

### WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

### AGENDA

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2014 at 6.00pm

## VENUE – The Lifehouse (Old Bridge Building) Grasmere Terrace, Columbia, NE38 7LP

### Membership

Cllrs Scaplehorn (Chair), F Miller (Vice Chair - Place), Williams (Vice Chair – People), Farthing, Fletcher, Kelly, Lauchlan, G Miller, Padgett, David Snowdon, Dianne Snowdon, Thompson, D Trueman, H Trueman. Walker,

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### ELAINE WAUGH Head of Law and Governance

11<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2014

# At a meeting of the WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE held at WASHINGTON FIRE STATION, MAIN HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2014 at 6.00 p.m.

### Present:-

Councillor Scaplehorn in the Chair

Councillors Farthing, Fletcher, Kelly, Lauchlan, F. Miller, G. Miller, Padgett, Dianne Snowdon, David Snowdon, Thompson, H. Trueman, Walker and Williams.

Karon Purvis	-	Chief Executives
Charlotte Burnham	-	Chief Executives
David Hardy	-	City Services
Rhiannon Hood	-	Commercial and Corporate Services
Paul Wood	-	Commercial and Corporate Services
Julie Gray	-	People Services Directorate
Victoria French	-	People Services Directorate
Alison O'Neill	-	People Services Directorate
Nonnie Crawford	-	Director of Public Health
lan Parkin	-	Design Services
Craig Jobson	-	City Services
John Rostron	-	VCS Representative
Steve Graham	-	TWFRS
Colin McCartney	-	Gentoo
Karen Makepeace	-	Sunderland Live
Zoe Channing	-	Sunderland Live
Rima Yousif	-	Watson Batty Architects
Bas Samberg	-	Pellikaan Construction
Patrick van de Brake	-	Pellikaan Construction

Members of the Washington Community.

### Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor D. Trueman. Neil Revely, John Chapman, Jane Eland, Kasia Kurowska, Julie Parker-Walton and Louise Butler.

### **Declarations of Interest**

Item 3 – Sunderland Live Presentation

Councillor Walker made an open declaration as a director of Sunderland Live

Item 8 – Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

Councillor Bernard Scaplehorn made an open declaration as a former member of the Washington Trust and left the room during the consideration of the application.

Councillor John Kelly made an open declaration as the Chair of Washington Trust and left the room during consideration of the application.

### Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2014

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### Change in Order of Business

The Chair advised that the Washington Leisure Centre Update would be moved up the agenda to Item 2b in order to allow the representatives that had travelled a great deal to be here the opportunity to leave earlier.

### Partner Agency Reports

### (a) Report of the Washington Area Community Voluntary Sector Network

The Washington Area Community Voluntary Sector Network submitted a report (copy circulated) to inform the Committee of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

John Rostron, VCS Representative, advised that the three representatives were still trying to find new ways to support and engage with the smaller Community Groups and they were awaiting the Councils review as it would be interesting to see their approach and they looked forward to having that meeting.

2. RESOLVED that Members noted the contents of the report and considered the opportunities and issues raised by the Washington ACVSN.

### (b) Washington Leisure Centre Update

Julie Gray, Head of Community Services presented proposed images of the new Washington Leisure Centre and advised the Committee that works had already started on the site. Ms Gray then introduced Rima Yousif and Patrick Van De Brake,

the Architect/Developers working on the project who provided a powerpoint presentation of the development proposed.

(For copy of PowerPoint presentation – see original minutes)

In response to an enquiry from Councillor David Snowdon as to how many Sunderland businesses had tendered for works, Mr Van de Brake advised that there were up to 10-15 but there were no targets on how many people they would employ as yet as it had to be economically viable. Links with the local employment agencies had been implemented to try and hire local people.

Councillor Farthing commented on the layout of the water slides and queried if condensation would drop into the pool. Ms Yousif advised that due to the mechanical ventilation system being so enhanced, it would eliminate any condensation and would create a comfortable environment.

Councillor Farthing commented that she had visited the leisure centre at Hetton Le Hole and had been impressed with the seating area and queried if the Washington Centre would have a similar sized area.

Ms Yousif advised that there would be a slightly bigger seating area at the Washington Leisure Centre.

