

EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Monday, 24th June, 2024 at 5.30pm

VENUE – Council Chamber, City Hall

Membership

Cllrs M. Herron (Chair), N. Hodson (Vice Chair), Curtis, M. Dixon, Elms, H. Fagan, P.W.L. Gibson, A. Graham-King, L. Leonard, M. Mordey, J. Potts, L. Reed, L. Scanlan and A. Wood

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5 Date, time and venue of next Area Committees:

- 17 September 2024
- 2 December 2024
- 17 March 2025

* Denotes an item relating to an executive function

ELAINE WAUGH
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14th June 2024

At a meeting of the EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL on MONDAY, 25th MARCH, 2024 at 5.30p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Herron in the Chair

Councillors Curtis, Dixon, Fagan, Gibson, Leonard, Mordey, Morrissey, Potts, Reed and Scanlan.

Also Present:-

- Lee Bell - Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service
- Steven Gordon - Gentoo
- Matthew Jackson - Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council
- Fiona Kelly - Partnership and Community Resilience Manager, Sunderland City Council
- Julie Maven - East Area VCS Representative
- Gerry Taylor - Executive Director of Health, Housing and Communities and Area Lead Executive, Sunderland City Council

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received on behalf of Councillors Graham-King, Hodson and Wood.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 11th December 2023

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th December 2023 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

VCS Area Network Progress Report

The East Area VCS Network provided the Committee with a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on the work of the East Area VCS Network.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Ms Maven introduced the report and informed the meeting of the presentations received by the network at the three meetings which had taken place since the last area committee meeting.

There being no questions from Members it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the update from the East Area VCS Network be noted.

Northumbria Police Update

Neighbourhood Inspector Jamie Southwell submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on the crime statistics for the East area and of the work done by Northumbria Police.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Members expressed concerns that this was the third meeting in a row where there had not been a representative from Northumbria Police in attendance.

Councillor Gibson commented that the figures were encouraging to see; he noted that there had been an increase in shoplifting however there were no figures for the number of offences. He also noted that there had been an increase in burglary, violence and drug offences and questioned whether the increases in burglaries and violence were due to drugs.

Councillor Reed questioned whether the work of the SAIL team in the area around Park Lane covered the housing in the area as well; he felt that the housing area needed to be covered by the SAIL team.

3. RESOLVED that the update from Northumbria Police be noted.

Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update

Lee Bell, Station Manager Sunderland Central Fire Station, submitted a written report (copy circulated) which provided an update on the work of the fire service for the period 1st December 2023 to 6th March 2024.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Mr Bell introduced the report and advised that although there was a high percentage increase in the number of deliberate fires it was important to note that it was a small number of fires. There had been proactive work done alongside the police in relation to vehicle fires.

Councillor Fagan stated that there had been a number of fires around the trees on St Lawrence Place in Doxford, the rubbish around the trees had since been removed. Mr Bell stated that these could be the same fires listed as Doxford Park Way and that there had not been any more incidents reported since the rubbish had been removed.

4. RESOLVED that the report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service be noted.

Gentoo Update

Steve Gordon, Gentoo Group presented a report, (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on current Gentoo developments, projects and priorities.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Mr Gordon introduced the report and delivered a presentation providing an update on the work done by Gentoo to tackle the issue of damp and mould.

Councillor Leonard queried where the furniture for CSS came from and whether residents could donate furniture to the scheme. Mr Gordon advised that there were a number of providers and that donations were welcomed.

The Chairman referred to the rent increases and the removal of the cost of living support; he was concerned that these combined would lead to tenants falling into arrears. Mr Gordon advised that the government guidelines had been followed when determining the rent increases and that the money matters team had been expanded to allow additional support to be provided to any tenants who were struggling financially.

Councillor Gibson expressed concerns that the communication with tenants regarding damp and mould was via electronic methods; some residents were digitally excluded and the council had passed a motion regarding residents not being excluded from services due to not being digitally aware.

Councillor Dixon expressed concerns that other housing providers in the city may not be taking such a proactive approach to dealing with the issue of damp and mould. Gerry Taylor advised that she had written to all of the housing providers about this matter and most had provided a response.

Councillor Curtis asked whether there had been any issues raised regarding damp and mould in council owned properties and Ms Taylor advised that

there had been some issues and that there were systems in place to ensure that they were addressed.

5. RESOLVED that the report from Gentoo be noted.

Sunderland Voluntary Sector Alliance Update

The Sunderland Voluntary Sector Alliance submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on the work done by the Alliance during the period October 2023 to February 2024.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

6. RESOLVED that the update from Sunderland Voluntary Sector Alliance be noted.

East Sunderland Area Committee Delivery Plan 2023 - 2026

The Chair of the East Sunderland Neighbourhood and Community Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on progress against the priorities within the East Sunderland Area Committee Area Plan for 2023/2026.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Dixon introduced the report as Chair of the Area Board and drew Members attention to the priorities set out in the delivery plan.

In reference to the Glyphosate trials Councillor Reed stated that the alternative weed control options had not worked and asked whether the trial streets had subsequently been treated with Glyphosate. Ms Kelly asked for the locations to be provided so that she could investigate this and report back.

Councillor Scanlan referred to the Go Online project stating that more information had been requested at the last meeting. Ms Kelly replied that there had been a presentation to the last meeting of the Area Board and that Members would receive a quarterly update report; there was no further information available at this time.

7. RESOLVED that:-
 - i) consideration be given to the progress and performance update with regard to the East Area Committee Area Plan 2023-2026
 - ii) consideration be given to the progress update with regard to Sunderland City Council Service Plans – Area Priorities, which were provided for information purposes only.
 - iii) approval be given to the locations to be included in the Highways Maintenance Programme for 2024/25 as contained in Annex 3.

East Area Budget Report

The Assistant Director of Housing and Communities submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided financial statements in respect of the Area Committee's delegated budgets and presented proposals for further funding requests.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Fiona Kelly, Partnership and Community Resilience Manager, presented the report highlighting the Committee's financial statement, the Neighbourhood Fund had a starting balance of £408,817 for the 2023/24 year. Following approvals at the previous meetings and underspends from previous projects being returned to the budget, as set out in table one at paragraph 2.1, there was a remaining balance of £125,577. There were 6 applications in respect of the East Park and Street Rangers project extension which were recommended for approval at this meeting which totalled £47,740 of which £45,000 had previously been aligned to the project. Additionally there were three proposals for alignment of funds and should these be agreed then the remaining balance would be £0.

Each ward had been allocated a Community Chest budget of £10,000; the approvals were set out in annex 2 with the remaining balances shown in the table at paragraph 3.2.

Councillor Scanlan queried whether there was more information available on the Fancy a Day Out project. Ms Kelly advised that there had been a meeting to discuss this project and that it would follow a similar programme to the previous Fancy a Day Out project; it was important to ensure that the project did not duplicate the work of the HAF programme. Further detail on the project would be able to be provided at the next meeting of the Area Board.

In response to Councillor Dixon, Ms Kelly advised that the Can Do project was based on a project which had been running in the Coalfield Area; it involved young people in the area developing projects based on their ideas and receiving small grants to support their projects. The young people would then present an update on their projects to the Board meetings.

Councillor Curtis stated that he had spoken with Councillors from the Coalfield Area and they had advised that the Can Do project had been a success in their area.

Councillor Dixon then asked Ms Kelly to provide an update on the position of the In Bloom project which had been discussed at the Board. Ms Kelly advised that the idea had been to repeat the previous project however it was considered that a more meaningful project was required and as such this would be looked at again at a future meeting.

Councillor Dixon expressed his thanks to Ms Kelly for all of her hard work.

Members gave consideration to the applications and it was:-

8. RESOLVED that:-
- i) the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, and 3.2 of the report be noted;
 - ii) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £10,260 to Friends of Doxford Park – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - iii) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £7,500 to International Community of Sunderland – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - iv) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £7,480 to The Box Youth and Community Project – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - v) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £7,500 to Blue Watch Youth Centre – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - vi) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £7,500 to Back on the Map – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - vii) approval be given to Neighbourhood Funding of £7,500 to Groundwork NE and Cumbria – East Park and Street Rangers Extension; as detailed in annex 1;
 - viii) approval be given to the alignment of Neighbourhood Funding of £10,000 to Can Do (young people's small grants programme);
 - ix) approval be given to the alignment of Neighbourhood Funding of £78,047 to Go Online;
 - x) approval be given to the alignment of Neighbourhood Funding of £34,790 to Fancy a Day Out (Summer 2024);
 - xi) the Community Chest approvals from the 2023/24 budget as detailed in annex 2 be noted.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the Meeting.

(Signed) M. HERRON,
Chairman.

SUNDERLAND EAST AREA COMMITTEE

24 June 2024

REPORT OF THE TYNE & WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

1 Purpose of Report

The following report gives performance-monitoring details in relation to Local Indicators for the Sunderland East Committee area from 7th March 2024 to 5th June 2024, compared with the same period in 2023/2024

2 Background

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

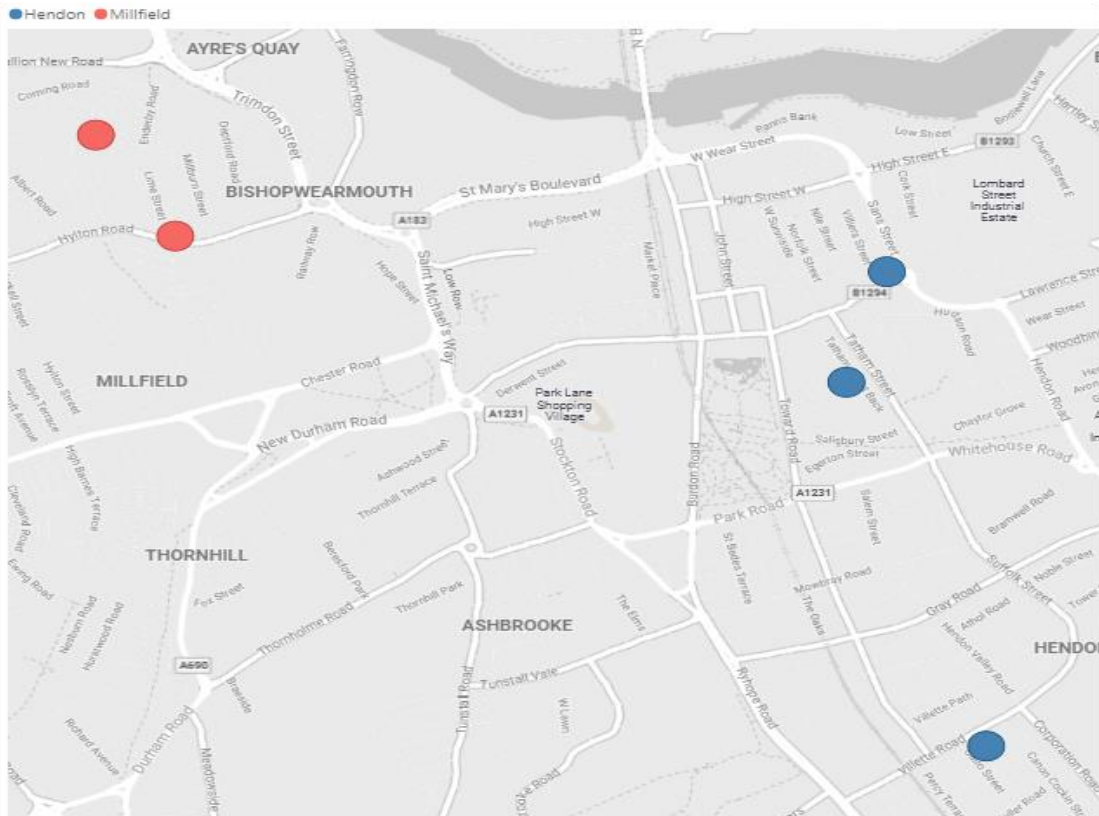
3 Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update

3.1 L.I 14 - Number of Deliberate primary fires excluding road vehicles

5 Incidents occurred within this reporting period; this compares to 3 reported incidents in the same period last year, which is an increase of **66.67%**

Ward Name	Incident Count
Hendon	3
Millfield	2
Doxford	0
Ryhope	0
St Michael's	0
Total	5

Property Level 4	Incident Count
Bungalow - single occupancy	1
Converted Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy	1
House - single occupancy	1
Licensed HMO	1
Other buildings/use not known	1
Total	5



3.2 LI 15 - Number of Deliberate primary road vehicle fires

12 Incidents occurred within this reporting period; this compares to 7 reported incidents in the same period last year, which is an increase of 42.9%.

Ward Name	Incident Count
Millfield	6
Hendon	3
Ryhope	2
Doxford	1
St Michael's	0
Total	12

Property Level 3	Incident Count
Car	10
Motorcycle	1
Van	1
Total	12

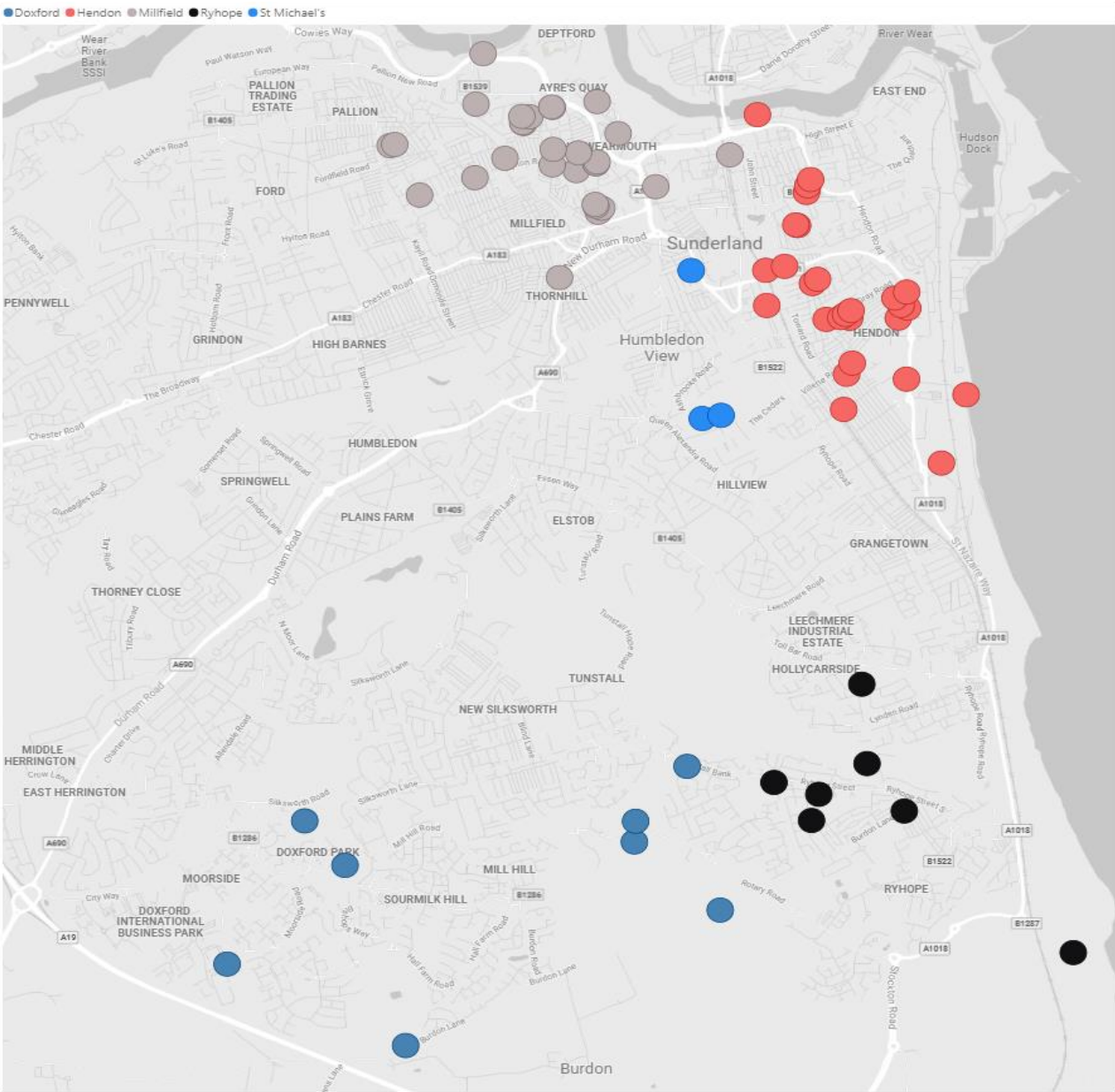
There has been an increased number of vehicle fires recorded in Millfield ward during the reporting period which has been brought to the attention of Northumbria Police for monitoring.

3.3 LI 33 - Number of Deliberate fires incorporating Secondary Fires (LI16)

There have been 74 deliberate fires over this period compared to 69 in the same period last year, which equates to an increase of 7.25%. Improvements have been made in Doxford ward showing a decrease in fires and work continues in the Hendon ward which, although there has been no increase in incidents recorded, TWFRS continue to strive towards reducing incidents of all natures.

