on best practice and incorporate cross boundary working • Ten cameras with relevant power packs and required signs have been purchased with funding from LMAPS and SIB • The cameras have been located around the area, at sites with the highest levels of fly tipping • A number of fly tipping incidents have been caught on camera. Discussions with legal officers are underway to establish a route for prosecution • Close working relationships with the Neighbourhood Police Team and LMAPS will further develop the project and increase effectiveness • The early indications are that incidents of fly tipping are reduced in the hot spot areas discussed
<p>Strategic Influence: Local Development Plan</p>	
<p>Members received a presentation regarding the LDP/Core Strategy and Settlement Breaks within Coalfield</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members received information on the Local Development Plan / Core Strategy and how this related to the Coalfield Area. A Coalfield specific workshop took place in September 2013 at the request of Members. A follow up meeting took place in November 2013, where key officers updated Area Committee Members on how their views had influenced the way forward. Members will be consulted further during the collection of key evidence required to prepare the next Draft of the Core Strategy due in summer of 2014
<p>Strategic Influence: Highways Capital Maintenance 2014/2015</p>	
<p>Head of Street Scene discussed the influence of the Highways Capital Maintenance programme with the Place Board at the November 2013 meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The board received information on the process for members to influence and prioritise the areas of capital maintenance works for 2014/2015, with 25% of the capital maintenance budget identified for influence. • Further information will be presented to the Place Boards in February identifying locations for consideration by members for inclusion in the capital maintenance programme. These areas have been identified from a number of sources including members, residents and Highways staff.
<p>Influence: Public Protection and Regulatory Service (PPRS)</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Place Board was provided with information on the statutory services and functions within PPRS and how the board may influence each of the functions at a local level. • The service has a small health promotion team who can signpost community groups to healthy lifestyles information. This is to be discussed further and feed into VCS Network where appropriate • Consumer education can be provided e.g. Sheltered Accommodation residents can be given advice and support on how to avoid cold calling and postal scams. • Concerns about the increased volume of scrap and waste transfer vehicles in the area were discussed. The Board were informed of a new Act which requires all vehicles to have a licence from the Council. • The board requested some of the information provided, to be available at a local level. This is not currently available but in the future the information will be more area focused.

Local Priority: Neglected Land	
A clean up of Council owned plots identified as neglected during the audit of land has now been completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All small council owned plots have now been improved and ward team leaders from Street Scene services are monitoring and maintaining all sites to ensure they do not deteriorate The former Forest Estate will be cleared and fenced off into two grazing plots to be let via Property Services. It is proposed that a small leisure area will be created at the boundary closest to residential properties at the rear of Easington Lane High Street and a nature area developed in partnership with Groundwork and the local primary school (see Annex 3) Negotiations with Four Housing and Gentoo are underway with regard to a financial contribution towards the completion of the Forest Estate site as above Place Board recommends an increase to the existing SIB project of £30,000 to complete all works Enforcement action has commenced on three areas of privately owned land. The Place Board wish to promote the work carried out to date, and also to encourage private land owners to improve and maintain any areas highlighted as needing attention. It is therefore recommended that a request be made to local youth groups to develop a communication project with a budget of £2,000
The Love Where You Live project has been carried out on a number of sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the September 2013 Area Committee meeting, a number of successes in relation to working with voluntary and community sector (VCS) partners were reported. The Place Board wish to extend this work and has developed a project brief (attached at Annex 4) to invite a call for projects for environmental improvements. Place Board request a budget of £30,000 SIB be made available for this work
Local Priority: Local Shopping Centres	
Business specialists are working with traders in Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row to offer tailored support depending on each individual business need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Houghton Traders' Association is now established. The first newsletter was produced in November 2013 and the website is now live. There are 26 businesses in Houghton engaged in the programme There are 14 businesses in Hetton currently receiving support from the programme. A survey of all businesses received a positive response from 18 traders who were interested in forming a Traders' Forum in Hetton There are 8 businesses in Shiney Row currently receiving business advice and support. The physical aspect of the shopping area has been improved and positive feedback received from traders and shoppers
The Communications Officer for the Coalfield area is working with the lead agent to promote Shop Local	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The November Community News featured the project. Local Christmas celebrations in all three centres were promoted as 'Shop Local at Christmas' A high profile marketing campaign is being developed to highlight and promote the work of the Place Board and Area Committee in supporting the development of Houghton Traders Association and the business advice, support and funding for all three shopping centres
Local Priority: Improving Allotments	
Enforcement action has been taken (on all sites) against those on not using plots for cultivation purposes and tenancies terminated. The vacated plots have now	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All potential tenants must now attend a site visit with Officers to ensure are in full agreement with the terms of their licence Waiting lists have been reduced considerably as a result of this exercise (see attached at Annex 5)

been cleared	
The first major site improvement (Burnside) is now complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All fencing and clearance of plots now complete. • A new sign has been erected at the entrance to the allotments to acknowledge the support of Area Committee. • There are now two plots currently on offer and awaiting responses to offer letters. All other plots are tenanted and being cultivated. • No further spend required – the site will now be closely monitored
Phase 1 of the second major site (Britannia Terrace, Fence Houses) is now being implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearance of plots along the rear of Britannia Tce complete • Consultation has taken place with bordering residential properties, with a positive response from occupants • Powder coated palisade fencing has been procured and due be installed w/c 6 January 2014 • A section of damaged and derelict timber close board fencing will be renewed • Once this first phase is complete, the 10 new plots will be allocated to existing and new tenants including a community garden for Dubmire Primary School • The costs to complete the Phase 1 work will amount to approximately £32,000 including removal of all waste and levelling the ground • Occupiers of the remaining site (phase 2) have been engaged in regular meetings about the plans to redevelop the site in the longer term. The last meeting took place in Nov 2013 and a further meeting is scheduled for February 2014. Detailed proposals on the new redevelopment plans will be provided, and tenants' co-operation will be sought. Updates will be provided in due course
The process of letting and managing allotments has been reviewed as a result of the Working Group and Place Board requests and recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processes have been revised, relying less on a series of letters being sent out, and more on email, phone and text • All applicants are now met on site before any tenancy is offered. The applicants' plans for allotment use are investigated and discussed before they are given a licence • The Customer Services Network is developing a more streamlined application process to reduce administration, update waiting lists automatically and improve communication • New and existing tenants are being encouraged to form allotment associations or allotment committees in order to take on responsibility for the continued improvements of their sites. This will allow them to attract external support and funding
Local Priority: Events and Celebrations	
Discussions with voluntary and community organisations has taken place with regard to delivering local events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The VCS Network wish to develop and deliver a series of events during 2014, to commemorate World War 1 • Heritage Lottery Funding has been applied for via VCS Network members to support a wider programme of activity • The Place Board has produced a draft programme of key activities for 2014 (attached at Annex 6). With the exception of the WW1 commemoration which is a new project, all activities listed are those which are supported each year and are important to the local community • The Place Board recommend a budget of £15,000 SIB is allocated to a '2014 local celebrations' project, developed with the local community and delivered by the VCS Network and partners

3. Recommendations
Members are requested to:

- Consider the progress and performance update with regard to Coalfield Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14
- Consider recommendations for SIB requests at Item 5, Finance Report

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Annex 1: Workplan

Annex 2: Dog Control Orders

Annex 3: Forest Estate site information

Annex 4: Environmental Improvements project brief (draft)

