

Area Priority	ACTIONS	Progress Report
Health and Wellbeing	<p>1. Strategic Health Group (CCG, Public Health, SCC, VCS) to identify opportunities for partnership working and shared priorities.</p> <p>2. Improve participation in activity through ensuring Ensure use of Community Health and Green spaces Project is utilised to deliver initiatives to address health inequalities</p> <p>3. Identify gaps in Mental Health Services. Focus on self harm and suicide in young people.</p> <p>4. Drugs and alcohol/substance misuse</p>	<p>Shared ownership approach developed - the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark, a local 'Hub' developed to deliver health initiatives including walking and cycling initiatives. Further Call for Projects for a 4th round re small grants to engage local people in activity re greenspace accessibility once Physical Hub and Charter Mark are up and running - to allow other organisations and VCS to gain a better understanding of how to maximise the links and opportunities. Activities and courses already being delivered via Go Washington projects. Charter Mark scheme now has 24 organisations certified and working with an additional 6. Strategic Health Group now meeting to determine focus and proposals for joint working across AC's key priorities of family support/families in crisis from young people self harming, impact of drug and alcohol abuse, and emotional health and well being. AC aligned £50,000 SIB to develop this partnership approach. Delivery Partner Event to be held 29th February @ The Lifehouse to discuss collaboration, identify partnerships and determine gaps and issues. Survey via Wellbeing Info site now underway.</p> <p>Ensure links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as development of Walking forums, new walking trails (2 per area), way marking, Active Sunderland events and activities and joint working with sport and leisure re activity programmes in place. New Walking Network and Cycling Network being established via Sports and Leisure. Works continue to be aligned with strategic developments. Project will continue to provide detailed updates and reports to board and Area committee as required. Update at Board highlighting initiatives which have been implemented via the Washington Way investment</p> <p>Self harming in young people identified via Area Network and adopted by Area committee as a key priority. Need the development of a cross cutting partnership approach. A number of risks and issues identified - communication, transition between children's services and adult services, links to drugs, alcohol and substance misuse. Awaiting Scrutiny Report and recommendations relating to suicide prevention. Suicide audit taking place - HNA due February 2016. Need to understand where referrals are coming from. Strategic Health Group propose further work to identify key areas of need and an event with relevant partners to develop collaborative approach. Delivery Partner Event to be held 29th February @ The Lifehouse to discuss collaboration, identify partnerships and determine gaps and issues. Survey via Wellbeing Info site now underway.</p> <p>There is a wider issue particularly around alcohol as to how Cllrs can influence and prevent more licensed out-lets. Proposals to consider: - influencing local community, smoking and tobacco control, families and carers in crisis, new understand links and proposals for Integrated working in Children's Services. Proposal to develop strategic partnership approach via the proposed Washington Strategic Health Group.</p>
Adult Social Care	<p>1. Determine best practice and added value that AC funded projects have brought to the ASC Framework.</p> <p>2. Ensure any proposed outcomes and initiatives are linked to the VCS - opportunities to develop collaboration and/or consortia working to deliver shared priorities</p>	<p>There is also a need to understand the impact of short-term funding projects - should a city-wide approach be taken with Area Committee provided the additional value with sustainability - if required. Adult Social Care and social isolation remains a priority. Additional health funding to AC to look at 'out of hospital' support and initiatives including self help. Home from hospital C4P SIB applications to be considered at Area Committee 3rd March.</p> <p>Ensure opportunities for VCS involvement via the Area Network</p>

Community Inclusion and support for the VCS	<p>1. VCS Network to continue to be the mechanism for collaboration and partnership working with the VCS re delivering shared priorities. Area Chair to continue role as Co Chair of Network. ACO continue to provide support and co-ordination re Area Network</p> <p>2. Co-ordinate and maximise volunteering in Washington.</p> <p>3. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington. Consider continued support for young people to take forward initiatives develop capacity and engagement and encourage partnership working and participation, and to support the delivery of area priorities - links to health and well being initiatives and environmental/physical improvements and neighbourhood enhancements.</p>	<p>VCS Network meets every 6 weeks. Proposed priorities was discussed and the production of a Network work-plan supported by Area Committee. Suggestion from Members to look at the development of smaller community groups and encourage residents to become involved in Area Committee. Look at venues for meetings, publicity of meetings etc. AC currently considering how to sustain volunteering work currently being delivered. £35,000 SIB funding aligned to further develop community inclusion and support for local VCS.</p> <p>Washington Trust appointed the Volunteer co-ordinator. Washington Volunteer forum to be set up. Updates to future meetings. A draft Washington Volunteering Plan is currently being developed. Washington 100 initiative promoted. The Washington Trust volunteer project to be evaluated re project milestones, outcomes and performance.</p> <p>Continued support for local young people via the Washington Youth Council. Youth Operational Group to continue to meet to influence delivery and development of activities for young people. Members continue to meet with youth provider to influence delivery of sessions. Funding via a 'Can Do' fund for young people to contribute to delivering Area Committee priorities approved at October AC. Call for Projects launched . Second round of applications to be considered at February Board - 2 x applicants.</p>
Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning	<p>1. Continue to monitor Youth Opportunities Project and School Opportunities Project.</p> <p>2. Consider options for schemes to provide support for local residents to access appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision, and providing the required evidence to enable compliance and avoid repercussions.</p>	<p>Now merged as one project which commenced delivery 1st April 2015. On target with regular updates to Board.</p> <p>Working Group established to discuss issues. Working Group recommends not aligning activity at this time. Changing picture. Original need not as obvious re VCS organisations. Propose waiting to see if wider initiatives have an impact. Or if specific VCS organisations raise new issues and gaps. To discuss with the sector at the next Area Network 1st September (before the People board) to inform debate. Returned £20k SIB aligned to the budget. Proposals to deliver a Washington based Skills Conference/Work Discovery Event. December Area Committee aligned £15,000 SIB to develop and deliver the event.</p>
Safer Washington	<p>1. Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder. Establish collaboration and partnership working re shared priorities for a Safer Washington.</p>	<p>Joint Police and cllr meetings to be scheduled. Opportunity identified for closer working in relation to inconsiderate parking around schools working with Network Management and Police. Ensure Sulgrave and Concord Neighbourhood Management Model links with other initiatives to add value to the approach and assist with sustainability.</p>
Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee	<p>1. Develop New Relationship with Schools</p>	<p>At its meeting of 5th November Cabinet approved the Policy Statement on the role of the Council in relation to schools and the wider education system. The Statement determines the role of the Council in improving educational outcomes and defines the key elements of the local authority's role. Additionally, next steps were agreed in order to develop the necessary relationships, systems and processes to reflect the changing education landscape, the educational priorities within the city's key strategies, the Council's Community Leadership role and its statutory duties. One of those key actions is to develop arrangements whereby Elected Members are enabled to play a role in strengthening the local accountability of schools and in sharing local intelligence.</p> <p>Currently arrangements are underway to discuss this approach with members early in the new municipal year.' Members have also asked for information as to the number of reception class placements available for this year 15/16. LB to report back to Board.</p>