Councillor David Snowdon enquired if the same contractors were being used on this site as the ones used for Hetton Le Hole. Mr Van de Brake advised that some of them would be used.

Councillor Kelly wished to thank everyone concerned with the work that had been carried out on this project and the fantastic facility everyone would be proud of. The work was astounding and as they were on site now, hopefully they were ahead of schedule. The whole team had really worked hard and achieved a great deal for the money invested.

The Chairman agreed with Councillor Kelly's comments and also wished to thank the architects and developers for attending the meeting to give an update.

3. RESOLVED that Members considered the presentation given on the update of the Washington Leisure Centre.

### **Sunderland Live Presentation**

Karen Makepeace, Sunderland Live provided a Powerpoint Presentation on the background of the Sunderland Live Company and the services they catered for and could offer in the future.

(For copy of PowerPoint presentation – see original minutes)

Councillor H Trueman commented that there was due to be a spectacular Christmas event in the new square and enquired if Sunderland Live would be working with the

Council on this. Ms Makepeace advised that they would be working with various partners for this.

Councillor Kelly commented that all new events seemed to be city centre orientated and enquired when they would be coming out to do Heritage events and such like in other areas.

Zoe Channing, Sunderland Live, advised that they were busy putting in applications for events in Washington and when they were speaking to partners, all areas were considered and as a company they would continue to do this.

Councillor Dianne Snowdon queried if the Triathlon Pink was to be based in Silksworth. Ms Makepeace advised that they were still finalising the route but primarily they were keen to base the event around the Stadium of Light but would keep Members updated on this.

Councillor Snowdon commented that once the new pool at the Leisure Centre was operational then triathlons and other such events could be based there as the Green Spaces project was also being implemented, Washington would have a lot to offer.

4. RESOLVED that the presentation be received and noted.

## 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) to inform the Committee that the Sunderland TPCT, now the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) released £100k to Area Committees (£20k per area) to support improvement to mental and physical wellness through a combination of approaches aimed at facilitating local people's access to, and use of, local greenspace.

The report sought to provide background information to support Members in considering the future use of that funding in line with determining its Area priorities for the year ahead.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

In response to the Chairman's enquiry, Nonnie Crawford, Director of Public Health advised that the seed money could be used towards existing projects.

5. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

### Area Committee Annual Report 2013-14

The Chair of the Washington Area Committee submitted a report (copy circulated) for Members to approve the Washington Committee's Annual Report as part of the combined Area Committee Annual Report 2013-14, to be presented to Full Council.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

The Chairman commented that we had tackled a great deal with the funding that had been made available and we were starting to see the difference made with projects such as the Village Centre Improvements Project.

In relation to the Concord Traders Initiative, we intended to have a retail specialist in place imminently. The Adult Social Care Scheme had been very successful and the next round of funding for the Washington 50 programme of events deadline would be 14<sup>th</sup> April and there were some excellent projects coming through.

The Chairman commented that the Washington Youth Council had been implemented to promote positive images of young people in the area and the planned debates would be excellent for them.

In relation to the Washington Business Centre, Mrs Purvis agreed to speak with Berni Whittaker to arrange a visit of the site for Members.

The Chairman wished to thank David Hardy and his Area Response Team for their work over the year and also Cllr Kelly and the directorate for the success over the Library Services Review.

The Chairman commented that it had been a hard year, but they had tackled a good number of things whilst dealing with the cuts. The Chairman also advised that he had enjoyed working with the Partners and believed they had improved the neighbourhoods and the look of Washington, whilst receiving positive feedback.

With regards to the VCS, the Chairman commented that this was a big project of which Members needed to be involved in as part of their roles as Community Leaders.

The Chairman also commented that he felt the Committee should be proud of the work that has been carried out and there would be discussions on setting the priorities for the next year.

Councillor G. Miller also wished to highlight the good work carried out by Councillor David Snowdon in relation to the Employment and Enterprise work.

The Chairman agreed and commented that the Area Boards had undertaken a great deal of successful work and felt all Members could agree that they were working better now and he was happy with the way they were progressing and there was no reason this couldn't carry on. At this stage they would be looking at the priorities at the June Area Committee meeting and all Members were invited to attend the Board meetings on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> May for the initial discussions.

