

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 18th June, 2014 at 5:30pm

**VENUE – Adventure Sunderland, Marine Walk, Sunderland,
Tyne and Wear, SR6 0PW**

Membership

Cllrs D. Wilson (Chairman), S. Foster (Vice Chairman - Place), R. Copeland (Vice Chairman – People), R. Bell, B. Curran, R. Davison, B. Francis, G. Howe, J. Jackson, S. Leadbitter, D. MacKnight, C. Shattock, P. Stewart, J. Wiper, N. Wright.

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ELAINE WAUGH
Head of Law and Governance

10th June, 2014

At a meeting of the NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the BUNNY HILL CENTRE, HYLTON LANE, SUNDERLAND on MONDAY, 7th APRIL, 2014 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Bell in the Chair

Councillors Copeland, Curran, Davison, Foster, Francis, Howe, MacKnight, Shattock, D. Wilson, Wiper and N. Wright

Also in Attendance:-

Inspector Tony Carty	Northumbria Police
Ms. Zoe Channing	- Sunderland Live
Mr. Steven Graham	Station Manager, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service
Ms. Gillian Gibson	- Consultant in Public Health, Sunderland City Council
Ms. Vivienne Metcalfe	- Area Community Officer, Sunderland City Council
Ms. Allison Patterson	- Area Coordinator, Sunderland City Council
Mr. Alan Scott	- North Locality Manager, Sunderland City Council
Ms. Sue Stanhope	- Director of HR & OD, Sunderland City Council and Area Lead Executive (ALE)
Ms. Joanne Stewart	- Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council
Mr. Graham Wharton	- Salvation Army, VCS Network

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting, inviting introductions around the room.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Bonallie, Jackson and Stewart and on behalf of Mr. Andy Old, Ms. Nikki Vokes and Mr. Michael Donachie

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 20th January, 2014

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 20th January, 2014 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Sunderland Live Presentation

Ms. Zoe Channing, Sunderland Live, provided a presentation provided on the background of the Sunderland Live Company and the services they catered for and could offer in the future.

(for copy presentation – see original minutes).

Members commented that there were some good projects looking forward to be delivered through a working partnership.

Councillor Wright asked if Sunderland Live would be involved with the Cultural Spring project and was advised that a meeting had been held with representatives and that there were a number of projects being looked into, one of them being how local children could help create the illuminations show at Roker Park.

Members queried the use of Hylton Castle as part of the Cultural Spring projects and were informed that Sunderland Live understood there was a plan around events being held at Hylton Castle and that there were a number of projects being worked on for the following twelve months.

Councillor Wilson referred to decorations which had been used previously in parks in the city at Christmas time, such as the Magic Storytelling Tree, and was advised that problems had been experienced with some of the equipment due to the bad weather and that there had not been the funding available to replace them. Ms. Channing advised that Sunderland Live would continue to work with partners and the City Council to enhance the offer for the Christmas festivities and decorations.

Members discussed a number of projects which had been held previously and the possibility of holding similar events in partnership with Sunderland Live in the future. It was recommended that a representative from Sunderland Live be invited along to a future meeting of the North Sunderland People Board to have an discussion; and it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the content of the presentation be received and noted and that a representative from Sunderland Live be invited along to a future meeting of the North Sunderland People Board.

Area Committee Annual Report 2013-14

The Chairman of the North Sunderland Area Committee submitted a report (copy circulated) which asked the Committee to approve the Committee's Annual Report as part of the combined Area Committee Annual Report 2013-14 to be presented to a future Council meeting.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Ms. Allison Patterson, Area Co-ordinator, presented the report drawing Members attention to the final page of the report and recommending with the Committee's agreement that of the two photographs showing the St Peter's site be used in the final document.

Members having considered the report, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the North Sunderland Annual Report be approved for inclusion in the combined Area Committee Annual Report for 2013-14.

Maximising the Use Made of Green and Other Space in Areas to Improve Health and Happiness

The Director of Public Health submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided Members with background information to assist Members with considering the future use of the £20,000 allocated to the area by the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), formerly the Sunderland TPCT, to support improvement to physical and mental wellness through facilitating local people's access to local greenspace.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Ms. Gillian Gibson, Consultant in Public Health, presented the report and stated that a lot of the greenspace in Sunderland was underused. It was recommended that the funding provided by the CCG be used to improve access to, and use of, greenspace in the area. She recommended that the allocation of the funding to projects be delegated to the area boards.

Councillor Foster referred to the exercise trails proposed at the St Peter's site and in Thompson Park and asked if these kinds of projects were acceptable. Ms. Gibson advised that these were examples of projects that could be considered for funding and that it was for Councillors to consider options.

Members having thanked Ms. Gibson for her report, it was:-

4. RESOLVED that the report asking Members to give consideration to how they might enhance and facilitates local people engaging the five ways to wellbeing and to commissioning action, looking specifically at action around greenspace accessibility, availability and amenity utilisation and using its £20,000 allocation as 'seed money' to achieve this be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports – North Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network

Mr. Graham Wharton, Area Network Representative submitted a report (copy circulated) providing an update with regard to the North Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Mr. Wharton took the Committee through the report providing an update on the work being undertaken by the North Sunderland VCS Network.

Having fully considered the progress report, it was:-

5. RESOLVED that the content of the report and the opportunities and issues raised by the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports – Northumbria Police

Neighbourhood Inspector Tony Carty, Northumbria Police gave an update to the Committee on the current position with regards to crime and anti social behaviour data in the North Sunderland area.

In response to a question from councillor Davison regarding the tethering of horses around the North Sunderland Area, Inspector Carty advised that they did not receive a great number of reports regarding them and that there was very little that Northumbria Police could do as it was mainly dependant on the land owner.

Councillor Wilson referred to damages made to empty properties and in particular those cases in the Castle Ward. Inspector Carty advised that it was mainly broken windows to one property in the ward but that the number of incidents had reduced.

In relation to a question regarding the Prom nights which were imminent Inspector Carty advised that the Police had the dates of the nights from each of the schools and a working group was looking at how best to manage the movement of young people to and from the proms as well as having meetings with youth providers.

Having thanked Inspector Carty for his report and continued excellent work in the North Sunderland Area, it was:-

6. RESOLVED that the update from the Northumbria Police be received and noted.

Partner Agency Reports – Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Services

Mr. Steven Graham, Station Manager, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Services provided a verbal update to the Committee, on performance in relation to the local indicators for the North Sunderland Area Committee area.

He advised that Red House and Castle View Academies had both visited the Safety Works facility and that they would continue to target Year 6 pupils in other schools with visits. Local firefighters continue to visit target areas for the burning of fly tipping and rubbish at weekends and that they were closely working with Louise Butler who was looking into issues of fires in industrial estates in the Washington area which if projects were successful they may consider bringing to the North Sunderland area in the future.

Councillor Curran commented that he has previously suggested it may be useful for all Members to have a visit to the Safety Works site. Mr. Graham was more than happy to welcome Committee Members through for a visit at an arranged time in the future.

The Chairman having thanked Mr. Graham for his report, it was:-

7. RESOLVED that the update from the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service be received and noted.

Place Board Progress Report

The Chairman of the Place Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update of progress against the current year's (2013/14) Place Board Work Plan.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Ms. Vivienne Metcalfe, Area Community Officer presented the report drawing Members' attention to the Area Governance Arrangements detailed in paragraph 3 and the key areas of influence and achievements of the Place Board detailed in paragraph 4 in relation to Responsive Local Services, Greenspace and Shopping Centre Improvements, Accessibility of services, facilities, events and information and Heritage.

Following full discussion on the report and matters raised, it was:-

8. RESOLVED that:-
 - i) the progress and performance update with regard to the North Sunderland Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 be received and noted; and
 - ii) the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Highways Capital Maintenance programmes for the North Sunderland area for 2014/15 be agreed.

People Board – Progress Update

The Chairman of the People Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update of progress against the People Board's Work Plan for 2013/14.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Ms. Metcalfe, Area Community Officer presented the report drawing Members' attention to the key areas of influence and achievements of the People Board detailed in paragraph 4 in relation to Influencing Core Services Devolved to the Area Committee, Early Intervention and Locality Based Services and Job Prospects and Activities for Young People.

Full consideration having been given to the report, it was:-

9. RESOLVED that the progress and performance update with regard to the North Sunderland Area People Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 be noted.

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB), Community Chest and Healthy Cities Investment Fund (HCIF) – Financial Statement and Proposals for Further Allocation of Resources

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which requested Members to give consideration to a financial statement as an up to date position in relation to the allocation of Strategic Initiatives Budget, Healthy City Investment Fund and Community Chest and presented proposals for further funding requests.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

Ms. Metcalfe, Area Community Officer presented the report drawing attention to the recommendations detailed within the report.

Members considered the report and it was:-

10. RESOLVED that:-
 - (i) the financial statements as set out in paragraphs 2.1 and 3.1 of the report be noted;
 - (ii) approval be given to the allocation of £25,000 from the SIB budget for 2014/15 to support the Sunderland Young People's Bike Project – Thompson Park House Project;
 - (iii) approval be given to the allocation of £5,750 from the SIB budget for 2014/15 to support the Health Champions Dementia Training Module;

- (iv) the eleven approvals for Community Chest supported from the 2013/14 budget as set out in Annex 3 to the report be noted.

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

(Signed) R. BELL,
Chairman.

18th June 2014

PART 6, CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005, DOG CONTROL ORDERS – CONSULTATION RESULTS AND FINDINGS

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To update and advise Ward Members within the North Area Committee the results of the public consultation relating to Sunderland City Council’s intention to implement legislation, subject to Part 6, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, Dog Control Orders and to seek approval to implement the orders detailed within Appendix 1.

2 Background

2.1 In November 2013, Cabinet approval was sought to implement Part 6, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, Dog Control Orders, following recommendations from Area Committee.

2.2 Area Committee sought approval to implement Dog Control Orders, in order to deal with some of the most challenging local concerns, and to bring the legislation in line and up to date with other similar environmental crimes, already implemented and used by Sunderland City Council.

2.3 Cabinet approval was granted and Area Committee’s agreed the specific requirements of each Order specifically, to address the local needs.

2.4 In respect of each Area, the following was agreed across all sites and Wards:-

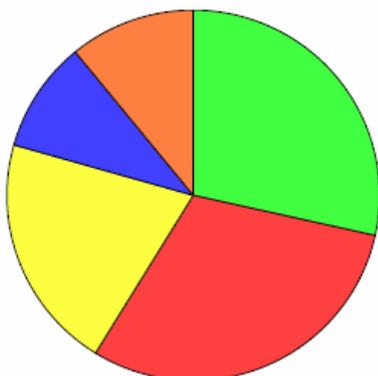
- Cemeteries - Dogs on Leads at all times
- Open Fixed play sites - Dogs on Leads at all times
- Open sports pitches - Dogs on Leads at all times
- Formal parks or gardens - Dogs on Leads at all times
- Enclosed fixed play sites - Dogs Prohibited
- Roker and Seaburn Foreshore - Dogs Prohibited (1 May to 30 Sept)
- All public areas - Dog fouling
- All public areas - Dogs on Leads under direction to do so

2.5 These proposals have been open to public consultation until 31 May 2014, by means of an on-line forum.

3 Consultation Results

3.1 An on-line survey provided an opportunity for comments and feedback on the proposals. The survey was completed by 168 residents from all Regeneration Areas.

3.2 The breakdown of responses of each area are illustrated as follows:-



	% Total	% Answer	Count
North	27.98%	28.48%	47
East	29.76%	30.30%	50
West	20.24%	20.61%	34
Washington	9.52%	9.70%	16
Coalfield	10.71%	10.91%	18
[No Response]	1.79%	--	3
Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

- 3.3 68% of those completing the survey were dog owners and 66% were dog walkers.
- 3.4 Of the 4 Dog Control Order Proposals consulted upon, the results are as follows:-
- a. **90.48% agreed** with the proposal to introduce and order making it an offence for a person to fail to clear away after their animal has fouled in any open public area.
 - b. **83.93% agreed** with the exclusion of dogs from enclosed children's play sites
 - c. **56.55% agreed** with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a lead at all times in open play areas
 - d. **72.02% agreed** with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a led at all times in cemeteries
 - e. **66.07% agreed** with the proposal to enable an authorised officer of the Council to request a dog be put on a lead in any location across the city with is open to the public, where the officer feels it is appropriate to do so.
- 3.5 The Dogs Trust were consulted individually and provided the following response:-
- a. Fouling of land Order:
Dogs Trust consider 'scooping the poop' to be an integral element of responsible dog ownership and would fully support a well-implemented order on fouling. We urge the Council to enforce any such order rigorously and to provide ample signage and disposal points for responsible owners to use.
 - b. Dog Exclusion Order:
Dogs Trust accepts that there are some areas where it is desirable that dogs should be excluded, such as children's play areas and sports grounds, however we would recommend that exclusion areas are kept to a minimum and that, for enforcement reasons, they are restricted to enclosed areas. We would consider it more difficult to enforce an exclusion order in areas that lack clear boundaries.
 - c. Dogs on Leads Order:
Dogs Trust accept that there are some areas where it is desirable that dogs should be kept on a lead. Dogs Trust would urge the Council to consider the Animal Welfare Act 2006 section 9 requirements (the 'duty of care') that include the dog's need to exhibit normal behaviour patterns – this includes running off lead in appropriate areas. Dog Control Orders should not restrict the ability of dog keepers to comply with the requirements of this Act. The Council should ensure that there is an adequate number, and a variety of, well sign-posted areas locally for owners to exercise their dog off-lead.
 - d. Dogs on Lead by Direction Order:
Dogs Trust enthusiastically support Dogs on Leads by Direction orders (for dogs to be put on and kept on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised official).
We consider that this order is by far the most useful, other than the fouling order, because it allows enforcement officers to target the owners of dogs that are allowing them to cause a nuisance without restricting the responsible owner and their dog. As none of the other orders, less fouling, are likely to be effective without proper enforcement we would be content if the others were dropped in favour of this order.
 - e. Taking more than a specified number of dogs onto a land Order:
Dogs Trust does not agree that there should be a limit on the number of dogs walked as so much depends on the ability of the person to control the dogs. A good owner may be able to control large numbers of dogs while a less responsible person may be incapable of controlling one. While we accept the motivation for introducing this order, we consider that proper use of a "Dogs on Leads by Direction" order, by authorised officers, would be a better solution that is less restrictive on responsible owners.