The rise in Millfield of 29 incidents, Ryhope of 7 incidents, and St Michael's of 3 incidents continues to be a concern and TWFRS will proactively concentrate reduction strategies in these areas.

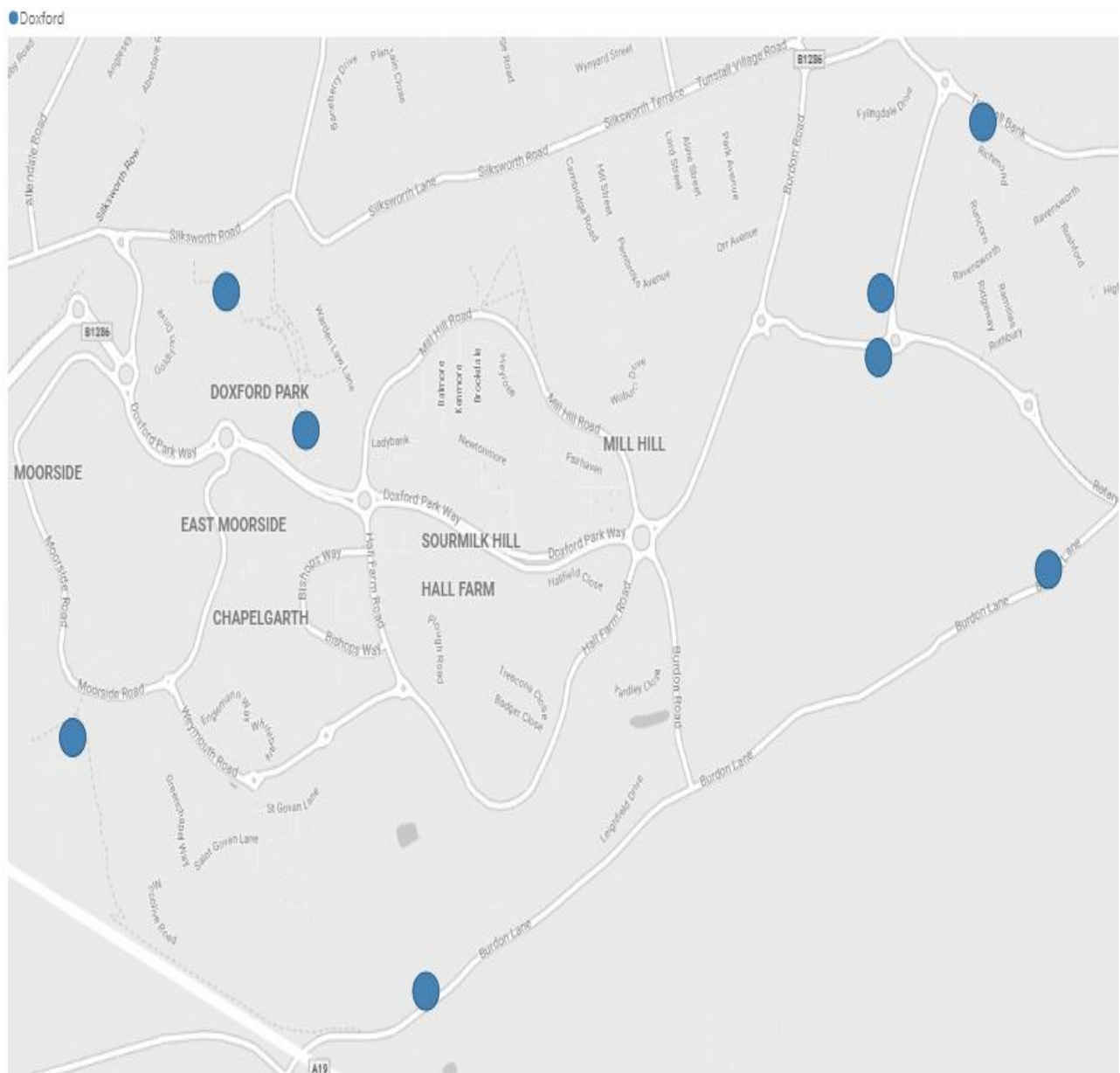
Ward Name	Incident Count
Millfield	29
Hendon	27
Doxford	8
Ryhope	7
St Michael's	3
Total	74



Ward Breakdown LI 33 – Deliberate Fires

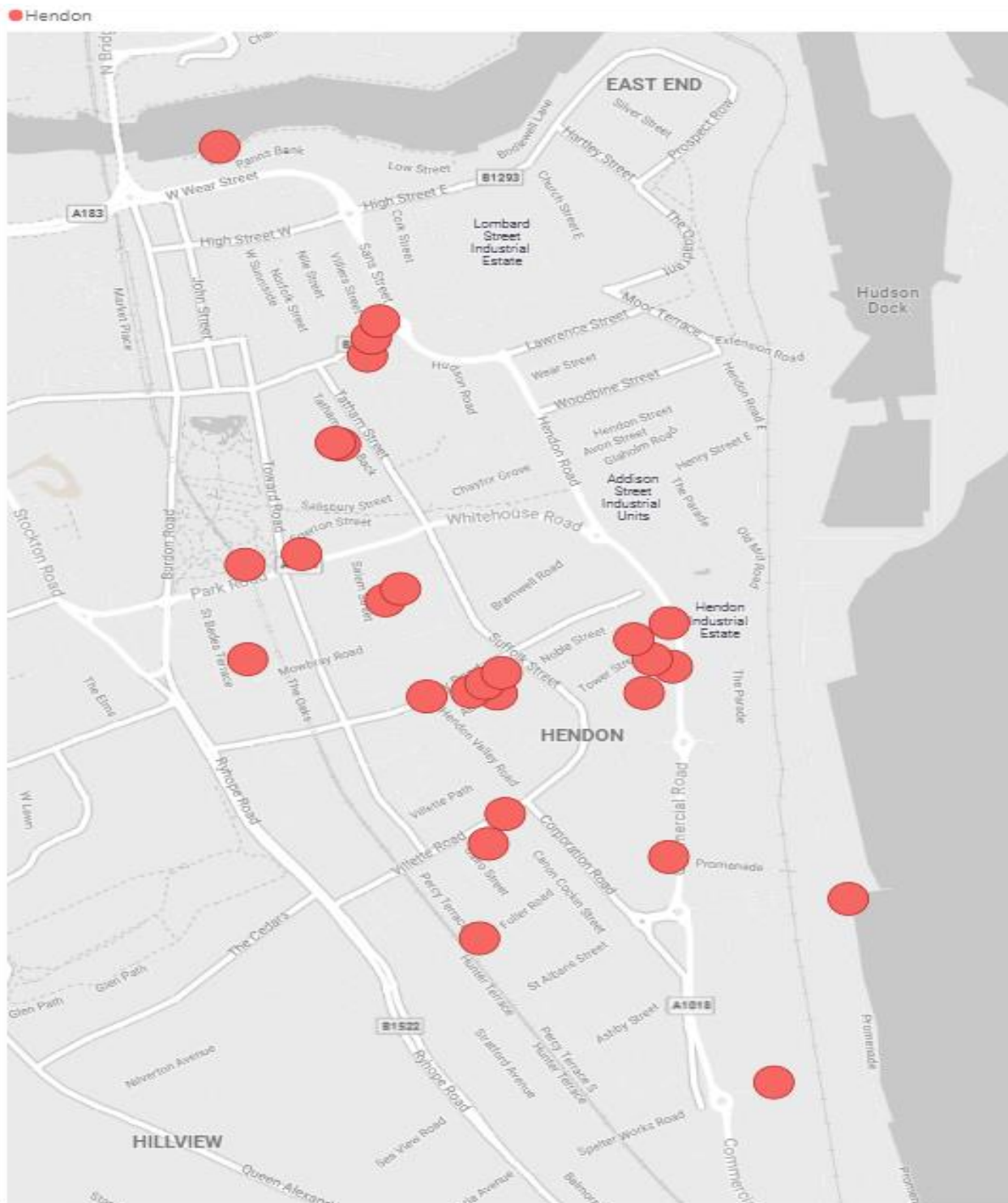
Doxford	8 down from 9 = 11.11% reduction
Hendon	27 remains at 27 = No Change
Millfield	29 up from 27 = 7.41% Increase
Ryhope	7 up from 5 = 40% Increase
St Michael's	3 up from 1 = 200% Increase

Doxford Ward has seen a decrease in deliberate fire related incidents from 9 the previous year to 8 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following area;



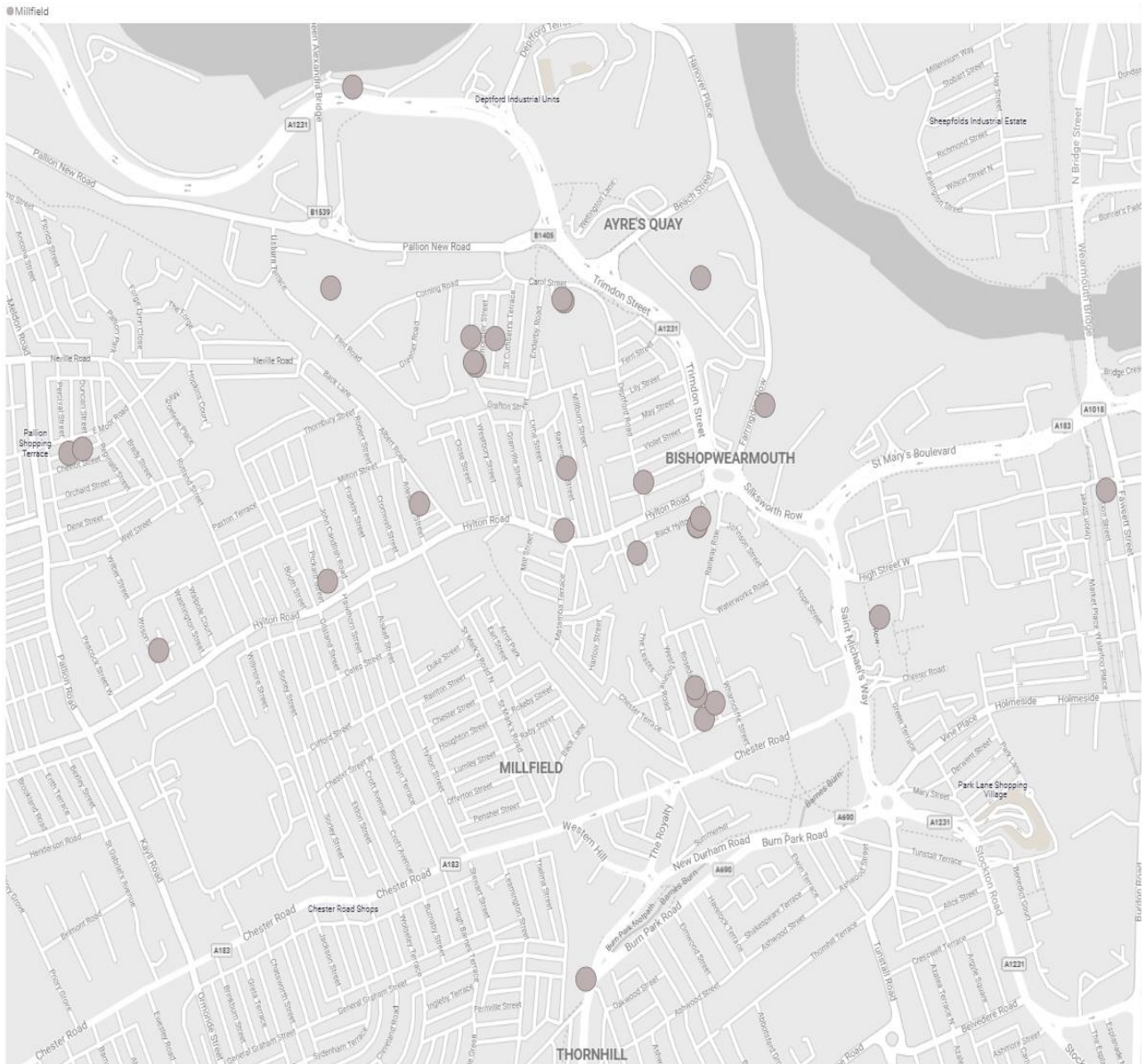
No specific area or trends could be identified, ASB reduction strategies continue in the area and we will continue to monitor.

Hendon Ward has seen no change in the number of deliberate fire related incidents remaining at 27 from the previous year in this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



Some concentrated areas have been identified around Borough Road/Villers Street, Athol Road and Mainsforth/Ripley Terraces to the west of Commercial Road. This area will be targeted by operational fire crews to undertake ASB reduction campaigns.

Milfield Ward has seen an increase in deliberate fire related incidents from 27 the previous year to 29 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



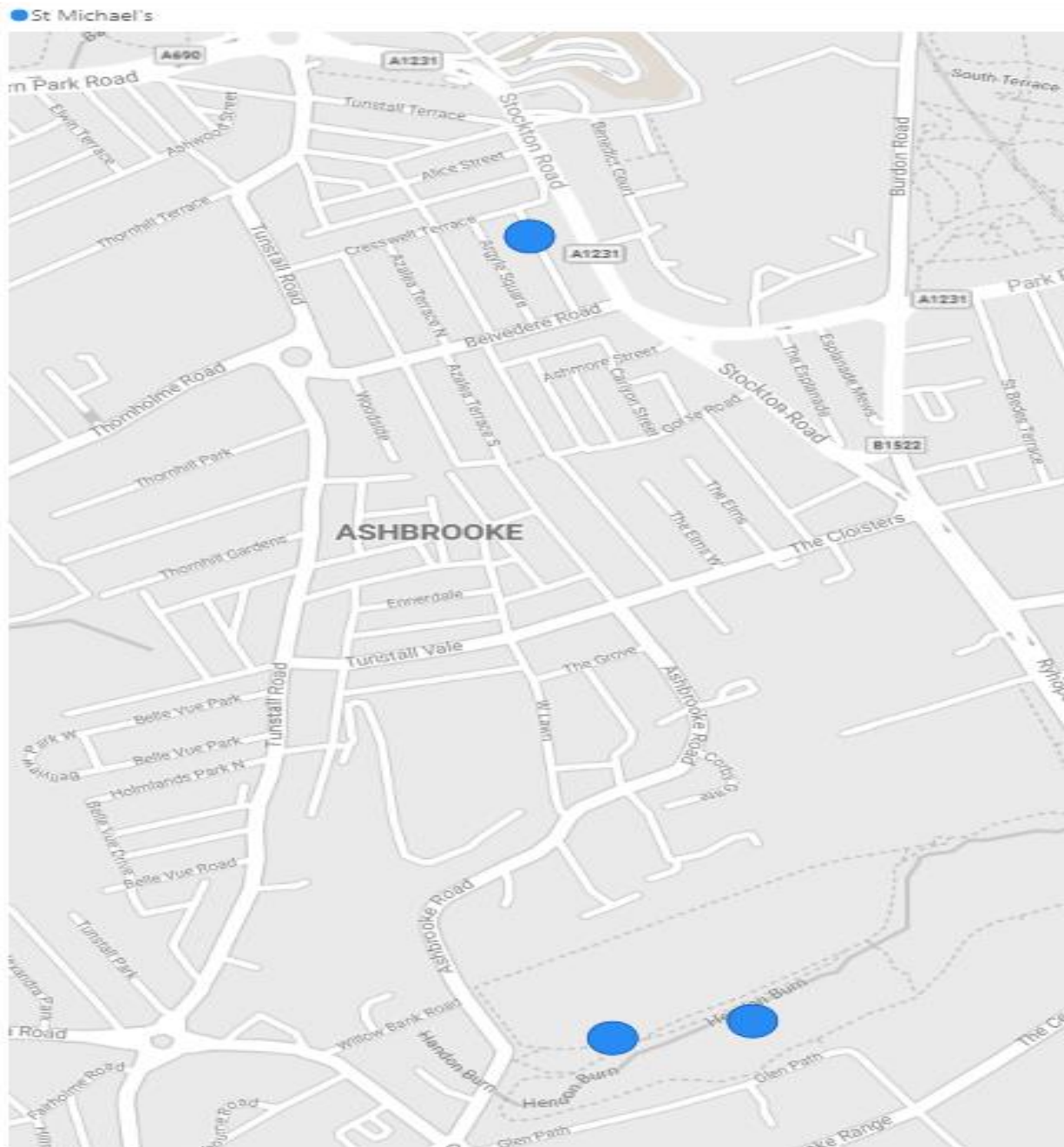
A small number of incidents have been identified around Cirencester Street and Rosendale Street. This area will be targeted by operational fire crews to undertake ASB reduction campaigns.

Ryhope Ward has seen an increase in deliberate fire related incidents from 5 the previous year to 7 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



No specific area or trends could be identified, ASB reduction strategies continue in the area and we will continue to monitor.