Councillor G. Miller commented that all Members should be on the Area Boards.

6. RESOLVED that Members considered and approved the Washington Annual Report for inclusion in the combined Area Committee Annual Report for 2013-14.

### Place Board – Progress Report

The Chair of the Place Board submitted a report (copy circulated) to provide the Committee with an update of progress against the current years (2013/14) Place Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Dianne Snowdon, Chair of the Place Board presented the report and advised that many of the updates had been mentioned earlier and that all Members were invited to the next meeting of the Board to discuss the priorities for the upcoming year.

The Chairman commented that should any Members be unable to attend but had possible priorities they wanted considering, these could be submitted via email etc.

- 7. RESOLVED that the Committee
  - i) Considered the progress and performance update with regard to the Washington Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 as detailed in Annex 1 of the report
  - ii) Considered and agreed the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Highways Maintenance programmes for Washington for 2014/2015 (attached at Annex 3 of the report)

### **People Board – Progress Report**

The Chair of the People Board submitted a report (copy circulated) to provide the Committee with an update of progress against the current years (2013/14) People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Williams presented the report and advised that Biddick School was working with Nissan and had secured 20 apprenticeships. Councillor Williams also commented on the need for consideration of the Skills Conference and enquired if Members wished to discuss this or if they were happy for the Board to bring a proposal/recommendation to a future meeting.

Councillor Kelly commented that the People Board work, especially around the health agenda had been outstanding and felt it had been really positive in how it had addressed issues and he hoped it continued, especially in relation to the Green Spaces project which would be a real benefit to the area.

Councillor G. Miller referred to the skills conference and commented that he was disappointed Members were only finding out about the clash of dates with a city event now and he did not see how we could now run the event in July.

Councillor Williams also expressed her disappointment and commented that it should have been better planned but we were in this situation now and there was a need to progress.

Councillor G. Miller commented that this was a serious issue and he would like Members concerns to be fed back to the officer responsible that this shouldn't have been dropped but he did accept that we would have to go with what we can do now.

Mrs Purvis advised that the Officer had attended the last Board meeting with possible options after being informed of the work discovery week and enquired if Members wanted to go with what we had or if they wanted to do something different and the Officer would progress with whatever Members decided.

Councillor David Snowdon wished to echo Councillor G. Miller's concerns and commented that with the opening of the Washington Business Centre they didn't want to waste an opportunity. Mrs Purvis advised that they could still utilise the Washington Business Centre opening.

Councillor Dianne Snowdon informed the Committee that the LMAP meetings would now run on a 10 week cycle but she was still the representative should Members wish to contact her.

- 8. RESOLVED that the Committee
- (i) Considered the progress and performance update with regards to the Washington People Board Work Plan for 2013/2014
- (ii) Noted the attendance of Officers at the next People Board to discuss and consider the refreshed Children and Young People's Plan and to determine how influence can be achieved at a local level; and
- (iii) Considered the People Board recommendations in relation to identifying options for the proposed Washington Skills Conference.

### Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) to request the Committee's consideration of proposals for the allocation of the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) that would benefit the area and to note the Community Chest initiatives that would benefit the area.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

With Regards to SIB Application No. 1, Councillor Scaplehorn had made an open declaration and left the room during consideration of this application, therefore Councillor Williams took the Chair during this item.

Mrs Purvis advised that now additional information had been received on the application as requested, Officers were able to give a recommendation as detailed in the circulatory report (For copy of circulatory report – see original minutes).

Mrs Purvis commented that she presumed Members questions had now been answered via the circulatory report and requested consideration on the two options as detailed therein.

Councillor H. Trueman commented that Members had considered the options and it was a worthy project they had wanted for some time. Members were satisfied with the receipt of the information they had requested and he felt that the first option of 1 years funding wouldn't provide us with the opportunity to get the best person for the job and therefore proposed the option to approve 2 years funding subject to the checks and balances as the best way forward.

Councillor G. Miller seconded the proposal and all Members agreed to Option 2 as detailed in the circulatory report.

With regards to the Call for Projects and the Washington Village Christmas Festival Application, Councillor Williams requested a level of sensitivity and the inclusion of Ward Members in managing the event. Ms Makepeace advised that she would take on board Members comments.