3.6 In addition to the survey, several comments and suggestions have been received as part of the consultation process and require a response. All comments are provided anonymously and responses will be available to view on-line, following the end of the consultation.

4. Comments raised during the Consultation

- 4.1 Allowing dogs to exercise freely on sport pitches when not in use was the most common suggestion within the consultation with 13 participants raising this as a concern. Whilst consideration for allowing dogs' access to sports pitches has been given, it is dog fouling on these areas that is the issue. Many open sports playing fields are within vast open spaces where dog handlers may struggle to locate the fouling once occurred or find that their dog is too far away at the time of the offence to clearly observe the incident. By asking for dog owners to place their dog on a lead when visiting sports facilities we are reducing the incidents of fouling within these locations and creating sports grounds free from dog fouling. Whilst the pitch is not in season or marked out as a playing field, dog handlers are free to exercise their dogs in these areas. Additionally, informal sports facilities maybe removed from this Order, but would be included in the Dog Fouling and Dogs on Lead under Direction Orders.
- 4.2 Dog Zones or Dog Parks have been suggested by 4 participants. Dog Zones would provide grassed, fenced areas where dogs could exercise freely without any restriction or Control Orders. Sunderland has vast open spaces where dogs are free to exercise off lead without restriction and whilst consideration for Dogs Zones or Dog Parks has been given, it would not be recommended that Dog Zones be deemed a necessary requirement of the implementation of Dog Control Orders.
- 4.3 The availability of dog bins was raised by 3 participants who requested that more be provided however over 1000 dog foul specific bins and over 1000 litter bins are available to dog walkers throughout the City and additional bins can be considered upon request.
- 4.4 Policing, education and enforcement was raised on 5 occasions with various recommendations ranging from more visible enforcement officers; less visible enforcement officers: overnight patrols; and powers provided to members of the public to enforce.
- 4.5 Improved signage to all areas was raised as a concern following the implementation of Dog Control Orders, providing information to public space users on the Dog Control Orders specific to each site. Once implemented, signed to all areas affected by Dog Prohibited areas or Dogs on Lead areas will be replaced.

5. Summary

- 5.1 Consultation is complete with a majority in favour of the implementation of the Dog Control Orders as recommended.
- 5.2 Further to Area Committee recommending approval of the Dog Control Order's, implementation of the Orders is anticipated for 31 August 2014.

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:-
- a. Note the contents of this report
 - b. Authorise the recommendations for implementation of Dog Control Orders within the North Area of the City

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNDERLAND

CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005
The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations 2006
The Dog Control Orders (Procedures) Regulations 2006

NOTICE is hereby given that The Council of the City of Sunderland ("the Council") is proposing to make the following four Dog Control Orders pursuant to its powers under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 :-

1. The Fouling of Land by Dogs Order 2014

If a dog defecates at any time on land to which this Order applies and a person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to all land to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) within the administrative area of the Council which is :-

- (a) parks, pleasure grounds and open spaces maintained by the Council;
- (b) sports grounds/pitches and playing fields maintained by the Council;
- (c) beaches/foreshore and any slopes or staircase leading thereto;
- (d) school grounds;
- (e) cemeteries, burial grounds and churchyards maintained by the Council;
- (f) car parks, owned and operated by the Council;
- (g) carriageways and adjoining footpaths and verges; and
- (h) footpaths, bridleways, alleys, precincts, promenades, thoroughfares and other ways (not being carriageways)

Exemption :- This order will not apply to a person who is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948 or to a person who has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects and relies on a dog for assistance trained by a prescribed charity, namely, Dogs for the Disabled, Support Dogs or Canine Partners for Independence.

Note: This Order will replace the existing controls the Council has under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996.

2. The Dogs on Leads by Direction Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies, he does not comply with a direction given him by an authorised officer of the Council to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

An authorised officer of the Council may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep the dog on a lead if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a dog causing or likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person, animal or bird.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to all land to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) within the administrative area of the Council which is:-

- (a) open parks, pleasure grounds and other open spaces maintained by the Council;
- (b) open playing fields maintained by the Council not otherwise marked as a “dogs on leads area” (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect);
- (c) beaches/foreshore and any slope or staircase leading thereto not otherwise marked as a “dog exclusion area” (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect);
- (d) school grounds;
- (e) car parks, owned and operated by the Council;
- (f) carriageways and adjoining footpaths and verges; and
- (g) footpaths, bridleways, alleys, precincts, promenades, thoroughfares and other ways (not being carriageways).

3. The Dogs on Leads Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence, if at any time on any land to which this Order applies he does not keep the dog on a lead unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to land maintained by the Council to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) signed at its entrance(s) or otherwise marked as a “dog on leads area” (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect) which is:-

- (a) open (unfenced) designated children’s play areas;
- (b) cemeteries, burial grounds and churchyards;
- (c) enclosed parks, sensory and formal gardens; and
- (d) open and enclosed playing fields and sports facilities including football pitches, cricket pitches, skate parks and bowling greens.

Maps showing the proposed areas concerned under this Order may be examined free of charge during office hours at the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre or online at www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control

4. The Exclusion of Dogs from Land Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if at any time he takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on any land to which this Order applies unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for doing so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his doing so.

This Order will apply to land maintained by the Council signed at its entrance(s) or otherwise marked as a “dog exclusion area” (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect) which is:-

- (a) enclosed designated children’s play areas;
- (b) enclosed multisports areas (MUGA’s), sporting and other recreational facilities; and
- (c) identified areas of the beaches/foreshore and any slope or staircase leading thereto between 1st May and 30th September inclusive in any year

Maps showing the proposed areas concerned under this Order may be examined free of charge during office hours at the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre or online at www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control

Exemption :- This order will not apply to a person who is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948, to a deaf person in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, or to a person who has a disability

which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects and relies on a dog for assistance trained by a prescribed charity, namely, Dogs for the Disabled, Support Dogs or Canine Partners for Independence.

PENALTIES

A person guilty of an offence under any of the above Orders shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (currently £1,000).

CONSULTATION

Residents are requested to express their views on these proposals at : http://sunderland-consult.limehouse.co.uk/public/city_services/street_scene_services/dcos

Further information on these proposals is available at www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control or by contacting the Council on 0191 520 555 or visiting the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre during office hours.

Written representations may be made to Ms. N. Rowland, East Area Response Manager, Responsive Local Services, Jack Crawford House, Commercial Road, Sunderland, SR2 8QR or by e-mail to nicola.rowland@sunderland.gov.uk

Any representations should be received no later than 31st May 2014.

Janet Johnson
Deputy Chief Executive
Sunderland City Council

Dated the 1st May 2014

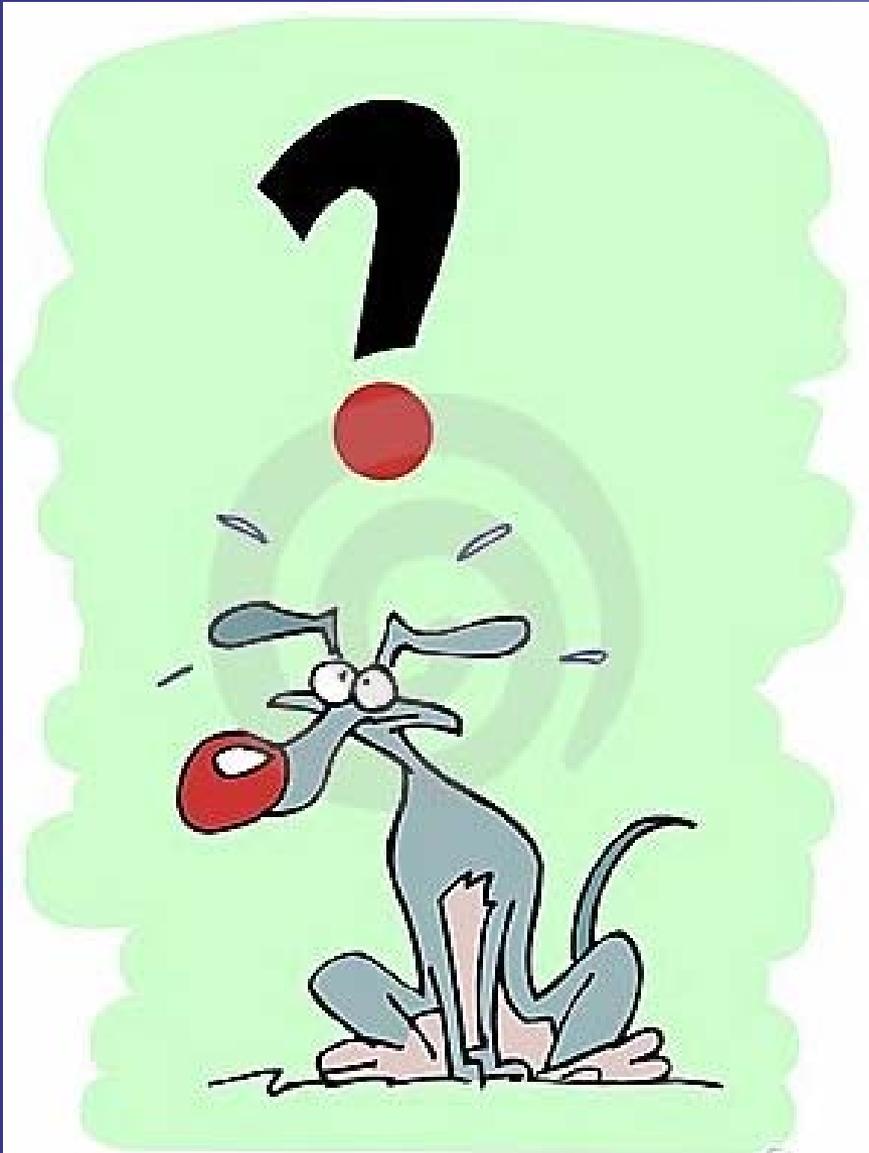
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Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005

- 5 new offences
 - Failing to remove faeces forthwith
 - Failing to keep a dog on a lead in designated area
 - Failing to put a dog on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised officer
 - Allowing dogs to enter a prohibited area
 - Taking more than the specified number of dogs into a designated area





Why Change.....?

- Repealed Dogs (fouling of land) Act 96
- Enforcement tools now outdated
- Cemeteries, beaches and Pleasure Grounds Byelaws
- Right tools
- Response to local concerns

Dog Control Orders

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Dog and animal fouling

Dog fouling is unpleasant and may cause disease and illness and, therefore, needs to be controlled.

[Dogs fouling legislation](#)

Sunderland City Council has actively been promoting responsible dog ownership in the city through a rolling programme of education and awareness.

[Dog control - maps](#)

As part of the consultation on dog control orders, the maps on this page help to describe the proposals for each area.

[Dog control - questions and answers](#)

These are the frequently asked questions about dog control orders.

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What is a dog control order?

A dog control order is a local order made for controlling potential dog related issues.

The power for Sunderland City Council to make dog control orders is provided under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005.

Which dog control orders is Sunderland City Council thinking about introducing?

- 1. Dog fouling (failing to pick up after your dog)
2. Dogs to be put on leads upon request
3. Dogs to be on leads at all times in designated areas

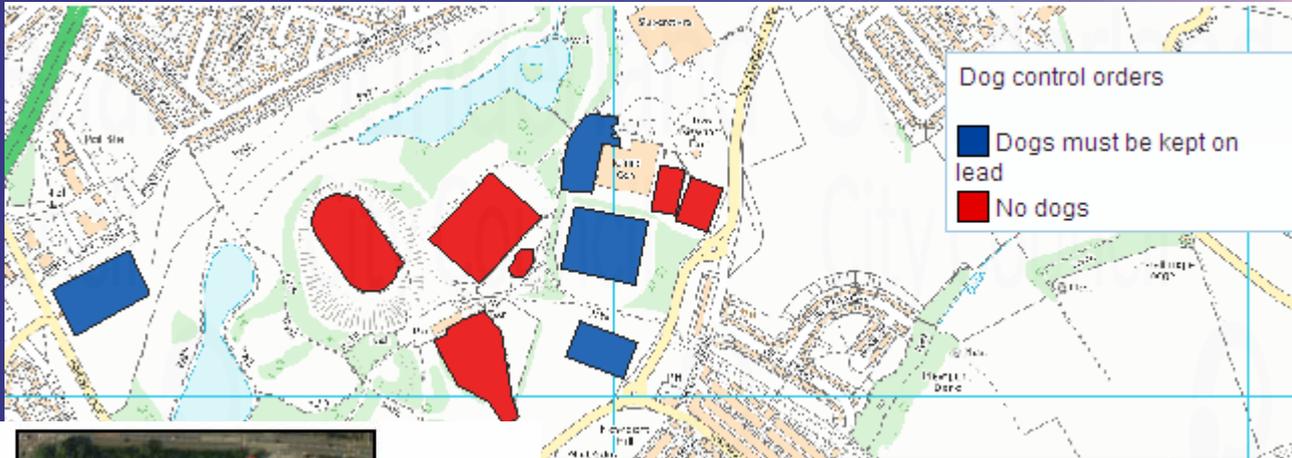
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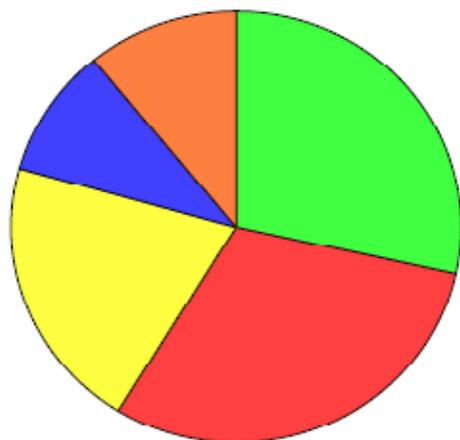