Annex 5: Allotment Waiting List

Annex 6: Timetable of Events 2014

PLACE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services

	Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	Progress
1	Responsive Local Services - Streetscene	To influence delivery in the Coalfields	Monthly basis	Work with Area Response Manager to identify opportunities to influence service; Review existing service scope and re-consider how members can influence future delivery - particularly focusing on agreement of programmed activities and the implementation of Dog Control Orders	As required		Dog control order final recommendations have been shared with members. Increased incidents of fly tipping have been recorded during the 6 months to September 2013. The ARM is working with Durham County Council to develop a joint strategy (including use of covert cameras). Recently placed cameras have provided supporting evidence for legal action against offenders.
2	Highways Maintenance	To influence usage of resources at an area level for inclusion in Capital Programme	Dec-13	Members to feed in views to prioritise works for inclusion in the annual Capital Programme;	Apr-14		Data currently being collated by Head of Streetscene. Officers to attend future Board meeting to agree an approach for Capital Highway Maintenance Programme. Highways plan for 2014/15 presented to Place Board to influence capital maintenance expenditure across the Coalfield area.
3	Public Protection and Regulatory Services	Consideration to be given to potential alignment of the services with the Board. Services in scope including trading standards, food standards, pollution control, pest control and licensing	Nov-13	Establish understanding of services delivered at a local level; Look to develop early intervention activities which support vulnerable groups within the locality	As required		An officer from PPRS aligned to Coalfield Area and supported presentation to December Board.
4	Play and Urban Games Strategy	Influence the update of the strategy - consider with more relevance to board or ward basis	tbc	tbc	As required		Gill Wake meeting regularly with Sport + Leisure colleagues. No further action required by Boards at this stage.
5	Section 106	Give consideration to how members can influence the refinement of policy in order that they are involved earlier to influence how S106 could be used and member involvement on individual cases thereafter	tbc	tbc	tbc		
6	Parking Management Schemes	Members to be consulted on Parking Management Schemes should they be proposed	As required	As required	As required		Not applicable to the Coalfield area at present
7	Local Development Framework (LDF), Core Strategy and associated documents	Members to be consulted on process for the review of the Strategy, share views and feed into the public consultation process	Sep-13	Members to bring local knowledge to inform the development of the future policy	Not applicable		Local plan and settlement break documents discussed at the July board meeting. Public consultation is underway and a workshop for members to discuss further was held in September 2013 with a further workshop in November to discuss the greenbelt strategy. Further consultation to take place during 2014.
8	Housing Renewal	Consideration to be given to how the board could inform the development of annual delivery plans and identify local hot spots for target action	tbc	tbc	tbc		Lead Area Coordinator in discussion with the Housing Service Lead as to how area arrangements can influence how resources are locally deployed. Updates to follow.

Additional Area Priorities

	Local Priority	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	
1	Improvement of areas of neglected land	To influence and support the improvement and management of Council owned sites across the area		Develop a programme of LWYL projects Support the improvements of identified Council owned sites Influence the maintenance programme including budgets Monitor SIB neglected land project			The LWYL project continues to be delivered in partnership with local schools and community groups via the VCS Network. All of the smaller council owned plots have been cleared and are being monitored by ARM The final large scale project on Council owned land is being developed and an update is given in the report at Item 3 Over 80 of the 95 private plots identified have been improved, brought into meaningful use or are in the process of being sold or let. the ARM is working with private owners to continue and maintain improvements. Enforcement action has commenced with owners of three privately owned sites.

2	Support to local shopping centres	To influence and support the physical and economic improvement of the three local shopping centres (Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row)		To continue to monitor progress To direct the work of the lead agent and retail expert To bring local intelligence to ensure effective results		Physical improvements have been made in all three shopping centres. A retail specialist has been engaged by the lead agent and is currently providing bespoke advice and mentoring to 26 businesses in Houghton, 14 in Hetton and 8 in Shiney Row. Houghton Traders have set up a Traders' Association and formed a committee, designed a logo and developed a website. There are 18 businesses in Hetton who are interested in discussing the merits of forming a traders forum
3	Improvement of allotments and community gardens	To influence the improvement and management of Council owned allotment sites across the area		Monitor progress of sites improved Support the development of a more robust management process Provide local knowledge on specific issues and sites Further develop the SIB funded project to improve sites		Sites with unlettable plots have been improved and fencing installed. Tenancies of those using plots inappropriately have been terminated. Waiting lists have been reviewed and reduced significantly. Phase 1 of Britannia Tce improvements is underway and occupiers of the remaining plots are being consulted with as to the development of Phase 2.
4	Local events and celebrations (also on People work plan)	Identify opportunities to celebrate significant events and festivals		Continue to monitor and receive information relating to celebrations, events and activities taking place in the local area Develop local projects with VCS organisations via local celebrations SIB project Continue to build on successful heritage events and projects delivered locally		The VCS Network wish to develop a 2014 calendar of events in relation to 100 years of WW1 - HLF has been applied for . The Place Board has identified a number of events to be delivered in partnership with local organisations.
5	Flood risk planning	Influence the development of a partnership approach to improving flood risk planning		Identify opportunities where members/officers/relevant partners can work together to address issues Provide local intelligence on problematic locations Receive and respond to updates from Street Scene Head of Service		The Council, in our role as Lead Local Flood Authority are co-ordinating plans and actions with Northumbrian Water Limited and the Environment Agency to addressing flooding issues in the Coalfields which cut across the responsibilities of the different agencies. The Head of Service for Street Scene will feed back on future progress.
6	Empty properties	Influence empty properties action plan and enforcement powers to reduce negative impact on the area		Provide information on problematic empty properties to inform action plan Provide information and assurance to local residents regarding action taken		An Empty Homes strategy has been developed, with targets for each area. The Empty Properties Officer receives information directly from Councillors and members of the public and acts accordingly. Regular updates are given via the Place Board
7	Major developments in the Coalfield area (may link to item 7 on core service list above - to be agreed)	To be more informed about large developments and their impact on the local community in order to fulfil the Council's Community Leadership role		Receive information regarding significant developments in the area		Information on planning applications is provided to members in their regular bulletin Workshops on core strategy development will contribute to this priority
	G	Progressing on target				
	A	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in place to action)				
	R	Not progressing				

Item 3 Annex 2

		DCO 1 FOULING	DCO 2 ON LEADS	DCO 3 DIRECTED TO BE ON LEAD	DCO 4 EXCLUSION FROM LAND	DCO 5 EXCESSIVE NO. OF DOGS
Hetton Park	See also play areas + sports facilities	✓	✓			
Hetton Lyons Park	See also play area	✓	✓			
Rectory Park	See also play area	✓	✓			
Rectory Field	separate area to Rectory field	✓		✓		
Herrington Country Park	See also play area	✓		✓		
Keir Hardie	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
The Flatts	See also misc	✓	✓			
Earls Green	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
Elmore View	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
Herrington Welfare	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
Hetton Park	Open See also parks and sports	✓	✓			
Hetton Lyons Country Park	See also Parks. Enclosed	✓			✓	
Hetton Lyons BMX	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
King George V PF	Open	✓	✓			
High Moorsley	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
Old Durham Road	Enclosed - metal railings	✓			✓	
Rectory Park	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Kirklea Field	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓	✓			
Grasswell	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓		✓		
Martindale Park	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Rear Melrose Gardens	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Lydford Court	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
The Crofters	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Herrington Country Park	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Barnwell	Open	✓	✓			
Maidens Lea	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Herrington WSP	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Grangewood	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Lambton Rise	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Biddick Woods	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Boundary Field	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Trinity Park	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Houghton WSP	Enclosed metal fence and gate	✓			✓	
Hetton Cemetery		✓	✓			
Easington Lane Cemetery		✓	✓			
Houghton Cemetery		✓	✓			
All closed Cemeteries		✓	✓			
Hetton Park bowling green	See also play and parks	✓	✓			
Hetton Lyons	Football - open	✓	✓			
Success Playing fields	football - open	✓		✓		
Leyburn Grove	Enclosed sports complex	✓		✓		
Herrington CW	Enclosed sports complex	✓		✓		
Durham Road	Rugby pitch	✓		✓		
Houghton Bowling green		✓		✓		
Rectory Park	Formal planting	✓	✓			
Gilpin Woods		✓		✓		
Flint Mill		✓		✓		
Collingwood Drive		✓		✓		
St Georges Playing Fields	See also play areas	✓		✓		
Keir Hardie	See also play areas	✓		✓		
The Flatts	See also play areas	✓		✓		
Old Durham Road	See also play areas	✓		✓		
Barnwell	See also play areas	✓		✓		

**Neglected Land Project – Forest Estate Site, Easington Lane
Place Board January 2014**

Progress since September 2013

A site meeting in November identified the most practical option would be to create three larger grazing plots rather than the 6 small plots originally discussed. This was agreed by the Place Board, and a further site meeting finalised dimensions/access points etc. A meeting with Land and Property Services identified the practicalities of leasing the site, and also the links with the emerging Horse Tethering Policy, currently under development.

Proposed option

After consultation with neighbouring residential properties the proposed option is to create two grazing plots. The fencing recommended is post and rail, with wire infill. This is the most secure, safe option.

It is proposed to create a grassed leisure area on the remaining site which is closest to residential properties. There is an opportunity to install two small football goals on the leisure area, this is being further explored with colleagues from Sport and Leisure services. Four lighting columns will be reinstated to ensure lighting of the area. The remaining, redundant, columns will be reduced in height and made safe.