St Michael's Ward has seen an increase in deliberate fire related incidents from 1 the previous year to 3 this reporting period. Incidents have occurred in the following areas;



No specific area or trends could be identified, ASB reduction strategies continue in the area and we will continue to monitor.

4 Fire Stoppers Hotline

It is essential that any fire related issues are reported utilising the Fire Stoppers hotline; 0800 169 5558. Crews from Sunderland Central Community Fire Station are encouraged to foster strong working relationships with community groups and partner agencies. Our aim is to positively impact deliberate fire reduction and deter anti-social behaviour, as these activities have a direct and detrimental impact on life risk, property, the environment and the entire Sunderland community.

Any questions: please feel free to contact the below TWFRS Station Manager.

5 Summary

- 5.1 TWFRS will continue to work with Northumbria Police and Local Authority Representatives to investigate and identify trends, create action plans and evaluate activities. Crews at Sunderland Central Community Fire Station utilise intelligence led data to target areas of increased activity, allowing resources to be utilised efficiently and effectively. SAIL partnership working is having very positive results for TWFRS

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 The Sunderland East Area Committee are requested to note the content of the report.

7 Contact Officer:

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Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service

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EAST AREA COMMITTEE

24 June 2024

REPORT OF GENTOO

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 The following report provides an update from Gentoo for the East Area Committee for the period March 2024 to June 2024.

2 Background

2.1 Area Committee agreed that regular updates from Gentoo would be provided to each Committee meeting to enable members to be up to date on current Gentoo developments, projects, and priorities and to ensure members are fully aware of their opportunities to work collaboratively with Gentoo.

3 Update on Neighbourhood Services

3.1 **2024 Year End Performance:** Key headlines on Appendix 1 and Appendix 2

3.2 **Housing Turnover within the East Wards:** I have detailed for your information the turnover of homes in the East during 2023/24:

Estate	Number of Properties	Number of Relets	Percentage of Turnover
Ashbrooke	162	12	7.41%
Central Hendon	133	2	1.50%
Central Hendon HRNT	282	36	12.77%
City Centre HRNT	247	31	12.55%
City Green	110	9	8.18%
East End	190	19	10.00%
East End HRNT	214	37	17.29%
Grangetown	186	8	4.30%
Hillview	347	31	8.93%
Low Ford	385	18	4.68%
Pallion & Millfield	387	32	8.27%
River Quarter	41	3	7.32%
Silksworth	654	39	5.96%
South Hendon	369	24	6.50%

3.3 **Update on Tenancy Sustainment Fund:** As you will recall from our previous reports, we shared with members that in July 2023 Gentoo Board approved several measures to support tenancy sustainability. At the close of the financial year over two hundred customers benefited from support through the fund, one hundred and forty of these customers who were housed with us on a priority basis, received carpets in their new homes. The Group has made a commitment to continue this support in 2024/25.

3.4 Complaints Drop In: Following the Housing Ombudsman Event which Gentoo hosted, our customers told us it would be beneficial for different service areas to be out in the community, making ourselves as accessible as possible for customers to report concerns. The first 'Complaint Drop In' event took place on 22nd May 2024 (two sessions) in Washington as the first trial area. The sessions were well received, nineteen customers attended, and we are in the process of arranging follow up actions to ensure we act on customer feedback. Due to its success, we will now arrange further sessions throughout the other areas of the city to ensure we hear from a wider customer base.

3.5 Apprentice Recruitment: We are delighted to have twenty-seven apprenticeships available on this year's intake, the most we have offered in over 10 years. We are also pleased to be able to support our customers by guaranteeing interviews for Gentoo customers who meet the relevant criteria. The apprenticeships are in varied parts of the business and include:

Bricklaying • Engineering Technician (Building Services) • Business Administration • Electrical • Fire Alarm Engineer • Gas • Housing and Property Management • Joinery • Paralegal • multi-maintenance • Plastering • Plumbing • Roofing • Construction Support Technician (Surveying - Damp Inspection).

3.6 The Big Lunch – Farringdon: The Big Lunch is the UK's annual get-together for neighbours and communities, with millions of people coming together for a few hours of friendship, food, and fun. It connects people and encourages friendlier, safer communities where people start to share more – conversations, ideas, skills, resources, and friendship.

In May 2024, the Gentoo Neighbourhood Team arranged a 'Big Lunch' with support from the St Chads Ward Councillors, teams from Sunderland City Council, Love Amelia (the Groups Charitable Partner), Police, Fire Service, BAM – Building Local School, MP Bridget Phillipson, and Youth Almighty Project.

Over forty-two families from the Farringdon area attended the event, where they enjoyed hog roast sandwiches and ice creams as well as speaking to the organisations in attendance, while the children had Glitter Tattoo's, took part in a Sunflower Competition and 'Create your own Grow Bags.'

We are currently reviewing the feedback and benefits of this event with the aim of potentially carrying out similar events in other parts of the city.

4. Property, Investment and Renewal

4.1 Asset Plan 2024/2025: see appendix 3.

4.2 Property Update: see appendix 4. Other headline information:

Average days for a routine repair appointment - 20 days,
Emergency repairs completed on time – 99%,
Non-emergency repairs completed on time – 66%,
Repairs completed right first time – 97%.
Satisfaction with the Repairs Service – 79%

5. Recommendations

5.1 Note the content of this report.

Contact Officer

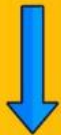
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Supporting our customers

Housing Teams

gentoo



Arrears **£269k**
under target



100.56%
rent collection

£500k

Tenancy
Sustainment
Fund

Void loss
100k
under target



105 Ready to Let
44 less than 22-23



302 voids
107 less than 22-23

£1.9m
additional income
for customers



£1.7m
water discount
for customers



802 Crisis Fund referrals
totalling **£41.8k**

Building on
HENNE
partnership



FTA collected
112.32%
of the target



More than **100,000**
calls answered by
Housing Teams

Supporting our customers

Safety and Support Teams

gentoo

1214 involvement events and activities across 8 schemes



1379 equipment and adaptation referrals

545 assisted viewings

1364 Victim Support referrals received

of which **216** customers were supported

of those **70%** supported were due to domestic abuse

377 category 1 ASB cases closed

465 Positive Engagement referrals received



of which **155** customers were supported

81% of those supported were due to mental health

294 safeguarding alerts received from colleagues














902 SNQRs received from trades



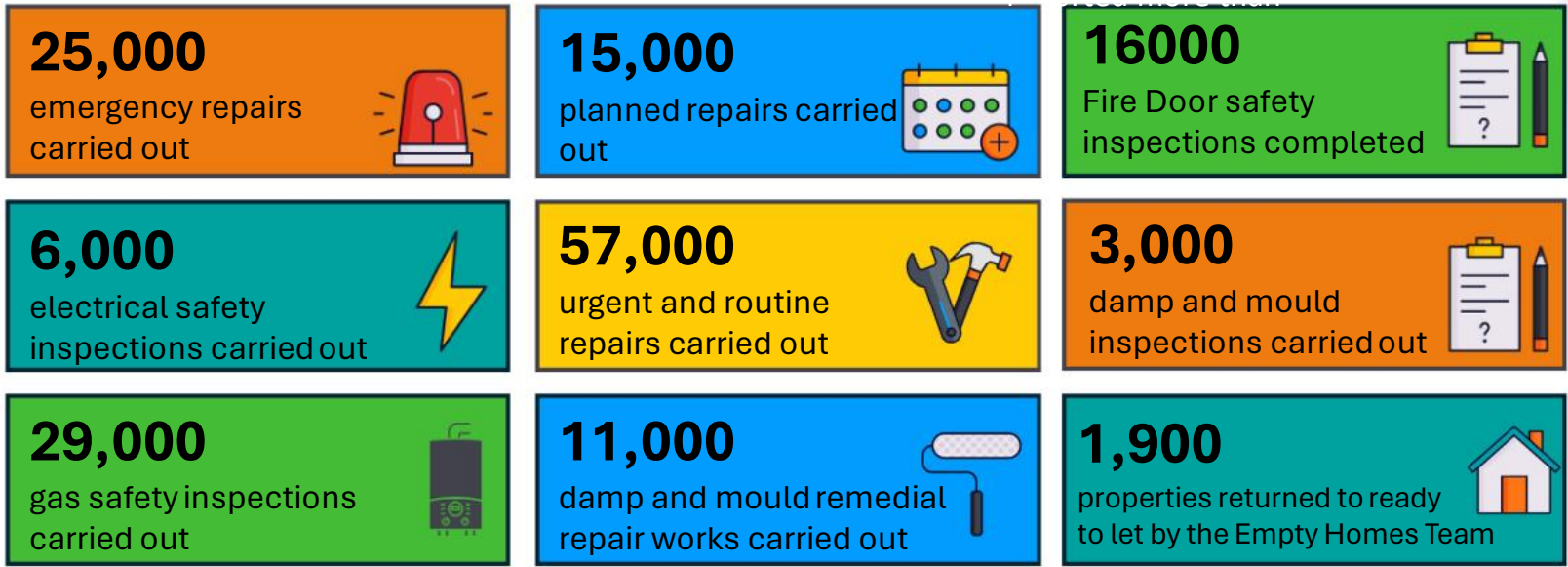
young people supported in Holmewood

253 Outreach referrals completed

Property Investment Programme 2024/25 - Central Area

<u>Programme Type</u>	<u>Principal Contractor</u>	<u>Estate</u>	<u>Properties</u>	<u>Low Rise Blocks / Pairs of Flats</u>	<u>Medium Rise Blocks</u>	<u>High Rise Blocks</u>	<u>Sheltered Blocks / Supported Living</u>	<u>Customers Benefitting From Works</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Internals (Kitchen/Bathroom/Full Rewire - as required) - Carried over from 23/24		Hill View	1					1	19 Hill View Square
		Hendon	1					1	1 Hendon Valley Court
		Totals	2					2	
Mop Up Roofing Programme		Ford Estate	1					1	
		Hendon	19					19	
		Hill View	1					1	
Totals	21						21		
External Decoration - Properties		Ford Estate	23					23	This is bay window repairs/decoration only
		Hendon	36					36	
		Hill View	27					27	
Totals	86						86		
Communal Decoration		Ashbrooke		4				8	
		Hendon		3				6	
		Totals		7				14	
Gas/Electric Fire Removals (Feb 24-July 24)		Ashbrooke	3					3	
		Ford Estate	79					79	
		Grangetown	5					5	
		Hendon	23					23	
		Hill View	2					2	
		Millfield	7					7	
		Pallion	1					1	
Totals	120						120		
Loft Insulation Top Ups		Ashbrooke	2					2	
		Ford Estate	4					4	
		Grangetown	26					26	
		Hendon	55					55	
		High Barnes	1					1	
		Hill View	4					4	
		Millfield	2					2	
		Pallion	2					2	
Totals	96						96		
Environmentals - Gable Repairs		Grangetown	1					1	
		Hendon	1					1	
		Totals	2					2	
Lift Replacements		City Centre			1		58	Benedict Court	
Totals	58						58		
ECO 4 (Energy Upgrades)		Ashbrooke	1					1	
		Hendon	1					1	
		Millfield	2					2	
		Pallion	1					1	
		Totals	5					5	
Wave 2.2 (Energy Upgrades)		Ashbrooke	2					2	
		Eden Vale	1					1	
		Ford Estate	18					18	
		Grangetown	11					11	
		Hendon	37					37	
		Hill View	1					1	
		Millfield	16					16	
		Pallion	4					4	
Totals	90						90		
Boiler Replacement Scheme Lot 1 (Inefficient Boilers)		Ashbrooke	1					1	
		Grangetown	1					1	
		Hendon	2					2	
		Hill View	2					2	
		Totals	6					6	
Boiler Replacement Scheme Lot 2 (Inefficient Boilers + Fires)		Ashbrooke	2					2	
		Ford Estate	6					6	
		Grangetown	5					5	
		Hendon	19					19	
		Hill View	2					2	
		Millfield	3					3	
Totals	37						37		

Property Maintenance Headlines 2023/24



24 JUNE 2024

REPORT OF EAST AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 The report provides an update regarding the work of the East 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. 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 East Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

2.3 The East VCS Network is made up of over 100 local groups and strategic local/national/regional partners. The network meets on a regular basis to share good practice, support one another and receives regularly updates as part of an information share e bulletin distributed via the Sunderland VS Alliance.

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

3.1 The East VCS Network met in April at St John's Methodist Church and in June at Stockton Road United Reformed Church.

3.2 The meetings included the following agenda items:

- A presentation about the Stronger Shores project and associated volunteering opportunities
- A presentation about the work of the Family Hubs focusing on the recently opened Hendon Hub known as Winnibell based on Lombard Road
- A presentation from Northumbria Police's Force Specialist Cyber Protect & Prepare Officer about how to 'Beat the Scammers' and protect yourself and your organisation against cyber crime.
- An update about the Links for Life Sunderland project and information about how local community organisations can register their information on the [Community Directory](#)
- Networking and Information Sharing Opportunities

3.3 The meetings were well attended and provided participants with opportunities to share information about activities and events happening in their respective organisations.

3.4 The Network received the East Area Committee call for projects to provide activities and food during May half term and the summer holidays (Fancy a Day Out). The applications were considered by the East Area Committee at the beginning of May and successful applicants received funding in anticipation of the May half-term holiday. Activities will continue to be delivered throughout the summer.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Members are requested to:

- note the contents of the report and consider the opportunities and issues raised by the East VCSN.

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East Area Committee

DATE 24th June 2024

REPORT OF SUNDERLAND VOLUNTARY SECTOR ALLIANCE

1 Purpose of the report

1.1 The following report provides an update form SVSA for the North Area Committee for the period of March 2024 – May 2024

2 Background

2.1 Area Committee requested regular updates from SVSA at each Committee meeting to enable members to be up to date on current SVSA developments, projects, and priorities and to encourage collaborative working and 2 way communication.

3 General Update

3.1 Since March 2024 we have grown our membership figures to 140 unique VCSE organisations based or delivering in Sunderland.

3.2 We held our 2nd Volunteer Co-ordinator Network in the Coalfield locality (27 attendees) an Ageing well Network in the East locality (33 attendees)

3.3 All remaining employees completed their TUPE transfer, therefore as of 1st April all employees are officially employed by SVSA.

3.4 We have reached out to members sharing a Volunteer Needs Survey to identify what community and corporate volunteering needs are in the city

4 Funding and Investment

4.1 We linked up with Karbon Homes (Surgeries held in the East locality) and Community Foundation (event held in Coalfield locality) and Breez programme (surgeries held in East locality) to facilitate conversations between these funders and the sector.

4.2 We were nominated for and attended the Sunderland City Council Stars 2024 awards, for Partnership of the year. This was recognition for the partnership we have developed with SCC procurement team and

celebrating the great work we have achieved working and delivering our Social Value Programme.

- 4.3 Launched our Community Transport Grant to the sector, receiving 30 EOI and 19 applications.
- 4.4 We have supported Funding applications collectively worth a total value of £347K.
- 4.5 A total of 4 social value opportunities have been successfully completed, with a total value of £4182.

5 Sector Support

- 5.1 **56** VCSE organisations have been supported (of which 18 were new organisations March-May 2024)
4 Social Value opportunities have been delivered.
3 Training Events have been hosted with a total of **59 attendees**.

6 Communications and Engagement

- 6.1 We have presented at East, West and Coalfield Locality Area arrangements networks.
- 6.2 We have launched our Sunderland **Volunteering** online enquiry form for individuals wanting to volunteer in Sunderland.
- 6.3 We featured in the Voluntary Organisation's Network North East (VONNE) funders Network E Bulletin.
- 6.4 We produced and circulated our April 2024 E Bulletin with the sector.

7 Trustee update

- 7.1 In April we held a Development Day with our Board of Trustees to re visit our strategic vision for 2024/2025. We used this as a celebration event and invited our Operational Board and Staff to mark our 1 year anniversary as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

8 Future developments

- 8.1 Following our first 2 Volunteer Networks and in partnership with Sunderland VCSE sector we are developing the format for further networks and a Volunteer Passport scheme.

- 8.2 Over the summer we are facilitating a 'Bridging the Gap' Network Event, focusing on VCSE organisations that are delivering to individuals furthest from the job market and impacted by the cost of living crisis.
- 8.3 We have sourced a CRM System for our organisation and will be developing this over the coming months.
- 8.4 Community Transport Grants will be awarded.
- 8.5 Holding further training, surgeries and events including funding drop-ins and outreach sessions in each locality.
- 8.6 Developing a Volunteering E Bulletin to be distributed during Volunteer week.

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24 JUNE 2024

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF EAST SUNDERLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD

East Area Committee Delivery Plan 2023-2026

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report is to provide an update of progress against the Area Committee's Area Plan priorities, which will be the focus for the East Area Committee during 2023-2024.

