

OPLE

Area Priority	ACTIONS	Progress Report
<b>Health and Wellbeing</b>	1. Strategic Health Group (CCG, Public Health, SCC, VCS) established to identify opportunities for partnership working and shared priorities	The Board recommended three separate opportunities to develop a shared ownership approach for developing the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark, a local 'Hub' to develop and deliver health initiatives and an opportunity for small grants to the VCS and key partners to deliver health projects to help residents become more active. Co-ordinating these opportunities will add value to current WAC funded initiatives linking the CHGSP (The Washington Way) and Maximising green spaces for the 5 Ways to Well Being. A total fund of £60,000 for the opportunities above available. March AC agreed the award for Physical hub and Charter Mark. 4 grants now awarded under Go Washington. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities</b>
	2. Improve participation in activity through ensuring Ensure use of Community Health and Green spaces Project is utilised to deliver initiatives to address health inequalities	Steering Group continues to meet ensuring links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as Walking forums, new walking trails, way marking and joint working with sport and leisure re activity programmes in place. New Walking Network and Cycling Network being established via Sports and Leisure. Project launch event Tuesday 26th May at Springwell Community Venue. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities</b>
	3. Maximising the Use of the Health Funds for use of Green/Open Space to address health issues (also links to Place) (Public Health funding £20k)	3 x separate initiatives to deliver the Washington Way to Well Being - one of which is a proposal for small grants to engage local people in activity re greenspace accesibility, availability and use as well as tackling health inequalities and getting residents more active. 4 grants approved in total. Balance of £9,406 . <b>This element of the project and funding completed with approach and initiatives included under 1 &amp; 2 above.</b>
	4. Identify gaps in Mental Health Services for young people including what is already being developed and delivered by VCS and other partners. Also co-ordinate proposed activity with Member's 'No Health without Mental Health'. Mental Health Social Worker to be locality based.	VCS Network workshop discussed gaps in services. Good service provision in Washington. Main gaps and issues identified were communication, partnership approach and information sharing. The outcomes of the workshop referred to the People Board's Health Group and included in the recommendations re Washington Way to Well Being Programme. Area Network has identified young people self harming as a possible work plan priority for 2015/16 - to be determined via Refreshing the Area Committee priorities process. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities</b>
	5. Consider initiatives to help residents - and in particular young people - manage money and debt	Impact of Welfare Reform, Job Centre issues, DWP, claimant issues and sanctions etc to be discussed at November People board with a report to AC in December. People Board Working Group established to determine way forward re identifying gap and support required. DWP rep invited to Area committee. VCS organisations to contribute to Action Plan re needs, gaps and identifying appropriate referral pathways.
	6. Promote the take up of Health Champions Training including the Dementia Module and the promotion of dementia friendly communities	Dementia Awareness modules underway. Health champions and dementia friendly approach to be included in proposed charter mark scheme. <b>The Dementia Awareness Training is due to cease in June 2015. A report will be brought to People Board following the end of the project.</b>
	7. Influence work relating to Integrated Wellness Review recommendations	Further information required regarding the Integrated Teams, Living Well Service etc. Possibly be invited to a future board - discuss at June Area committee re <b>to be carried forward to 2015/16 workplan</b>
	8. Self-harm and suicide- young people	Take forward as a priority to June Area Committee. Awaiting Scrutiny report and recommendations relating to Suicide Prevention. A Suicide Audit will take place in July 2015 which will evaluate local date. Need to have a better understanding of what the links are between Mental Health Services, Self-Harm and Drug and Alcohol. Perhaps a piece of research work is required. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
	9. Drug and Alcohol / Substance misuse	Take forward as a priority to June Area Committee. There is a wider issue particularly around alcohol as to how Cllrs can influence and prevent more licensed out-lets. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>