Costs

Costs for clearing the site, removal of wastes, erecting fencing to the grazing areas and levelling the leisure area will be approximately £25,000. Further costs for topsoil, grass seeding and other works are being sought.

There will be no charge for the initial works to the lighting.

There will also be a cost to creating a wildlife area on the boundary with Easington Lane Primary School. The scale of the scheme depends on the funding available.

Future use

It is unlikely there will be any potential for sale or development within the next 10 years. During this period the grazing plots will be let and managed by Land and Property Services, and the grassed area maintained by RLS. The wildlife garden will be managed jointly by Groundwork and Easington Lane Primary School.

Budget

The remaining budget in the existing Neglected Land SIB project stands at £21,448. Place Board to discuss reducing the scale/quality of the project or recommending to January Area Committee an increase in the SIB budget to carry out work proposed as above, and also complete the site by creating a nature garden in partnership with Groundwork and Easington Lane Primary School on the land adjacent to the school site.

The Lead Agent is currently in negotiation with Gentoo and Four Housing, both who own small areas of land within the project site boundary, to obtain a contribution towards costs.

**Coalfield Area Committee:
Area Place Board Funding Opportunity
Environmental Improvement and Education**

Introduction and background

Coalfield Area Place Board would like to invite interested local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) groups and non-profit making organisations to submit proposals to deliver projects in the local community which carry out physical improvements to the local environment and deliver educational messages about the importance of looking after the environment. Wards covered by the Coalfield Area are Copt Hill, Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row.

Only VCS organisations/groups who have a management committee, constitution and bank account with dual signatories can be involved. There is an opportunity for local VCS groups with a proven track record in delivering grant funded projects to deliver projects on behalf of the Coalfield Area Committee. Applications demonstrating strong partnership working and cover both the physical and educational elements required are encouraged.

Project

As part of the Coalfield Area Committee 'Love Where You Live' priority, the Place Board would like to invite project proposals which complement and work in partnership with existing services and initiatives in the Coalfield area.

Projects must:-

- Deliver Environmental Improvements
- Involve the local community
- Provide educational messages

Projects should contribute to the overall outcomes of:

- Increased awareness of the impact of negative activity against the environment
- Improved outdoor and open spaces
- Improved enjoyment of local natural and environmental assets

Project proposals can be targeted to part wards, full wards, multi wards or the whole area, depending on the nature and capacity of a project and the need identified. Smaller, more localised, projects will also be considered.

Budget: £30,000

There is a total of £30,000 available. Please Note – this is the total budget available for all projects which are successful - **NOT** per project application. **Therefore, we would envisage that individual projects would not exceed £5,000.**

Proposed Timescale

Opportunity advertised to VCS Network	24 January 2014
Deadline for completed applications	21 February 2014
Scoring panel/appraisal to take place	24 Feb 2014
Applications considered by Coalfield Place Board	4 March 2014
Recommendation submitted to Area Committee for decision	9 April 2014

Next Steps

Any interested VCS Group should request an application form. These are available by contacting Pauline Hopper, Coalfield Area Officer Email: pauline.hopper@sunderland.gov.uk or telephone 0191 561 7912, who will be happy to answer any questions groups may have about the project

As a result of a recent survey with all those on the waiting lists, the list in the coalfield has reduced.

Waiting List Update		Before Survey	After Survey	Drop by	% Drop
Allendale Crescent	Total Applications This Site =	8	6	2	25%
Best View - Shiney Row (Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	10	2	8	80%
Britannia Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	17	11	6	35%
Burnside	Total Applications This Site =	13	13	0	0%
Coxgreen	Total Applications This Site =	41	14	27	66%
Derwent Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	28	20	8	29%
Durham Street	Total Applications This Site =	8	4	4	50%
Elemore Vale, Easington Lane	Total Applications This Site =	14	9	5	36%
Fletcher Crescent	Total Applications This Site =	8	4	4	50%
Girven Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	13	5	8	62%
Gladstone Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	14	9	5	36%
Grasswell - Ex Coal Board	Total Applications This Site =	45	16	29	64%
Gravel Walks - (Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	27	10	17	63%
Henry Street	Total Applications This Site =	8	2	6	75%
Herrington Welfare	Total Applications This Site =	11	2	9	82%
Hunter Street	Total Applications This Site =	10	6	4	40%
Hutton Street	Total Applications This Site =	3	2	1	33%
James Terrace - Easington Lane (Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	8	3	5	63%
John Street (Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	16	7	9	56%
Kitchener Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	7	3	4	57%
Lambton Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	21	16	5	24%
Low & High Moorsley (self Managed)	Total Applications This Site =	10	4	6	60%
Low Downs	Total Applications This Site =	10	5	5	50%
Lyons Lane	Total Applications This Site =	8	3	5	63%
Morley Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	12	4	8	67%
New Store Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	6	3	3	50%
Old Store Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	5	3	2	40%
Percy Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	8	3	5	63%
Railway Street - Grasswell (Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	16	4	12	75%
Ritchies Garages	Total Applications This Site =	8	5	3	38%
School Road	Total Applications This Site =	8	5	3	38%
Seaham Road	Total Applications This Site =	30	7	23	77%
South Market Street -(Ex Coal Board)	Total Applications This Site =	28	3	25	89%
South Street, Fence Houses	Total Applications This Site =	11	4	7	64%
South View Shiney Row	Total Applications This Site =	8	3	5	63%
St Matthews Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	1	1	0	0%
Surrey Street	Total Applications This Site =	10	5	5	50%
Urwin Street	Total Applications This Site =	26	9	17	65%
Victory Street East - Hetton le Hole (Ex Coal B)	Total Applications This Site =	16	5	11	69%
Walter Terrace	Total Applications This Site =	5	3	2	40%
Whitefield Cottages	Total Applications This Site =	6	4	2	33%

Coalfield Area Local Events and Celebrations

Timetable of events 2014

Place Board proposal for SIB project (lead agent Area Community Officer)

Date	Event	Brief description
Feb – Dec	WW1 commemoration	A series of activities and events to mark and remember the commencement of first world war. Each area will have at least one main event and each will have a specific theme e.g. dance, food, dress, children, work. There will also be an opportunity for local groups to deliver their own small scale projects. This will be developed via the VCS Network.
July	Durham Gala (miners banner parades)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eppleton march 	Road closure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lambton march 	Road closure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Herrington march 	Road closure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elemore march 	Road closure
November	Remembrance Day services	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easington Lane 	Road Closure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shiney Row 	PA System
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fencehouses 	Road Closure
December	Shiney row lights switch on	Santa, gifts for children, live switch on, carol singing, barriers, pa system, lights etc
	Rectory Park, Houghton Christmas event	Santa, gifts for children, decorations etc..
	Easington Lane Christmas event	Switch on of lights, community event, santa, gifts for children

22 January 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year’s (2013/14) People Board Work Plan.

2 Background

2.1 Earlier this year the Local Area Plan’s priorities associated with People were referred to the Coalfield People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The People Board is initiating action on those priorities, the report set out below and **Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3 Area Governance Arrangements

3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council’s Executive Function and have two key roles:-

- (a) Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
- (b) Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council’s Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensure maximum impact where necessary through utilising its own resources.

3.2 Each ward will have elected member representation, whose role will be to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the People Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

- Councillor Anne Lawson (Chair and Shiney Row ward)
- Councillor Derrick Smith (Copt Hill)
- Councillor Colin Wakefield (Copt Hill)
- Councillor James Blackburn (Hetton)
- Councillor Florence Anderson (Hetton)
- Councillor Gemma Taylor (Houghton)

3.3 Members are required to represent their ward and should liaise with ward colleagues on Place Board matters accordingly. Cllr Dennis Richardson attends People Board as Chair of Area Committee to assist co-ordination between Place and People Boards.

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements to date

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Coalfield People Board up to December 2013.