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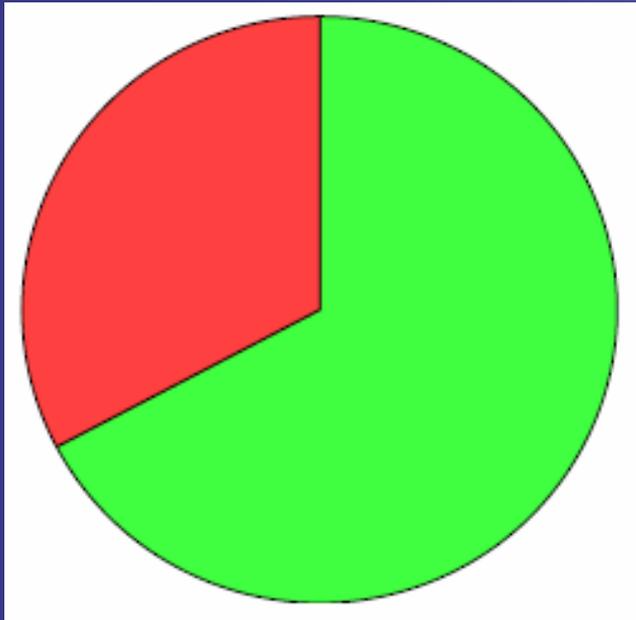
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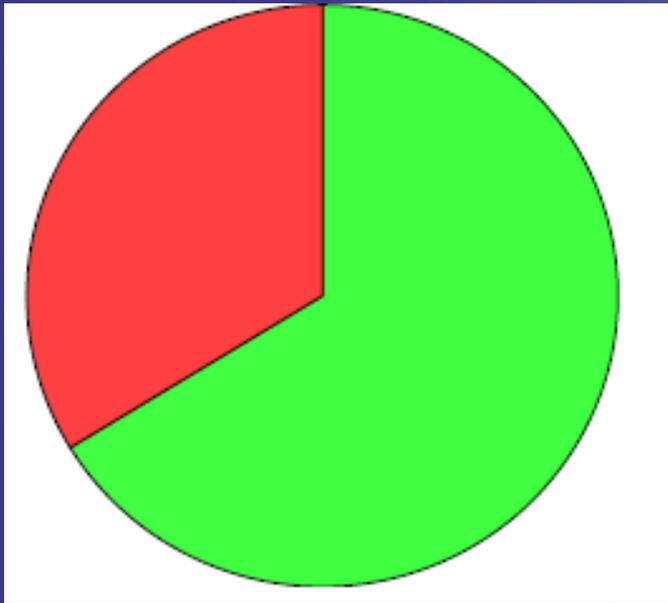
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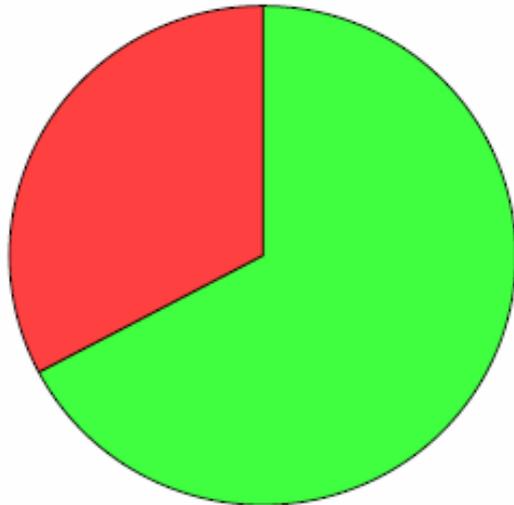
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Are you a dog walker?



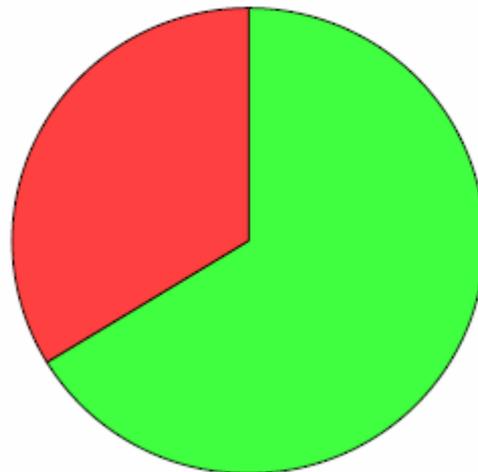
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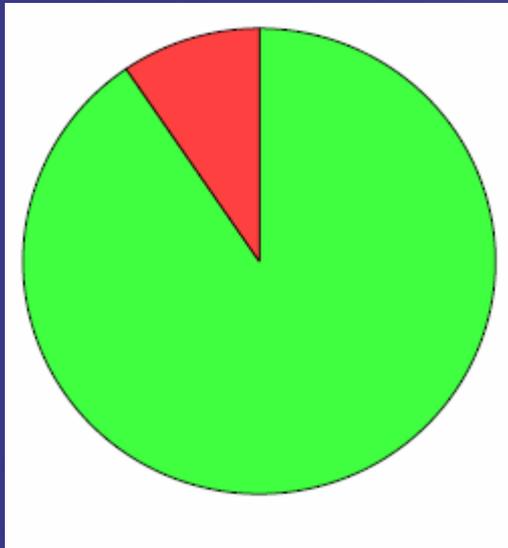
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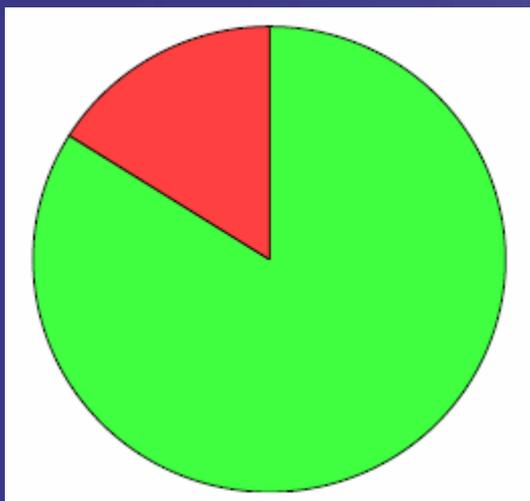
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Yes	65.48%	66.27%	110
No	33.33%	33.73%	56
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Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

Do you agree with the proposal to introduce an order making it an offence for a person to fail to clear up after their dog has fouled in any area across the city which is open to the public?



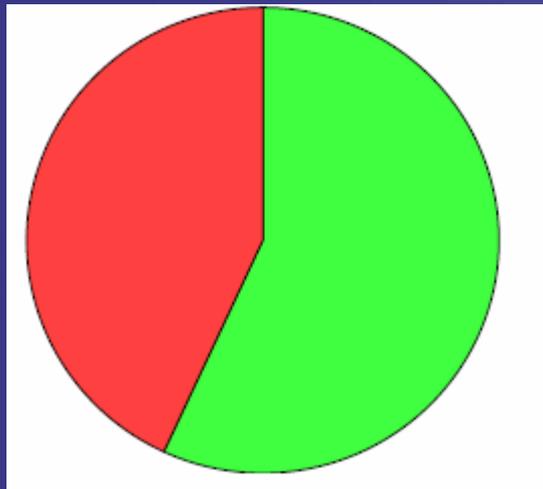
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Do you support the exclusion of dogs from enclosed children's play areas?



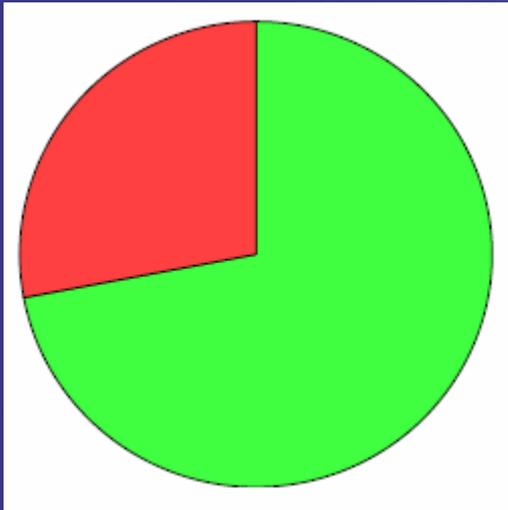
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No	16.07%	16.07%	27
Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

Do you agree with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a lead at all times in open play areas?



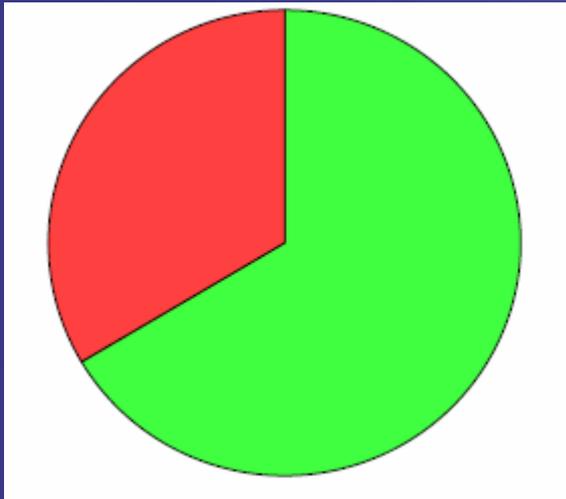
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No	42.86%	43.11%	72
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Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

Do you agree with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a lead at all times in cemeteries?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
Yes	72.02%	72.02%	121
No	27.98%	27.98%	47
Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

Do you agree with the proposal to enable an authorised officer of the Council to request a dog be put on the lead in any location across the city which is open to the public, where that officer feels it is appropriate to do so?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
Yes	66.07%	66.47%	111
No	33.33%	33.53%	56
[No Response]	0.60%	--	1
Total	100.00%	100.00%	168

Suggestions

- Allow dogs to exercise on open play areas when not in use.
- Dog parks or Dog zones
- Extra dog bins
- Additional enforcement
- Improved signage

Next steps

- Area Committee Agree Order
- Public Notice
- Update website
- Erect signs in relevant locations
- Train Staff
- Publicise Orders

QUESTIONS?



18th June 2014

REPORT OF NORTH AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK

1. Purpose of the Report

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

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

- VCS Network will continue to work on developing and supporting the VCS re collaboration, communications, intelligence and mapping.
- VCS Reps are to give both oral and written updates to the Area Committee, as requested.
- The North VCSN has met twice since the last Area Committee in April 2014.
- The Network has received presentations and information which have included:
 - The opportunity to influence the Place and People Board Priority setting discussions with feedback from the VCS Network on Job Prospects and Activities for Young People being fed into the boards
 - Feedback on the delivery and performance of the commissioned youth work contracts in the North
 - Sunderland City Council Communications Team presented the All Together Sunderland campaign giving the opportunity to work together and promote the services and activities delivered by the VCS in the North.
 - The VCS Representatives have supported VCS organisations with specific challenges and queries in relation to Safeguarding.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested
- To note the contents of the report and consider the opportunities and issues raised by the North VCSN

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18th June 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

Place Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2013/14 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2014/15
- c. Provides an update on Place Board Governance Arrangements for 2014/15.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year North Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the North Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The Place Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2014/15.

3. Annual Update of 2013/14 Place Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2013/14 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

4. Proposed Work Plan for 2014/15

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the Place Board considers key to deliver during 2014/15.
- 4.2 Additionally the Place Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of Place Based Services devolved to Area Committee. Proposals also outlined in **Annex 3**.

5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-
 - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilizing its own resources.

- 5.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Annex 4**.
- 5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the Place Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	Place Board Membership
Chair	Cllr. S. Forster
Castle	Cllr D. MacKnight
Redhill	Cllr P. Stewart
Southwick	Cllr N. Wright
Fulwell	Cllr J. Wiper
St. Peter's	Cllr. J. Jackson

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:-
- a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the North Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Annex 1 and 2**.
 - b. Consider and agree the North Area Place Board Work Plan Priorities for 2014/15 attached as **Annex 3**.
 - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2014/15 outlined in **Section 5 and Annex 4**.

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PLACE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services

Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	Progress	Completed?
1 Responsive Local Services - Streetscene	To influence delivery in the North	Monthly basis	Work with Area Response Manager to identify opportunities to influence service; Review existing service scope and re-consider how members can influence future delivery - particularly focusing on agreement of programmed activities and the implementation of Dog Control Orders	As required		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tour of Area - Bonnersfield Tree Cutting, quote in place. Former Tyre Services derelict building - property services contacting owner ref making safe and tidying area. Tethered horses policy due to Cabinet further updates will be provided Dog Control Orders, report presented to Place Board, options provided to all members, responses collated and progress update presented to September and January Board Enforcement Documents available - copy of letter and factsheet regarding sales of vehicles, enforcement flowcharts provided to members electronically and in hard copy where required Volunteer Clean up events held, Probation Service projects in North completed. Clock committee established and updates provided to Board. Proposals for Clock to be presented to November Board with a view to recommendation presented to Area Committee January 2014 for a decision November Board agreed SIB application be completed for £20k to install Clock at Wheatsheaf Gyrotory November Board agreed SIB application be completed for £50k for RLS environmental improvements December Board agreed to recommend to Area Committee approval of inter January Area Committee agreed £20k for Clock and £50k for RLS Environme Place Board receive regular updates on current status of SIB funded RLS env Procurement and Planning Application are progressing for the Wheatsheaf G Procurement process complete and appointment of supplier being actioned w Dog Control Orders to be Presented to June Area Committee 	
2 Local Development Framework (LDF), Core Strategy and associated documents	Members to be consulted on process for the review of the Strategy, share views and feed into the public consultation process	Jul-13	Members to bring local knowledge to inform the development of the future policy	Not applicable		<p>Update on consultation arrangements provided to board at its meeting 25th July 2013. Plan for consultation launched 1st August all members received a copy and briefing note. Local consultation to be held in Bunnyhill 14th and 15th August. 8 week consultation period. Publication Plan (revised version) Spring 2014. January Board provided with further consultation opportunity</p>	
3 Public Protection and Regulatory Services	Consideration to be given to potential alignment of the services with the Board. Services in scope including trading standards, food standards, pollution control, pest control and licensing	Nov-13	Establish understanding of services delivered at a local level; Look to develop early intervention activities which support vulnerable groups within the locality	As required		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation delivered to November board The Place Board is provided with information on the statutory services and functions within PPRS and how the board may influence each of the functions at a local level. 	
4 Highways Maintenance	To influence usage of resources at an area level for inclusion in Capital Programme	Dec-13	Members to reflect upon success and influencing role of 2012/2013 Capital Programme; Members to feed in views to prioritise works for inclusion in the annual Capital Programme;	tbc		<p>Presentation delivered to November board</p> <p>Opportunity to influence usage of resources to be discussed at February Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> February and March boards received information on the areas requiring capital maintenance works across the North area. The proposed areas were prioritised into high, medium and low priority to assist members At the March Board members agreed recommendations of highways officers to propose to Area Committee for the completion of capital maintenance programmes in the North to the total of £110,000 available April Area Committee agreed recommendations of Highways Officers and Place Board. 	

