

Project Performance (People Board report)

Below is a summary of all SIB and SIP funded projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved and spent **up until Quarter 2 2014/15**

Youth Opportunities	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	12	27		£85,979	£85,979	
Number of people receiving job training	18	4				
Number of young people aged 16-19 NEET encouraged into further education and employment	10	10				
Number of people going into employment (FTE)	8	6				

This project was funded **£99,900** in order to enable the introduction of a service for NEET young people resident in Washington, enabling individual progression through structured participation in the service with the aim of enabling young residents to gaining skills and experience relevant to the world of work and enable engagement of those NEET. Recent progress updates included that the project has not run at full capacity over the summer period as the Key Worker left to take up alternative employment and a short-term appointment was made to cover the interim running of the project. A full recruitment exercise has been undertaken and it is anticipated that a new Young Persons Key Worker will commence in post in November 14. 18 new young people have been engaged into the service over the quarter, this being mainly in September and therefore time to progress has not been possible within the engagement period. 2 young people who were already engaged in the Project have secured employment and a further two have commenced college programmes. Links have been made with all training and study support providers and LA7 provision. Engagement has been continued throughout and the project has overachieved significantly in those enrolled to the service who will work with the new Key Worker. Spend re-profiles were agreed at each stage. Following a direct invite from Area Committee the People Board recommended to Area Committee the SIB application for Youth Opportunities 2 for **£59,992** which is now approved. **Spend and output re-profiles were agreed at each stage.**

School Opportunities	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	16	25		£65,817	£65,817	
Number of people receiving job training	8	7				
Number of people going into employment	2	1				

This project was to enable work to be carried out with young people aged 14 – 16. This project was awarded **£99,982**. The School Opportunities Key Worker is currently supporting 18 young people referred from Oxclose and Washington School, the latter who have further young people to refer as do Biddick Academy. The project liaised with each School across the summer period and had a presence in schools on exam results day to support young people who did not get the anticipated results to link with local support services. Planning is well underway to deliver elements of the Princes Trust employability qualifications and the Key Worker is liaising with schools to plan this into the curriculum timetable. To date across the life of the Project 118 family members have been accessed by the Key Worker to support addressing individual issues out of school as well as 'in-school' behaviour traits. This has included parents, grandparents, extended family members and main carers and this continues to be an essential element of the programme, particularly useful in identifying early interventions. Funding is slightly behind profile but it is anticipated at this point will still be on budget to 31/03/15 and to the project end in quarter two of 2015/2016 operational year. **Spend and output re-profiles were agreed at each stage.**

Washington Young Peoples Forum	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community or educational events held	1	1		£8,500	£6,911	
<p>This project was funded £8,500 with an aim to encourage young people, with the support of youth workers, to contact other young people throughout Washington and organise themselves into sub-groups that look at different elements of raising the profile and image of young people in Washington. Progress to date includes Donwell Youth Club contacting the Youth Council over mixed messages to youth club members surrounding the grassed playing area near the centre, a meeting had been arranged by Gentoo with invitations to Police, Councillors, other agencies along with a mediator and local residents, the Youth Council became involved and arranged for young people from the Donwell area to attend this meeting to give their views. The meeting went well and the young people were a credit to themselves as they gave good input to issues raised. A second meeting was arranged and held at the Millennium Centre with the young people, Councillors and the mediator where they talked about the issues raised at the last meeting. The young people were encouraged to draw out the boundaries of the grassed area and discussed different solutions to try to work together with the local residents to resolve issues from the past. The meeting was very proactive and they are waiting to hear feedback from the next meeting that is planned for the residents. The Young Peoples State of Area Debate was next on the agenda and the youth council decided it was easier to arrange five separate meetings as they were finding it difficult to get dates and times that would give a good representation from the area councillors due to their busy time tables. The separate meetings were arranged and were quite positive with issues surrounding mental health, transport, education, policing, and facilities for young people in the area e.g. cinema and the new leisure centre costs, drink and drug issues, young people and politics were all discussed with the councillors giving answers to most of the topics. The youth council also attended the Washington Heritage Festival to promote themselves and were invited to the Area Committee Meeting which they attended. They also attended the Washington Working For You Event November 2014. Reprofiles and outputs have been agreed throughout the project.</p>						

Washington Heritage Festival 2014	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community events delivered	1	1		£32,500	£0	
<p>This project was awarded to £32,500 to deliver the Washington Heritage Festival on the 20th September 2014. The event has now taken place. A full project evaluation is due from the lead agent and full spend will be claimed November Q3.</p>						

Washington Illuminations 2014	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community events delivered	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
<p>This project was awarded to £10,000 to deliver the Washington Illuminations 17th November 2014. The event has now been held with 3 x primary schools taking part - Rickleton Primary School, Usworth Colliery Primary School and Albany Primary School. Compere is Steve Walls, Santa Claus will be making an appearance and there will be a Musical duo. Fireworks display is an all aerial display. Evaluation and report will follow after the event.</p>						

Washington Village Christmas Festival 2014	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community events delivered	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
<p>This project was awarded to £10,000 to deliver Washington Village Christmas Festival on the 29th November 2014 which will be held along Spout Lane. Between 1pm and 5pm there will be Santa's Grotto with a free selection box for every child, and a Farmers'/Craft Market for seasonal produce and festive gifts. On the stage there will be live music throughout the day will include performances from local school children, dance academies and local theatre groups, and there will be Christmas themed street entertainment. Further progress will follow after the event</p>						

Social Isolation projects -Various

This project was funded **£30,000** and divided as follows between the following projects.