Action Taken	Outcome
Strategic Influencing : Early Intervention and Locality Based Services	
Influencing of early intervention and locality services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The board now receive regular performance updates from the Locality Manager with regard to attendance, CAF, Children’s Centres, Connexions and Risk and Resilience. Specific areas to note are highlighted for discussion. The last update (attached

	<p>as Annex 2) was given at the October meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the October 2013 meeting, the board received a presentation on the re-commissioning of Childrens Centres and members given the opportunity to provide suggestions for services/programmes that can improve provision in the Coalfield area
Library Services have been reviewed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members have helped to influence the development of a new modern library service for the city The revised opening times for remaining libraries have now been confirmed and information about community library services was shared A Community Engagement Officer and Assistant dedicated to the Coalfield area are developing and delivering community based activities in partnership with the Area Community Officer and Coalfield VCS Network partners Book collections are being established in local community venues across the area by Community Librarians
Strategic Influencing: Health and Wellbeing	
Members requested to be involved in the Integrating Wellness project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A presentation was given by the Public Health lead for the Coalfield area to the November 2013 Board meeting Members fed in their views to the Chair of the People Board and to the Public Health lead Public consultation will take place from January 2014 A service specification will be developed by March 2014, members are invited to consider refinements to the specification throughout consultation
Members requested to be involved in the Sexual Health review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An initial presentation was given to the People Board in December 2013 Members gave input and raised queries around the involvement of young people (schools and youth parliament) in the review Members will be kept updated at regular intervals throughout the review
Strategic Influencing: Welfare Reform	
Members are involved in the influence of specific elements of Welfare Reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An update on the citywide and local position was given to the People Board at the November 2013 meeting Members' views regarding crisis support and food parcels were gathered to inform local delivery
Area Priority: Transformation of Adult Social Care	
Raise awareness of services available for Older and vulnerable people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A directory is being developed using information and knowledge from HHAS, public health, elected members, VCS network partners and residents. Members are encouraged to provide further intelligence to assist in the collection of accurate information
People board have begun the development of a 'dementia friendly community'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A 'dementia module' for the health champions training, developed by public health colleagues and funded by Area Committee via SIB, is being delivered across the area in local venues. To date three workshops have taken place, each one was fully subscribed and feedback to date is very positive Workshops will be delivered each month. Information on dates, times and venues will be provided when available (see attached Annex 3) The September Area Committee approved SIB funding to provide equipment to enable delivery of 'singing for the brain', 'dementia café' and intergenerational choir at Bernard Gilpin school The newly built community facility at the School, the 'Living Room' was opened in December 2013 by the Mayor of Sunderland

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Area Community Officer will work with the school to promote and support the activities being delivered
Area Priority: Support for older people, vulnerable adults and carers	
People Board developed a mechanism to provide small SIB grants to local organisations to support older people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five local groups were awarded funding to provide activities and social support to older people and vulnerable adults. The Last of the Summer Wine project (Houghton Racecourse Community Access Point) has been unable to generate the interest expected and has now ended. Therefore the People Board recommend that the balance of £4,040 allocated is returned to budget A further call for projects resulted in six applications being considered by the People Board.
Area Priority: Health and young people	
Joint funding by Area Committee and the Sunderland CCG was agreed to develop small scale local projects to improve sexual and mental wellbeing in young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A total of £30,000 was approved for this priority A call for projects to deliver relevant services resulted in 6 project applications.
Joint funding by Area Committee and the Sunderland CCG was agreed to develop small scale local projects to improve healthy weight in children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A total of £30,000 was approved for this priority A call for projects to deliver relevant services resulted in 10 project applications.

5. Recommendations

5.1 Members are requested to:

- a) Consider the progress and performance update with regards to the Coalfield People Board Work Plan for 2013/2014
- b) Consider recommendations regarding SIB allocations under Item 5, Finance Report

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Annex 1 Workplan

Annex 2 Early Intervention and Locality Services update

Annex 3 Dementia Awareness workshop information

PEOPLE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services

	Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	Progress
1	Support the Delivery of the Health and Well Being Strategy: Transformation of Adult Social Care	To influence the design and delivery of local services to support improvements in public health and adult social care	Monthly basis	Develop community directory of services Identify gaps and opportunities to enhance community provision Consider potential to develop Dementia Cafés Develop dementia module of Health Champions Identify key individuals/organisations to act as 'community connectors'	Sep-13		Completion of a 'one directory' anticipated at the end of January. Dementia cafe discussions underway with Bernard Gilpin school SIB funding of £5,750 approved to develop dementia training module. 3 workshops have been held with positive feedback. Further dates planned throughout the year.
2	Early Years Intervention and Locality Services	To influence service delivery in the Coalfields	Monthly basis	Work with Locality Manager to identify opportunities to influence services; Specifically monitor and influence the delivery of activities for young people	As required		Early Intervention and Locality Services performance information presented to the Board on a quarterly basis
3	Re-commissioning services in Children's Centres for 2014	To influence service provision in the Coalfields as of April 2014	Oct-13	Bring unique understanding of communities to identify options for future delivery	As required		New contracts to be awarded from 1.4.14 for a fixed period of 2yrs. Members to be consulted in next review cycle.
4	Influencing re-commissioning of Youth Contracts for 2015	Influence Youth Contract Provision from April 2015	July 2014 (tbc)	tbc	September 2014 (tbc)		Youth Contract performance information presented to Board on 6 monthly basis. Members will be consulted in next review cycle.
5	LMAP's - review and links with Area Arrangements	To ensure the Board understand the outcome of the review and the impact on linkages with Area Arrangements	tbc	tbc	tbc		Soft touch internal review taking place initially before member influence sought.
6	Library Services	Stage 2 consultation - opportunity for members to influence transformation of a reading and learning information service	Jun-13	Members to feed in potential venues in the area for Community Book collections and reservations, outreach programmes and use of buildings	September 2013 (update only)		First and second stage consultation presented to Board and VCS network. A Community Engagement Officer and Assistant dedicated to Coalfield area to develop and deliver community based activities in partnership with ACO and VCS partners.
7	Lifelong Learning	To consider how members can influence the commissioning of activity utilising Family Adult and Community Learning Funding (FACL) available in 2014/15	Nov-13	tbc	tbc		
8	HHA Commissioned Grant	To consider how members can influence the commissioning process for 2015/16 grants	Jan-14	Work with HHAS during 2014/15 to contribute to the commissioning approach which will take place Sept-March 14/15	tbc		
9	Child Health/Obesity	Consideration to be given to opportunities where members/officers/relevant partners can work together to understand the local context and how community leadership can help reduce obesity	tbc	tbc	Jan-14		Call for projects resulted in 10 applications to be submitted to Area Committee. Jointly funded with CCG, £30k was approved to support appropriate initiatives.
10	Health Funding - £20k per area	To allocate against Health priorities	tbc	tbc	tbc		

11	Integrated Wellness Service Review	To input into forthcoming review	Oct-13	A stakeholder event is being arranged for November 2013 and as such it is proposed that the item is discussed at the October People Board meeting allowing members time to discuss and feed in views via Area Chair and People Board Chair who will be in turn invited to the stakeholder event	tbc		Integrated Wellness event held 7th November, and Chair fed in Coalfield member views. Public consultation will take place from January 2014. Members views will be taken before completion in March 2014.
12	Strengthening Families - Family Focus	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence the Strengthening Families - Family Focus	tbc	tbc	tbc		Presentation delivered to September Area Committee and agreed delegation to People Board. SF seen to be a strand running through work undertaken with children, young people and families.
13	Welfare Reform	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence/take actions	Nov-13	Presentations to November Boards to identify elements that can be influenced through community leadership role & influence contract evaluation in local area.			Presentation delivered to November Board on the local and national position. Members' views were given regarding crisis support and food parcels in order to improve local service delivery
14	Sexual Health Review	To input into review of sexual health services in the city at an area level and influence future service delivery in terms of how much is delivered centrally and how much is delivered through outreach (within a given financial envelope)	Dec-13	Presentation to December Board by Public Health colleagues regarding needs assessment and recommendations city wide. Members asked to contribute to local perspective			Presentation to Board by Judith Stonebridge updating on progress of review. Members contributed local knowledge and raised queries. Members will be kept updated throughout the review period.
15	Anti-social Behaviour	Consideration being given to how members can influence a more bespoke approach to ASB	tbc	tbc	tbc		