Play and Urban Games Strategy	Influence the update of the strategy - consider with more relevance to board or ward basis	N/A	Member input provided on a ward basis	N/A		Play and Urban Games Delivery Plan developed for 2013 - 16. Ward members consulted as part of the process.	V
Section 106	Give consideration to how members can influence the refinement of policy in order that they are involved earlier to influence how S106 could be used and member involvement on individual cases thereafter	tbc	tbc	tbc		To be carried forward to 2014/15	
Parking Management Schemes	Members to be consulted on Parking Management Schemes should they be proposed for the area	Sep-13	Members to input on scheme proposals around the Stadium of Light	As required		Members and officers discussed at length the proposals for a parking scheme, which if approved will be implemented on events and match days. The scheme will only go ahead if there is community support for it (in excess of 50% in favour and a mandate of a few streets together). There will be 3 weeks of consultation to start on 7th October 2013. Members asked to try to get message out to the public to respond to consultation Following the public engagement exercise on the proposals for the Stadium of Light Events Parking Management Scheme the votes have been counted and assessed and they are as follows: There were just over 1,900 households and businesses engaged. A total of 1,413 votes were cast (a turnout of just over 73 per cent) 1,007 votes were in favour of a permit scheme (just over 71 per cent of votes cast). This vote shows that there is substantial public support for an events parking management scheme. Next steps From the 3rd March 2014 until 28th March 2014 there will be plans deposited for inspection at Fulwell Library and at Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre. Th	
Housing Renewal	Consideration to be given to how the board could inform the development of annual delivery plans and identify local hot spots for target action	tbc	tbc	tbc		To be carried forward to 2014/15	

Additional Area Priorities

1 Greenspace and Shopping Centre Improvements	Develop and Deliver programmes in partnership that will improve the physical and environmental appearance of the North	c/fwd from 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop and deliver programmes to improve the environment. • Continue to develop and deliver programmes to improve the physical appearance of Shopping Centres 	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seafront Strategy/ Developments update to board on works carried out, future works and influencing opportunities • St. Peter's Sculpture Trail, 2nd Phase Planning Meeting held - updates to be provided to Board. Environmental element of the project being delivered within SIB funded RLS project • Area Response Manager and Area Community Officer to identify proposals for improvements at Rawmarsh Road Shops • Local Youth providers have worked with young people to address issues of ASB at Rawmarsh Road Shops • Detailed reports provided from Groundworks on North activity on a regular basis • Compliance officer attended May Place Board to discuss neglected properties and proposed solutions. Regular updates to be provided to board 	
2 Accessibility of Services, Facilities, Events and information	Identify opportunities where members can influence access	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with schools to try to open up facilities where necessary to the local community. • Work with VCS Network to encourage delivery of events and activities. 	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport & Leisure collating lettings policies for schools - information to be presented to future Place Board on facilities available and costs • Groundworks Community Fun Day Event delivered 28th August at Castletown • Sustainable Community Project launched for Southwick at Change 4 Life Event 12th August 2013 • Cultural Spring Project in final business planning completion stage and engaging with members and voluntary and community sector through information sharing events and VCS Network. VCS Network to bring together interested VCS orgs and Cultural Spring representatives to ensure coordinated approach in the North . • Deputy Director of Cultural Spring met with VCS organisations at January North VCS Network • Cultural Spring regularly meet with VCS orgs through the North VCS Network, ward events currently being delivered, in the main from VCS venues, across the North to ensure local community engagement in the project • Cultural Spring Presentation delivered to May Place Board with details of consultation to date with local community and proposed activities to be delivered • Cultural Spring provide regular updates to ACO (North) to 	
3 Heritage	Influence and encourage heritage activity within the North	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive information in relation to heritage celebrations, events and activities taking place throughout 2013/14. • Identify opportunities where members can influence heritage opportunities. • Encourage heritage activity in the North via the VC 	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Kelly and Officers attended special September Place Board (19th) to provide North Heritage Projects Update • Procurement Process for Hylton Castle Design Team Appointment commenced - Place Board agreed to recommend Cllr Wilson be appointed to evaluation panel for design team. • Cllr Wilson involved in meeting prospective design teams. • Design team appointed. • January & February Place Board Cllr Wilson proposed investigating the feasibility of installing a cabin at the Hylton Castle site for use by Project Manager and DWT Worker. Updates to be provided to Board • ACO Supported Castle in the Community and Durham WT officer to submit SIB application for installation of Cabin at Hylton Castle Site - to be considered at June Area Committee 	

	G	Progressing on target
	A	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in place to action)
	R	Not progressing

North Place Board Project Performance Report

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against their targets up to quarter four 2013/2014 and what they have achieved relevant to the Place Board:

Oral History Project	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community/voluntary groups supported	16	8		£9,800	£6,000	
Number of community or educational events held	17	8				
Number of adults obtaining qualifications (non Accredited)	90	40				
Number of people volunteering	85	60				
<p>SIB Funding was awarded to support delivery of the International Oral History Conference and to develop a lasting legacy with the local history/heritage groups across the North area. The first North East International Oral History Conference was successfully held in July 2011 and was attended by 100 delegates from across the region and country. There were also some delegates from overseas. Local people supported the event as volunteers. The project has worked with four local history societies; Monkwearmouth local History Society, Southwick History Society, St Peters Church Volunteers, and Fulwell History Society and have supported the training of volunteers in skills that will support the digitisation of their collections. The project also supported the societies in wider outreach developments with the community and schools.</p> <p>The project has part delivered and drawn down funds in relation to delivery the lead agent has not progressed further delivery therefore it is proposed to return the remaining funds of £3,800 to North Area Committee.</p>						

Fulwell Quarry Tree Planting	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	1	1		£29,000	£27,593	
<p>All work on site is now complete, and all required SIB funding drawn down. Remaining funding of £1,407 to be returned to SIB budget at June's Area Committee.</p>						

Sunderland North Community Sports Complex – Big Pond Phase 2	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	2		£16,698	£16,106	
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	4	3				
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	24	41				
<p>All of the practical work on site has been completed. Over the past quarter, CEED have taken a group of 10 pupils from Redhouse Academy to the site. The group carried out some additional coppicing of the willow on the site. The pupils learnt about the conservation work that has been undertaken and about why the willow needs to be coppiced and the associated wildlife benefits. The pupils took the harvested willow back to school to be used in their garden project and are creating a living willow hedge to mark a memorial garden they are in the process of creating. As all the practical work on site is complete and all the required funding drawn down, the remaining funding of £592 is to be returned to the SIB budget at June's Area Committee.</p>						

Southwick Old Town Hall	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	1		£6,000	£5,942	
<p>Southwick Old Town Hall is one of the main Heritage buildings in the area. SIB funding to the project has continued to contribute to the costs associated with the building to enable it to be maintained, repaired, insured and operated.</p>						

Southwick Community Christmas	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	2	3		£26,752	£21,390	
Number of Community or Educational Events held	2	2				
<p>This project has successfully delivered 2 Southwick illumination switch on events and due to the involvement of voluntary and community sector organisations, primary schools, businesses, elected members and the community of Southwick has delivered under budget with £5,362 remaining. In order to ensure delivery of a 3rd switch on event in November 2014 it is proposed to request at June Area Committee an extension of the project until January 2015</p>						

Why Did Charlie Buchan Go To War? (Beamish)	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	6	0		£15,000	£5,217	
Number of Community or Educational Events held	6	4				
No of additional children and young people participating in activities	450	340				

After a delay in the start of the project, due to slow uptake by local schools this has now been resolved and the Charlie Buchan project is now in full delivery with seven schools involved; Willowfield Primary, Grange Park Primary, Hylton Red House Academy, St Benet's RC Primary, Southwick Community Primary, Hylton Castle Primary and Town End Farm Primary.

Key highlights have included:

- 30 children from across Year's 4 and 5 from the schools involved have taken part in pre visits at school and visited Beamish
- A further 355 children from across years 2 to 6 are due to visit the Beamish Museum in the coming months to take part in the project along with the 'Call to War' activity
- On the 6th March the Museum helped Sunderland Foundation at the Stadium of Light to engage with over 300 children in the Charlie Buchan story, to help improve literacy and was part of the Read and Write Army project
- Meetings with Cheryl Knight the Manager of the Hylton Castle Redevelopment are in the process of being arranged with a view of linking the Charlie Buchan story to these developments
- The pre visit delivery in the classroom explores the Charlie Buchan story through 1st person and 3rd person re-enactments. Charlie is introduced, artefacts relating to football are handled and discussed, discussions held on how he enlists, the children do 'drill', handle artefacts relating to WW1 and examine period photographs
- The children unpick a photo collage of his life and write a postcard home as if they are on the frontline and explore the various industries on the Wear and imagine the way of life in Sunderland leading up to the War
- The team also aims to support the Carnival which is to be run through St Benet's RC Primary School
- Schools in the Sunderland North Area, that have not committed so far to taking part, will be visited in the first few weeks of the Summer Term to try to engage them onto the project

The delay to the start of the project and the slow engagement of local schools and voluntary and community sector organisations has resulted in the lower than expected achievement of the full expenditure and outputs. This is being addressed by the project lead and links will be established with the voluntary and community sector network to get involvement of VCS organisations in the project. The project was due to end 31.03.14 however due to the delay in commencement and the delivery as stated above in the future to achieve the targets an extension is requested and a decision will be sought at June Area Committee.

North East Aircraft Museum	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	1		£13,000	£13,000	

The project was joint funded from both the North Area Committee and Washington Area Committee. SIB across both areas has funded the installation of a new road and drainage system to improve Health and Safety on site as the outside area of the North East Aircraft Museum site, was unsafe for young people and adults to become involved in some of the restoration projects which are based outdoors. All work on sight is now complete and the new road and drainage system has improved the site.

Thompson Park Phase 2	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	0		£30,000	£0	
<p>The project once complete will extend the Eastern garden path, construct a new perimeter path to the South West and install a fitness trail, along with equipment at various intervals around the park. It is hoped that through these improvements it will encourage visitor activity and make the park safer and more accessible to its users, local residents and the local community.</p> <p>No expenditure has occurred on the project as confirmation of match funding for the 'Trim Trail footpath' is still to be confirmed. Once this is in place the work will go out for tender and work on site will commence. Members of the Thompson Park Steering Group are kept up to date with the progress of the match funding.</p>						

Sunderland Green Neighbourhoods	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number Improved Community Facilities	2	4		£4,582	£4,582	
Number of Events/Programmes of Work to Improve Appearance of Streets	20	69				
Number of Community or Education Events Held	4	18				
Number of people volunteering	108	208				
Number of Activities for Children and Young People being delivered during schools holidays/Number of additional children and young people participating in activities during school holidays	100	112				
<p>Native bulbs – including Snakes Head Fritillary and 1,000 British bluebells have been planted out in the Park by CEED volunteers and by the Council gardeners. These are intended to bring extra colour to the Park but to also increase the range of native planting thereby benefiting the fauna and birdlife in the Park. During February half term CEED held 2 family activity days – one at Roker Park and one at Tyzacks Nature Space. There were activities for children based around the birdlife found at the sites including making bird feeders to take home. CEED also used the days to highlight the work that had been done as part of this project. 6 fruit trees and 6 currant shrubs have also been planted within the Sensory Garden. This is the start of an informal 'orchard' that will in the future become a community resource. To update their training, 2 members of CEED staff attended a Paediatric and Outdoor First Aid course in order to aid delivery of activities and work with volunteers in the Park.</p> <p>All work on site is now complete, with the full SIB budget drawn down.</p>						

Hylton Sports Centre Access To Sport	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1	0		£4,500	£0	
<p>SIB funding will enable the installation of a cricket scoreboard at the Billy Hardy Sports Centre, which will enable wider community involvement in cricket by bringing the ground up to an acceptable standard for league engagement. The project is linking with Castlview Academy to encourage young people to be involved in Cricket through Kwik Cricket provision and is also linking with Sunderland University and hosting University Cricket matches. On site visits have taken place with representatives from Sunderland City Council, Sport & Leisure and Property Services to discuss the installation of the new scoreboard and its location. The location has been agreed and quotes received from the manufacturers. The Club has agreed with Bespoke Scoreboards to supply and install the scoreboard.</p> <p>Expenditure will be drawn down once scoreboard installed.</p>						