<b>Adult Social Care</b>	1. Determine best practice and added value that AC funded projects have brought to the ASC Framework.	Completed - Projects are currently being evaluated as they complete. Some SIB funding to be returned to the budget. Evaluations have been fed into Scrutiny Team as Social Isolation is a Scrutiny topic and the reports and recommendations will be brought to People Board for consideration / information when relevant. Members will be kept updated as to how/if the projects have assisted the City-wide approach and also what has been achieved with the SIB funding. The WWIN project for social isolation has directly shaped the City-wide approach regarding social isolation / domestic violence is older people. A training pack is currently being developed and Members will be provided with this once received. There is also a need to understand the impact of short-term funding projects - should a city-wide approach be taken with Area Committee provided the additional value with sustainability - if required. <b>Adult Social Care and Social Isolation carried forward to 2015/16 workplan</b>
	2. Ensure any proposed outcomes and initiatives are linked to the VCS - opportunities to develop collaboration and/or consortia working to deliver shared priorities	There will be opportunities for VCS via Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects to collaborate and deliver against this shared priority. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
<b>Community Inclusion and support for the VCS</b>	1. VCS Network to continue to be the mechanism for collaboration and partnership working with the VCS re delivering shared priorities. Area Chair to continue role as Co Chair of Network. ACO continue to provide support and co-ordination re Area Network	VCS Network meets every 6 weeks. Last meeting 21st April - proposed priorities was discussed and a new VCS Network representative elected. Other issues being addressed via the Network meeting include the production of a work-plan. The sector also keen to be part of the development and delivery of the community led programme of entertainment and activities at the proposed Summer Carnival 2015 (Project Brief approved a March Area Committee). The Washington Trust Volunteer Coordinator can assist groups who come forward with proposals etc. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
	2. Consider how to maximise and co-ordinate volunteering opportunities throughout Washington	Washington Trust now appointed the Volunteer co-ordinator. Washington Volunteer forum to be set up. Updates to future meetings. A draft Washington Volunteering Plan is currently being developed. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
	3. Consider continued support for young people to take forward initiatives develop capacity and engagement and encourage partnership working and participation, and to support the delivery of area priorities - links to health and well being initiatives and environmental/physical improvements and neighbourhood enhancements.	Ongoing via the Washington Youth Council, youth provider, and via any other projects or initiatives. Review of youth contract provision separate agenda item at board 17th February. Washington Youth Council attended March AC and Members were keen for them to become more involved in the on-going work of Area Committee moving forward. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
	4. Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery	Next meeting to be confirmed. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
	5. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington.	Discussions relating to youth contract review to February People Board. Further meeting of all AC Members was held 5th March to determine AC influencing, and options relevant to the area delivery in relation to the youth contract. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.</b>
<b>Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning</b>	1. Continue to monitor the School Opportunities Project.	54 young people engaged. 118 family members or peers engaged. Project now operating out of Albany Centre. Joint working with YOP. SNCBC now Princes Trust accredited. Marketing of project underway. Washington School, Oxclose Academy and Biddick all fully engaged in the project and referring both Yrs 10 and 11. School opportunities cohort took part in the Washington Working for You Conference. <b>Proposal to amalgamate remainder of YOP1, YOP2 and remainder of SOP presented and agreed by March AC. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan as one project.</b>
	2. Continue to monitor Youth Opportunities Project	YOP2 now approved. YOP1 likely to continue past the Oct deadline due to delays in spend and recruitment. Key Worker now appointed. So far YOP1 engaged 152 young people with 57 into employment - 26 of which have an apprenticeship. A further 46 young people into foundation learning. Direct links with School opportunities in place. <b>Proposal to amalgamate remainder of YOP1, YOP2 and remainder of SOP to presented and agreed by March AC. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan as one project</b>
	3. Deliver Skills Conference for Washington Young People	Completed
	4. Continuing to work with local businesses (through SCC Business Investment Team) to engage them in AC priorities, key messages and overarching outcomes	Completed - now included in Washington Working For You Conference. Social media to be utilised to ensure key corporate approach and messages rolled out.

	5. Consider how FACL provision can be best utilised to assist delivery of AC priorities and outcomes	Completed
	6. Consider options for schemes to provide support for local residents to access appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision, and providing the required evidence to enable compliance and avoid repercussions. (Consider West Job Club best practice )	Impact of Welfare Reform, Job Centre issues, DWP, claimant issues and sanctions etc to be discussed at November People board with a report to AC in December. People Board Working Group to determine way forward re identifying gap and support required. DWP rep invited to Area committee. VCS organisations to contribute to Action Plan re needs, gaps and identifying appropriate referral pathways. December Area Committee agreed to align £20,000 SIB to develop a proposal to determine resources, local need and capacity of local organisations and relevant partners, determine where there are gaps in provision at a local level, develop measures to support those local need and gaps, and develop a sustainable approach to continue to support local residents and to help the VCS organisations work in partnership and collaboration to provide the required services for residents in need. <b>March Area Committee agreed that People Board could agree the Call for Project Brief in relation to this priority. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities</b>
<b>Safer Washington</b>	1. Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder.	Joint Police and cllr meetings to be scheduled for 2015/16. Opportunity identified for closer working in relation to inconsiderate parking around schools working with Network Management and Police. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan</b>
	2. Ensure Sulgrave and Concord Neighbourhood Management Model links with other initiatives to add value to the approach and assist with sustainability	Update circulated to Members Further funding secured for 15-16. LB to ensure that an update is provide to the next Board.
<b>Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee</b>	1. Develop New Relationship with Schools	At its meeting of 5th November Cabinet approved the Policy Statement on the role of the Council in relation to schools and the wider education system. The Statement determines the role of the Council in improving educational outcomes and defines the key elements of the local authority's role. Additionally, next steps were agreed in order to develop the necessary relationships, systems and processes to reflect the changing education landscape, the educational priorities within the city's key strategies, the Council's Community Leadership role and its statutory duties. <b>One of those key actions is to develop arrangements whereby Elected Members are enabled to play a role in strengthening the local accountability of schools and in sharing local intelligence.</b>  Currently arrangements are underway to discuss this approach with members early in the new municipal year.' Members have also asked for information as to the number of reception class placements available for this year 15/16. LB to report back to Board. <b>Carried forward to 2015/16</b>