Additional Area Priorities

	Local Priority	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	
1	Healthy life choices for children and young people	Consideration to be given to opportunities where members/officers/relevant partners can work together to understand the local context and how community leadership can help promote and develop projects to address sexual health, mental health and healthy weight in children and young people.	Feb-14	Receive information on current projects and identify gaps Develop appropriate mechanism to engage local VCS organisations in the development and delivery of successful projects Identify how information sharing and promotion of services can be improved	Jan-14	A Call for projects has been developed by the Board and approved by Area Committee at the September 13 meeting £30,000 SIB funding for this priority was approved by Area Committee in September 2013, with an additional £30,000 allocated by Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
2	Positive activities for young people focusing on holiday and under 13 provision	Influencing youth provision in line with the Youth Contract commissioning cycle (to be combined with 4 above once the approach has been agreed)	Apr-14	Consider future holiday provision once current SIB funding has ended Consider the use of Community Chest against current priorities		The Board agreed that current contractual provision, along with SIB and Community Chest funded projects was providing a wide range of holiday activity. This will be reviewed later in the year in discussion with the youth
3	Support for older people, vulnerable adults and their carers	To influence how services might be delivered in the future	Feb-14	Continue to monitor SIB funded projects Develop further relationships with local VCS organisations delivering local services Identify further opportunities for SIB allocation	Jan-14	Joint working with Bernard Gilpin school has identified further potential to work together to develop dementia café, singing for the brain and dementia friendly community. An application for £5,700 SIB was approved at the September Area Committee A further call for projects resulted in six applications presented to January 2014 Area Committee
4	Local Events and Celebrations (also on Place work plan)	Identify opportunities to celebrate significant events and festivals	Feb-14	Continue to monitor and receive information relating to celebrations, events and activities taking place in the local area Develop local projects with VCS organisations via local celebrations SIB project Continue to build on successful heritage events and projects delivered locally	Jan-14	The VCS Network wish to develop a 2014 calendar of events in relation to 100 years of WW1 - HLF has been applied for. The Place Board has identified a number of events to be delivered in partnership with local organisations.
	G	Progressing on target				
	A	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in place to action)				
	R	Not progressing				

Peoples Board Wednesday 9th October 2013

Report from Early Intervention and Locality Services

Youth Provision

8 – 10 year old provision

Achieving participation targets in locality (136 children) and all individual wards.

202 children have attended provision, 57% male and 43% female.

90 recorded outcomes have been evidenced eg health support, information and support on health choices

No locality outcomes achieved as yet.

11 – 19 provision

Achieving participation targets in locality (416 young people) and all individual wards.

587 young people have attended provision, 66% male, 34% female.

215 recorded outcomes have been evidenced of which 112 are locality outcomes eg young people make informed choices about drug and alcohol.

Commissioned youth sessions are listed below

Session Allocation as delivered in Quarter 2

AGE	WARD	SESSION / VENUE	DAY / TIME
08 - 10	Copt Hill	Kirklee Playing Fields or HRCAP	Fri 4:30-6:30
08 - 10	Hetton	Kirklee Playing Fields or HRCAP	Fri 4:30-6:30
08 - 10	Houghton	Brancepeth Avenue Bungalow, Fencehouses	Thurs 4:00-6:00
08 - 10	Shiney Row	Shiney Row Junior Club	Wed 4:00-6:00
11-19	Copt Hill	Copt Hill Detached/HRCAP	Tues 6:00-8:00
		Copt Hill Detached	Thurs 6:30-8:30
		Kirklee Playing Sessions	Sat 2:30-4:30
11-19	Hetton	Flatts	Tues 6:30-8:30
		Hetton	Wed 6:00-8:00
		Flatts	Sat 12:00-2:00
11-19	Houghton	Underground	Tues 6:00-8:00
		Underground	Thurs 6:00-8:00
		Brancepeth Avenue Bungalow, Fencehouses	Mon 6:00-8:00
		Houghton Kepier	Fri 7:00-9:00
11-19	Shiney Row	Shiney Row Detached	Tues 6:30-8:30
		Shiney Row muga	Wed 6:15-8:15
		Penshaw CA	Fri 6:00-8:00

Other youth news – Underground awarded £38,000 from Youth Music Awards.

Children's Centre information

In the year 2012 – 2013 the Children's Centre reached 76% of the 0 – 4 child population. Full range of activities are being provided across the locality. October half term will provide lots of activities to promote health, eg zumba, football, little movers, healthy teeth. There is a portage group operating from Barnwell/Monument for children with severe disabilities.

There are 48 volunteers in the locality, 2 have moved to university and others have gained employment.

We are planning to create a space at the Barnwell/monument site which will be permanently set up with play equipment and to focus our work in the Shiney Row area from Barnwell.

Childcare information

There are 7 full daycare settings in Coalfields, 3 are graded Outstanding and 4 are graded good by Ofsted.

There are 34 childminders, 3 are outstanding, 22 good, 6 satisfactory and 3 inadequate. 156 eligible disadvantaged 2 year olds have applied for a childcare place. (34 more than we anticipated being eligible!)

4 daycare settings have been allocated funding to support the creation of additional places – Houghton community Nursery school, Hetton le Hole Nursery school, Nesham Day nursery and Chilton Meadows. 4 childminders have also been allocated funding.

Risk and Resilience Information

YDAP

One to one work – 19 referrals since April

Group work – 2 groups at Springboard, Herrington Burn YMCA photography project, Children's homes – training and individual support to staff and young people.

Sexual Health

Sexual relationship education delivered at springboard, hetton comp, herrington burn ymca, dubmire youth inclusion and ELCAP.

Wear Kids

One to one work – 31 referrals since April

Group work – 2 groups at hetton comp, dubmire primary.

Attendance information

The enforcement role is now offered to all schools in the locality due to a change of guidance from DfE.

In the academic year 12 – 13 15 referrals were received from Primary schools and 34 from secondary schools. 14 cases were taken to court.

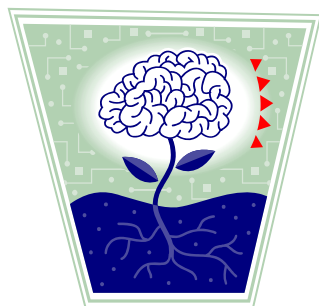
Connexions Information

The new office opening times have now started.

We will create a youth hub at the connexions office by moving the risk and resilience staff, attendance and child and family staff to the Houghton office. This will allow for the building to be open more often. We are waiting for support from IT to be able to move the staff.



Dementia Awareness



FREE Half day training course available to anyone living, volunteering or working in the Coalfields Area

Wednesday 5th February – Shiney Advice Resource Project – ShARP

Monday 10th March – The Hetton Centre

All training is 9.15 – 1.pm

There are around 800,000 people in the UK with dementia. One in three people over 65 will develop dementia, and two-thirds of people with dementia are women. The number of people with dementia is increasing because people are living longer. It is estimated that by 2021, the number of people with dementia in the UK will have increased to around 1 million.

To increase awareness around dementia the Sunderland Health Champions programme has developed a dementia course. This FREE half day training course provides up to date information and will improve your knowledge to help the lives of people with dementia.

- ✚ Increase your knowledge and understanding of different types of dementia including Alzheimer's disease.
- ✚ Identify the common signs and symptoms.
- ✚ Explore local and national support options available for sufferers and their families.
- ✚ Myth busting, FAQs and much more!

To book your place contact: the Health Champions Programme on 0191 561 2427 or email: Healthchampions@sunderland.gov.uk

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**COALFIELD AREA COMMITTEE
22 JANUARY 2014
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Title of Report:

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest – Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

Author(s):

Chief Executive

Purpose of Report:

This report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

Description of Decision:

The Area Committee is requested to:-

- Note the financial information set out in sections 2 & 3 and Annex 4
- Approve SIB project applications listed in 2.2, 2.3 and Annex 1,2 & 3
- Agree to allocate £30,000 to the existing Neglected Land project
- Agree to allocate £2,000 to a youth led promotional project
- Agree to allocate £30,000 SIB to develop small projects with the VCS Network to support the ‘Love Where You Live’ priority
- Agree to allocate £15,000 to develop a ‘Local Celebrations 2014’ project
- Approve a sum of £5,000 SIB funding to Philadelphia Cricket Club subject to an application form being completed
- Agree that the £4,040 previously allocated to the Last of the Summer Wine project be returned to the main budget

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

SIB and SIP are budgets delegated to Area Committee in order to commission activity that delivers actions against the key strategic priorities identified in the Coalfield Work Plan.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No

Scrutiny Committee

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

22 JANUARY 2014

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Work Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. This report provides a financial statement in relation to allocating SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

- 2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB following the September 2013 meeting of Area Committee.