Wheatsheaf Gyrary Clock	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	0	0		£195	£195	
<p>SIB awarded towards the purchase and Installation of a Clock at the Wheatsheaf Gyrary. Costs associated with the clock included the supply and installation, three year maintenance agreement, excavation of the site and installation of the clock base and connection to the electrical supply and submission of planning application.</p> <p>Planning permission documents have been completed and submitted and are progressing. Procurement have worked on the tender documentation pack which was circulate out to clock manufacturers and a supplier appointment now achieved.</p>						

North Environmental Improvements	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	0	0		£0	£0	
<p>No outputs or expenditure until quarters across 2014/2015.</p> <p>Environmental Improvements across all wards in the North including tree management and thinning, plantation clearances and bankside clearances have been commenced within the following sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town End Farm Plantation • Castletown Plantation • Seafields • Rear of Bishop Harland School • Redhouse Allotment Plantation • Rear of Southwick Library • Kier Hardy Way • Bloomfield Plantation 						

PLACE

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Environment and Greenspace	1. Area Tours to help determine programme for year ahead potentially to include:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks • Allotment sites • Shopping areas • Hylton Castle • Improved use of green/open space (linked to People/Health Priorities and Greenspace Funding) • Cemeteries • Neglected Properties (eg Victoriana Building) • Nuisance Parking • Implementing Dog Control Orders • St. Peters Sculpture Trail interpretation project linked to heritage, arts, cultural and environmental improvements 		
		2. Monitor Progress of SIB funded Environmental Improvements Project		
		3. Influence Seafront development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board to receive updates and identify opportunities to influence future developments 		
2	Ward Member Community Engagement (links to People)	1. Link ward members to events and activities delivered 2. Monitor cultural spring project engagement through the North VCS Network		

		3.Support continued delivery of Southwick Illuminations programme		
		4. Encourage and influence the use of the Roker Pods.		
3	Heritage	1. Board involvement with Hylton Castle Project		
		2. Support Activity at Hylton Castle and Dene		
		3. Battle Re-enactment Event		
		4. Clock Installation linked to Commemoration of WW1		
		5. Influence development of Fulwell Mill		
		6. Influence use of the river/sea		
4	Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Work with individuals and communities to take more responsibility for and be passionate about keeping local communities clean, green and well looked after. Develop approach(s) to deal with neglected:- Land, Housing, Shopping Parades Industrial Estates, through interventions appropriate at Area Level		
		2. Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of S106 funding at an area level		
		3. To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme		

Place Board – Terms of Reference

The Place Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

Membership and Role

Chair

- The Chair of the Place Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the Place Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the Place Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the Place Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

Elected Members

- Core Membership of the Place Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members; however, Core Membership may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward; Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the Place Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that Place Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

Support Officers

- **Relevant Council Officers** - will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- **Designated Area Co-ordinator**– is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- **Designated Area Community Officer**– supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the Place Board in delivering place board priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** - will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

Frequency

Place Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

Reporting Arrangements

The Place Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the Place Board, assisted by the designated Area Co-ordinator and Area Community Officer.

Remit of the Place Board

The remit of the Place Board is to:

- Respond to all Place priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and supports the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

18th June 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2013/14 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2014/15
- c. Provides an update on People Board Governance Arrangements for 2014/15.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year North Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the North People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The People Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2014/15.

3. Annual Update of 2013/14 People Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2013/14 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

4. Proposed Work Plan for 2014/15

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the People Board considers key to deliver during 2014/15.
- 4.2 Additionally the People Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of People Based Services devolved to Area Committee. Proposals also outlined in **Annex 3**.

5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-
 - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilizing its own resources.

- 5.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Annex 4**.
- 5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the People Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	People Board Membership
Chair	Cllr R. Copeland
Castle	Cllr. S. Foster
Redhill	Cllr R. Davison
Southwick	Cllr C. Shattock
Fulwell	Cllr B. Francis
St. Peter's	Cllr B. Curran

- 5.4 Other local groups/boards where North Area Committee has elected member representation are outlined below:-

Group	Elected Member Representative
Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)	Cllr D. Wilson
Childrens Centre's Local Area Board (CLAB)	Cllr R. Copeland and Cllr R. Davison
Youth Operations Group	Cllr R. Copeland (Open to all elected members to attend)
Area VCS Network co-chair	Cllr D. Wilson
Corporate Parenting Board	Cllr D MacKnight

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:-
- a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the North Area People Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Annex 1 and 2**.
 - b. Consider and agree the North Area People Board Work Plan Priorities for 2014/15 attached as **Annex 3**.
 - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2014/15 outlined in **Section 5 and Annex 4**.

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North Area Committee: Work Plan 2013/14							
PEOPLE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services							
Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	Progress	Completed?
1 Early Years Intervention and Locality Services	To influence service delivery in the North	Monthly basis	Work with Locality Manager to identify opportunities to influence services; Specifically monitor and influence the delivery of activities for young people	As required		Board receive Early Intervention and Locality Working Updates	Monthly
2 Support the Delivery of the Health and Well Being Strategy: Transformation of Adult Social Care	To influence how services might be delivered in the future	Jun-13	Develop community directory; Identify gaps and opportunities to enhance community provision; Consider potential to develop Dementia Caf�s	January 2013 (presentation HW Being Strategy)		Board agreed for HHAS to look at: •Directory of Services for the North to include locations to signpost the elderly to in order to reduce social isolation - all ward councillor meetings held, directory information collated and presented to August Board members discussed provision in ward, identified gaps and opportunities to support delivery of services/activities and minimise impact of demand •The Board agreed the following recommendations to be considered by September Area Committee: - Work with specialist officers to be carried out to collate key statistics from wards on need - VCS/Faith Groups to be contacted by the Area Community Officer to identify specific issues and support which may be required to continue/enhance the offer to the community which will include potential for SIB application and or call for projects. •September Area Committee agreed Board recommendations •Officers met to commence process to gather key statistics for wards	
						•Project promoted through the North VCS Network and meetings commenced with organisations delivering services and activities to identify key challenges and support required. To date issues raised include - equipment and materials for arts and crafts activities, tutors to deliver arts and crafts courses, room hire, equipment to deliver luncheon clubs, equipment to deliver healthy eating projects. Report to be presented to December Board to highlight specific issues and proposals for way forward •Potential to develop dementia cafe in the area - representatives of Dementia in Sunderland attended June People Board to advise on Memory Cafe Concept. •January Area Committee agreed to allocate �30,000 of SIB budget for the provision of service and activities that address social isolation. The People Board to develop the Project brief which provides for an element of the budget to be ring fenced to CAs located in the North of the city, and carry out a call for projects. . February and March People Board considered the brief and carried out call for projects. Applications considered at May People Board with recommend	
3 Library Services	Stage 2 consultation - opportunity for members to influence transformation of a reading and learning information service	Jun-13	Members to feed in potential venues in the area for Community Book collections and reservations, outreach programmes and use of buildings	October 2013 (update only)		Members fed in proposals to Service Area to be incorporated as far as possible in proposal to Cabinet on 4th September. Proposals included potential locations for book collections, reservations and outreach programmes for St. Peter's Redhill and Southwick, Castle content with provision in ward and fulwell provided comments in relation to changes to provision. Further updates to be provided to members via a Library Services newsletter. •Community Engagement Librarian appointed who liaises with the Voluntary and Community Sector Network to ensure partnership and community led delivery of services	Yes

4	Re-commissioning services in Children's Centres for 2014	To influence service provision in the NORTH as of April 2014	Jul-13	Bring unique understanding of communities to identify options for future delivery	Sept 2013 (update only)		Board received presentation on 25.7.13 and requested via email to provide responses to consultation by 6.9.13:- The request asked for suggestions for any services/programmes that can improve health in the North and narrow the gap between the North and the rest of the City. Ideas to influence and increase in participation in parenting skills. Ideas to influence an increase in volunteering opportunities available through Children's Centres or signposting services, consider whether creche facilities are an issue in the Children's Centre at Bunnyhill are they sufficient to encourage take up or programmes or is it a barrier? October Board received presentation to update on re-commissioning process. Further updates to provided by Early Years Intervention and Locality Manager as part of regular board update.	Yes
5	Influencing re-commissioning of Youth Contracts for 2015	Influence Youth Contract Provision from April 2015	July 2014 (tbc)	tbc	September 2014 (tbc)			
6	LMAP's - review and links with Area Arrangements	To ensure the board understand the outcome of the review and the impact on linkages with Area Arrangements	tbc	tbc	N/A		Arrangements in place to consider during 2014/15	
7	Lifelong Learning	To consider how members can influence the commissioning of activity utilising Family Adult and Community Learning Funding (FACL) available in 2014/15	February and March 2014	To influence activity to be commissioned using FACL funding post September 2014	tbc		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The People Board were presented with information on Family and Adult Community Learning, including the current timetable for delivery in the North and how Family and Adult Community Learning is procured. • Members considered current provision and how this meets local need, who currently operates as a training provider in the North, how awareness and take up of the provision can be maximised and how FACL can be supported to increase engagement with local venues. • The People Board recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An overview be presented to the VCS Network. - Opportunities to be a training provider or host venue be presented to the VCS. - The VCS to consider where any existing groups/provision may fit and be eligible for support through FACL in the future. - The VCS to be given the opportunity to identify gaps in provision for the needs of the area. - The VCS to promote and market current FACL opportunities to residents and users to encourage take up. 	
8	HHA Commissioned Grant	To consider how members can contribute to and influence the commissioning approach through 2014-2015 for grant allocation available in 2015-2016	Initial Discussions Jan 2014	tbc	Corporate Review to take place during 2014/15			

9	Child Health/Obesity	Consideration to be given to opportunities where members/officers/relevant partners can work together to understand the local context and how community leadership can help reduce obesity	tbc	tbc	N/A		An informal session has been arranged for 12th November to help to develop effective links between the CCG and the City Council's Local Area Arrangements, namely Area Committees and associated People and Place Boards. All Chairs and Vice Chairs were invited to attend. The event provided the opportunity to share our experiences of how both the CCG and the City Council's Area Arrangements are progressing, consider where we share mutual outcomes and discuss opportunities for developing a joined up approach which adds value to delivering those outcomes. Area Committee Chair, People Board Chair, ACC and ACO have met with CCG North Locality Team to start to establish effective links in the North and agree where our priorities align and how we can work together to deliver them. CCG representatives attended and informal Area Committee meeting in May to discuss the role of the CCG and our approach to joint working. The Health and Wellbeing Priority proposed for 2014/15 will include joint working arrangements.	
10	Health Funding - £20k per area	To allocate against Health priorities	2014/15	tbc	Apr-14		Area Committee received a report updating on potential use of grant. Grant to be allocated and contribute to the Health and Wellbeing priority during 2014/15.	
11	Intergrated Wellness Service Review	To input into forthcoming review	Oct 2013 March 2014	Influence services to be commissioned and delivered as from October 2014	Sep-13		Integrated wellness was discussed at the November Board meeting. Members were asked to consider what 5 commissioned opportunities they would prioritise from a health improvement perspective (eg greenspace/seaside/service delivery/supporting local groups to do it for themselves?) and feed comments into a stakeholder event which took place later that month. Gillian Gibson provided feedback on consultation arrangements to March 2014 board meeting. The Health and Wellbeing Priority for 2014/15 proposes to pick up on key issues that come out of the review.	
12	Strengthening Families - Family Focus	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence the Strengthening Families - Family Focus	Sep-13	Board considered how they are/or could support the Strengthening Families programme delivery at a local level.	Sept 2013 (presentation and referred to people Board for further discussion)		Alan Scott gave presentation at Area Committee Meeting September 2013. It provided an update on Strengthening Families and links to Community Leadership. At September's People Board, members agreed to discuss the potential of running events through the North VCS Network to be delivered across all wards and to link to the Strengthening Families project and childhood obesity. The events could provide the opportunity for showcasing healthy eating/health initiatives/leisure opportunities and volunteering. Discussed at VCS Network meeting (7th November) with a view provided that an indication of funding available to deliver an event would be a starting point for services and activities which could be delivered. January 2014 Area Committee approved £10k of SIB budget for the provision of ward based events showcasing services and activities and volunteering opportunities which address childhood obesity. People Board developed the brief at February and March Board and a call for projects carried out. Recommendations to be presented to June Area Committee	
13	Welfare Reform	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence/take actions	Oct-13	tbc			Fiona Brown delivered a presentation to October's People Board Meeting. Members requested Welfare Reform update to the VCS network in order to ensure engagement of VCS. Presentation to be delivered to VCS Network meeting on 7th November.	
14	Anti-social Behaviour	Consideration being given to how members can influence a more bespoke approach to ASB	tbc	tbc	tbc			

15	Sexual Health Review	Board to influence the future service delivery centrally and via outreach of sexual health services	Oct - Nov 13	Bring unique understanding of communities to identify options for future delivery	tbc		December Board received a presentation on the review of Sexual Health Services in the city and feedback to date. The key emerging themes discussed were Raising Awareness, Access, accessibility of services for particular groups, stigma and embarrassment. A specific issue for the North is the Emergency Hormonal Contraception provision is showing low access and high need. Next steps include taking forward commissioning recommendations and where area specific issues emerge they will be shared with the People Board in more detail, to support members to understand the issues and identify local priorities. Further discussion took place at March Board and the Health and Wellbeing Priority for 2014/15 proposes to pick up on key issues that come out of the review.
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Additional Area Priorities

