

21st January 2013

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

People Board Progress Report

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The report provides an update of progress against the People Board's Work Plan for 2012/13.

2. Background

- 2.1 Earlier this year the Local Area Plan's priorities associated with People were referred to the East Sunderland Area People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The People Board has started to initiate action on those priorities and **Annex 1** outlines progress to date.
- 2.2 In addition to supporting the delivery of those priorities the People Board also has a key role in supporting the Area Committee in influencing the delivery, design and review of people based services delivered at an area level. Those services are beginning to be determined and currently include the following Early Intervention Locality Services :-

Children's Centres and Childcare	Pre-birth onwards, group, individual support, health, learning, family support and supporting parents into work
Connexions	Targeted and vulnerable, NEET
Educational Psychology	Support to schools and children with special educational needs
Youth Development	XL and mobile services, contracted services, partnership working between local providers
Attendance	Support to schools and enforcement
Risk and Resilience	Substance misuse, sexual health and prevention of offending
Common Assessment Framework (CAF)	Management of the process for assessing needs and determining an appropriate response

To Influence the commissioning of services delivered through contracted arrangements.

3. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 31 December 2012

- 3.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the East Sunderland Area People Board up to 31 December 2012.

Early Intervention Locality Services	
Action Taken	Outcome
Review of youth contracts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on the People Board's recommendation, Area Committee shaped how services for children and young people aged between 8-19 years old will be delivered, in terms of how, when and where post April 2013. • Reviewed the evaluation criteria, adding points which are unique to the area, to ensure that successful contractors deliver services that are tailored to meet the area needs. • People Board representatives will continue to be informed and involved throughout the procurement process, as it forms part of the core services referred to in Section 2.
Area Priority: Tackling Crime	
To tackle crime.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation X, £40,000 SIB awarded in July 2011, has continued to deliver successful operations across the area. • Total crime in the Central area (Millfield, St Michaels and City Centre) is showing a reduction of 24%, which means 644 fewer crimes. Total crime in the East (Hendon, Ryhope and Doxford) is showing a reduction of 24%, which means 270 less crimes. • Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue reported that for the East Sunderland area between Apr-Nov: the number of deliberate secondary fires has seen a reduction of 36%, which means 120 fewer fire; primary fires started deliberately has increased by 23%, which means an increase of 5 fires, and deliberate primary road vehicles has seen a 4% reduction, which means 9 fewer fires. • It was agreed that the People Board would receive regular updates from partners in relation to crime in the area.
Area Priority: Opening up school facilities to the wider community	
Encourage school to open up their facilities to the wider community, ensuring that neighbourhoods have the right mix of facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East People Board wanted to understand 'the right mix of facilities in the community', the Board wanted to be aware of what facilities and services we currently have. • A mapping exercise with sports clubs and community groups was completed by City and Children Services as part of a Scrutiny Review (early 2012) and information was gathered by Planning which indicated community deficiencies from the Greenspace Report. • Community deficiencies included fixed play provision. The People Board are seeking Area Committee's consideration and agreement to refer the identified potential play sites and solutions, shown in Annex 2, to the Cabinet Policy Lead for the Play and Urban Games Strategy, requesting that they consider each site for inclusion as part of the next Play Review. • Many area councillors are governors at the schools within the wards. The People Board are seeking Area Committee's consideration and agreement that councillors, in their role as local authority governors, share information with the school's governing bodies that will:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ contribute towards delivering Area Committee's work

	<p>plan,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ raise awareness of Early Intervention and Locality Services, and ○ support the linkage between Area Committee and schools within East Sunderland. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To allow a more in depth appreciation of what is required to move forward it was proposed to contact each school and complete a questionnaire – this will be part of a city wide initiative - which will be used to strengthen the information received from the mapping exercise.
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4. Recommendations

4.1 That the Area Committee is requested to:-

(a) Receive the report and note the People Board's timetable of activity 2012/13 (Annex 1 refers);

(b) As part of the 'Opening up school facilities to the wider community' Area Priority:

- (i) Agree to refer the identified play sites and solutions to the Cabinet Policy Lead (Annex 2 refers) for consideration and inclusion as part of the next review of the Play and Urban Games Strategy; and
- (ii) Agree area based local authority governors support the linkage between the Area Committee and schools within East Sunderland through sharing relevant information with the school's governing bodies that contribute to delivering the East People Board's Work Plan.

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Annex 1 East Sunderland Area Place Board Work Plan 2012/13
Annex 2 Potential Play Sites and Solutions