The allocation for 2013/14 is £241,514. A balance of £15,933 is carried over from 2012/13, giving a total opening balance of £257,447				
Project Name	Committee Date	Allocated (not yet assessed)	Approvals	Balance
	-	-	-	£257,447
Business Support Project	20.06.2013	-	£40,000	£217,447
Lighting for footpath at Ross Lea, Shiney Row	20.06.2013	-	£2,000	£215,447
St Aidan's Angling Training	18.09.2013		£5,000	£210,447
Dementia Training SCC Public Health	18.09.2013		£5,750	£204,697
Bernard Gilpin School Community Project	18.09.2013		£5,700	£198,997
Health and Young People SIB allocation for Call for Projects	18.09.2013		£30,000	£168,997
Youth Work Training Herrington Burn YMCA RETURNED £9	N/A	N/A	N/A	£169,006
Russell Foster Traffic RETURNED £4,900	N/A	N/A	N/A	£173,906
				£173,906

- 2.2 The following projects (further details in Annex 1,2 and 3) are recommended by the People Board for approval. The budget for each priority has been previously approved by Area Committee and already deducted from the main SIB budget as above.

Support for Older People	
Space 4 Care	2170
Hope social	1500
Health Mentor b active b fit	3000
Luncheon club ShARP	2600
Ipad EngAGE Age UK	3000

Annex 1 attached gives a summary of each project with a recommendation from the People Board

Healthy Weight	
Family Health YMCA	4982
Food and ceramics ELCAP	5000

St Aidans	5000
Tackle it SAFC	5000
Awareness W/ton Mind	3050
High Five SNCBC	3640
Trails, snails,scales Groundwork	5000

Annex 2 attached gives a summary of each project with a recommendation from the People Board

Sexual/Mental Health	
Peer educator YMCA	4918
Looking after yourself SNCBC	4318
Healthy young minds	4950

Annex 3 attached gives a summary of each project with a recommendation from the People Board

2.3 The Place Board report at Item 3 outlines further funding required to complete work on a number of priorities, namely, Neglected Land, Love Where You Live and Local Events and Celebrations. The amounts recommended for approval are:

* Neglected Land (increase to existing project)	£30,000
* Promotional project (new project via youth groups)	£2,000
* Love Where You Live (call for projects)	£30,000
* Local Celebrations 2014 (via VCS Network)	£15,000

2.4 Philadelphia Community and Cricket Club has requested a contribution of £5,000 SIB towards a £50,000 project to improve community facilities. The improvements to the club include updated lighting and heating, disabled toilet and an improved kitchen. This will allow the club to increase the community activities delivered on site, including a lunch club and social activities for older people.

2.5 The Last of the Summer Wine project has been unable to generate the interest expected and has now ended. Therefore the People Board recommends that the balance of £4,040 allocated is returned to budget

2.6 The total amount of SIB requested at this meeting is £82,000, total amount to return is £4,040. If all recommendations are approved a total of £95,946 SIB will remain.

3 Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the balances remaining following the last meeting in September 2013 and includes project approvals from the October, November and December 2013 community chest panel meetings as detailed in **Annex 2** for information only. An allocation of £10,000 per ward was made available for 2013/14.

Ward	Budget Remaining	Project Approvals	Balance
Copt Hill	£6,922	£1,782.50	£5139.50
Hetton	£9,897	£3,744	£6,153
Houghton	£8,657	£2,082.50	£6,574.50
Shiney Row	£8,026	£3,250	£4,776
Total	£33,502	£10,859	£22,642.50

Recommendations:

Committee is requested to:

- Note the financial information set out in sections 2 & 3 and Annex 4
- Approve the SIB project applications listed in section 2.2, 2.3 and Annex 1, 2 and 3
- Approve an increase in SIB of £30,000 for the existing Neglected Land project
- Approve a budget of £2,000 SIB to develop a promotional programme with local youth groups
- Approve an allocation of £30,000 SIB for Love Where You Live call for projects via VCS Network

- Approve an allocation of £15,000 SIB for '2014 local celebrations' (including £5,000 for WW1 project) via the VCS Network
- Approve a sum of £5,000 SIB funding to Philadelphia Cricket Club subject to an application form being completed
- Agree that the £4,040 previously allocated to the Last of the Summer Wine project (as stated in Item 4) be returned to the main budget

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Annex 1 SIB recommendations - Support for Older People
Annex 2 SIB recommendations - Sexual and Mental Health Teenagers
Annex 3 SIB recommendations – Healthy Weight Children
Annex 4 Community Chest approvals

Support for Older People, Vulnerable Adults and Carers - Project Summaries

<p>1.Space 4 Care, Houghton le Spring PCC (Feb 2014 – Feb 2016) £2,170</p> <p>To extend the existing Space 4 CARE support group for vulnerable adults with poor mental health from 12 to 24 places. The project will tackle feelings of loneliness and social isolation within a safe and caring environment on a Saturday in the Coalfields Area. The group meets on a Saturday afternoon when most other statutory and voluntary provision is closed. The group is led by a team of volunteers who encourage peer support, improved social inclusion and group working. Art, games and conversation are core activities. Our partner agencies have highlighted of a number of vulnerable adults who would benefit from CARE.</p> <p>Recommendation from People Board Approve</p>	
<p>2. Writing for Health, Sunderland Carers Centre (June 2014 – September 2014) £2,850</p> <p>This will be a structured ten week programme of Health and Well-Being sessions for Older People, Vulnerable People and Carers. The 'Writing for Health' project will be engaging the same people over the ten weeks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The location will be within the new Age Uk offices in Hetton Le Hole. ➤ The aim is to attract up to 15 participants for the project. ➤ Pen and Tonic will be delivering the sessions and their work consists of working with individuals, groups, professionals etc around the health benefits of creative and expressive writing. <p>The People Board supported the project but alternative funding from the NHS S256 for Carers budget has been identified and therefore the project does not need to be funded from Area Budget.</p>	
<p>3.Hope Social, HOPE (Feb 2014 – January 2015) £1,500</p> <p>Our aim is to improve and deliver social activities which are caring, creative and fun for elderly people in the Coalfield community of Houghton-le-Spring and surrounding areas, by working in partnership with statutory and voluntary organisations in common effect to improve educational, health and social leisure opportunities. The funding will pay for speakers and transport for social outings for the weekly club. If members become unable to attend the club, they are still able to benefit from visits from other members and take part in activities e.g. knitting for charity, collection for foodbank.</p> <p>Recommendation from People Board Approve</p>	
<p>4. Social Activity Health Mentor, B Active N B Fit (January 2014 – September 2014) £3,000</p> <p>The project will create an holistic activity package to address loneliness and build up confidence and self-esteem amongst the most vulnerable and older people and give a greater sense of wellbeing. To achieve this we will use specialist equipment, music, and therapeutic Sit N B Fit exercise programmes. The project will work in partnership with Cherry Tree Gardens dementia group and Two Castles with regard to centre based work and with Gentoo Living with regard to socially isolated individuals.</p> <p>Recommendation from People Board Approve</p>	
<p>5. Luncheon Club, ShARP (April 2014 – August 2014) £2,600</p> <p>ShARP would like to establish a luncheon club within the resource centre. The community cafe 'Shiney Diner' already caters for a number of older people who are regular customers in the cafe. However, given the size of the cafe we are unable to accommodate a full luncheon club in the current cafe space without closing the doors to other members of the community. ShARP wishes to turn the current crèche</p>	

area into a 'multi-use' space that will allow us to host regular luncheon clubs and other activities for older people, vulnerable adults and carers. This funding will provide tables and equipment for 24 people at each activity or luncheon club. The project will also work in partnership with Shiney Row CA. Since the closure of their lunch club in 2012 there has been an identified need in the area. The project will be sustainable with funding for staff from Lloyds TSB.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

6.iPad Engage, Age UK Sunderland (February 2014 – July 2014) £3,000

The project Age UK Sunderland is proposing is an innovative 'iPad Engage' events with and for older people in the Coalfields area who are socially isolated. This will be achieved by providing practical help older people in using iPads for activities. Letting people know they are simple to use and able to access an unlimited amount of content which is useful for a variety of activities such as art, pottery, music making, family tree, reminiscence activities, etc The outputs will be: 24 older people engaged and 3 six week courses being held of 2 hours each session.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

Additional recommendations for all projects approved

- All successful projects to attend a joint induction meeting (with the Area Community Officer and Area and Scrutiny Support Officer)
- A check is made that organisations have relevant skills and qualifications to deliver the projects