1	Job Prospects and Activities for Young People	Develop a programme to support employment opportunities for young people	c/fwd from 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working group to develop options based on: Audit of local need, understand how education providers link with employers, and assessment of employers skills requirements v local workforce Once options agreed by board take to Area committee for decision 	Sep-13		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft project brief for call for projects presented to May Board for discussion, further work required on including incentives such as driving lessons and also on existing provision in the North Job Prospects Working Group met July 2013 to discuss audit of local need and current services/support available in the North. Options presented to August Board on School Opportunities Project and Work Experience Opportunities August Board agreed to recommend to Area Committee, age group 14-16 year olds School Opportunities Project to be progressed and to recommend alignment of SIB funding September Area Committee agreed recommendations of Board with a view to the Board considering a second stage in the future of 16-19 year olds work programme support Meeting held with officers to inform School Opportunities brief to be presented to Board Brief for School Opportunities Project and Call for Projects to be presented to October Board. October Board agreed brief and call for projects Call for projects circulated to Area VCS Networks with a deadline for applications of 2nd December. Applications to be consulted upon at 12th December People Board January People Board received presentations from four shortlisted applications January Area Committee agreed recommendation of Board that Foundation of Light be awarded the SIB Youth Operational Group meets on a 4 weekly basis, all members invited, receive minutes on provision Board influenced location of goalposts for informal play within the North area January Area Committee received a report from VCS Network which highlighted the impact on the sector
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2	Anti-social Behaviour	(Combine with 5 and 14 once approach agreed?).	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work through LMAPs to ensure local problems addressed Influence services and facilities that divert from ASB 	As required		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LMAPS continue on a 6 weekly basis with new issues and updates being shared with members via the Chair of AC. Terms of Reference refresh will be reported to Area Committee Multi agency approach adopted to address issues of ASB at Seafront and Hylton Castle with meeting held August 2013 and SIB funds aligned Police and Crime Commissioner funding opportunity of up to £2,000 for the voluntary and community sector to develop projects which address Putting Victims First, Dealing with Anti Social Behaviour, Domestic and Sexual Abuse, Reducing Crime and Community Confidence shared with the North VCS Network to encourage applications for the funding supported by the Area Community Officer
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	G	Progressing on target					
	A	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in place to action)					
	R	Not progressing					

North People Board Project Performance

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against their targets up to quarter four 2013/2014 and what they have achieved relevant to the People Board:

Community Action North	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people employed in voluntary work	51	50		£43,321	£34,324	
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	24	22				
Number of programmes to reduce ASB	4	5				
Number of Community/Voluntary Groups supported	5	8				
<p>The Community Facilitator continues to work to progress the graffiti project and has worked with partner colleagues within SNCBC to re-engage members of the Downhill Community who wish to take an active role in providing services for their communities. This has led to 5 previous volunteers re-engaging with the project and 11 new residents actively participating in weekly meetings. Local issues are being identified with support from local Councillors, Gentoo and the group are currently using the Downhill Centre facility as a meeting base. Resident engagement has begun to address the issues reported around the tree-line boundary at the head of the Town End Farm estate, specifically associated with alcohol and drugs activity and the 'Councils local response team' have been made aware of a number of issues relating to dog fouling at 'hot spots' for dog walking in Sunderland North. The Community Facilitator has also been made aware of a number of incidents of fly-tipping and has again reported matters to the area response team.</p> <p>Local Organisations and residents have expressed concerns in linking with the Cultural Spring Initiative and the Community Facilitator is researching events and opportunities for the local community and local organisations to engage with the initiative and participate in its opportunities.</p>						

Keep Kids Active	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people engaged in healthy lifestyle projects	4,170	4,075		£21,630	£20,188	
No of activities for children and young people being delivered during school holidays	24	22				
Number of people employed in voluntary work	81	94				
<p>The events are still extremely well attended overall and the positive feedback from both children and parents after the camps continues to confirm the importance of opportunities of the current programmes and the need for these to continue in the foreseeable future. A new more in-depth feedback form has been Introduced and has provided the organisers with a better overview of the response and success of the activities. The last sessions delivered over the school holidays saw a lot of children attending who had been to previous camps. The physical activities delivered by the programme have worked effectively to provide children with an awareness and understanding of the importance of being active. The Children's experience after the camps is a positive and effective support to increase their movement skills, confidence and social skills.</p> <p>The project has delivered further in Q1 of 2014-15 due to Easter school holidays falling in April (figures included above) and will be delivering within May half term therefore further outputs to add which will achieve targets</p>						

Red HouseAcademy Youth Project	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of additional youth sessions delivered each week	256	274		£46,000	£19,626	
Number of additional young people engaged and participating in youth provision	150	486				
<p>The RHAY Centre is continuing to be a much needed youth facility in the Red Hill Ward. Young people are currently accessing around three regular sessions per week with more young people bringing their friends along. Good partnership working between the RHAY Centre and XL Youth Provision has seen lots of new faces accessing and using the MUGA. For those accessing the RHAY Centre the young people continue to have the opportunity to participate in a range of activities and informal educative processes including issue based work around E-Cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, smoking, sex and relationships, team building activities and woodcraft. Other activities include arts and crafts, games consoles, table tennis, pool and a range of sports. During the sessions young people continue to be able to access support services including C-Card, Smoking Cessation and Sexual Health Advice. The young people who access the Music Project are continuing to work on developing and producing a CD of tracks learning about recording, production and use of the equipment. They are also looking at how to produce the CD including photo shots, promotion and distribution. A NEET session has also continued in the Red Hill Ward. Young people have had the opportunity to access the Youth Bus during this session to chat to staff, explore courses and CV writing. Young people have also been signposted to SYNPN to do job searches.</p> <p>This project has exceeded the output targets and reached the completion date well under budget. Therefore a report will be presented to June Area Committee to extend the project for a further year, giving Area Committee a further year delivery on the funding agreed. This additional year will include the project working with local voluntary and community sector youth providers to continue youth provision from the centre after the SIB funding has ended.</p>						

Back on Track, First Steps	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of young people going into employment, further education or training	0	0		£0	£0	
Number of young people aged 14-16 years old not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education, Back on Track First Steps Programme and work experience opportunities	0	0				
Number of additional and young people participating in activities during school holidays	0	0				
Number of people volunteering	0	0				

Outputs and expenditure not forecast till quarter 1 2014/2015.

The Back on Track First Steps project provides a holistic package of support aimed at reducing NEETs and increasing knowledge, understanding and skills around employability and the world of work for young people aged 14-16 across the North. This will be achieved through engaging with the young people, who are in danger of becoming NEET and who have become disillusioned with education, by using a programme of non-accredited activities to increase self-esteem, raise aspirations and put them 'Back on Track' into the first steps towards re-engagement in education, training or employment. The young people are identified by schools as suitable participants to undertake the programme and will comprise of a two year course but with two distinct parts allowing young people to join at any stage of the project.

The project has commenced consultation with the target schools in the North and is successfully moving forward engagement and uptake of the project by the schools

Improving Employability of 16 - 25 year olds	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people going into employment	6	5		£3,125	£3,125	
Number of young people aged 16-19 years old not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education and employment (not forecast till quarter 2 2014/2015)	0	0				
Number of people volunteering(not forecast till quarter 2 2014/2015)	0	0				
Number of people on out of work benefits going into employment	5	5				
Number of people receiving job training	5	8				
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	20	48				
<p>The project commenced on the anticipated start date with the youth careers worker commencing full time hours. Young people aged 16-25 years have been accessing the service on a drop in basis as and when is convenient for themselves. In the first six weeks of the programme 48 individual young people accessed the project with a total of 112 contacts including repeat visits and 13 brand new clients have been registered, many of whom have been referred from Southwick Job Centre after their personal advisers have identified that they require additional support.</p> <p>A high volume of the time spent supporting people is with the online portal and Universal Jobmatch. In house training via workshops has taught individuals to be more independent on Universal Jobmatch to empower them to take ownership of their own job searching. Computer and internet access continues to be the main attraction for people accessing the project.</p> <p>Visits to various training providers have taken place including Phoenix Employment Training Academy Ltd (PETAL) and the Princes Trust.</p> <p>5 young people have been supported into paid work with a varied range of roles from production worker at Unipress, call centre operative at 2Touch, retail at British Heart Foundation to a traffic surveyor. 2 young people have enrolled for courses via The Princes Trust, one on the 12 week Team Programme and one on a Get Started in Childcare course. In addition to this other young people have been supported through various tasks including registering for the national apprenticeship service, applications to college, applications to Nissan's Youth Evolution Scheme (YES) and assisted with online applications for Job Seekers Allowance too. To date a list of 77 young people are e-mailed the job bulletin list each Friday and a further 8 young people who do not have internet access have it posted to them.</p>						

Men's Healthy Futures North	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of groups engaged	80	76		£31,079	£30,532	
Number of individuals engaged	1,600	1,545				
<p>This twelve month partnership project has been developed to provide a holistic, co-ordinated approach to reducing cancer mortality for local men. The project aims are to increase awareness and encourage healthy lifestyles.</p> <p>Key pieces of work delivered include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of the Ha'way man promotional materials, cancer awareness and healthy lifestyle leaflets. • Ha'way man pledge project to encourage people to commit to a specific health improvement. • Men's Health Network meetings held in the North including release and distribution of monthly newsletters with the health message • Promotional and engagement events held in Thompson Park, at Southwick Shopping Centre, Sunderland Airshow, Sunderland North Carers Centre, Sunderland University and at the Glass Centre for the commencement of the Big Walk • First Clinical Contact has delivered two SCIP training sessions in the North. • Sunderland Wellbeing guide published and a Men's Health Page included which was promoted and discussed at the North VCS Network 						

- The North Capacity Funding Pot has been promoted through the North VCS Network with 12 projects delivered to date including, Healthy by Nature Activities, Men in the Zone Cookery and Photography, Men's Healthy Cookery, Father and Sons Bike Project, Music Sessions, Football sessions and Snowboarding
- Individuals accessing work programme and mandatory work activity at SNCBC have completed questionnaires, have had men's health messages and advice and guidance provided.
- Washington Mind host the www.wellbeinginfo.org.uk site which has a designated Men's Health area and the Men's Health Network is currently helping to develop this site further
- The Men's Health Calendar for 2014 was distributed in December 2013 with photos from across the North delivering the Men's Health message enabling the project to continue to promote the health messages for a further year.

PEOPLE

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Health and Wellbeing	Link with CCG to ensure partnership approach developed to delivering our Health Priorities in the North to include:-		
		1. Funding services and activities which address social isolation		
		2. Work with CAs in the North to develop capacity to play a central role in delivery of services and activities in the area		
		3. Maximising the Use of the Health Funds for use of Green/Open Space to address health issues (also links to Place) to include usage of the river including fishing/angling and boating		
		4. Promote the take up of Health Champions Training including the Dementia Module		
		5. Promotion of dementia friendly communities model		
		6. Support the development of leaflet/pamphlet given when diagnosis of dementia is made		
		7. Identify current leaflets available including key contacts for all and support the development and promotion of availability		

		8. Responding to issues raised through Sexual Health and integrated wellness reviews		
2	Activities For Young People	1. Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery		
		2. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the North.		
		3. Consider opportunities for young people to support their Health and well being (links to Place Board priorities for developing green/open/river/sea spaces).		
3	Job Prospects and Skills	1. Continue to monitor the School Opportunities Project.		
		2. Work with employers to identify key skills required in order to influence training available and signposting of young people to provision. (Establishing a better understanding of the Education and Skills Strategy and Initiatives such as Work Discovery Week to support this.)		
		3. Identify opportunities to influence employers using local workforce via social value clauses within procurement opportunities		
4	Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Develop New Relationship with Schools		
		2. Improve access to green/open/blue space, to support further participation in physical activities. (Greenspace Grant of £20k per area).		
		3. Review of Museum Services		

People Board – Terms of Reference

The People Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

Membership and Role

Chair

- The Chair of the People Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the People Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the People Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the People Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

Elected Members

- Core Membership of the People Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members; however, Core Membership may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward; Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the People Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that People Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

Support Officers

- **Relevant Council Officers** - will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- **Designated Area Co-ordinator**– is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- **Designated Area Community Officer**– supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the People Board in delivering People board priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** - will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

Frequency

People Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

Reporting Arrangements

The People Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the People Board, assisted by the designated Area Co-ordinator and Area Community Officer.

Remit of the People Board

The remit of the People Board is to:

- Respond to all People priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and supports the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

SUNDERLAND NORTH AREA COMMITTEE

18th June 2014

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

Author(s):

Chief Executive

Purpose of Report:

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an up date position on progress in relation to allocating SIB, and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to:-

1. Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1 and 3.1
2. Approve SIB funding of £23,000 for Castle in the Community – Hylton Castle Cabin Project
3. Area Committee previously approved £30,000 for project which address social isolation and the committee is requested to consider the following recommendations of the People Board:

Approve subject to conditions detailed in Item 6 Annex 2

- CEED – Wellbeing Together - £4,470
- Groundwork NE – Active Green Living - £4,500
- Age UK Sunderland – Promoting Friendships in North Sunderland - £2,050
- Salvation Army – United we Stand - £4,000

Reject as application failed to meet brief

- B Active N B Fit CIC – Social Activity Health Mentor - £3,000

Approve subject to conditions detailed in Item 6 Annex 3

- Castletown Community Association - £2,500
 - Redby Community Association - £2,500
 - Thompson Park Community Association - £2,500
 - Redhouse Community Association - £2,500
4. Approve that the £4,980 balance of unallocated SIB from the overall pot to help address Social Isolation is used to fund trips/event and activities which help address social isolation for communities in the North. All applications to be endorsed by the People Board as outlined in Section 2.8.
 5. Area Committee previously approved £10,000 for Ward Based Events and the committee is requested to consider the following recommendation of the People Board:
 - Reject application for Southwick Ward Event as outlined in Section 2.9.
 - Approve a collaborative approach to this funding through the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network with one application for

<p>five ward events to be considered and agreed by the People Board</p> <p>6. Approve extension to Southwick Community Christmas Project until January 2015</p> <p>7. Approve extension of Why did Charlie Buchan Go to War (Beamish) Project until March 2015</p> <p>8. Approve extension of Redhouse Youth Academy Project until March 2015</p> <p>9. Note the 12 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in Annex 5.</p>	
Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?	Yes
<p>Suggested reason(s) for Decision: The Area Committee has an allocation of £314,858 for 2014/2015 from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.</p>	
<p>Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected: The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.</p>	
<p>Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No</p> <p>Is it included in the Forward Plan? No</p>	Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

18th June 2014

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB), Community Chest Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

1. Purpose of Report

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an up date position on progress in relation to allocating SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2014/2015:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £314,858				
				£314,858
Project Name				
Thompson Park House	07.04.14	-	£25,000	£289,858
Health Champions Dementia Training Module	07.04.14	-	£5,750	£284,108
Addressing Social Isolation (Call for Projects)	07.04.14	-	£30,000	£254,108
Ward Based Events (Call for Projects)	07.04.14	-	£10,000	£244,108
Returned Funding: Sunderland North Education and Heritage Project	19.09.11	-	(£3,166)	£247,274
Returned Funding: Fulwell Quarry Tree Planting	30.01.12	-	(£1,407)	£248,681
Returned Funding: Sunderland North Sports Complex Improvement Project (Big Pond Phase 2)	21.06.12	-	(£592)	£249,273
Returned Funding: Operation Educate	23.04.12	-	(£54)	£249,327
Returned Funding: St Peter's Sculpture Trail	15.03.13	-	(£24)	£249,351

Returned Funding: Sunderland Green Neighbourhoods	20.06.13	-	(£36)	£249,387
Returned Funding: Tackling ASB in the North	16.08.13	-	(£160)	£249,547
Returned Funding: International Oral History Festival	06.06.11	-	(£3,800)	£253,347
Balance		£0	£70,750	£253,347

2.2 There is one application for SIB funding presented to Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 6 Annex 1**

Castle in the Community Cabin Project £23,000

2.3 The total budget being requested from the project listed above is **£23,000**. Should the project be approved the balance of SIB funding remaining following allocation would be **£230,347**

2.4 In January North Area Committee agreed the allocation of £30,000 for Services and Activities to Address Social Isolation. The grant was agreed to be used, in part, for a Call for Projects with the balance to be used to fund self-supporting Community Associations in the North. At the request of North Area Committee the People Board developed a project brief and initiated a Call for Projects to the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) and ring fenced £20,000 of the budget for this purpose. The remaining £10,000 was agreed to be used to support the four Community Associations.

