

At an Extraordinary meeting of the WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on MONDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 2012 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor P. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors Allan, Dixon, Essl, Gofton, Porthouse, Waller and S. Watson.

Also Present:-

Karen Alexander	Employment Delivery Manager	Sunderland City Council
Simone Common	West Locality Ops Manager	Sunderland City Council
Billy Hall	Commissioning Officer	Sunderland City Council
Kevin Jones	Sgt	Northumbria Police
Janet Johnson	Area Lead Executive	Sunderland City Council
Julie Lynn	Area Officer	Sunderland City Council
Vivienne Metcalfe	Area Community Coordinator	Sunderland City Council
David Noon	Principal Governance Services Officer	Sunderland City Council
Beverley Scanlon	Head of Commissioning and Change Management	Sunderland City Council
Phil Spooner	Head of Community Leadership Programmes	Sunderland City Council

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and those present introduced themselves.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors, P. Smith, Smiles, Tye, P. Watson, A. Wilson and T. Wright and also from Bill Forster of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service and Inspector Dave Pickett of Northumbria Police.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

Review of Provision of Activities of Youth Services for Young People

The Chairman welcomed Beverley Scanlon, Head of Commissioning and Change Management together with Councillor Porthouse, Chairman of the West Sunderland People Board, who proceeded to provide members with a power point presentation on the review of provision of activities of youth services for young people.

(For copy presentation – see original minutes)

Ms Scanlon introduced the item providing members with a background to the review and the aspects considered by the meetings of the People Board.

Councillor Porthouse then reported the following detailed recommendations of the Place Board arising from its meeting held on 17th October, 2012 :-

i) The Area Committee be requested to consider the inclusion of the following additional outcomes in the Draft Service Specification:-

Corporate Plan – Key Priority	Targeted Outcomes for young people aged 11 - 19
PEOPLE	
A city where everyone is as healthy as they can be and enjoys a good standard of wellbeing	Young People have good emotional, physical and mental health.
A city with high levels of skills, educational attainment and participation	Young People understand the progression routes into further education, employment and training and where they can access support to follow these routes.
A city which is, and feels, even safer and more secure	Young People demonstrate and promote equality, inclusiveness and have an understanding of diversity.
ECONOMY	
An inclusive city economy for all ages	Young People understand the progression routes into further education, employment and training and where they can access support to follow these routes.

ii) The Area Committee be requested to consider the inclusion of the following specific requirements of the area which had not already been addressed in the Draft Service Specification for both 8-10 and 11-19 provision:-

- Provide delivery in specified locations in each ward in the West.

- 1 session per week per ward 52 weeks of the year for 8 – 10 age group.
- 2 sessions per week per ward 52 weeks of the year for the 11 – 19 age group.
- 1 flexible session per week per ward that can be delivered in consultation with ward Councillors (e.g. banked and used to provide holiday activity, to target ASB hotspots, to be delivered as an additional weekly session).
- Citywide contract for BME to be reviewed and consider how this can be incorporated into locality contracts.
- Additional funding gained by the provider must not be matched to contracted provision and must be used to provide sessions/activity separate to those funded via the youth contract.

iii) The Area Committee be requested to consider the following additional questions / statements to be included within the evaluation criteria used when awarding youth contracts:-

- How does the provider propose to engage those young people who do not appear to be interested in participating in youth activity.
- How does the provider propose to engage 'NEET' young people.

Ms Scanlon having concluded the presentation by outlining the next steps in the review process, the Chairman moved that the recommendations of the People Board as reported by Councillor Porthouse above, be agreed.

Accordingly it was :-

1. RESOLVED that approval be given to the recommendations of the People Board arising from its meeting held on 17th October, 2012 as detailed above.

The Chairman then closed the meeting having thanked everyone for their attendance and contribution to the meeting.

(Signed) P. GIBSON,
Chairman.