In relation to the Washington 50 celebrations, Mrs Purvis advised that she would liaise with Corporate Communications to see if there had been a cost for publicising on the Sunderland Echo website.

Councillor Kelly referred to the Community Chest and that Members had been led to believe the remaining funds would be withdrawn if unallocated at the end of the year. This was subsequently not the case, and Councillor Kelly requested that information be shared better with Members in the future.

- 9. RESOLVED that the Committee:
  - i) Noted the financial statements set out in the report.
  - ii) Approved the allocation of £7000 SIB for the Washington Health Champions Dementia Awareness project
  - iii) Approved the allocation of £74,850 SIB for the Washington VCS Support Project (Option 2)
  - iv) Approved the SIB Call for Project application for Washington Illuminations – Sunderland Live, as detailed in Annex 2 of the report totalling £10,000
  - v) Approved SIB Call for Project application for Washington Village Christmas Festival – Sunderland Live, as detailed in Annex 2 of the report totalling £10,000

- vi) Noted the allocation of £13,894 SIB (2013/14 budget Call for Projects) to support Round 1 applications for the Washington 50 Community Programme as detailed in Annex 3 of the report
- vii) Noted the 11 applications for Community Chest agreed and supported from the 2013/14 allocation, as set out in Annex 4 of the report.

### **Planning Applications – For Information Only**

Current Planning Applications relating to the Washington Area for the period 1<sup>st</sup> March to 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 were submitted for Members information only (copy circulated).

(For copy report – see original minutes)

10 RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting

(Signed) B. SCAPLEHORN, Chairman.

### WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

### 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014

### REPORT OF WASHINGTON AREA COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY SECTOR NETWORK

### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 The report provides an update with regard to the Washington Area Community and Voluntary 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 and reporting back, providing a two-way flow of communication.
- 2.2 Washington Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

### 3. Washington Area Community and Voluntary Sector Network (ACVSN) Progress Report

The Washington ACVSN has met twice since the last Area Committee in April.

- VCS Network will continue to work on developing and supporting the VCS re collaboration, communications, intelligence and mapping.
- The Network has received presentations and information which have included:
  - The opportunity to influence the Place and People Board priorities
  - Sunderland City Council Communications Team presented the All Together Sunderland campaign which can give the opportunity to work together and promote the services and activities delivered by the VCS in the Washington
  - Various procurement opportunities have been circulated to the Network
- The Network is keen to find a way to ensure the right support is in place for grass roots organisations to take advantage of opportunities coming forward. This includes the Community Programme for Washington 50 and other local events during 2014, any Call for Projects which the Committee might offer and other small grants opportunities. The Network reps are also keen to discuss how to broaden the reach of the Network and ensure the roles of the reps are developed and promoted and support the development of local grassroots organisations. The Network is also keen to discuss how to ensure adequate community development is available to those organisations that need support and to ensure a thriving VCS in Washington.
- The Washington Trust is now recruiting for the Community/Volunteer Co-ordinator post funded through SIB. The project proposes two key strands, one to support current organisations operating in Washington and help them with succession planning and ensure sustainability to develop a thriving VCS in Washington and secondly a strand that will develop and support a cohort of volunteers - this work will be split into two elements, the first will support the succession planning as detailed above developing volunteers to help organisations and the second element will recruit volunteers who are able to give time on an adhoc basis, to support community and locality projects, without having to make an on-going commitment' i.e. a 'bank' of local volunteers.
- The Network meeting held in June has agreed a workshop approach to discuss health priorities in particular to identify where shared priorities can be determined and where the opportunities to deliver through a partnership approach can be developed. It is anticipated the workshop with Public Health, the Council, CCG and other 'sector' leads, and the local VCS will take place in July and will feed into the proposed activity identified through the People Board to deliver the health outcomes in the Board's new work plan.
- The Network will also look to present an 'Annual Review' to the Area Committee to highlight successful projects and activity which have contributed to delivering the Area Committee's priorities. The Area Reps will have a key role in collecting and collating information and case studies from members of the Network and presenting the report to Area committee as part of the annual reporting processes.