2.5 **Call For Projects.** 5 Applications were received and considered by the People Board held in May. The following projects are detailed in **Item 6 Annex 2** and are recommended by the People Board for approval with specific conditions attached.

- CEED – Wellbeing Together - £4,470
- Groundwork NE – Active Green Living - £4,500
- Age UK Sunderland – Promoting Friendships in North Sunderland - £2,050
- Salvation Army – United we Stand - £4,000

2.6 The following project is detailed in **Item 6 Annex 2** and is recommended by the People Board for rejection as the application failed to meet the brief:

- B Active N B Fit CIC – Social Activity Health Mentor - £3,000

2.7 **Support to Community Associations.** The following projects are detailed in **Item 6 Annex 3** and are recommended by the People Board for approval subject to promoting that they have received funding from North Area committee's SIB.

- Castletown Community Association - £2,500
- Redby Community Association - £2,500
- Thompson Park Community Association - £2,500
- Redhouse Community Association - £2,500

2.8 If the above decisions are supported there will be a total budget remaining of £4,980 from the overall pot to help address Social Isolation. As such the People Board propose that Area Committee approve that the balance is used to fund trips/event and activities

which help address social isolation for communities in the North. It is further recommended that all applications are considered and endorsed by the People Board.

2.9 January Area Committee agreed the allocation of £10,000 for a Call for Projects to the VCS for the provision of five ward based events to be delivered in the North. The events were to link to the Strengthening Families project and help to address childhood obesity through showcasing health eating, health initiatives, leisure and volunteering opportunities. The People Board agreed the project brief and circulated it to the North Voluntary and Community Sector. One application was received and appraised and is detailed in **Item 6 Annex 4:-**

- Salvation Army - £2,000

The People Board recommend:

- The application is rejected as it has failed to meet the brief.
- Develop a collaborative approach to utilising the £10,000. Open up the opportunity via the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network for groups interested in working collaboratively to develop one application to deliver 5 ward events. The final proposal to be endorsed by the People.

2.10 Existing SIB Project - Southwick Community Christmas has successfully delivered 2 illumination switch on events under budget with £5,362 remaining in order to ensure delivery of a 3rd switch on event in November 2014 an extension of the project is requested until January 2015.

2.11 Existing SIB Project – Why Did Charlie Buchan Go to War (Beamish) had a delayed start due to slow engagement of schools and voluntary and community sector organisations. The project is now delivering with local schools, voluntary and community sector and linking to the Hylton Castle project an extension of the project is requested until March 2015.

2.12 Existing SIB Project – Redhouse Academy Youth Project has exceeded the output targets and reached the completion date under budget. An extension of a further year is requested giving a further years delivery and enable the project to work with local voluntary and community sector youth providers to continue youth provision after SIB funding has ended.

3 Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the starting balances for 2014/2015. **Item 6 Annex 5** shows the approvals between April - June 2014:

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2014	Grant Returned	Balance
Castle	£15,341.50	£5,489.84	£0	£9,851.66
Fulwell	£14,596.77	£5,236.58	£0	£9,360.19
Redhill	£27,409.66	£1,242.00	£0	£26,167.66
Southwick	£13,040.29	£2,600.00	£0	£10,440.29
St Peters	£13,861.31	£1,395.00	£0	£12,466.31
Total	£84,249.53	£15,963.42	£0	£68,286.11

4. Recommendations

4.1 Note the financial statements set out in **sections 2.1** and **3.1**

- 4.2 Consider the approval of £23,000 for Hylton Dene Cabin Project as set out in **section 2.2**.
- 4.3 Approve subject to conditions detailed in **Item 6 Annex 2**:
- CEED – Wellbeing Together - £4,470
 - Groundwork NE – Active Green Living - £4,500
 - Age UK Sunderland – Promoting Friendships in North Sunderland - £2,050
 - Salvation Army – United we Stand - £4,000
- 4.4 Reject the B Active N B Fit – Social Activity Health Mentor application as detailed in **section 2.6**.
- 4.5 Approve subject to proposal set out in **Section 2.5** and conditions detailed in **Item 6 Annex 3**
- Castletown Community Association - £2,500
 - Redby Community Association - £2,500
 - Thompson Park Community Association - £2,500
 - Redhouse Community Association - £2,500
- 4.6 Approve that the £4,980 balance of unallocated SIB from the overall pot to help address Social Isolation is used to fund trips/event and activities which help address social isolation for communities in the North. All applications to be endorsed by the People Board as outlined in **Section 2.8**.
- 4.7 Reject application for Southwick Ward Event as outlined in **Section 2.9**.
- 4.8 Approve a collaborative approach to Strengthening Families – Family Focus Ward based events funding through the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network with one application for five ward events to be considered and agreed by the People Board as outlined in **Section 2.9**.
- 4.9 Approve extensions to projects as set out in **Sections 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12**.
- 4.10 Note the **12** Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Item 6 Annex 5**

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SINGLE INITIATIVE BUDGET (SIB)**Application No.1 – SIB**

Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	Hylton Dene Cabin Project
Lead Organisation	Castle in the Community

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£23,000	£0	£23,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
1Year	July 2014	March 2015

The Project

The project aims to install a cabin at the site of Hylton Castle in order to provide a base for the Hylton Dene Project Officer and a hub for use by local schools, the Hylton Castle Project Manager, architects and surveyors linked to the Hylton Castle Project. This new cabin will replace an existing structure which does not provide enough space to meet current demand and also has no toilet facilities for use by local schools when accessing the site. The Hylton Dene Project Officer delivers educational events and activities such as:

- Pond dipping
- Mini-beast hunts
- Tree and plant identification sessions
- River erosion and aquatic surveys
- Historical visits to castle for all ages
- Castle open days
- Support for any events taking place in either Hylton Dene or Hylton castle

These events and activities ensure that the site is accessible for members of the community and also promotes the heritage element of the Castle to the local community and wider.

Castle in the Community also engage with local VCS organisations in order to deliver events within a collaborative approach such as the Halloween Event in partnership with Sunderland North Family Zone and NE Sports.

The Need for the Project

Sunderland City Council has secured stage one Heritage Lottery funding to complete a feasibility study, business plan and funding application to secure stage two to redevelop the Hylton Castle site. This involves extensive use of the site including hosting of architects, project management and surveyors who require a meeting place. In addition an essential element of the project moving forward is enhanced community engagement including local schools. This increased usage and proposals for the future have identified a need for a fit for purpose structure, incorporating toilets in order to meet the needs of the community.

The Project Manager for the Hylton Castle Redevelopment has been consulted and advised:

The proposed cabin addresses a real and urgent requirement for replacement working accommodation for the Hylton Dene Project Officer, as the current facility is already in an extremely poor state of repair and is unlikely to last through the next winter.

As the proposed cabin's site sits within English Heritage's guardianship boundary, Scheduled Monument Consent is required from EH to replace the current portakabin. Consequently, it is essential that the guidance provided by EH regarding the cabin is followed in order to ensure that the necessary consents are obtained. The replacement

cabin should be therefore be as close in size and nature to the current facility as possible, and needs to be a temporary structure that will be removed from the site once redevelopment of the Castle is complete, as stipulated by English Heritage.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Permissions in Place from English Heritage	01/09/2014
Cabin Purchased and Sited	31/12/2014

Recommend – Approve - The project will deliver against the priorities of heritage and accessibility of services and facilities.

NORTH AREA COMMITTEE CALL FOR PROJECTS

Applications for Social Isolation Projects

Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested	
Project 1 – Wellbeing Together	CEED	£4,470	
<p>The project will promote wellbeing and combat social isolation through a programme of events delivered by two organisations primarily aimed at local people from across Seaburn, Roker, Fulwell and Southwick but will be open across the North. A range of wellbeing sessions will be delivered by HOPS Wellbeing Service and Horticulture sessions such as grow your own vegetables will be delivered by CEED. The sessions will be split between outdoor areas including use of the Roker Pods and Roker Park depending on the sessions and the needs and abilities of individuals. The combined programme will give people the chance to be active, enjoy the outdoors and socialise etc.</p> <p>The delivery of the project will allow pooled expertise resulting in better opportunities for local people and a larger number of activities offered. All activities will be offered free of charge over a three month period.</p> <p>Advertising will be done through existing contacts, North VCS Network, Health Champions Networks. Along with this they will visit places such as supermarkets, libraries, post offices and GP surgery's to promote the sessions to the target audience.</p> <p>Both Organisations have been delivering community projects for a number of years and have a bank of experienced volunteers and staff.</p> <p>The project meets the priority of services and activities which address social isolation by providing a varied programme of both well being activities here the delivery will be tailored to individual needs and hold coffee and chat afternoons.</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>Approve – subject to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish links with Gentoo • Ensures delivery across all North wards • Promote the project is funded via North SIB • Attend future board meeting to feedback on project 			
Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested	
Project 2 – Active Green Living	Groundwork NE & Cumbria	£4,500	
<p>The project will support older people from across the North at risk of social isolation by introducing them to 'Green activity'. The aim of the programme is to encourage positive wellbeing, social interaction and improved health through outdoor activity including walking, gardening, gentle exercise, reminiscing and encouraging healthy eating on a budget. The outdoor activities will also help older people achieve their recommended level of physical activity and help older men who find there are limited activities to suit their needs.</p> <p>The coast, local allotments and green spaces will be used to deliver the project. Where appropriate the Older Peoples project will link into the current Young People's programme to</p>			

promote intergenerational work.

The programme will run over the summer and continue over the autumn and winter when older people become increasingly isolated due to bad weather and fear of going out alone and in addition will work over the Christmas period which can be lonely for many.

The project meets the priority of services and activities which address social isolation by providing a varied programme of both well being activities and delivering them across proven times such as the winter and Christmas where social isolation increases.

Recommendation:

Approve subject to following conditions:

- **Ensure links to existing provision such as the walking network**
- **Encourage use of green spaces such as Thompson Park**
- **Promote the project is funded via North SIB**
- **Attend future board meeting to feedback on project**

Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested	
Project 3 – Promoting Friendships in North Sunderland	Age UK Sunderland	£2,050	

This project would be delivered in three different activities. The first part would be the circulation of an older people's newsletter across the North where various partners, GP practices and the VCS network would provide the information to be included to increase awareness of older peoples support. The same service has been successfully delivered in Washington area.

The second activity would be a 'Friendship Event' which would be an afternoon tea and befriending service for older people from across the North.

The third activity would be a 'Bring a friend volunteer' which would be designed for volunteers who live or work in the North with the objective of encouraging new volunteers to the project. A similar event has taken place in the Washington area and has led to new volunteer event in this area.

The project will work with current partners in the three planned activities from partners providing information for the newsletter to partners supporting older people at the events and would run for four months year from July 2014 to October 2014.

The project meets the priority of services and activities which address social isolation by increasing awareness of older peoples support and services through a newsletter and events.

Organisation has vast experience of delivering activities and support to older people across the City.

Recommendation:

Approve subject to following conditions:

- **Ensure newsletter is provided for elected members, newsletter includes details of the other funded projects and information provided on how this newsletter**

- provides wider value to what is already produced
- Details on how will identify socially isolated people not currently engaged in the Age UK Befriending Project
- Promote the project is funded via North SIB
- Attend future board meeting to feedback on project

Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested
Project 4 - United We Stand	Salvation Army (Southwick)	£4,000

The project will work in partnership with various other partners within the Southwick Ward to identify and engage with individuals who are at risk of social isolation and once identified would be invited along to different activities at Austin House. Along with the existing activities service users would be invited along to two additional sessions on a Tuesday and Thursday where they will be offered a 2 course meal and transport if needed, at a cost of £3.60. The additional programme of activities would be at the request of service users and be flexible. The project would work in conjunction with partners within the Southwick ward which include Gentoo, NHS, Local school and the police etc and would run for just over one year from June 2014 to March 2015.

