

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 | Completed? |
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| 1 Responsive Local Services - Streetscene | To influence delivery in the Washington | Monthly basis | | As required | | (Dave Hardy - Lead Officer). This includes improvements to village centres, addressing environmental issues on industrial estates and proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area. Programmes of work are identified in line with current resources and responsibilities etc and will also identify proposals and opportunities to encourage partners and the voluntary and community sector to engage. This is in line with a review of the existing service scope and reflection as to how members have influenced the service. Current focus includes scheduling of Village Centre improvements, multi agency problem solving re industrial estates and completion of winter pruning programme implemented in all Wards. ARM is currently investigating options for partnership working with regards to woodland/plantation management scheme | |
| 3 Highways Maintenance | To influence usage of resources at an area level for inclusion in Capital Programme | Jan-15 | Members to reflect upon success and influencing role of 2012/2013 Capital Programme; Members to feed in views to prioritise works for inclusion in the annual Capital Programme; | Apr-14 | | Members have prioritised areas for 2014/15 capital allocation - Annex 2 attached to report. Allocated £110,000 programme. | |
| 4 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 | Apr-14 | Establish understanding of services delivered at a local level; Look to develop early intervention activities which support vulnerable groups within the locality | As required | | (Marion Dixon - Lead Officer). Marion provided information to outlining the services within the PPRS remit. Further service area information will come forward to future boards in order to determine the influence and local information that can assist to scope and shape service delivery. Service has agreed to ensure links are made with other initiatives and areas of work. This includes managing industrial estates (environmental standards), assisting the concord traders initiative and dog control initiatives. | |
| Additional Area Priorities | | | | | | | |
| 9 Investment in Washington's built and natural environment | To monitor and receive information relating to the developmnet of the new Washington Leisure Village. | As required | To identify opportunities to enhance and add value | Apr-14 | | (Links to Princess Anne Park development plans and the Community Health and Green Spaces Project) (Julie Gray - Lead Officer) . AC received detail of full design proposals/concept for development. Further consultation will continue. Next progress meeting for March 2014 with a full presentation to April AC. | |
| 10 | To receive information relating to flood risk planning. | Sep-14 | To monitor progress made | Not applicable | | (David Laux - Lead Officer) Monitoring role re impact of flooding and identify appropriate solutions and work with partners to support residents. Update presented to February 2014 board. Further updates to future Boards as appropriate. DL to contact Northumbria Water with regards to Assessment report. | |
| 13 Investment in Washington's built and natural environment and Connecting the Villages of Washington | To consider the Implementation of Community Health and Green Spaces Project | As required | To monitor progress made | Not applicable | | (Links to Go Smarter to Work and WLC and Princess Anne Park improvements) (Karon Purvis - Lead Officer) Capital improvements to cycling and walking network and development of integrated links between villages to address health inequalities. Map of initial network links (Phase 1) to be further developed re destinations and projects. SIB funding proposal agreed at September Area Committee. ACO to also confirm further match funding to address health inequalities. Programme re engagement and involvement, marketing and branding, and focus on tackling health inequalities to be confirmed following mapping of loops and destinations March 2014. Notes of Steering Group uploaded Sharepoint and circulated to AC. | |
| 14 Investment in Washington's built and natural environment and Development of sustainable and desirable neighbourhoods | To consider and receive information on local initiatives which support pride in the neighbourhood and to receive reports and updates from RLS manager on Improvements to Village Centres | Feb-14 | To identify opportunities and consider local initiatives with partners re environmental maintenance, NIB, LWYL, pride in the neighbourhood, improvements to local parks and green spaces – encourage resident and community involvement and to consider and report any recomensation that are made | Not applicable | | (David Hardy - Lead Officer). Proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area involving local communities and VCS organisations to help deliver AC Place Priorities where appropriate. Village Centres Improvement Project approved January AC - works schedule to be in place April. Members will continue to meet ARM/ACO to discuss plans at a Ward level. RLS to contribute to proposals re Business Engagement and Enterprise Group re improvements to shopping centres (Concord). Meetings held with Concord Traders, of which majority were business owners from the top of the Concord Shopping Area. A number of issues were presented and discussed at the meeting, which was very positive and these will be progressed in the future with input from relevant service areas and local Members. Network Manager and Traffic Enforcement activity to confirm potential activity to address parking and traffic issues. Feedback to next Meeting to be scheduled April. | |

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| 15 | | To monitor and receive information relating to the Park Improvement Plan for Princess Anne Park | Apr-14 | To identify opportunities to enhance and add value | As required | (Links to WLC, CHGSP) Meeting held with Colin Curtis regarding potential improvements to Princess Anne Park. A plan had been developed some time ago detailing sites and areas that may need work undertaken. Due to the time-lapse from the original plan, Colin agreed it was necessary to revisit the park using the original plan as a guide and then produce a more up-to-date assessment of any works identified. Once this has been developed it will be decided how best to take forward an action and delivery plan to address the works. ARM now co-ordinating this. Report to future meeting re proposals for Princess Anne Park. Funds have been secured to address flooding issues in the park. Works likely to commence February 2014 | |
| 16 | A cultural identity for Washington | To consider how local delivery and initiatives contribute to the City wide / corporate approach to Heritage via the Heritage Forum and proposals for a Heritage Strategy for the City | Mar-14 | To monitor, inform and co-ordinate with the local offer. | Jun-14 | Member's workshop 11th March presented the Washington offer and how it informs and links to the proposed city wide strategy. Members fully supportive of aspects of heritage and culture remaining a priority for AC 2014. This includes better planning for events, culture and heritage being used to deliver other areas of work such as skills training and health initiatives. To be referred to AC discussions to set priorities for 2014/15 - June AC | |
| 17 | | To consider heritage and the Washington Offer | As required | Develop projects which use heritage to engage young people in volunteering and cross generational work. | As required | Project development and action where appropriate. | |
| | G | Progressing on target | | | | | |
| | A | Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in place to action) | | | | | |
| | R | Not progressing | | | | | |