2. Background

2.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function. The purpose of the Area Committees is to:

- Lead on the development, implementation, and effective delivery of an Area Plan, working closely with residents to ensure the plans include all main priorities for the Area, which enables residents to be resilient, The Area Plans are linked to the City Plan and other significant strategies for the city.
- Actively encourage local residents to become involved in shaping the Area Plan, ensuring delivery of activities to support matters which affect them.

2.2 The Article 10 Area Committee Area Plans for 2023 - 2026 were agreed by Area Committees in June 2023 and approved at Cabinet in July 2023.

2.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their agreed priorities to support the delivery of the Area Plan.

2.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board supports the work of the Area Committee and specifically the delivery of the Area Plan. The Boards are chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee and are practical and action-orientated groups. The role of the Board is to respond to all priorities in the Area Committee Area Plan, as agreed by the Area Committee. They develop and implement plans for the delivery of each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research and working closely with partner agencies, particularly the VCS, to ensure effective delivery of the plan.

2.6 The Board is not a decision-making body, the work of the board is presented to each Area Committee via this Report of the Chair of the Neighbourhood and Community Board. The purpose of the report is to update on progress in relation to the delivery of the Area Plan in addition to making any recommendations of the Board to the Area Committee for final approval. Funding decisions to support delivery of the plan can be found at **Item 4 Area Budget Report**

2.7 Additionally all Sunderland City Council Service leads, when producing Service Plans this year, provided a list of Area Priorities, where relevant, for each of the five geographical Areas of Sunderland and have agreed that regular updates for those priorities will be appended to this report, to the relevant Area Committee, to provide quarterly performance updates (Annex 2).

3. Area Committee Area Plan 2023-2026- Areas of Key Action and Progress

3.1 The Neighbourhood and Community Board considered several opportunities and proposals linked to the priorities outlined in the East Area Plan. It was agreed to make recommendations to Area Committee to:

- approve £75,000 (£15,000 per ward) for the Ward improvement Budget. The budget will be used for priorities to help improve the ward and for activity that is both in keeping with council policy and contribute to the Area Committee's Area Plan. A Maximum of 3 projects will be funded from the £15k budget.
- align funding to facilitate a further phase of the East Park and Street Rangers project – a project designed to provide enhanced environmental services through the employment of a dedicated Ranger for each Ward. The Rangers carry out a range of environmental tasks including litter picking, painting as required, reporting fly tipping, cutting back vegetation and graffiti removal, furthermore they will seek to engage volunteers in performing some of these tasks to promote civic pride in the locality.
- align funding to support the 'Fancy a Day Out' holiday activity programme for a full calendar year starting from October 2024 and covering six school holiday periods totaling 13 weeks.

3.3 Attached as **Annex 1** is the East Area Committee Delivery plan which highlights progress against the Area Committee plan. Good news stories and promotion of projects are shared at every opportunity.

3.4 Attached as **Annex 2** is an update on Sunderland City Council Service Plans - Area Priorities, specifically relevant to the area, including a quarterly update on progress for information purposes only.

4. Recommendations - Members are requested to:

4.1 Consider the progress and performance update with regard to East Area Committee Area Plan 2023- 2026.

4.2 Consider the progress update with regard to Sunderland City Council Service Plans - Area Priorities, for information purposes only.

Annex 1 – East Area Delivery Plan

Annex 2 – Sunderland City Council Service Plans – East Area Priorities

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East Area Committee Delivery Plan 2023 - 2026

Annex 1

Updated March 2024

The Area Plan commits the Area Committee to a number of priorities, which will be delivered within the East of Sunderland. This Delivery Plan provides an update on progress on the Area Committee's Area Plan and will be monitored by the Area Committee and actions will be addressed throughout the next three years via the East Neighbourhood and Community Board

Priority	Progress Update
Dynamic Smart City We will have	
An evaluation of the Go Get Online project and consider future delivery	Evaluation discussed at February 2024 Board Meeting – recommendation to align funding to facilitate a further phase of the project was approved at the March Area Committee. The response to subsequent call for projects to be discussed at July N&C Board meeting.
Low carbon initiatives in the community	Presentation on Low Carbon initiatives received June 2023. Options for fruit and tree planting submitted for consideration with locations suggested across the East. Consultation launched on proposals for EV Community Hubs shared with members November 2023
Healthy Smart City We will have	
Youth clubs in each of the 5 wards	Applications approved in September 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doxford Activities for Young People, The Box Youth and Community Project • Youth Work in Every Place and Space, Back on the Map • Future in Mind, Blue Watch Youth Centre • Millfield Youth Activities, Sunderland All Together Consortium • Next Steps St Michael's, St Michael's Community Centre

	Project updates circulated to members in May 2024, sessions established in all areas with over 500 children and young people participating in these projects to date.
Information on what support the Youth Consortium require to build capacity and attract external funds	The East Area Committee continues to support the Youth Consortium through the funding of the delivery of youth activities in the Millfield ward.
An understanding of external funding opportunities for Youth Activities during school holidays and consider the gap in provision	In response to feedback from East Area VCS delivery partners, at the March Area Committee, Members aligned funding to deliver a programme of holiday activities that will complement the existing provision during May and Summer holidays 2024. Furthermore, Members will consider a proposal to align funding to support delivery of activities during school holidays over another calendar year from October 2024.
Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost of living crisis	In response to feedback from East Area VCS delivery partners, at the March Area Committee, Members aligned funding to deliver a programme of holiday activities that will complement the existing provision during May and Summer holidays 2024. Furthermore, Members will consider a proposal to align funding to support delivery of activities during school holidays over another calendar year from October 2024.
Improved social prescribing	<p>UKSPF Funded Links for Life Call for Projects circulated to East VCS Network members September 2023. The programme will build on the learning from the warm and welcoming spaces, ensuring we are able to offer services and support within our communities – support and activities which bring residents together, enable active engagement and improve health, wellbeing and financial resilience.</p> <p>Eight projects are delivering in the East area as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael’s Community Centre - Funding will be used to provide a warm, welcoming space for local people to reduce social isolation by bringing people together to participate in a range of activities every week. • The Bunker - The Bunker will deliver a variety of music and creative media-based activities alongside a wellbeing support and development programme aimed at local people with mental health issues. • The Box Youth and Community Project - Delivery of a range of preventative initiatives, aimed at improving personal resilience and making a positive impact upon health outcomes.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryhope Community Association – working collaboratively with Blue Watch Youth Centre to deliver activities including after school clubs and mental health courses. • Back on the Map - This programme aims to create an inclusive approach to improve the overall well-being of the community, targeting diverse age groups and specific challenges they face. • NERAF (Northern Engagement into Recovery from Addictions Foundation) - The HARP (Health and Recovery Pathways) Project will increase the support available for individuals experiencing substance and alcohol issues. • ICOS The project will support BME individuals including refugees who have recently been granted refugee status, women fleeing domestic abuse, or recently arrived migrants. It will provide help with accessing mainstream services and benefits. • Friends of Drop in (FODI) – programme of activities aimed at improving the mental health and wellbeing among Asylum Seekers. <p>Information was included in the Service Plan update December 2023. A video has been produced all about Links for Life Sunderland – see here Links for Life Sunderland - https://youtu.be/h8EizBukS40</p>
Improved green spaces including fruit orchards and wildflowers	Options for fruit and tree planting submitted for consideration with locations suggested across the East Area. In Bloom to be revisited in 2024
Received information on the Rangers projects and consider future delivery	Project update circulated to members May 2024 Over 900 hours of volunteering and 160 litter picks/community clean ups have taken place during quarter 3. Applications to extend the project for a further two quarters until September 2024 were approved at March Area Committee. Recommendation to align funding to facilitate a further year of delivery from September 2024 to be discussed at June Area Committee.
Received information on the Enforcement project and consider future delivery	Presentation received at November Neighbourhood and Community Board containing information on performance to date and options to consider for future delivery, Board will revisit at a future meeting. Funding of £15,000 awarded to part-fund a dedicated ASB Officer who will form part of the new Motorcycle Disorder Taskforce.

<p>Delivered the WOW features project</p>	<p>Projects across the East at differing stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doxford – planting scheme recently reconfigured and will be delivered throughout 2024. • Hendon – funding aligned to support the High Street Revolution initiative in Villetta Road area. • Ryhope – Planter scheme complete Summer 2023 • Millfield – Delivery of raised beds Summer 2024 • St Michaels – Planter scheme complete Spring 2024
<p>Delivered improvements to community assets</p>	<p>The following organisations received capital funding to make improvements to their respective centres, Members will continue to receive more detailed updates via the quarterly monitoring updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back on the Map - Hendon Community Growing Garden • Blue Watch Youth Centre - Safe Outdoor Fun • CHANCE - Upgrade CCTV • Ryhope Community Association - Kitchen Upgrade • Sunderland Area Parent Support - Making SAPS Safe • Sunderland MIND - Accessible Entry • The Box youth and Community Project - Improvement/Repairs to Main Hall • St Michael’s Community Centre - Internal refurbishment and alarm system • Media Savvy - Creation of kitchen and workspaces • Church of Nazarene - Roofing works and improvements to facilities • Samaritans - Refurbishment of training room and duty room • The Bunker - Accessibility upgrades • St Marks - Development of community garden and play area • Oasis Community Housing – Shower upgrades
<p>Delivered a Walk and Talk programme</p>	<p>Several ward-based initiatives have been delivered across the East, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doxford – capital works to community centre, footpath improvements, holiday activities • Hendon- environmental improvements, highway improvements, holiday activities

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Millfield- highway improvements, public art • Ryhope- highway improvements, community event • St Michael's – highways improvements, environmental improvements, blood kits. <p>Scheme now finished with £5,580 being returned to Neighbourhood Fund.</p>
Vibrant Smart City We will have	
Supported community assets to develop, grow and sustain	<p>Capital improvements to community centres – please see above</p> <p>Dedicated capacity building projects for Ryhope Community Association and St Michael's Community Centre – please see below</p> <p>Proposal for capacity building project from Doxford Park and District Community Association to be discussed at June Area Committee.</p>
Improved the Stephenson Trail	<p>Presentation from steering group shared. Environmental works have continued with way markers and information panels being installed during Autumn 2023.</p> <p>The steering group are seeking to extend current ward based maintenance arrangements (Groundwork Northeast and Cumbria for Millfield and The Box Youth and Community Project for Doxford) for another year commencing in Summer 2024. New signage detailing some interpretation information is to be installed in Summer 2024 and a section of the Trail that runs between Eden Vale Road and Chester Road will also be upgraded.</p>
Delivered and supported St Michael's and Ryhope Community Centre projects	<p>Ryhope Community Association – Neighbourhood Funding used to provide additional staffing capacity to support the development of funding and volunteering strategies. Award of over £140,000 secured from The National Lottery to support the continuation of activities at the Ryhope Community Centre over the next three years.</p> <p>St Michael's Community Centre – Neighbourhood Funding used to support the appointment of a dedicated Community Development Worker who was successful in extending the programme of activities delivered at the Community Centre and securing additional funding to allow the project to continue.</p>
Received updates on highways schemes and consider future options	<p>Presentation from Transport and Infrastructure Service at the November Neighbourhood and Community Board meeting regarding the Highway Maintenance Programme for 2024/25 was approved at the March Area Committee.</p>

	Attendance of Assistant Director for Transport and Infrastructure at October 2023 Neighbourhood and Community Board meeting.
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Item 3 Annex 2

Sunderland City Council Service Plans – East Area Priorities, for information purposes only.

ADULT SERVICES: Strategic Commissioning Team and Strategic Safeguarding Team

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
St Cuthberts	In partnership, with Strategic Housing, development of Supported Living Accommodation for adults with social care, support and accommodation needs	9/23	TBC	<p>Development of St Cuthberts Supported Living Scheme.</p> <p>T Manners & Sons commenced on site in March 2024, demolition has now been completed. Drainage works are now in progress with foundations to follow in the coming weeks.</p> <p>The scheme has an approximate completion date of Spring 2025. The scheme will provide 12 units over 6 properties for people with Learning Disabilities and Autism. SCAS is the provider at the scheme and the scheme is part of a re-provision of an existing SCAS service</p>
Hylton Road	In partnership, with Strategic Housing redevelopment of	1/23	5/24	Development work at Hylton Road is on track for completion in July 2024. All plots have been

	Supported Living Accommodation for adults with social care, support and accommodation needs			watertight since Dec 2023. Work is now progressing with internal wall partitions, plastering. Site will provide 18 Cat 2 supported living bungalows once work is complete. A site visit was completed on 9/05/24 with reps from ASC, SCAS and Commissioning attending. Demand led modelling session with Commissioning, ASC and SCAS have identified potential customers for the scheme and follow up sessions are scheduled to plan actions and next steps to support move on proposals. SCAS are the support provider.
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City Development: Regulatory Services

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
SAIL (currently VRU funded)	1 x Violence Reduction Lead	12/22	12/25	Project continues to deliver agreed aims and outcomes via the SAIL Strategic Bd. More in depth update

	1 X Legal support officer		<p>can be given to forthcoming AC meetings if required.</p> <p>Recently celebrated 'One-Year of SAIL' event with partners and businesses.</p> <p>Additional £15k Public Health and £25k ICB (Health) Winter Planning funding has allowed XL Health NTE support project to continue from April 23 – approx.. June 25. Future funding streams being sought.</p> <p>Reprofiling of VRU budget has provided additional youth provision from December 2023 in the City Centre on a Friday evening.</p> <p>Year 1 VRU Evaluation Report been drafted</p> <p>Proposals to be discussed at Board meeting on 20 November this will also include the motorcycle disorder work.</p> <p>MD funding agreed at December AC meeting</p> <p>MD taskforce went live Dec 23. snapshot of results so far:</p> <p>Patrols: 52</p>
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Potential Enforcement Project				<p>Nights of action: 1 Social media posts: 2 Call backs:28 School visits:1 Home Visit:5 CPW:5 Vehicle Seizures: 3 Arrests/summons:5</p> <p>June 24 Update</p> <p>Regular updates are being provided through area funding processes, neighbourhood and community boards</p>
CCTV Project (currently AC funded)	<p>5 x mini dome CCTV cameras</p> <p>To enhance the existing East cameras for tackling issues of ASB and environmental crime.</p>	06/23	06/25	<p>Cameras received August 23</p> <p>Four locations have been agreed and one is under discussion/clarification with requesting Officer due to camera vulnerability.</p> <p>We await relocation which should be within the coming weeks.</p> <p>All 5 x camera now erected-(1 per ward)</p> <p>1 x environmental investigation pending</p> <p>No additional update</p>

SHIP	City Centre project to tackle hostels and homeless issues		04/25	<p>Fixed term positions advertised – recruitment ongoing</p> <p>Recruitment is now complete - a part time EHO and a Regulatory Compliance Assistant have been appointed to assist in fulfilling the project requirements</p> <p>Strategic Housing have identified housing providers in scope for the project e.g. (those in receipt of additional payments for support under housing benefit and are not council commission services).</p> <p>Strategic Housing to lead on provision of support plans for tenants, Reg Services to assess housing conditions and take appropriate action to improve standards</p> <p>Survey work has begun and 4 of the housing providers identified have had all of their in-scope properties inspected – no cat 1 or high category 2 hazards have been identified. Some low level disrepair has been identified and subsequently improve following the provision of appropriate advice</p>
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CORPORATE SERVICES: Smart City Team

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Digital Inclusion	Delivery of a range of DI initiatives subject to interest/approval	4/23	4/26	<p>Significant work ongoing, a newsletter is available and can be circulated if of interest and further information can be found in the City Resources section of our website: www.sunderlandoursmartcity.com</p> <p>In addition, Digital Dashboards have been produced for every ward detailing the existing digital provision, challenges, and potential opportunities for consideration. A follow-up meeting has been held with East Area Committee outlining specific opportunities and further meetings can be arranged as appropriate.</p> <p>In addition, the achievements for the year have been collated and are attached for information.</p>

Smart Cities	Opportunities for a range of digital and data solutions e.g. interactive play, smart bins etc	4/23	?	Significant work ongoing, further information can be found across our website and in the Innovation Challenges section: www.sunderlandoursmartcity.com In addition, any specific briefings can be arranged as required.
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Stats delivered during 2023–24



16
Databanks operating and distributing free data SIM cards



5,900+
People accessing free Wi-Fi in the first quarter of opening 22 Digital Health Hubs




385
People with improved basic digital skills and confidence




96
Digital events supported or delivered



1,900+
People attended digital events



70+
Tech Mate volunteers supporting people to go online



320+
Digital Inclusion Network members



£600,000
funding secured, matched with an extra £60,000 on in-kind contribution



Website
Created: www.sunderland.gov.uk/GoOnlineSunderland

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Bereavement Services

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/Full Expenditure by	Area Committee Quarterly Update
Cemetery Improvements	Prioritisation of improvement measures within area cemeteries according to an assessment of risk, need and local demand	June 22	Ongoing	<p>As part of the ongoing cemetery improvement works led by the Cemetery Improvement Boards, work is advancing on the enforcement of cemetery regulations relating to unauthorised items and enclosures on lawn section graves. Signage has been erected in relevant cemetery sections providing advanced notice of the removal of unauthorised items, and work to remove relevant items will begin as soon as ground conditions allow.</p> <p>As consultation with Board Members continues on all actions, the CIB continue to receive updates on any developments in this respect.</p>