The project meets the priority of services and activities which address social isolation by using existing provision to identify and engage with individuals and then offer additional sessions where service users can interact with others over a meal and different activities. Organisation is based within Southwick Ward where project will be delivered and has vast experience in provision of various services.

Recommendation:

Approve subject to following conditions:

- Details required on how partners will refer socially isolated clients into the project
- Details on beneficiaries from all wards in North
- Breakdown of costs to be provided
- Promote the project is funded via North SIB
- Attend future board meeting to feedback on project

Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested
Project 5 – SocialActivity Health Mentor	B`Active`N` B`Fit CIC	£3,000

The project through an holistic activity package of specialist equipment, music and therapeutic exercise programme will address loneliness and build confidence of older people to give them a better sense of wellbeing. The course will run over 15 weeks in the comfort of their own home or in a community setting and work with closely with carers of those with long term conditions such as dementia etc.

The project will work alongside local organisations to deliver the project which will run over 15 weeks.

No breakdown of costs provided, no details provided on community venues in the North where project will be delivered, no details on how people will be identified to engage with the project, unclear as to how many people will benefit from the project

Recommendation:

Reject as application has failed to meet the brief

NORTH AREA COMMITTEE

Applications from Self Supporting Community Associations to support the reduction in Social Isolation

The following applications have been submitted by the Self Supporting Community Associations in the North to the £10,000 specifically ring fenced for Redby, Thompson Park, Redhouse and Castletown Community Associations.

1. Castletown Community Association

Project Title Delivery of Services & Activities in the North

Date project start - July 2014

Date project end – March 2015

Project Description

Castletown Community Association was designated as a self-supporting community association in the 1998 Sunderland City Council CA Review and has been requested by Sunderland North Area Committee to submit information on how the community centre delivers services and activities in its locality and in particular services and activities which address social isolation.

Castletown CA is a local community centre located at the heart of the community it serves. Services and activities delivered from the centre include:

- Keep Fit
- Karate
- Kick Boxing
- Toddlers
- Weight Watchers
- Coffee/Social
- Divas
- Older Persons Social Group
- Craft
- Social Evenings
- Thursday Club
- British Legion Club

Services and activities which are accessed by our older members of the community include the majority of the activities listed and we are always striving to encourage more members of the community to take part. The funding aligned to the self supporting CA of £2,500 will be utilised to carry out improvements to the centre to ensure we can continue to offer these activities and will also assist in paying the revenue costs for running the centre such as utilities, insurances, licenses and materials and equipment for some of groups. In addition in order to encourage wider usage we would like to develop our promotional capacity to include

ensuring we are promoted through existing routes such as Down Your Way, Sunderland City Council Community News and the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network. We will also encourage our current users to befriend other members of the community to encourage them to attend the activities offered and to also let us know whether there are any other activities they wish to see in the centre.

2. Redby Community Association

Project Title Delivery of Services & Activities in the North

Date project start – July 2014 Date project end – March 2015

SIB Funding Requested £2,500

Project Description

Redby Community Association (CA) was designated as a self-supporting community association in the 1998 Sunderland City Council CA Review and has been requested by Sunderland North Area Committee to submit information on how the community centre delivers services and activities in its locality and in particular services and activities which address social isolation.

Redby CA is a local community centre located at the heart of the community it serves. Services and activities delivered from the centre include:

- Keep Fit
- Karate
- Sewing Group
- Table Tennis
- Childrens Dance
- Out of School Club
- Zumba
- Ladies Club
- Gymnastics
- Parent/Toddlers
- Dance Group
- Weight Watchers
- Access to ICT

Our services and activities which are accessed by our older members of the community are included within the activities listed and we are always striving to encourage more members of the community to take part. The funding aligned to the self supporting CA of £2,500 will be utilised to carry out improvements to the centre to ensure we can continue to offer these activities and will also assist in paying the revenue costs for running the centre such as utilities, insurances, licenses and materials and equipment for some of groups. In addition in order to encourage wider usage we would like to develop our promotional capacity to include ensuring we are promoted through existing routes such as Down Your Way, Sunderland City Council Community News and the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network. We will

also encourage our current users to befriend other members of the community to encourage them to attend the activities offered and to also let us know whether there are any other activities they wish to see in the centre.

3. Thompson Park Community Association

Project Title Delivery of Services & Activities in the North

Date project start July 2014 Date project end – March 2015

SIB Funding Requested £2,500

Project Description

Thompson Park Community Association was designated as a self-supporting community association in the 1998 Sunderland City Council CA Review and has been requested by Sunderland North Area Committee to submit information on how the community centre delivers services and activities in its locality and in particular services and activities which address social isolation.

Thompson Park CA is a local community centre located at the heart of the community it serves. Services and activities delivered from the centre include:

- Bingo/Social
- Breakfast Club
- Coffee Mornings
- Line Dancing
- Garden Project
- Dancercise
- Slimming Groups
- Playgroup
- Toddlers
- Childrens Drama
- Self Defence

In order to continue to deliver these projects and ensure that the CA is accessible we are currently raising funds to resurface the road leading to the centre and also resurface the floor in the main hall due to slips, trips and falls experienced by members of the community accessing the centre.

Our services and activities which are accessed by our older members of the community include the majority of the activities listed and we are always striving to encourage more members of the community to take part. The funding aligned to the self supporting CA of £2,500 will be utilised to carry out improvements to the centre to ensure we can continue to offer these activities. In addition in order to encourage wider usage we would like to develop our promotional capacity to include ensuring we are promoted through existing routes such as Down Your Way, Sunderland City Council Community News and the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network. We will also encourage our current users to befriend other

members of the community to encourage them to attend the activities offered and to also let us know whether there are any other activities they wish to see in the centre.

4. Redhouse Community Association

Project Title Delivery of Services & Activities in the North

Date project start – July 2014 Date project end – March 2015

SIB Funding Requested £2,500

Project Description

Redhouse Community Association (CA) was designated as a self-supporting community association in the 1998 Sunderland City Council CA Review and has been requested by Sunderland North Area Committee to submit information on how the community centre delivers services and activities in its locality and in particular services and activities which address social isolation.

Redhouse CA is a local community centre located at the heart of the community it serves. Services and activities delivered from the centre include:

- Indoor Bowls
- Coffee mornings
- Over 30s
- Sequence Dancing
- Over 60s
- Quiz Evenings
- Keep Fit

Our services and activities which are accessed by our older members of the community are included within the activities listed and we are always striving to encourage more members of the community to take part. The funding aligned to the self supporting CA of £2,500 will be utilised to carry out improvements to the centre to ensure we can continue to offer these activities and will also assist in paying the revenue costs for running the centre such as utilities, insurances, licenses and materials and equipment for some of groups. In addition in order to encourage wider usage we would like to develop our promotional capacity to include ensuring we are promoted through existing routes such as Down Your Way, Sunderland City Council Community News and the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network. We will also encourage our current users to befriend other members of the community to encourage them to attend the activities offered and to also let us know whether there are any other activities they wish to see in the centre. In addition we have been contacted by a local older peoples home and we are keen to establish links with them in order to provide services and activities from our centre which meet their needs.

Recommendation:

Approve subject to following conditions:

- **Promote the projects are funded via North SIB**

NORTH AREA COMMITTEE CALL FOR PROJECTS

Applications for Events

Project Name	Organisation	Funding Requested	
Project 1 – The Salvation Army	Salvation Army	£2,000	
<p>The project will deliver three events in July, August and October focusing on the local community in Southwick and will be inclusive of age.</p> <p>The application does not include how the local events will link into the Strengthening Families Project and address childhood obesity. Evidence of partners currently engaged with are provided however no evidence of how they have been consulted to link in to these events. No information provided on management of events, programme of activities or engagement with ward councillors.</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reject as fails to meet project brief • Agree a collaborative approach to this funding through the North Voluntary and Community Sector Network with one application for five ward events to be considered and agreed by the People Board 			

COMMUNITY CHEST 2014/2015 NORTH AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED April - June 2014

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2014/2015	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned (since April 2014)	Balance Remaining
Castle	Town End Farm Residents Association - Contribution towards roof repairs at St Bede's Community Centre	£3,000		£3,000			
	Friends of Hylton Castle Primary – Purchase of new equipment to offer a range of activities for children within the school and the wider community.	£989.84		£989.84			
	Castletown Scout Group – Contribution towards the purchase and installation of new windows	£1,500 awaiting approval		£1,500			
	Total		£15,341.50	£5,489.84	£0	£0	£9,851.66
Fulwell	Southbents Townswomen Guild - Contribution towards the cost of the coach hire for the group to visit Layburn and Richmond on 23rd July 2014	£450		£450			
	Sunderland City Council, Highways - Environmental Improvements to Dykelands and Deedene Road, Fulwell	£4,786.58		£4,786.58			
	Total		£14,596.77	£5,236.58	£0	£0	£9,360.19
Redhill	Sunderland City Council, Sport & Leisure - Purchase and installation of two sets of goal posts	£1,242		£1,242			
	Total		£27,409.66	£1,242	£0	£0	£26,167.66

Southwick	Primrose Allotments Association - Replacement roof for equipment container on Allotment site	£600		£600			
	The Salvation Army - Cost of coach hire for three community days out in July & August to Adventure Valley, Scarborough and Ridley Park.	£1,500		£1,500			
	Thompson Park Bowling Club – to purchase a laptop for the group	£300		£300			
	The Salvation Army - Contribution towards the cost of a buffet for a Volunteer event on 13 th June 2014 to celebrate volunteers within the Voluntary and Community Sector.	£200		£200			
	Total		£13,040.29	£2,600	£0	£0	£10,440.29
St Peter's	HOPS Wellbeing Service - Contribution towards a Women's Wellbeing Day on 5 th June. Cost include tutor and therapist costs, volunteer travel and subsistence, lunch, refreshments, publicity, admin and a circus performer	£895		£895			
	Sunderland City Council (RLS) - Purchase of paint and brushes for the Marina day of action on 5 th June, where the area will be tidied up and fencing and street furniture to be painted.	£500		£500			
	Total		£13,861.31	£1,395	£0	£0	£12,466.31
Totals			£84,249.53	£15,963.42	£0	£0	£68,286.11

Current Planning Applications(North)

Between 01/05/2014 and 31/05/2014

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/00694/ADV	Unit 1B Timber Beach Road Sunderland SR5 3XG	Installation of three internally illuminated fascia signs, two non-illuminated signs to shop front and new non-illuminated logo sign to existing totem sign to the north-west of the unit.	08/05/2014	03/07/2014
14/01199/LVA	Land At, Wessington Way, Timber Beach Road, Hylton Park Road, European Way And Groves Coles Site,Sunderland.	Variation of condition no.2 (approved plans) from previously approved application 09/04661/LAP, to incorporate the changes to the bridge pylon design and associated works. (09/04661/LAP - Erection of new highway bridge, with two columns of maximum height of 190m and 140m respectively, and associated highway infrastructure, connecting Wessington Way in Castletown and European Way in Pallion, with associated landscaping and engineering works, together with a temporary bridge to facilitate bridge construction; Stopping-Up of highways, change of use of land and inclusion of additional land as new highway and highway infrastructure at and in proximity to Hylton Riverside, Hylton Park Road , Timber Beach Road, Wessington Way and European Way and Crown Works and Groves/Coles Site, Sunderland).	21/05/2014	20/08/2014

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/01124/LP4	Playing Fields At Castletown Primary School Grange Road Sunderland SR5 3EQ	The erection of a new motor control (MCC) kiosk, lay-by and vehicular access to serve a new below ground sewage storage tank.	22/05/2014	17/07/2014
14/00985/FUL	176 Alston Crescent Sunderland SR6 8NG	Erection of a first floor extension above garage	01/05/2014	26/06/2014
14/00926/FUL	243 Alston Crescent Sunderland SR6 8NG	Erection of a two storey side extension and single storey extension to front.	05/05/2014	30/06/2014
14/00984/FUL	Carillon Seaburn Gardens Sunderland SR6 8BT	Erection of single storey extension to rear (Retrospective).	07/05/2014	02/07/2014
14/01034/FUL	13 Whitby Avenue Sunderland SR6 8AW	Erection of a two storey extension to side and a single storey extension to front and rear and decking to rear of property.	07/05/2014	02/07/2014
14/01060/FUL	103 Weardale Avenue Whitburn Sunderland SR6 8AX	Erection of first floor extension above existing garage/ kitchen.	08/05/2014	03/07/2014

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/01087/FUL	2 Kirkstone Avenue Sunderland SR5 1NQ	Demolition of existing garage and erection of two-storey side extension and single-storey front pitched roof over existing porch (AMENDED DESCRIPTION 22.05.2014)	09/05/2014	04/07/2014
14/01108/FUL	10 Deepdene Grove Sunderland SR6 8DT	Erection of a single storey extension to side and rear.	13/05/2014	08/07/2014
14/01095/SUB	Second Floor Flat 2 North Cliff Sunderland SR6 9NA	Installation of new window to front elevation of 2nd floor flat.	12/05/2014	07/07/2014
14/00974/FUL	Brendon Guest House 49 Roker Park Road Sunderland SR6 9PL	Change of use from Guest House (Use Class C1) to Dwelling House (Use Class C3), removal of rear entrance porch, construction of new rear yard accessible ramp and front patio area with associated works	19/05/2014	14/07/2014
14/01076/FUL	Vacant Land Between 2 Fern Avenue And The North Star, Kings Road Southwick Sunderland	Erection of a two storey building to provide two self contained flats (amended description 20.05.2014)	08/05/2014	03/07/2014
14/01227/FUL	2 Shottley Avenue Sunderland SR5 1PS	Erection of a single storey extension to rear and replacement of flat roof to pitched roof above existing garage.	27/05/2014	22/07/2014

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/01240/FUL	25 Newbold Avenue Sunderland SR5 1LH	Erection of a single storey extension to side and rear.	30/05/2014	25/07/2014