Healthy Life Choices for Young People- -Healthy Weight Project Summaries

1.Family Health Project, Herrington Burn YMCA (Feb 2014 to Sept 2014) £4,982

Herrington Burn YMCA will deliver a series of 4 family health projects each working with groups of 8 children/young people and a member of their family over a 6 week programme exploring what is healthy eating, food safety, skill development of cooking in a group and at home and taking part in a range of physical activity and exercise opportunities appropriate to their abilities/disabilities.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve with Conditions:

- Evidence of the number of 'new' families and children to be provided
- Copy of 6 week programme to be provided once finalised

2.Children, Families, Food and Ceramics, ELCAP (January 2014 to June 2014) £5,000

We will work with MBC Ceramics to deliver a project that will encourage both changing lifestyles around food and diet and give young people and their family's skills to develop healthy eating. The project will introduce ceramics as a tool to also look at producing good food on a low budget as well as provide ICT skills and training. They will produce a recipe book and create a ceramic salad/eating bowl. This will be offered over a six month schedule in a workshop style setting at Easington Lane Community Access Point.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

3.Fit and Healthy, Houghton and District Fitness and Youth Boxing club (March 2014 to September 2014) £700

We will continue, promote and increase membership to fitness sessions. To do this the club requires 6 new headguards which will enable the children and young people to train safely during sessions. Sparring with the use of headguards is only part of the programme that will include, increase in stamina (running), skipping, bag work, physical exercise, etc. The second part of the programme will include healthy eating sessions when qualified youth and community workers will deliver session on diet, healthy food, how to eat on a budget. Families will be invited along to these sessions when recipes and cookery books will be circulated and discussed. Tasters will also be provided.

Recommendation from People Board

Do not Approve:

The project does not meet the criteria of the project brief and should be signposted to the City Council Sport and Leisure team who can provide support and guidance on alternative sources of funding.

4.Healthy Life Choices for Young People, Herrington St Aidan's Team Sports (April 2014 to October 2014) £5,000

The programme will run during school holidays (starting at Easter) and will consist of a combination of physical activity and sports sessions as well as healthy eating and nutrition sessions in the form of 'cook and eat' and education sessions.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve with Conditions:

- Each activity to be monitored separately
- The project to liaise with existing commissioned youth provision delivered during holiday periods

5.Fit Lyons, Hetton Lyons Cricket Club (April 2014 to August 2014) £2,600

Fit Lyons' will involve health and fitness activities for young people and adults in the local community. Our

Young Lyons Academy is currently offering cricket related sport and physical activity to children aged between 5 and 15 years. 'Fit Lyons' will add a focus to Health and Fitness and increase the target audience to beyond 15 years, supporting adults.

Children aged 12+ years will receive a 1-hour session, working on core strength and physical fitness, delivered by practitioners who are also qualified to deliver health advice and benefits of regular exercise. As this session will run parallel with our current coaching session for juniors, which attracts over 60 young people a week, there will be an adults exercise class offered at the same time.

Recommendation from People Board

Do not approve:

- The project does not demonstrate that the activity will achieve any additional outcomes.

6.Tackle it Health/ Fit for football, Foundation of Light (March 2014 to July 2015) £5,000

Tackle It programmes use a combination of sports coaching, classroom and workshop sessions to teach people about positive choices which impact on their academic, health and social lives. Tackle It Health/Fit for Football address key issues in health, nutrition and exercise which can then be incorporated into everyday activity, facilitating and encouraging a healthy lifestyle approach by the whole family. The use of bespoke work booklets reinforce key messages, with whole session activities evidencing understanding, awareness and application.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

7.Family cooking Workshops –Food For Thought, INSPIRE (Feb 2014 to June 2014) £5,000

I will provide hands on, interactive cooking workshops for children and their parents/carers/guardians. Each course will last for 6 weeks and will be delivered to 6 - 8 families at a time in the Coalfield area at a venue and time both parties agree upon should be the funding be approved. The course will encourage children to try lots of new, healthy ingredients and each session will concentrate on a particular theme or cooking skill. The workshops will also include confidence building games which allow the children to think about their talents and focus on their achievements at the end of each session.

Recommendation from People Board

Do not Approve

This project was not eligible as it did not meet the criteria and is not a VCS Group. The applicant is **self-employed**.

8.Healthy Eating Awareness Programme, Washington Mind (Jan 2014 to Dec 2014) £3,050

The majority of eating disorders and unhealthy eating patterns commence during school age so the preventive aspect of this package targets all young people aged between 11 - 16 year olds, their parents and the professionals working with this age group. This project will help to deliver the Healthy Life Choices for Young People priority by developing and delivering a series of workshops for young people, parents and professionals. Each group consists of five workshops: Workshop One – Eating Disorders: Signs, Symptoms and triggers - Workshop Two – The Media and my body –. Workshop Three – Feeling good inside and out –Workshop Four – Together we can prevent it (for professionals) –.Workshop Five – Parents should know (for parents/carers). The workshops will target 20 young people, 20 parents and 20 young people's workers directly.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

9.High Five, SNCBC (March 2014 to March 2015) £3,640

A rolling programme of Hive Five Healthy Eating and Fitness sessions will be delivered over a 5 week duration. The sessions will include practical cookery demonstrating healthy alternatives, portion size control, health eating on a budget, food safety and a 30 minute physical activity suitable to the diversity of

the age range. Each family session will accommodate 8 adults and their children. Guest speakers from partner organisations will be invited to attend.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve with Conditions:

- Clarify how families will be targeted/engaged to ensure no duplication with other projects
- The project to be delivered separately from the 'Looking after Yourself' project for young people and commissioned youth work

10. Trails, Snails and Scales, Groundwork (January 2014 to June 2014) £5,000

The project will create a trim trail at Elba Park and which will be used, alongside the allotment sessions, as a space to run weekly activities such as exercise sessions, treasure hunts, habitat creation and mini beast hunts. The sessions at the trim trail will also encourage families to create their own outdoor play and exercise ideas, giving them the confidence to continue to undertake health outdoor exercise as a family in the long term. After these initial outdoor exercise sessions the focus will change to growing food, healthy eating and cooking. The group will complete sessions at the allotment, where they will learn how to grow and cook vegetables onsite. Exercise and growing sessions will run from March to June after the trim trail has been installed. Three courses will be delivered between March and June and will have a maximum of 20 places (parents and children) on each course.

Recommendation from People Board

Approve with Conditions:

Consultation to take place with City Council Sport and Leisure regarding design of the trim trail

Additional recommendations for all projects approved

All successful projects to attend a joint induction meeting (with the Area Community Officer, Assistant Head of Community Services (Sport and Leisure) and the LAF team) to ensure they are:

- Delivering a consistent message
- Aware of each other's service
- Not duplicating provision
- Signposting and working in partnership
- Co-ordinating marketing
- Reaching a wide audience

A check is made that organisations have relevant skills and qualifications to deliver cooking sessions, nutrition advice, and sport and exercise.

Healthy Life Choices for Young People- -Sexual and Mental Health Project Summaries**1. Peers Educators project, Herrington Burn YMCA
(March 2014 to September 2014) £4,918**

Herrington Burn YMCA will work with 8 young people aged 15-19 years to train them to become peer educators for other young people around issues relating to sexual, mental, physical and emotional health and wellbeing.

The project will culminate in a day event available to young people across the Coalfields area, specialist services and local community residents which will include activities and workshops to promote a healthy approach to sexual, mental, physical and emotional health.

Recommendation from People Board**Approve with conditions:**

- Evidence of how the peer educators would target/achieve 150 people and what support they would have to be provided before the project commences.
- Information requested in order to monitor the progress of the project must be complete and submitted by the specified deadlines.

2. Space 4 Care, Houghton Le Spring PCC (February 2014 to February 2016) £4,318

To provide 35 places in year 1 (55 year 2), for young people between 11-25 years, who have survived sexual, physical or domestic abuse, to receive free counselling and therapy on an individual or group basis for as long as required within the Coalfields Area.

This is a new service in the Coalfields Area to be run in partnership with Someone Cares. Since 1989 Someone Cares has provided specialist counselling and have existing clients from the Coalfields Area, who travel to North Shields for counselling and a waiting list. In Space 4 they believe they will be working with the best partner for the area to bring hope and support to the survivors of abuse. This project will accept self and professional referrals.

Recommendation from People Board**Do not approve:**

A range of counselling services, accessed via GPs or self-referral are commissioned by Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). Several voluntary organisations provide the services, co-ordinated by Sunderland Counselling services. As the commissioner of these specialist services the CCG maintains governance and monitoring, in terms of checks, safeguards, and quality.