			<p>As part of the memorial safety programme in all cemeteries, safety audits have now been conducted and initial findings from our consultants have been received. Further review is required and agreement on the work required work schedule, costs and processes. Further updates will follow.</p> <p>Cemetery Improvement Board (CIB) meetings continue on a bi-monthly basis. As regulatory enforcement becomes part of business as usual, and the memorial safety testing programme is underway, cemetery specific action plans will deliver on improvement works specific to each cemetery dependant on local requirements and need.</p> <p>In addition to the regulatory enforcement and MST programme, the board have also reviewed options to improve cemetery maintenance and increased signage relating to issues around the control of dogs in cemeteries.</p>
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				Memorial product development and management of historic memorial sponsorship terms now also receives focus by the CIB Members, with many new processes agreed and implemented following discussion and agreement within the group.
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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Local Services

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee Quarterly Update
Glyphosate Trial	A trial project to help us understand the impact of alternative weed control options in different environments, with a view to the potential elimination of the use of herbicides in weed killing.	1 st April 2023	September 2023	<p>The further targeted trials which started in April have continued into November 2023. The detailed trial will provide clear evidence to review, enabling consideration of the available options, cost and resource implications for each method tested.</p> <p>The results of the trial will inform the appropriate next steps.</p> <p>February Update 2024:</p> <p>The trial has now concluded, findings are currently being compiled into a detailed report.</p>

				<p>A market feasibility study via procurement is also now underway to establish costs and availability of alternative weed control equipment.</p> <p>June Update 2024</p> <p>A report will be going to cabinet on 20 June to provide updates on progress with biodiversity promotion and effective sustainable weed management</p>
Tree Surveying	A citywide tree inspection and mapping project.	May 2023	2027	<p>As of 9th of November 9,353 trees have been surveyed.</p> <p>East and West area street trees are now complete, with the current focus being on the Green Flag parks situated within these areas.</p> <p>As of the 20th of February 12,757, trees have been surveyed.</p> <p>Following completion of the East and West areas, Mowbray, Barnes and Roker Green Flag parks have now all been surveyed. The Inspection programme is now focusing on the North Area.</p> <p>June Update 2024</p>

				<p>As of the 29th May 19,699 trees have been surveyed.</p> <p>Moving on from the Feb update the North Area is now complete and Survey work is now underway in the Coalfields.</p> <p>All work identified as part of the survey is prioritised inline with the Council's tree Policy and scheduled/ carried out accordingly</p>
Plantation Programme	Plantation Maintenance scheme	March 2023	April 2026	<p>The plantation programme is progressing well with over 50,000 sqm of woodland maintained.</p> <p>Resident feedback has been very positive and of the initial 37 priority sites 19 are now complete.</p> <p>February Update 2024:</p> <p>The plantation programme is progressing well with over 50,000 sqm of woodland maintained.</p> <p>Resident feedback has been very positive and of the initial 37 priority sites 19 are now complete.</p>

				<p>June Update 2024</p> <p>The plantation programme is progressing well with over 60,000 sqm of woodland maintained.</p> <p>Activity has decreased during the nesting season in order that we remain compliant with legislation, we can continue to deliver works but the pace of works is vastly reduced as we have to continually survey to woodland for nesting activity, leaving exclusion zones where nests are found. When the nesting period subsides later in the year our plantation programme will pick up pace once again</p>
E Technology Trials	Trialling alternative Electric equipment to replace petrol fuelled kit to reduce carbon emissions.	May 2023		<p>Trials are continuing with appropriate tools being considered as part of our fleet replacement capital programme</p> <p>Following E Tech trials, various kit has been introduced into our operational teams. The kit not only reduces the hand arm vibration levels our operatives are exposed to, it also supports the Council's low carbon agenda.</p>

				<p>The kit includes, E Blowers, E Gum removal packs, E Chainsaws, E Hedge Trimmers and a Hybrid Chipper.</p> <p>We are continuing to explore other E solutions and are currently trialing a E Mechanical Sweeper.</p> <p>June Update 2024 We are continuing to explore other E solutions</p>
City Centre Gum Removal Project	Chewing gum removal project	April 2023	2024	Phase 2 Gum removal programme has completed in line with grant guidelines with a completion date by the end of Nov we are currently on track to achieve this. Project closedown and supporting evidence will be submitted to KBT as per parameters submitted in the grant award which includes a review period into 2024.
Levelling Up	Barley Mow Park Improvements.	April 2023	March 2024	<p>The last few tasks are now underway.</p> <p>There is one planter to be completed ahead of flowers being delivered.</p> <p>Contractor for the repair to building roller shutters has set a date for repairs to take place.</p>

				<p>New completion date expected to be 29/03/24</p> <p>May Update 2024.</p> <p>This project is now complete and allotment beds are being used by the first volunteers</p>
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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Winter Maintenance

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Winter Smart Solutions	Trials of several infrared road surface sensors across the highway network.	Continue through the winter of 2023/2024	Testing, development, and evaluation of technology and installation options remains ongoing through the winter of 2023/2024	Following the trial of 10 smart sensors at a variety of key locations across the city through the winter of 2022/23, the detailed findings of the trial have enabled the Environmental Services Winter Maintenance Team, to further improve the planning for the essential replacement of the city's Vaisala weather station network and ensure that the positioning of the new equipment is optimised in response to the current and future development of new key routes and any road network changes across the city. With the new installations of modern Vaisala equipment occurring from Summer 2024, the road users of

				<p>Sunderland can be assured the city will have some of the most advanced weather monitoring and forecasting equipment available, provided and supported by one of the main market leaders in the industry.</p> <p>May 14th Update. Installation of the new Vaisala weather monitoring & forecasting equipment at 5 key sites around the City, will commence as planned from May 26th 2024, with completion expected in late June 2024</p>
Winter Service Review	Comprehensive review of the Winter Maintenance Service	Spring 2024	Autumn 2024	<p>February Update 2024:</p> <p>Following on from the review undertaken 2023, the 2024 review will commence following the completion of this year's winter maintenance period. The review takes in all aspects of the Winter Service. A key focus of the review is the priority network coverage. The review process is to be based upon the requirement to deliver an efficient resilient service for the residents of Sunderland and the commuting public, whilst also meeting any legal requirements, adhering to best practice and meeting</p>

				<p>deliverable expectations with a finite resource. Where there are legislative changes, the policy will be reviewed immediately, and further approval sought from the Council. All recommendations produced by The Department for Transport and the UK Road Liaison Group along with identifiable best practice are considered during the annual review.</p>
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HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Area Arrangements

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Developing the community support offer, working closely with the voluntary sector to enable maximise positive outcomes from Social Prescribing	Supporting VCS to develop their capacity to deliver commissioned community support services within communities	April 2023	March 2025	UKSPF funds secured to support VCS in Sunderland to deliver 12 months of community support across the city. VCS providers will support the establishment of the Links for Life social prescribing programme in Sunderland, signing a delivery charter, ensuring a digital platform is developed and delivery is evaluated to

				<p>inform future community support service delivery</p> <p>The platform is now live here: www.linksforlifesunderland.co.uk</p> <p><i>Useful information includes;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Meet the Links for Life team</i> • <i>Discover the digital hub</i> • <i>Become a member or use the hub for referrals</i> • <i>See the difference Links for Life activities are already making in communities</i> • <i>Get involved – help us promote Links for Life within your network and let us know about opportunities that the team could link in with.</i>
VCS Alliance – growing capacity of voluntary and community sector	Continue to work in partnership with the voluntary sector Alliance to maximise resources into the sector via external funding and grow social value resources	April 2023	March 2025	The Council continue to support the VS Alliance in Sunderland, who are now an independent Charity as a member of their strategy board, alongside other VCS partners, Gentoo and the ICB,.

Delivery of Financial Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan	Supporting residents within areas to improve their resilience	April 2023	March 2025	<p>Continue to use household data and intelligence to identify issues and inform Support offer available within communities, working closely with partners including the voluntary sector. The UKSPF community support offer is supporting residents to become financially resilient and forms a core part of the wider Links for Life service offer.</p> <p>The delivery of Financial Wellbeing support activities across services is nearing completion. From Jan 22 to date 170 of 175 actions in the delivery plan have been completed or mainstreamed as BAU – outstanding actions are expected to complete by June 24.</p> <p>Arrangements to close the project are in place, including revised governance arrangements. Also the relocation of the project into Strategic Advice Services to further embed Financial Wellbeing as BAU – post project.</p> <p>The project end date is 30/06/24.</p>

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Housing Strategy

Areas	Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
<p>The following wards show a high prevalence of empty properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hendon • Millfield • St Michaels • Washington North • Pallion • Hetton • Southwick • Barnes • Copt Hill • St Peters 	<p>The service is generally responsive based on requests for service and the severity of empty property conditions. However, the Empty Homes Strategy identified the areas of the City where empty properties were most prevalent. Work to tackle empty properties is targeted in these areas.</p>	<p>This is not a specific project</p>	<p><i>Progressing</i></p>	<p><i>Initial presentation complete</i></p> <p><i>Future reports presented for Area Committee Information quarterly</i></p>	<p>Work to further analyse council tax data has been undertaken following a small increase in empty homes was shown in the data received. It is acknowledged that the increase be attributed to more homes tipping from 0-3 months empty into 6 months + showing a need for more early intervention and preventative work. A revised loans and grants scheme has been launched which will assist in some way with this prevention work.</p>

					Monthly analysis on empty homes officer caseloads has been undertaken and priority properties are under senior management scrutiny with clear plans of action regarding enforcement.
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HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Housing Development

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Housing Delivery and Investment Plan 2020-26 – approved to deliver 574 new Council owned homes for letting citywide broken down into three workstreams: Empty Homes - 210 Bungalows - 193 Supported - 171	East Area Empty Homes - 61 Bungalows - 60 Supported - 38	February 2020	March 2026	Empty Homes - 13 Bungalows - 23 Supported - 2

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Welfare Reform Service and Business Development

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion by	Area Committee quarterly update
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Foodbank Support	Council currently supporting range of foodbanks / food aid organisations in all areas of the city – majority in East / West via fresh food and FareShare – will be refining offer / support during the year	N/a	N/a	<p>Service continues to collate and analyse monthly foodbank usage and will be providing up to date area-based breakdowns for the support provided by Sunderland Foodbank Distribution Centres and 5 Independent foodbanks . These are the organisations that have provided figures to the council since at least the start of the pandemic .</p> <p>Separately the service is collating information from other foodbanks , and food aid providers to better understand gaps in provision and potential issues within communities including wider food insecurity. This links to range of actions in the Good Food Charter Action Plan</p> <p>Information continues to be made available for residents to access via website and also</p>
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				voluntary sector and partners such as housing, health, etc
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HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Active Sunderland

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Parks Tennis Court Programme	Refurbish Tennis Courts in Ryhope Park and Barley Mow Park	5/23	7/23	Ryhope - complete and operational Barley Mow - - practical completion scheduled for 12/9 complete and operational
Parks Tennis Court Programme	Develop Tennis activation programme	6/23	10/23	Complete - taking place
Swim Bike Run programme	Develop new parkrun opportunities for young people in Mowbray Park	6/23	Ongoing	Complete - taking place
Regular Physical Activity Opportunities	Consultation and development of Bid for Playzone in East - location tbc	7/23	10/23	Next stage progressing with community organisation and community engagement

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Public Health and Integrated Commissioning – Living Well

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/	Area Committee quarterly update

			Full expenditure by		
Development of Social prescribing physical hubs	To deliver a Social Prescribing 'hub' to allow for localised presence of the offer	4/23	3/25	Progressing model development	
				Area	Organisation
				City Wide	Northern Engagement into Recovery from Addictions Foundation (NERAF)
				City Wide	International Community Organisation of Sunderland (ICOS)
				City Wide	Friends of Drop in (FODI)
				City Wide	Veterans In Crisis
				City Wide	Grace House
				City Wide	Active Families @ Broadway Youth & Community Centre
				City Wide	Sunderland and County Durham Royal Society for the Blind

				City Wide	Sunderland and County Durham Royal Society for the Blind
				East	St Michaels Community Centre
				East	The Bunker
				East	The Box Youth & Community Project
				East	Ryhope Community Association
				East	Back On The Map
Targeted substance misuse related death prevention	Development of targeted substance misuse related death prevention interventions	6/23	03/24	<p>Targeted Outreach and identification of additional spaces including, Swan Lodge Hendon, Betsy Jenny's Community Café, Poplar House (Hendon) and Back on the Map (Hendon) in target areas.</p> <p>CGL also offer online sessions, and support service users in the Southwick/Hendon and St Peters area with free data sim cards to improve digital assess. This is alongside the enhanced harm reduction services to at risk clients.</p>	

				<p>CGL are also expanding needle exchange provision with 7 pharmacies offering needle exchange in the targeted area.</p> <p>SSMTRG funding to be used to uplift clinical nursing provision alongside buvidal prescribing and naloxone expansion.</p> <p>Oct 23 SSMTRG underspend to be used to deliver stimulant specific training within Wear Recovery</p> <p>Jan 23 – Year 3 SSMTR grant submission includes continuation of buvidal, increased naloxone provision across the city and dedicated outreach posts for targeted interventions based on DRD/Near Miss trend analysis.</p>
Stop Smoking Clinics	To deliver stop smoking clinics in the wards with the highest smoking rates.	4/23	12/23	<p>SSSS are actively investigating clinic/drop in sites within the high prevalence wards. The following clinics are either established, planned to start or in discussion:</p> <p>Hendon: Riverview Health Centre (established)</p> <p>Back on the Map (in discussion)</p>

				<p>Millfield: The Salvation Army (established)</p> <p>Central Sunderland: Betsy Jenny Wellbeing Café (established).</p>
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TOGETHER FOR CHILDREN: Early Help Systems and Family Hubs

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
Family Hub	<p>The Family Hubs and Start for Life programme helps meet commitments in the best start for life: a vision for the 1,001 critical days, published as government policy in March 2021. This programme is jointly led by the Department for Education (DfE) and Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC).</p> <p>The aim of Family Hubs is to join up and enhance services, ensuring all parents and carers can access the support they need when they need it.</p>	2022	2025	<p>Winnibell family hub in Hendon was officially opened in March 24. There is now a full timetable on offer for families to access.</p> <p>Phase two of My Best Life website was launched at the beginning of May it now hosts SEND local offer and Family Information Service information. The site's main features include advertising and booking of Family Hub events and a library of resources that is maintained by the Family Hubs. The main benefit from this is families being able to access immediate support and book sessions online.</p>

	<p>To bring services together and make them more accessible, improve the connections between families, professionals, services, and providers, and put relationships at the heart of family support.</p> <p>Following a competitive bidding process, 14 trailblazers were selected and awarded additional funding to go further and faster in delivering some or all of the Start for Life services funded by the Family Hubs and Start for Life programme – perinatal mental health and parent-infant relationships, infant feeding, and parenting support. Sunderland were one of the 14 local authority areas who were awarded trailblazer status.</p> <p>https://www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/article/27857/Start-for-Life</p>			<p>As part of the Family Hub Community Grants, Sunderland Family Hubs have commissioned three providers from the Voluntary and Community Sector to further expand the wellbeing support for new mums through specific baby massage, baby yoga, 'mum and me' sessions.</p> <p>Launch of Ha'way the dads' Monthly activities session informed by consultation of dads. In addition to weekly dads' session being run through the hubs by Northeast Young dads& lads.</p> <p>MMR vaccinations are now being offered within the family hubs.</p> <p>Summer HAF offer will be supported by extension of funding via Household Support Fund Grant Funding.</p>
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	<p>Sunderland will have 5 Family Hubs across the city offering services from conception up until the age of 18 or 25 for young people with special educational needs. The face-to-face offer Sunderland Family Hubs offer is mirrored as a virtual offer to our children, young people and families, with access to activities, services and resources on a new digital platform called My Best Life. MBL will also provide families with information around childcare, SEND local offer, support for older children and young people in addition to interactive resources that families can access at home.</p> <p>Our Family hubs sits in line with the national vision of building an Early Help System offering support to children and families across universal services, community support and targeted services which</p>			
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	<p>will all be available in our family hubs.</p> <p>Early Help targeted family support teams are co-located within the family hubs. These teams provide targeted support to families with children aged 0 to 19. The Early Help workers complete a robust assessment and plan, provide interventions and work alongside our partners to address the needs of children young people and their families.</p> <p>HAF continues to be available across all localities of the city during School Holidays.</p>			
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EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE 24th June 2024 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I	
Title of Report: East Sunderland Area Budget Report	
Author(s): Assistant Director of Housing and Communities	
Purpose of Report: Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Area Plan, with the overall aim to respond to the needs of residents and ensure the delivery of activities and projects to support matters which affect residents and enable them to be resilient. The report provides a financial statement as an updated position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funding and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.	
Description of Decision: Committee are requested to:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1, 3.2 and 3.3 (b) Approve the Ward Improvement Budget of £75,000 (c) Approve Neighbourhood Funding of £11,960 to – Doxford Park and District Community Association, Strengthening the Community Sector in Doxford - Item 4 Annex 1 (d) Approve the alignment of NF funding of £107,500 to East Street and Park Rangers 2024/25 (e) Approve the alignment of NF funding of £53,274 to Fancy a Day Out (f) Note the Community Chest approvals supported from 2023 – 2024 as set out in Item 4 Annex 2 (g) Note the Community Chest approvals supported from 2024 – 2025 as set out in Item 4 Annex 3 	
Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?	Yes
Suggested reason(s) for Decision: The Area Committee has an allocation of £393,534 for 2024/2025 from the Neighbourhood Fund to deliver key priorities identified in the relevant Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.	
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	Relevant Scrutiny Committees:
Is it included in the Forward Plan? No	

EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

24 June 2024

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HOUSING and COMMUNITIES

East Sunderland Area Budget Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Area Plan, with the overall aim to respond to the needs of residents and ensure the delivery of activities and projects to support matters which affect residents and enable them to be resilient. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funds and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2. Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund

- 2.1 The table below shows the financial position of Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund for 2024/2025:

Project Name	Committee Date	Returned	Aligned	Approved	Remaining
Starting Balance for 2024/2025 (£393,534 including £20,000 youth funding)					£393,534
Fancy a Day Out (responsive decision)	19.04.24		20,210		£373,324
Fancy a Day Out May and Summer 2024 (responsive decision)	10.05.24			43,274 (from previous alignments)	£373,324
Balance					£373,324

Table One: Neighbourhood Fund Statement 2024 / 2025

- 2.2 East Sunderland Area Committee has been allocated £393,534 Neighbourhood Funding for capital and revenue projects for 2024/25.
- 2.3 The Neighbourhood Funding awarded for 2024/25 includes an award of £15,000 per ward for a Ward Improvement Budget. The budget will be used for priorities to help improve the ward and for activity that is both in keeping with council policy and contribute to the Area Committee's Area Plan. A Maximum of 3 projects will be funded from the £15k budget. For project proposals that will involve council delivery an agreement will be sought initially from the relevant service lead, to be assured that the activity can be accommodated, and agree timescales and cost. The decision-making process will follow the same approach as community chest. A list of

WIB approvals will be appended to the Area Committee's budget report and performance updates provided as part of the current performance update process.

2.4 Members aligned £34,790 from the 2023/24 Neighbourhood Fund to the Fancy a Day Out holiday activity programme at the March Area Committee; then aligned an additional £20,210 from the 2024/25 Neighbourhood Fund via the responsive decision process in May creating a total budget of £55,000. Following a call for projects to provide activities during May half-term and Summer holidays, 9 proposals for funding totalling £43,274 were approved using the responsive decision process. Balance of alignment remaining is **£11,726**. The approved proposals are detailed in **Annex 1**.

2.5 There are 2 applications presented to Area Committee for consideration from the 2024-25 Neighbourhood Fund set out below:

- I. Ward Improvement Budget - **£75,000**
- II. Strengthening the Community Sector in Doxford, Doxford Park and District Community Association – **£11,900**

2.6 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested is **£86,900**. If projects are approved as set out in the recommendations, the remaining balance for this operational year will be **£286,424**

2.7 There are 2 alignment proposals presented to Area Committee for consideration from the 2024 – 2025 Neighbourhood Fund subject to full applications being presented to a future Board and Area Committee as set out below:

- East Park and Street Rangers - **£107,500**
- Fancy a Day Out (one year's provision from October 2024) – **£53,274** (to be added to the remaining £11,726 previously aligned funding remaining creating a total pot of £65,000)

2.8 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested for approval/alignment is **£247,674**. If approved, the remaining balance will be **£125,650**

3. Community Chest

3.1 Each ward has been allocated a ward budget of £10,000 to support projects which complement the Area Plan. The process to allocate Community Chest is now online. Ward Councillors will continue to lead on seeking suitable project proposals and making decisions on applications received. Where it is difficult to make a majority decision and discussions cannot be resolved at a ward level the outcome will be escalated to Area Committee for a final decision.

3.2 The Table below details the Community Chest starting balance, awards and remaining balance for 2023/2024. Annex 3 shows the approvals, supported to date for 2024/2025

Ward	2023/2024 Allocation	Returned	Approved	Remaining
Doxford	£10,000	-	£10,000	£0
Hendon	£10,000	-	£8,241	£1,759
Millfield	£10,000	-	£10,000	£0
Ryhope	£10,000	-	£6,381	£3,619
St Michaels	£10,000	-	£10,000	£0
Total	£50,000	-	£44,622	£5,378

Table Two: Community Chest Funding Statement 2023 / 2024

3.3 The Table below details the Community Chest awards starting balance for 2024/2025. Annex 2 shows the approvals, supported to date 2024/2025:

Ward	2024/2025 Allocation	Returned	Approved	Remaining
Doxford	£10,000	-	£1,883	£8,117
Hendon	£10,000	-	£3,200	£6,800
Millfield	£10,000	-	£0	£10,000
Ryhope	£10,000	-	£0	£10,000
St Michaels	£10,000	-	£1,795	£8,205
Total	£50,000	-	£6,878	£43,122

Table Two: Community Chest Funding Statement 2024 / 2025

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1, 3.2 and 3.3
- 4.2 Approve the Ward Improvement Budget of £75,000
- 4.3 Approve Neighbourhood Funding of £11,960 to – Doxford Park and District Community Association, Strengthening the Community Sector in Doxford - Item 4 Annex 1
- 4.4 Approve the alignment of NF funding of £107,500 to East Street and Park Rangers 2024/25
- 4.5 Approve the alignment of NF funding of £53,274 to Fancy a Day Out
- 4.6 Note the Community Chest approvals supported from 2023 – 2024 as set out in Item 4 Annex 2
- 4.7 Note the Community Chest approvals supported from 2024 – 2025 as set out in Item 4 Annex 3

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Executive Summaries

Application 1

Project Details	
Project Title:	STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY SECTOR IN DOXFORD
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	Doxford Park & District Community Centre has historically been managed by a team of local volunteers and is a valued community resource for residents of Doxford Ward. Volunteers no longer feel able to manage the facility and the Management Committee is seeking to appoint a part-time Community Worker to manage and further develop community use of the facility
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 14,900
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 3,000
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 11,900
Project Start Date	01-Sep-24
Project End Date	31-Aug-25
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	DOXFORD PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
Doxford Park Community Centre is owned by Sunderland City Council. In 1979 the building was taken over by a group of local residents who formed a Management Committee to manage the facility. The Management Committee is made up of 7 local residents, however, all but one of the members are aged 75+ In November last year the Management Committee approached

Sunderland Council to ask for help as members felt they could no longer manage running the Centre. The Council approached The Box Youth & Community Project (TBYCP) to provide support to the Committee and a meeting was set up to explore the issues that had been raised by the Committee.. TBYCP agreed to provide organisational support, however it was agreed from the outset that DPDCA would continue to operate totally independent from TBYCP, as an organisation in its own right. TBYCP has supported the organisation since January 2024 months and has invested a significant amount of time working with the Committee to map out a future for the organisation. Whilst the Centre is used by on average 200 residents each week, work with the Committee has highlighted that the current Committee members do not have the capacity or the skills required to manage the facility in a way that ensures its sustainability in the long term. There is undoubtedly a need to appoint a part time Development Worker to oversee the day to day management of the building and to develop services from the building to ensure it can be financially sustainable moving forward. It is proposed that consideration be given to providing funding to appoint a part time (16 hours) Community Development Worker for a one year term. The role of the Worker would include • Introducing operational policies and procedures to ensure organisation is operating within legislative frameworks

- Strengthening the Management Committee by recruiting new members that can bring much needed skills and experience to the organisation
 - Developing the range of activities offered in the building
 - Expanding the number of user groups delivering from the building, thereby increasing footfall and potentially income
 - Further developing the role of volunteers within the organisation
 - Ensuring the organisation generates sufficient funding to become financially sustainable by securing funding from external sources and developing a local fundraising strategy
- It is proposed that TBYCP would employ the worker who would then be seconded to DPDCA. as the existing Committee are not currently in a position to take on employment responsibilities. TBYCP would continue to provide in kind managerial and organisational support to the Management Committee and the Development Worker.

Outputs	
Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	7
number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	70
number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	175
number of items purchased	0
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	75
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	105
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	40
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	6
number of volunteers participating	42
number of volunteer hours delivered	670
number of residents participating in decision making	18
number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	4
number of visitors footfall at neighbourhood events	400

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Vibrant Smart City – We will have supported community assets to develop, grow and sustain.

Application 2

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Blue Watch Youth Centre and Ryhope Community Centre
Address Line 1	Burdon Lane
Address Line 2	Ryhope
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR2 0HR

Project Details	
Project Title	Fancy A Day Out - Holiday Fun
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	Blue Watch YC and Ryhope CA will collaborate to deliver Fancy A Day Out - Holiday Fun, providing fun enriching activities and hot food for children and young people living in East Sunderland. We will engage those who are eligible for free school meals/living in poor households.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 9,622
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,624
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,998
Project Start Date	28-May-24
Project End Date	05-Sep-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Blue Watch YC & Ryhope CA

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description

This project is a collaboration between Blue Watch YC and Ryhope CA. Both organisations already enjoy a close working partnership and deliver services together.

The project (Fancy A Day Out) will deliver open access sessions during holiday periods for children and young people living in the East Sunderland Area. Sessions will take place during:

May half term holidays - Friday 24th May - Sunday 1st June

Summer holidays - Friday 19th July - Thursday 5th September

Sessions will engage and target children and young people who are eligible for free school meals / living in economically deprived households. They will be supported to attend activities which are fun and educational, and enable children and young people to access food. Activities will include opportunities to gain experience and develop skills, while having fun and trying new things. Activities will provide children and young people opportunities to socialise and make new friends.

Physical activities will include, for example, dancing, dodge ball, basketball, football, parachute, tag, rounders, pool, and visits to local play parks and play areas. Out of building activities will be dependent on the weather. We encourage children and young people to wrap up warm so we can take any opportunity to enjoy the outdoors all year round.

All children and young people will be encouraged to engage in moderate-to-vigorous physical activity. 10 Minute Shake Up games will get children and young people moving with fun games inspired by some of their favourite Disney characters.

Creative activities will include a range of arts and crafts, cooking, and music.

Food - a fact of life, and healthy eating activities, will instil a culture of healthy eating and food literacy in children and young people, helping them to apply their knowledge in meaningful ways.

Free play elements of sessions will provide free time for children and young people to relax.

Every child and young person will enjoy a hot meal that meets School food standards – School Food Plan. All food provided will comply with regulations on food preparation, considering allergies and dietary requirements, religious or cultural requirements.

We want children and young people to try new food. However, as an experienced youth provider we are used to engaging children and young people who will refuse what is on offer. Workers are experienced in nudging techniques in influencing behaviour. They are skilled in coaxing and gently encouraging children and young people to try something new, using it as a means of influencing decision-making towards positive outcomes.

We will provide healthy drinks with water being the default drink for every child. Experience has informed us that the more water is offered, especially after exercise, the more readily it is accepted. Free, fresh drinking water will always be available.

We take managing food allergies and intolerances, and respecting cultural needs very seriously. We will ensure we have food choices on all menus that provide appropriate healthy hot food to all children and young people.

We will have staff on every session who hold qualifications, and have an awareness of what food hypersensitivities and allergens are, how they can affect the safety of children and young people, and how they should communicate the correct information to those who need to know. We work closely with children, young people and parents and carers to support them with cultural needs, allergies, or intolerances, ensuring we provide suitable alternatives. This work commences prior to the children and young people attending their first session.

Example of menu that will be on offer:

- Yorkshire Pudding and seasonal vegetables
- Chicken Curry, rice, and wedges
- Spaghetti Bolognese and vegetables
- Chicken Goujons, salad, and wedges

The below will be available on every session:

- Jacket potato with filling (various), yoghurt (various), fruit platter, jelly, and ice cream. Snacks include cereals, dried fruits (various), fruit and vegetables including pots of sliced or chopped fresh fruit, vegetable sticks and yoghurt

- There will be a selection of cereals, fresh and dried fruit available throughout the sessions at 'Snack Corner.' 'Snack Corner' is a dedicated area in the centre, which is replenished throughout sessions with cereal, dried fruit, fresh fruit snack bags, yoghurt, raisins etc. Children and young people do not have to ask staff for snacks, they help themselves. Experience informs us that this resource works well especially when children and young people are hungry but feel uncomfortable to ask for more food after meal time has passed
- We always have a backup of healthy food items we can prepare for children and young people who will not eat from the menu on offer such as jacket potato with various fillings, beans and spaghetti, pasta with various sauces and vegetables, healthy noodles including veggie, rice dishes such as spinach, etc.

Sessions will be age appropriate, and last between 2 to 3 hours depending on the needs of the children and young people. We will provide 500 opportunities to attend sessions. We will deliver unique Fancy A day Out sessions when no other service is available i.e.. May half term, week 5 and 6 of Summer holidays, and some evenings during May and Summer holidays. We will also provide additional opportunities to attend similar services we plan to deliver during the Summer holidays, We will do this by increasing resources, that in turn will increase spaces for children and young people on these sessions. Summer 2023, our school holiday service oversubscribed by 95%.

No child or young person will be turned away. There will be no charge for any child or young person to attend. We will continue to implement a menu that is flexible, can be added to, and stretched to feed more children and young people. This is important as we regularly experience extra children and young people arriving at sessions unexpectedly. Sessions will be age appropriate to the target audience.

Outcomes will include encouraging those accessing the service to eat healthily over the school holidays and beyond, reduce holiday hunger, provide resources and activities to reduce financial pressure on parents and families, enriched interaction and play that supports the development of resilience, character and wellbeing, opportunities to socialise and find new interests, being active, having fun, being happy and learning new things.

Blue Watch YC will complete a register for every session. We will maintain the online data log/workbook. We will complete the evaluation form, and spending profile. We will make regular social media posts that demonstrate and highlight the excellent work taking place.

All sessions will have staff and volunteers who are experienced and trained in personal care, dealing with challenging behaviour, emotional and physical well-being etc. Staff and volunteers have undergone Safeguarding training and received certification, with at least one member of staff having Designated Lead Safeguarding training.

We will engage and support SEND children and young people to attend. Staff and volunteers have completed Safeguarding Children with Disabilities, Preventing Radicalisation and Extremism, Food Hygiene and Safety For Catering, Risk Assessment and First Aid certification. We currently deliver a range of SEND provisions (staffed by workers employed by the organisations), as part of our comprehensive youth offer including evening and weekend centre based and out of centre activities.

Outputs	
Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	2
number of items purchased	6
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	90
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	500
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	30
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	5
number of volunteers participating	7
number of volunteer hours delivered	155
number of residents participating in decision making	90

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and help to support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost of living crisis

Application 3

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	THE BOX YOUTH & COMMUNITY PROJECT
Address Line 1	HALL FARM ROAD
Address Line 2	
City	SUNDERLAND
Postcode	SR3 2UY

Project Details	
Project Title	DOXFORD HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	The project will provide children and young people who are from low income families with access to free and high quality activity sessions that include a nutritious meal during the May half term and summer school holiday periods.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 6,097
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 1,125

Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£	4,972
Project Start Date		27-May-24
Project End Date		05-Sep-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	TBYCP	

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
<p>TBYCP has 16 years experience of delivering school holiday activity programmes and has successfully delivered the Fancy a Day Out Programme with funding from Sunderland City Council for a number of years. We propose to deliver 30 school holiday activity sessions for local children in school years 1 to 6 (5 to 11 year olds) who live or are being cared for in the Doxford Ward. We will target children from low income families whose parents meet the criteria for Household Support or who are in receipt of Universal Credit. This will include families in receipt of free school meals. We will promote the sessions to children attending Mill Hill Primary School and Benedict Biscop Primary School and amongst the local children that attend our year round afterschool clubs. Each activity session will last for 2 hours and the activities on offer will be both educational and fun. We will consult with children in our afterschool clubs about what activities they would like to have included in the summer school holiday sessions. We will ensure the programme is planned in a way that allows us to be responsive to the needs of our target audience. Each session will cater for 30 children and children attending will receive a nutritious meal. Our menus meet the School Food Standards and staff and volunteers involved in preparing the food have completed the Level 2 Food Safety qualification. When children register to attend, carers will be asked to let us know of any dietary, religious or cultural requirements on the registration form. This will enable staff to plan in advance so that we are able to meet any identified needs. The sessions during the summer holidays will be timetabled to compliment any HAF funded sessions, ensuring that children of all age groups have access to at least three activity sessions each week. During May half term we plan to deliver 8 sessions: Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri 1.30-3.30 (Years 1,2,3) and 4-6pm (Years 4,5,6) Activities for both age groups will include Forest School, Messy Mayhem, Ready Steady Cook, and a Scavenger Hunt. During the summer holidays we plan to deliver 22 sessions of two hours duration. The timetabling of the sessions will be planned to compliment the HAF funded sessions, however at this point in time the funding available from the Holiday Activity sessions has not been confirmed. It is envisaged that the sessions will be divided across the six week holiday period and some of the sessions will</p>

take the form of organised trips to local places of interest i.e local parks, beaches etc. We are keen to involve children in the planning of activities should funding be approved as this gives children a stake in the programme and helps to ensure high take up of activities on offer

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	30
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	110
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	200
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	8
number of volunteers participating	16
number of volunteer hours delivered	98

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and help to support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost-of-living crisis

Application 4

Organisation Details

Organisation Name	Back on the Map
Address Line 1	67 Toward Road
Address Line 2	Hendon
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR2 8JG

Project Details	
Project Title	Fancy a Day Out
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	A school holiday programme, delivered twice weekly during May and Summer Holidays for Primary aged school, offering a free packed lunch.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 7,897
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,116
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 3,502
Project Start Date	29-May-24
Project End Date	28-Aug-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Back on the Map

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description

After the successful and enjoyable Fancy a Day out programme we organised, both children and parents had a great time. We're eager to expand our offerings to the community throughout the Half term and Summer holidays, focusing on primary school-age children. While we've made sure not to duplicate what our partners cover in the Hendon ward, we've identified a gap in provision, particularly in the long streets area.