ELCAP were granted £3,000 to deliver a service for a Community bus for older people with social isolation. The successful project supported a total of 22 residents, linking people to activities, heritage and to each other. Neighbours who lived closed met for the first time through the scheme and two new volunteers were recruited from Washington, one who now has taken up full time work. This project is now complete and fully spent.

Springwell CA- Golden Age People £4,000. Recent progress includes; Springwell CA holding Fit Steps sessions, the GAP group enjoying taster sessions, and local organisations involved include the Digital Challenge Team, Gentoo, Library Services, Age UK, and British Red Cross. Sessions have included crafts, cookery, awareness sessions, I.T., health and fitness and history. Sessions are planned up until the end of the year and the group made a contribution to Carnival week involving individual craft work. The participation levels rose to 41 and the group contributes to the planning of the future sessions. The group produced their own notice board complete with logos which is now displayed at the entrance to the building. This project is now fully spent.

Washington Mind £4,314. Washington Minds moved to the Life House, and increased services and activities to offer the local community a holistic approach to health and wellbeing. Uptake was monitored from older and vulnerable people due to mental ill health; to establish if there is has been an increase in referrals from an older age group and this proved to be the case. Mentoring courses from Aspire have been held, podiatry and tai chi sessions have commenced and treatments being offered are shiatsu, reflexology, Reiki, Indian head massage and foot massage.

AGE UK £5,000 Open days were held for Sulgrave and Brancepeth lunch clubs. The Washington officer has promoted the project with partners and this has led to a number of referrals to the project. A volunteer coordinator day was held 28 new referrals for socially isolated people were received, who received a home visit and were referred to a luncheon club. A total of 32 older people have been engaged with 150 receiving a winter warmer pack and 4 new volunteers have been recruited.

WWIN Praying, Staying and Obeying £4,460 The older women's group has been meeting fortnightly since Tuesday 5th November. A formal group-work programme is being developed to support this and future groups. The group has identified the key messages/images that they believe a media campaign targeting older victims of domestic violence should contain. The WWIN Director has been attending the Homicide Review for a local, older woman and liaising with partner agencies regarding the issues emerging from this review (including the training needs of key agencies). The media campaign aimed at older women will be launched in November-December 2014.

Woodridge Gardens- Activity Sessions for older people £3,840 A five week programme has been completed. A selection of participants has given feedback on positive impact that the sessions have had. The comments have been from people who had strokes or with Parkinson's disease. Family members have reported positive feedback from relatives attending sessions.

Washington Millennium Centre –Pie and Pea Lunch £1,500 The project commenced 22nd April 2014. A lead volunteer was recruited as part of the sustainability plan, trained in Food Hygiene training. In total the project engaged with approximately 70 men and women over the age of 50. The project proved to be very popular, as well as new people on a regular basis there is a core group of about 60 people who continue to return as they found the experience affordable and more importantly enjoyable. The group were encouraged to have a look at other activities which they would enjoy, and as a result a lot of the members in the group attended a trip organised by the Millennium Centre and are currently thinking of new adventures to help organise.

Washington Mind –Room hire and Christmas party for anxiety group £575 This project will provide an update after the Christmas party is held. There has been no spending on this project to date.

Washington 50-Various projects

This project was awarded £50,000 in total, which was allocated to deliver various projects to celebrate Washington New Town's 50th birthday and to create a legacy. There was a celebration event held in the Washington Old Hall on the 19th September, attended the Sunderland City Council leader Paul Watson and also the Mayor of Sunderland, Councillor Porthouse in order to thank participants and celebrate the event, which then led to the showcasing of the work at the Washington Heritage Festival on the 20th September 2014. The project saw 16 primary schools come together to create a large display board which is being toured at different locations, as well as 16 sixties picnics. Other items included a W50 book for all school children, a ceramic pit wheel, cherry tree planting, framed pictures, a brass band event, and various parties with traditional games. Banners were produced, pamphlets and heritage trails made, textiles, artefacts, school performances and kite flying events. Websites were developed, ceramic art produced, a flower power party held, 50 themed days of fun, books of memories, wall hangings and artwork produced. Schools took part in photography –old and new, a history garden was created, a floor based collage made, a golden ticket party and also a Washington 50 teddy bear made. Currently projects are still spending and claiming funds, and there may be underspends to report, which will be fully updated for the next AC/board when this is finalised. There are currently two projects still live and running within this which includes Washington School and Washington Arts Centre. Work in on going to update the W50 web site and a reunion event was held by former Washington Development Corporation Staff to celebrate the new towns anniversary which was featured in the Sunderland Echo.

Washington VCS Support project

This project was awarded to £74,850 to employ a worker. Bryan Beverley has started in his role with the trust on the 1st October and he is getting out and meeting key partners and has started to visit a number of the CA's to start to meet the volunteers so that meetings can be arranged with management committees and discussions started regarding how the project can help and what are their priorities.

Washington Health Champions –Dementia Modules

This project was awarded to £8,500 HCIF to hold dementia awareness training courses for Washington residents. To date 3 courses have now been delivered, 45 people attended in quarter 2, with a number of people booked onto the course who later did not then attend. Of the people attending, 12 were already on the health champion database and 33 were new to the Health Champion Programme. Feedback from Age UK included 89% of participants were employed. Feedback obtained included who the individuals passed their knowledge onto after the course, such as friends, families etc. A high percentage fed back that the course was useful and that they had gained knowledge and that the course was clearly explained. The overall learning experience and quality of the course was also rated very highly. Spend is behind target due to the timing of invoices therefore there is no spend on this project to date.