### 4. Recommendations

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

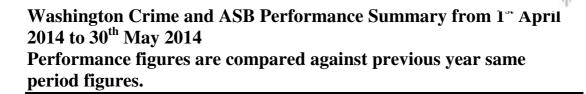
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Northumbria Police



Total Incidents Reported – 2,698 + 4% (106 more incidents reported)

Total Crime297 crimes recorded.-5% (15 less crimes recorded than previous year)

Total ASB483 incidents reported.+54% (170 more incidents reported than previous year)

### **Main Crime Categories**

Violence against the person+ 1Sexual Offences- 6Burglary Dwelling+1Burglary Other- 1Vehicle Crime+ 1Criminal damage+ 1Shop theft- 3Other thefts- 1Theft of pedal bikes- 3

ASB Youth related Non Youth related + 9% (4 more crimes) - 60% (6 less crimes) +100% (10 more offences) - 18% (5 less crimes) + 7% (2 more crimes) + 23% (13 more crimes) - 31% (15 less crimes) - 16% (8 less crimes) -33% (4 less crimes)

+38% (42 more incidents) +63% (128 more incidents)

Item 2c



## Washington Area Committee Report 01/04/2014 -31/05/2014

## Data and Information Team

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04thJune 2014

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### WashingtonArea Committee

The following report provides fire data and statistics for the Washington Area for the period 1<sup>st</sup>April 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup>June 2014

Some incident data may not be validated and therefore subject to change.

### Washington Wards 2014f compared to last year.

Fire Type	Washington North		Washington West		Washington South		Washington East		Washington Central		Totals		
	2013f	2014f	2013f	2014	2013f	2014f	2013f	2014f	2013f	2014f	2013f	2014f	%
LI3 Injuries in Accidental Dwelling Fires	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	100%
LI8 Accidental Dwelling Fires	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	1	1	4	3	-25%
LI14 Deliberate Property Fires	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	2	-33.33%
LI15 Deliberate Vehicle Fires	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	No Change
LI16 Deliberate Secondary Fires	10	16	3	14	5	3	13	6	9	4	40	43	7.50%

### LI14Deliberate Property Fires

Over the report period there have been2 Deliberate Property fires in this area. There were 3 over this time period last year in this area.

Incident ref	Date	Time	Street	Building Number	Ward	Station	Property
42007978	09/05/2014	23:49	THE DRIVE	117	Washington North Ward	Washington (S)	House - single occupancy
42008102	12/05/2014	19:26	SEVERN HOUSES	0	Washington North Ward	Washington (S)	Other private non-residential building

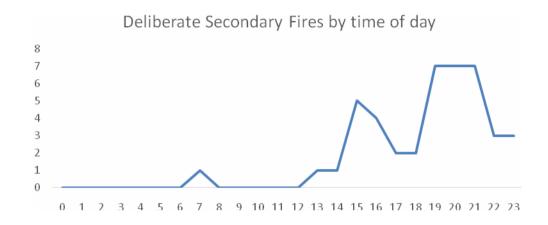
### LI15Deliberate Vehicle Fires

Over the report period there has been 1 Deliberate Vehicle fire in this area and there was1 last year over the sametime period.

Incident ref	Date	Time	Street	Building Number	Ward	Station	Property level 3
42007269	27/04/2014	23:26	PETTERIL	30	Washington South Ward	Birtley (W)	Van

### LI16Deliberate Secondary Fires

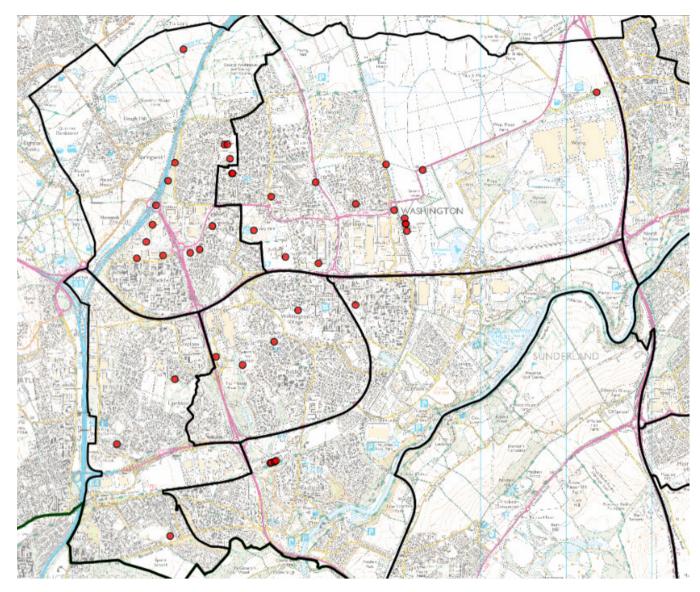
Over the report period there have been 43 Deliberate Secondary fires in this area, Compared to 40 over the same period last year.