Our plan is to host 2 sessions every week during the school holidays. These sessions will feature a variety of activities including crafts, exercise, cinema, outdoor picnics in local parks and beaches. We'll collaborate with the East Rangers programme to incorporate educational campaigns, and we'll also utilise our Community Allotment for nature-based activities like planting, bug hunts, and making bird feeders.

Each session will start at 10 am with an activity before lunch, followed by another activity after lunch. Building on our previous children's programmes, we'll recruit two volunteers to work alongside our team. They'll play a key role in planning and delivering the programme, ensuring the activities are both educational and enjoyable.

Past experience has shown that our children's programmes are highly popular, with parents often requesting more sessions. However, due to financial constraints, we've struggled to meet demand and have been unable to provide meals for the children. Our main goal is to offer a space for children on free school meals to enjoy a meal and receive additional activity support during the holidays.

With rising costs of food and fuel affecting many families, we aim to provide some relief by offering meals and support through our programme. This will not only assist families in need but also encourage their participation in our broader programme. By engaging with families regularly, we hope to provide ongoing support and assistance in times of crisis, or direct them to professional organisations if needed. With the support of Fancy a Day Out, we'll be able to fund the proposed sessions and provide meals for the children, sourced from the local Community Cafe.

Outputs	
Healthy Smart City Outputs	

number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	12
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	40
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	240
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	6
number of volunteers participating	6
number of volunteer hours delivered	168

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and help to support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost of living crisis

Application 5

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Sunderland All Together Consortium
Address Line 1	C/O 271 Southwick Road
Address Line 2	Southwick
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR5 2AB

Project Details	
Project Title	East Area - FADO Millfield Ward

Project Overview (max. 50 words)	We would like to provide open access sessions for children and young people from the Millfield Ward during May Half Term Week and Summer Holidays. Each session will provide a hot meal and a range of cultural and enrichment activities.	
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£	6,559
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£	1,564
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£	4,995
Project Start Date		27-May-24
Project End Date		05-Sep-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Millfield Ward	

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
<p>Sunderland All Together Consortium are aware that the school holidays can be pressure points for some families. For some children this can lead to a holiday experience gap, with children from low-income households being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • less likely to access organised out-of-school activities • more likely to experience 'unhealthy holidays' in terms of nutrition and physical health • more likely to experience social isolation

Sunderland All Together Consortium would like to provide open access activities for children and young people from the Millfield Ward which will complement our current youth activities offer and to ensure all school aged children and young people have access to activities and food during May Half Term and the Summer holidays.

We will seek to engage and target children and young people aged 7 – 16 years (year 3 – year 11) who are eligible for free school meals / living in economically deprived households in Millfield Ward.

We will use various methods to engage children and young people such as

- Social media
- Word of Mouth
- Outreach
- Detached
- Leaflets in Schools and own youth provision
- Posters around community
- Referrals from TFC
- Community groups
- Local ward councillors
- Partnership work

We will target the following schools

- St Josephs
- Diamond Hall
- St Anthony's

Our provision/activities will be open to all and will not just target those on free school meals as we know that working families are struggling to with the cost of living.

No one would be turned away from our provision and activities would be adapted based on age/ability/interests/needs..

Each session/activity will include a hot meal and will meet the School Food Standards.

School meals - food standards

- one or more portions of fruit and vegetables every day.

- one or more portions of starchy food, such as bread or pasta every day.
- a portion of food containing milk or dairy every day.
- a portion of meat or poultry on 3 or more days each week.
- oily fish once or more every 3 weeks.

Each hot meal will include.

- high-quality meat, poultry or oily fish
- fruit and vegetables
- bread, other cereals and potatoes

Example

- Omega 3 fish fingers, mash and beans
- Sausage, mash, vegetables, and gravy
- Meatballs, Penne pasta, Garlic bread
- Chicken/vegetable Curry and Rice
- Spaghetti Bolognese
- Macaroni Cheese
- Quorn Wrap

All food provided will comply with regulations on food preparation and will take into account allergies and dietary requirements, religions or cultural requirements. All staff/volunteers handling/preparing food will hold a level 2 food hygiene certificate to ensure good food hygiene is adhered to at all times.

If a child has a special dietary requirement - such as diabetic, coeliac, low fat and dairy intolerances or a food allergy - we will be happy to plan and provide a snack/meal that meets the child's needs. We can also adapt menus to meet religious needs if needed

Projects should be able to be responsive and change sessions, to reach the target audience

The activities will be designed and delivered in consultation with the children and young people from the ward. They will be delivered on the days and at the times the children and young people most need it. They will also be delivered in accessible venues/green spaces to ensure inclusiveness.

All pop up sessions will be a minimum of 3 hours face to face activities.

All centre-based sessions will be a minimum of 2 hours face 2 face activities.

All activities will be age appropriate to those attending.

No one would be turned away and activities would be adapted based on age/ability/interests/needs..

All sessions/activities will be free of charge.

We will deliver a range of fun activities centred around enrichment, physical and nutritional education.

Enrichment activities

We will provide fun and enriching activities that provide children and young people with opportunities to:

- develop new skills or knowledge
- consolidate existing skills and knowledge
- try out new experiences
- have fun and socialise

This will include but is not limited to:

- physical activities, for example football, swimming, table tennis or cricket
- creative activities, for example putting on a play, junk modelling or drumming workshops
- experiences, for example a nature walk or visiting a city farm
- free play, for example fun and freedom to relax and enjoy themselves

Physical activities

We will a range of provide activities so that children and young people participating in the programme will engage in a variety of types and intensities of physical activity to develop movement skills, muscular fitness and bone strength.

As some of our partner organisations are Streetmarked projects with trained activator coaches we will deliver and introduce children and young people to a range of physical street games activities such as smash up badminton, pop up football, dodgeball, street golf, serves tennis and street rugby. We will also deliver archery and soft archery as we have staff who are trained instructors.

Introducing new physical activities will enable children and young people to develop a new hobby and develop a sporting habit for life, it will also support with our exit strategy.

Nutritional education

We will include an element of nutritional education in sessions aimed at improving the knowledge and awareness of healthy eating for children.

such as:

- getting children involved in food preparation and cooking
- growing fruit and vegetables
- taste tests
- discussing food and nutrition
- including food and nutrition in other activities

The activities will be designed and delivered in consultation with the children and young people from the ward. They will be delivered on the days and at the times the children and young people most need it.

Our proposed programme in your application.

May 2024 (2 activities)

2 x Pop up events in Pocket Park which will include football cage, football darts, soft archery, Virtual reality activities, table crafts/games, street golf, pop up badminton, pop up table tennis, nutritional education, circus skills and rounders. Each pop-up event will include a hot meal and healthy snacks.

Summer 2024 (12 activities)

6 x Pop-up events in Pocket Park which will include football cage, football darts, soft archery, virtual reality activities, crafts, street golf, pop up badminton, pop up table tennis, circus skills and rounders.

Each pop-up event will include a hot meal and refreshments.

Each pop-up event will be for a minimum of 3 hours.

6 x centre-based holiday clubs in an accessible venue which will be confirmed after consultation with children and young people.

Each centre-based activity will be for a minimum of 2 hours.

Wide range of activities will be provided: arts and crafts, board games, jigsaws, construction, healthy cooking and nutritional education, parachute games, didi cars, games consoles, circus skills.

Wide range of sports/physical - tennis, table tennis, badminton, dodgeball, boccia, curling, football, cricket, rounders, swing ball, skipping, hula hoops.

Each Activity will include a hot meal and refreshments.

Each session will have a maximum of 35 children per session.

We are responsive and open to change our proposed activities to reach our target audience.

Additional information

We will work in partnership with Together for Children to ensure that our activities complement and do not duplicate any HAF activities delivered in the ward.

Healthy Smart City Outputs		
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	60	60
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	490	490
Vibrant Smart City Outputs		
number of NEW volunteers recruited	1	1
number of volunteers participating	2	2
number of volunteer hours delivered	72	72

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

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Application 6

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Chance
Address Line 1	2 Rickaby Street
Address Line 2	East End
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR1 2DL

Project Details	
Project Title	Holiday Activity Club
Project Overview	Working in partnership with other local organisations and schools, we are able to target those families most in need and provide open access sessions. We will deliver school holiday activities for 30 children, over 23 sessions, 5 in May half term and 18 in summer holidays, 3 sessions per week for 6 weeks
Total Project Cost	£ 5,520
Match Funding	£ 520

Total NF Requested	£	5,000
Project Start Date		27-May-24
Project End Date		30-Aug-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Chance	

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
<p>Chance have a long history of delivering holiday activities in Hendon. Though our work in the community and working in partnership with other local organisations and schools, we are able to target those families most in need and provide open access sessions through our staff team and volunteers. We will deliver school holiday activities for 30 children, over 23 sessions, 5 in May half term and 18 in summer holidays, 3 sessions per week for 6 weeks. We will provide a hot meal or packed lunch, depending on the activity that day. Every child and young person will enjoy a hot meal that meets School food standards – School Food Plan. There will also be snacks available of fruit, rice cakes and yoghurt. The meals are cooked on-site and are healthy and nutritious. All food provided will comply with regulations on food preparation, considering allergies and dietary requirements, religious or cultural requirements. Each day there will be a fun activity, including litter picking, sports, visits to museum, cinema visit, beach day out and parks. We have 11 regular volunteers who will be assisting with the project. We are highly experienced at delivering these projects, as we have taken part in the project since it's inception. The sessions will run every day of the May Half term and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week during the Summer Holidays. Session times will be 10am until 3pm</p>

Outputs	
Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	23
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	5
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	60
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of volunteers participating	22
number of volunteer hours delivered	184

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

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Application 7

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Keep Active (NE) CIC
Address Line 1	Sunderland Mind Wellbeing Hub,
Address Line 2	Church Street East, Hendon,
City	Sunderland,
Postcode	SR1 2BB.

Project Details	
Project Title	Fitness, Fun and Food

Project Overview (max. 50 words)	
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 8,930
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,000
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,930
Project Start Date	28-May-24
Project End Date	30-Aug-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Sunderland Mind Wellbeing Hub

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
<p>Keep Active have 14 years of experience in delivering holiday provision across the North-East but predominantly in Sunderland.</p> <p>Over the last 36 months via internal funding and with support from HAF funding we have concentrated on the East area of the City, delivering within Sunderland Mind Wellbeing Hub.</p> <p>The target audience we have aimed our holiday provision for, has been families whose children are on FSM, SEND, BME, looked after, and children in care and families who are struggling to make ends meet in the current cost of living crisis. Working with local schools within the East of the City has been an excellent partnership ensuring that all the parents who fit into the necessary criteria are signposted to enable them to be in a position to be informed that their children are able to attend. We</p>

also distribute flyers of the opportunities available and use social media. We supply flyers on paper and digitally to all local schools in the area prior to each camp commencing and monitor and record all bookings in house.

Direct marketing is used to our extensive database of parents via initial communication and support from the 8 local schools as well as all social media channels and direct emails using our database of parents already registered on our system of parents who have previously given details following their children who have attended camps in the area, all parents/carers have children who currently fit within the criteria outlined above.

We have in the past opened the camp to 5–11-year-olds and on many occasions engaged with children who may not have been on FSM or looked after but genuinely need this type of provision and a hot nutritious, healthy meal on a daily basis, we never turn anyone away who we feel needs support!

As an example of how many parents access our service for their families, we had 2025 places filled in the summer holidays of 2023, this is a testimony to our excellent and experienced team of staff who deliver our programmes and also that the parents who value and trust our service, the majority of children want to attend all sessions as they form valuable friendships and acquire important team building and life skills as part of the camps extensive and engaging activity programme.

We will utilise all social media channels including our website to ensure we notify our target service users of this terrific opportunity for children to be cared for and engaged in fun-based learning activities and receive a hot meal complying with regulations on food preparation etc in a safe and stimulating environment with access to outdoor space.

All publicity will contain relevant logos i.e. Sunderland Council, East Area Committee etc.

We plan to run events across the following dates and times.

Block One: 28th May to 31st May 2024 9am till 3pm daily

Block Two: 5th August to 30th August 2024 9am till 3pm

Monday - Thursday this funding will cover 9am - 10am and 2pm - 3pm, we are currently planning to run HAF sessions from 10 am to 2pm, this funding will enhance the day from 4 hours to 6 hours, this is what we have previously always offered to parents to cover the working day the funding will bridge that much needed gap.

Planned sessions:

Each week will consist of delivery of a daily schedule of sessions which will include a variety of sporting activities such as Archery, Fencing, Dodgeball, Multi Sports, Dance, Ball Games, Team sports and many others. Each day will be varied and include sports and physical activity that the children may not have tried before or might not have had access to previously, with a view to encourage them to try new things to build their confidence and skills.

Children will receive a balanced healthy meal made from scratch each day and have access to fresh fruit every day (currently donated by Tesco) and also have regular drinks breaks and access to water and juice.

Throughout the delivery of the programme there will also be sessions delivered by Kreative Kitchen - interactive cookery where our tutor will deliver the following activities: Children will work with the tutor to prepare their own lunch e.g. 'healthy pizzas', they will prepare and cook nutritional hot meals which they will be able to enjoy with friends in the dining room. They will also make healthy packed lunch snacks, which again, they will enjoy as part of their lunch. We will also deliver parent and child cookery workshops which will include information on the preparation of healthy, family meal and ideas for shopping and cooking on a budget. All children and parents will receive a copy of our Kreative Kitchen recipe book and have access to online tutorials to use at home via our YouTube channel.

We will also be providing an Arts & Crafts room where any child can come and work with a tutor to relax and enjoy some mindful creative activities. This will include a craft challenge each day for every child to take part in with the aim to have something to take home.

We have a wildlife and nature garden on site allowing us to include a weekly gardening and nature activity for the children to explore. This will include nature trails, mini beast hunt and identification, treasure hunts, making bird feeders and planting and gardening.

All sessions will be delivered at our base at Sunderland Mind and Wellbeing Hub, within this space we have sole use of 2 indoor halls, a kitchen, training room, large outdoor green spaces and a large fenced multi use games area and child friendly toilet facilities.

Following several years of holiday activities, we have established a tried and tested delivery model for both parents and children, we have listened to parents/ guardians as to how and when they would like to access this provision. With this in mind we would plan to continue with the same times and structure to all our previous highly successful programmes as we know they fit with the needs of the families who regularly attend sessions throughout the holiday periods.

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	20
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	40
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	2380
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	35
number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	2
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of volunteers participating	20
number of volunteer hours delivered	120

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

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Application 8

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Sunderland Community Action Group
Address Line 1	St Peters Gate
Address Line 2	Charles Street
City	Sunderland

Postcode	SR6 0AN
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Project Details	
Project Title	
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	SCAG will offer a wide range of interactive activities for young people 5 -10yrs old. This project will focus on activities that will be diverse, exciting, and stimulating. Enabling young people to access this opportunity without the stigma of not being able to attend due to lack of family finances.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 6,479
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 1,680
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,799
Project Start Date	30/07/24
Project End Date	03/09/24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
We have a strong working relationship with a number of local providers especially Southmoor academy school (where we are currently based) and have delivered a range of Youth provision across the Hendon & St Michaels wards for a number of years. Having delivered a number of previous FADO programmes to children and older young people successfully. This has given us the opportunity to listen and learn from not only local Children and Young people but also parents enabling us to utilise their thoughts, comments and ideas into our current and future practice. We will continue to adapt to any new demands set upon us.

