

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 Café's	January 2013 (presentation HW Being Strategy)		<p>Board agreed for HHAS to look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •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 <p>•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</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •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)		<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •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	Strenthening 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					