**3. Mythbuster Fact Finder Roadshow, Groundwork
(March 2014 to July 2014) £5,000 x 2 = £10,000**

We propose to undertake both sexual and mental health road shows aimed at pupils in year's 10 11 12 in the coalfield area. The road shows will undertake five separate deliveries of the same project in three different venues for approximately two- three hour durations. 5 Sexual Health and 5 Mental Health. The purpose of the road shows would be to undertake interactive and especially designed hands on collection of activities and discussion, supported by the relevant resources to reduce myths, stereotypes and provide up to date information and facts around sexual health and mental health. It will look at how risk taking and associated behaviours can affect mental and sexual health.

Recommendation from People Board**Do not approve:**

- The road shows are one off events and do not offer value for money
- Information and materials are those already provided by existing delivery partners
- Role of youth worker is not clear as no youth work will take place

4. Looking After Yourself, SNCBC (March 2014 to March 2015) £4,318

A rolling programme of Looking After Yourself Workshops will be delivered over a 4 week duration.

Sessions will include eat well – feel better, sexual health, exercise and mental health, believe in yourself and take time out, all aimed at young people aged 11-19 years. In addition sessions will cover issue based work around drugs and alcohol and the related risk taking behaviour. 16 courses – 4 per ward

Recommendation from People Board

Approve with conditions:

- Evidence to be provided on how many 'new' young people are engaged
- The project to be delivered separately from the 'high five' health project for young people, and commissioned youth work

5. Healthy Young Minds, Washington Mind (January 2014 to December 2014) £4,950

This project will offer a variety of training opportunities that will complement the existing mental health services available locally. The project will

- Increase awareness of the services and support available to young people, via awareness raising events and promotional activities
- Deliver activities and services to young people (and those working with young people) to reduce risk taking behaviour through mental health first aid training, suicide prevention and stress awareness
- Provide peer support workshops including increasing self esteem, self harm support and promoting emotional resilience

Recommendation from People Board

Approve

6. I am ME –Power Up, Continuum CIC (April 2014 to May 2014) £3,260

Workshops for 12 young people over an 11 week period will be held. Workshops are positive and solution focused where we believe in the young people and their ability to change their own behaviours. Workshops are intended to:

- Inspire and increase self-confidence, self-direction and self-responsibility
- Reduce or eliminate needless dependence on parents or other adults
- Foster family living based on mutual respect and democratic processes
- Assist youth in finding their own solutions to their problems
- Facilitate open, honest and sensitive communication in all relationships
- Support respect for the needs of self and of others
- Support effective and socially acceptable methods of coping with frustration and conflict

Recommendation from People Board

Do not Approve:

- Duplication of current provision
- Does not represent value for money – a one off 11 week programme with existing group

Additional recommendations for all projects approved

All successful projects to attend a joint induction meeting (with the Area Community Officer, Assistant Head of Community Services (Sport and Leisure) and Scrutiny and Area Support Officer) to ensure they are:

- Delivering a consistent message
- Aware of each other's service
- Not duplicating provision/Signposting and working in partnership
- Co-ordinating marketing
- Reaching a wide audience

Where relevant, a check is made that organisations have relevant skills and qualifications to deliver the project.

COMMUNITY CHEST 2013/2014 COALFIELD AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED

Copt Hill Ward	Project	Amount	Balance at September 2013	Project approvals	Balance Remaining
	14.10.13 Houghton Archers Purchase of beginners equipment for archery club	£500		£500	
	14.10.13 Houghton Pipe Band Contribution towards the cost of a concert of Music & dance at the Bethany Centre on 30 November	£500		£500	
	14.10.13 Space 4 Contribution towards cost of new ICT equipment & system for training purposes	£782.50		£782.50	
	Total	£1,782.50	£6,922	£1,782.50	£5139.50
Hetton Ward	Project	Amount	Balance at June 2013	Project approvals	Balance Remaining
	14.10.13 36 Hetton Squadron ATC Cost of Annual Presentation evening includes buffet & engraved plaques	£489		£489	
	14.10.13 Hetton Primary School Transport cost for trip to pantomime	£500		£500	
	14.10.13 Hetton New Dawn Cost of office equipment for food bank project	£1,835		£1,835	
	11.11.13 Easington Lane Volunteers Support for Christmas Event includes hire of hall & PA system plus decorations for Santa's Grotto	£450		£450	
	09.12.13 Elemore Boys Junior Football club for a contribution to costs for the winter training venue	£470		£470	
	Total	£3,744	£9,897	£3,744	£6,153
Houghton Ward	Project	Amount	Balance at June 2013	Project approvals	Balance Remaining
	14.10.13 Houghton Archers Purchase of beginners equipment for archery club	£500		£500	
	14.10.13 Houghton Pipe Band Contribution towards the cost of a concert of Music & dance at the Bethany Centre on 30	£500		£500	

	November				
	14.10.13 Space 4 Contribution towards cost of new ICT equipment & system for training purposes	£782.50		£782.50	
	14.10.13 St Johns Methodist Youth Group Contribution towards transport costs for a trip to the pantomime	£300		£300	
	Total	£2,082.50	£8,657	£2,082.50	£6,574.50
Shiney Row Ward	Project	Amount	Balance at June 2013	Project approvals	Balance Remaining
	16.09.13 Shiney Row Male Voice Choir Contribution towards cost of new bow ties & hankies	£500		£500	
	14.10.11 Peshaw Catholic Club Over 40s FC Contribution towards pitch fees 13/14	£500		£500	
	14.10.13 Herrington CW RC Cost of new strips and coaching sessions	£500		£500	
	11.11.13 Herrington St Aidans Team sports Contribution towards pitch fees 13/14	£500		£500	
	11.11.13 All Saints Church Luncheon Club Contribution towards cost of Christmas lunch	£200		£200	
	11.11.13 Trinity Methodist Church Cost of 5 new radiators guards for church hall to make it safe for children	£250		£250	
	09.12.13 The Friends of West Herrington for the cost of new planters and costs of new year event	£800		£800	
	Total	£3,250	£8,026	£3,250	£4,776
Overall Totals		£10,859	£33,502	£10,859	£22,642.50

22 January 2014

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF STREETSCENE

Rectory Park Regeneration – Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Application Information Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide an overview of the Rectory Park Regeneration Project including the aim of the project, the HLF Application process and key activities which cut across the work of both the Place and People Boards and also the VCS Network.

2. Background

- 2.1 Rectory Park in Houghton-le-Spring is maintained by Sunderland City Council and is supported by a very active Friends group. The project will renovate the park, restore key heritage features and raise awareness of the rich heritage value of the park.

3. Project Aim

- 3.1 The aim for the Rectory Park Regeneration Project is: 'To restore and protect the heritage value and landscape of the park, enhance amenities and improve the visitor appreciation and understanding of the park, so that people now and in the future can enjoy it'.
- 3.2 Renovation of historic features alongside the provision of amenities will provide a basis for increased visitor numbers to enable the true heritage value of this historic park to be celebrated and valued.

4. HLF Application Process

- 4.1 In October 2013 a Pre-application was submitted to HLF to provide an outline of the project in order to obtain an indication as to whether a full application would meet the award criteria. The feedback received was positive and provided approval to progress to Stage 1.
- 4.2 A Project Team was established and activity is now underway to develop the application with the deadline to submit the Stage 1 Application being 31st August 2014
- 4.3 The result of the Stage 1 application will be announced by HLF in December 2014
- 4.4 Activity will commence on the Stage 2 application in January 2015 – following a positive Stage 1 result

- 4.5 The final Stage 2 application will be submitted in April 2015
- 4.6 In the event that the Stage 2 application is approved and funding is awarded, work will commence on site.

5 Key Activities

- 5.1 The following key activities are underway or planned as part of the Stage 1 application process:
- Consultation and engagement with Stakeholder Groups (more than 60 organisations identified) to obtain suggestions for improvement and to collect images and memories of the park to inform the future design.
 - Archaeological Desk Based Assessment of Rectory Park (January)
 - Archaeological Building Recording and Statement of Significance of the tithe barn, Rectory Park (January). This will help to identify a sustainable future use
 - Topographical Surveys and Ecology Surveys (January – July)
 - Interim Management Plan including a record of work planned and a monitoring programme for the barn

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 Agree to receive further reports on the progress of the project

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