If successful we will strive to continue to work in this way, offering a service that is robust, adaptable, safe and supportive, but most of all FUN to attend.

Proposed activities & Opportunities for Children aged 5 -10yrs

The FADO sessions will begin in the summer holidays.

Planned session dates are below:

SUMMER 2024	FADO	DATES
Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
30th July	1st August	2nd August
6th August	8th August	9th August
13th August	15th August	16th August
20th August	22nd August	23rd August
27th August	29th August	30th August
3rd September		

Children will be able to access a wide range of physical and fun based activities. We will introduce children and young people to a range of team's games such as smash up badminton, Pop up Tennis & football, dodgeball, urban golf, Netball, volleyball & Basketball. In addition, we will also utilise our in-door gym and out-door MUGA and sports pitches so that young people can participate in a range of fun-based activities safely with their peers within an environment that is designed to be young person friendly.

We will also be including a range of Arts & Crafts, Music, in door games and IT resources for those young people who would prefer to access diverse types of provision throughout the day. young people will also have the opportunity to access a range of free hot and cold food cooked on the day and served with snacks and drinks. Through consultation with local young people and families we understand the need for this provision. Parents have informed us that without this activity in the school holidays they would struggle to offer their children the same opportunities while off school, as it's a direct choice between feeding their children or paying household bills. We will chart our progress through a range of case studies, reports and photographic evidence across the lifetime of the project.

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	80
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	80
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	60
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	3
number of volunteers participating	3
number of volunteer hours delivered	120

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

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Application 9

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Sunderland Community Action Group

Address Line 1	St Peters Gate
Address Line 2	Charles Street
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR6 0AN

Project Details	
Project Title	Fancy A Day Out
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	SCAG will offer a wide range of interactive activities for young people 11-16yrs old. This project will focus on activities that will be diverse, exciting, and stimulating. Enabling young people to access this opportunity without the stigma of not being able to attend due to lack of family finances.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 6,479
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 1,680
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 4,799
Project Start Date	30/07/24
Project End Date	03/09/24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description

We have a strong working relationship with a number of local providers especially Southmoor academy school (where we are currently based) and have delivered a range of Youth provision across the Hendon & St Michaels wards for a number of years. Having delivered a number of previous FADO programmes to children and older young people successfully. This has given us the opportunity to listen and learn from not only local Children and Young people but also parents enabling us to utilise their thoughts, comments and ideas into our current and future practice. We will continue to adapt to any new demands set upon us. If successful we will strive to continue to work in this way, offering a service that is robust, adaptable, safe and supportive, but most of all FUN to attend

Proposed activities & Opportunities for Children aged 11-16yrs

The FADO sessions will begin in the summer holidays.

Planned session dates are below:

SUMMER 2024	FADO	DATES
Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
30th July	1st August	2nd August
6th August	8th August	9th August
13th August	15th August	16th August
20th August	22nd August	23rd August
27th August	29th August	30th August
3rd September		

Young People will be able to access a wide range of physical and fun based activities. We will introduce children and young people to a range of team's games such as smash up badminton, Pop up Tennis & football, dodgeball, urban golf, Netball, volleyball & Basketball. In addition, we will also utilise our in-door gym and out-door MUGA and sports pitches so that young

people can participate in a range of fun-based activities safely with their peers within an environment that is designed to be young person friendly.

We will also be including a range of Arts & Crafts, Music, indoor games and IT resources for those young people who would prefer to access diverse types of provision throughout the day. young people will also have the opportunity to access a range of free hot and cold food cooked on the day and served with snacks and drinks. Through consultation with local young people and families we understand the need for this provision. Parents have informed us that without this activity in the school holidays they would struggle to offer their children the same opportunities while off school, as it's a direct choice between feeding their children or paying household bills. We will chart our progress through a range of case studies, reports and photographic evidence across the lifetime of the project.

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	80
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	80
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	60
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	3
number of volunteers participating	3
number of volunteer hours delivered	120

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and help to support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost-of-living crisis

Application 10

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Young Asian Voices
Address Line 1	Sans St Centre
Address Line 2	Upper Sans St
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR1 1HG

Project Details	
Project Title	#FancyADayOut this holiday with YAV
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	To provide youth and multisports indoor as well as outdoor session in Hendon and Millfield with games, multisports, arts & crafts, snacks, drinks and lunch
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 7,125
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 2,125
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 5,000
Project Start Date	27-May-24
Project End Date	05-Sep-24

Where will the project be based/delivered from?

Sans St Centre, Upper Sans St, Sunderland, SR1 1HG

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description

The project will facilitate YAV to provide holiday provisions for youth from all communities targeted in Hendon and Milfield Areas especially from ethnically diverse communities, LSEG, vulnerable and isolated members for the below periods.

May half term holidays - Friday 24th May - Sunday 1st June

Summer holidays - Friday 19th July - Thursday 5th September

Sessions will run 25 days; first Monday (27 May) followed by every Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 10:30-14:30, based from Sans St Centre.

Along with snacks, drinks and hot lunch, sessions will run indoor as well as outdoor and include the below activities:

- multisports and cultural games
- board games, pool and refreshments
- Arts & Crafts, digital art taster, music & bento cake decorations
- Pottery Taster
- walk to and picnic at Mowbray Park
- walk to Sunderland Museum & Wintr Gardens
- walk to and picnic at Barnes Park
- trip to Roker Beach for sun, sea and sand and ice cream with stop over at Roker Park Tennis Courts
- 2 days of Youth Multisport Festival with sports, music and arts showcase.

3 Sessional staff and 7 volunteers will also be recruited for regular facilitation of sessions.

The sessions will also ensure children and families are able participate in and celebrate festivities like South Asian Heritage Month, Refugee Week, and Plastic Free July.

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	60
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	120
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	10
number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	2
Vibrant Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW volunteers recruited	4
number of volunteers participating	14

Recommendation – Approve

The Area Committee is recommended to approve this project, which delivers to the East area priority:

Projects that increase physical and wellbeing activities for young people and help to support healthier lifestyles and lessen the impact of the cost-of-living crisis

Application 11

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Durham Wildlife Trust

Address Line 1	Rainton Meadows
Address Line 2	Houghton-le-Spring
City	Sunderland
Postcode	DH46PU

Project Details	
Project Title	Beachside Adventures
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	"Beachside Adventures" led by Durham Wildlife Trust will offer immersive beach events for economically disadvantaged youth in East Sunderland. Through fun activities like beach games, rockpooling, and wildlife spotting, we will foster environmental stewardship, offering food during the session that meets healthy standards.
Total Project Cost Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 3,212
Match Funding Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ -
Total NF Requested Figure taken from Financial Information Sheet	£ 3,212
Project Start Date	01-Jul-24
Project End Date	01-Oct-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Hendon Beach

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description

"Beachside Adventures" will be an immersive series of events crafted by Durham Wildlife Trust to engage young people from economically disadvantaged backgrounds in the East Sunderland area. This initiative promises hours of fun, learning, and delicious food, all while instilling a sense of environmental stewardship through our #TeamWilder approach.

At DWT, we operate under the guiding principles of #TeamWilder, emphasising community-driven actions to protect and enhance our natural environment. By instilling a sense of environmental stewardship from a young age, we aim to empower children to become active contributors to #TeamWilder's mission of creating a wilder and more natural future for our region.

"Beachside Adventures" embodies the spirit of #TeamWilder, offering a variety of beach activities designed to connect participants with the wonders of nature. Led by our expert education leads and building on our successful experience with Beach Rangers activities, between 15-30 participants will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in a range of hands-on experiences, including:

- Beach Games: Lively games and friendly competitions to get everyone moving and having fun in the sun.
- Rockpooling: Guided expeditions to explore the fascinating world of tide pools, uncovering hidden marine treasures and learning about coastal ecosystems.
- Sand Art: Creative workshops where participants can use the beach as their canvas to craft intricate masterpieces inspired by the natural beauty of the seaside.
- Beach Crafts: Imaginative crafting sessions using shells, driftwood, and other seaside finds to create unique works of art, fostering creativity and self-expression.

- Wildlife Spotting: Guided nature walks led by our expert naturalists, offering participants the chance to observe and learn about the diverse wildlife that calls the coastal environment home.

To ensure that every participant stays fuelled and energised, we will arrange for our catering partner at Rainton Meadows to produce a selection of food.

Transportation logistics will be carefully planned to make the event accessible to families across the East Sunderland area. For participants from Doxford and Millfield, we hope to reach out and engage Sunderland Area Parents Support/Mill Hill Nursery and St Joseph's Catholic Primary/St Mark's Community Association and/or Sunderland Central Mosque, respectively. Minibuses will be booked to transport them to Hendon Beach.

As for St Michaels and Ryhope, similar arrangements will be made to ensure that families from these areas can easily join in the fun. We're committed to making "Beachside Adventures" inclusive and accessible to all.

In terms of scheduling, we've carefully selected the weekends of w/c July 22nd and w/c August 19th and another w/c TBC, based on tide times, to accommodate our beach activities. Each session will run for two hours, providing plenty of time for adventure and enjoyment.

Through "Beachside Adventures" DWT aims to provide a memorable experience for children and families in the East Sunderland area while instilling a sense of environmental stewardship through our #TeamWilder approach. This event aims to engage people with coastal nature, nature-friendly practices, and the importance of not littering our beautiful beach spaces. We're excited to collaborate with local partners and stakeholders to make these events a resounding success.

Outputs	
Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	60
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	60
number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	60

Recommendation – Reject

The Area Committee is recommended to reject this project which does not meet the criteria outlined in the project brief.

Application 12

Organisation Details	
Organisation Name	Hopespring
Address Line 1	10 Sea View Road West
Address Line 2	
City	Sunderland
Postcode	SR2 9HA

Project Details	
Project Title	Hopespring Hub
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	Hopespring, a local award winning charity, based in the heart of Sunderland works with some of the most vulnerable young people from across the region. Hopespring has one school in across three sites in Sunderland and works with around 30 young people and would like to provide crucial and specialist support during the school holidays.
Total Project Cost	£5,370
Match Funding	£480
Total NF Requested	£4,890
Project Start Date	24-May-24
Project End Date	05-Sep-24
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Our Millfield and Ryhope campuses

ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Description
Funding will allow the Hopespring Hub to provide crucial support to vulnerable young people, attached to our school, throughout the school holidays. As an organization we recognize the reality of how difficult the school holidays can be and how many challenges our young people face during this time. We would like to offer this during both the May half term and the summer holidays and provide a continuation of much-needed support.

Our young people are at serious risk of being drawn into crime and violent activities, and who are more likely to be vulnerable to grooming, exploitation or County Lines influence. The majority of our young people engage in substance misuse, have strong family connections to crime and gang violence and are involved with social services, the Youth Offending Service and CYPs/CAMHS. Hopespring focuses on those with backgrounds marked by significant childhood trauma; often Looked After; with Child In Need Plans or involved with Early Help.

As a result of the heavy influence of drugs, gangs and criminality, and also because of the complex mental health needs of many of our young people, their daily lives, especially during the school holidays, can often be challenging and unmanageable without additional support. We are observing now more than ever that vulnerable young people in Sunderland; even those who are accessing specialised education & social care provisions; are being drawn into harmful behaviours outside of school. We have found this is especially the case during the school holidays.

Over the May half-term and the summer break, The Hub will deliver 5 weeks of sessions. Each week will have 3 sessions within it, each being on a different day and lasting a total of 3 hours. Each session will provide the children & young people the opportunity to engage in out of the box educational activities aimed to differentiate between term time learning. It will also provide the opportunity for young people to access drop in support for any young people who need to come and touch base with staff for their emotional wellbeing. As part of our staff team we have trained forest school teachers who will deliver outdoor sessions as part of our holiday support.

Our Hub will be open access, completely free of charge and a healthy meal will be provided with the additional option of taking fresh fruit and vegetable food parcels home with them. The Hub will be staffed by those already a part of the Hopespring team. We recognize the importance of continuity in staffing for the young people but also the significance of an already established and trusted relationship. Staff are highly trained and operate in dual roles such as teacher/therapist enabling them to offer a holistic and tailored approach to each young person. Staff have worked incredibly hard; in some cases over a matter of years; to build safe and trusted relationships with some the hardest-to-reach and disengaged young people.

Given the relationship and reputation Hopespring has developed in Sunderland with these young people; families; professionals & other stakeholders; we are best positioned to provide out of school hours support. The young people we support have high attendance in our schools; because we consistently meet their social; emotional and mental health needs. Please see case studies below supporting the need for holiday support.

The overarching outcome of having the Hub open throughout the holidays is that our young people would ultimately be safe. As a result they are significantly less likely to engage in harmful behaviors, gang/criminal involvement and experience a decline in their mental health and continue to make remarkable progress.

During August 2023 one student became involved in organised crime and was arrested for possessing and intending to sell heroin. He subsequently attempted to take his own life. During the October half term - simply a one week holiday from school - we had 3 students reported missing to Northumbria police; an additional young person moved out of area by the local authority because she was found at an address being monitored by police for being a known sex-trafficking site; and during that same week; another young man was moved out of area also after his mother attempted to strangle him during an incident at home. More recently in the Christmas school holidays a young person broke into school because he considered it his safe place and he wanted to access support from staff.

Healthy Smart City Outputs	
number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	60
number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	60

Recommendation – Reject

The Area Committee is recommended to reject this project which does not meet the criteria outlined in the project brief.

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Community Chest Awards April 2023 – June 2024

Doxford Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Doxford Park toddler group	17.07.23		£1,429
Benedict Biscop	17.07.23		£2,077
SAPS	30.09.23		£1,529
FODP	02.02.23		£1,500
The Box Youth and Community Project	23.03.24		£1,480
Doxford Park & District CA	23.03.24		£979
Wow features project	23.03.24		£1,006
Remaining balance - £0.00	-	-	£10,000
Hendon Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
We Make Culture	26.06.23		£2,900
Sunderland LGBT+ Network	15.09.23		£891
Chance	05.02.24		£1,000
Singing for the soul	05.02.24		£660
Keep Active NE	05.02.24		£1,840
Sunderland Heritage Forum (joint with Millfield & St Michael's)	19.03.24		£950
Remaining balance - £1,759.00	-	-	£8,241
Millfield Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Kalanekethan Dance school Sunderland	17.04.23		£441
Deptford & Millfield Community Centre	19.09.23		£4,050
Sunderland Heritage Forum (joint with St Michaels & Hendon)	19.03.24		£950
Deptford & Millfield Community Centre	19.03.24		£2,647
St Marks Comm Assoc	19.03.24		£1,271
Millfield Salvation Army	19.03.24		£641
Remaining balance - £0.00	-	-	£10,000
Ryhope Ward Budget	£10,000		

Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
St Patricks School	26.05.23		£577
Sunderland RCA	20.07.23		£1,000
SCC	05.02.24		£625
St Patricks School	05.02.24		£350
Regeneration North East CIC	12.03.24		£979
The Bobby Richardson Banner	12.03.24		£1,850
Friends of St Paul's Primary	12.03.24		£1,000
Remaining balance - £3,619.00	-	-	£6,381
St Michael's Ward Budget	£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Returned	Approvals
Bethany Church	19.07.23		£620
Hill View Infants	19.07.23		£1,000
Hill View Junior Academy	19.07.23		£1,000
Sunderland Heritage Forum (joint with Millfield & Hendon)	19.03.24		£950
St Marys Catholic School	19.03.24		£1,000
Sunderland Floral Art Club	19.03.24		£1,000
St John's Methodist Church	19.03.24		£1,000
Sunderland Lion Club	19.03.24		£600
Ashbrooke Squash Club	19.03.24		£912
Northern Cancer Voices	19.03.24		£1,000
The Little Company of Calm	19.03.24		£500
St Michael's Community Centre	19.03.24		£418
Remaining balance - £0.00	-	-	£10,000

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Doxford Ward Budget		£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Purpose of Grant	Returned	Approvals
Mill Hill Nursery School	13.05.2024	Grant towards equipment		£1,883
Remaining balance - £8,117	-	-	-	£1,883
Hendon Ward Budget		£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Purpose of Grant	Returned	Approvals
North Star Counselling	30.05.2024	Grant towards activities		£3,200
Remaining balance - £6,800	-	-	-	£3,200
Millfield Ward Budget		£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Purpose of Grant	Returned	Approvals
Remaining balance - £10,000	-	-	-	£0.00
Ryhope Ward Budget		£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Purpose of Grant	Returned	Approvals
Remaining balance - £10,000	-	-	-	£0.00
St Michael's Ward Budget		£10,000		
Project	Approval Date	Purpose of Grant	Returned	Approvals
St Nicholas Haver Community Hall	13.05.2024	Grant towards equipment		£795
Barbara Priestman Academy	30.05.2024	Grant towards an event		£1,000
Remaining balance - £8,205	-	-	-	£1,795