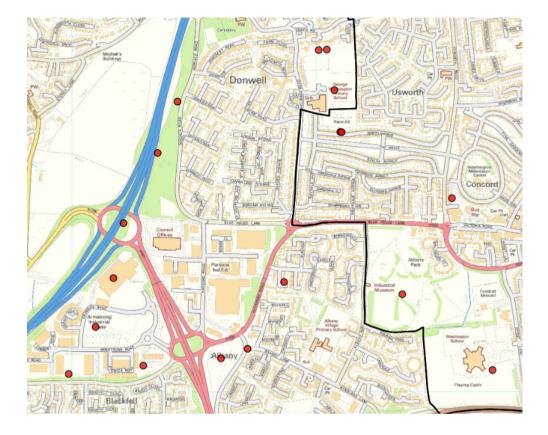
Ward	Total
Washington North Ward	16
Washington West Ward	14
Washington East Ward	6
Washington Central Ward	4
Washington South Ward	3
Grand Total	43

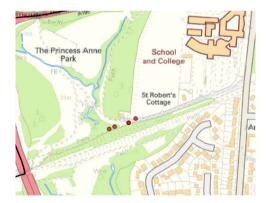
Property Type	Count
Loose refuse (incl in garden)	18
Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	7
Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	5
Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie	
bin)	4
Roadside vegetation	2
Scrub land	1
Permanent Agricultural	1
Fence	1
Refuse/rubbish tip	1
Wasteland	1
Industrial Manufacturing	1
Offices and call centres	1
Grand Total	43

### DELIBERATE SECONDARY FIRE MAPS









Incident ref	Date	Time	Buliding Name	Station	Street	Ward	Property level 4
42005566	02/04/2014	16:50	0	Washington (S)	A1290	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42005687	04/04/2014	15:31	0	Washington (S)	INDUSTRIAL ROAD	Washington North Ward	Industrial Manufacturing
42005793	06/04/2014	13:44	GLENDALE HOUSE	Washington (S)	A182	Washington Central Ward	Offices and call centres
42005825	06/04/2014	21:26	0	Washington (S)	BURNWAY	Washington West Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006185	12/04/2014	20:48	FOOTPATHS WITHIN THE PRINCESS ANNE PARK	Washington (S)	0	Washington East Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006199	12/04/2014	23:17	0	Washington (S)	HANN TERRACE	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006234	13/04/2014	15:57	0	Washington (S)	DONVALE ROAD	Washington West Ward	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42006357	14/04/2014	19:25	SOUTH LEAM FARM	Hebburn (T)	LEAM LANE	Washington West Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006358	14/04/2014	19:28	GEORGE WASHINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	Washington (S)	WELL BANK ROAD	Washington West Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006366	14/04/2014	20:05	ARMSTRONG HOUSE	Washington (S)	ARMSTRONG ROAD	Washington West Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006385	14/04/2014	22:34	0	Washington (S)	NORTH AVENUE	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006425	15/04/2014	15:50	0	Washington (S)	HIGH CROFT	Washington West Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006437	15/04/2014	18:18	0	Washington (S)	ROSEBERRY COURT	Washington North Ward	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42006452	15/04/2014	21:01	GEORGE WASHINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL	Washington (S)	WELL BANK ROAD	Washington West Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006587	17/04/2014	16:35	0	Washington (S)	BRANDY LANE	Washington West Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006707	18/04/2014	19:54	SAINT JOSEPHS R C PRIMARY SCHOOL	Washington (S)	VILLAGE LANE	Washington Central Ward	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42006710	18/04/2014	20:12	0	Washington (S)	SULGRAVE ROAD	Washington North Ward	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42006711	18/04/2014	20:12	FOOTPATHS WITHIN THE PRINCESS ANNE PARK	Washington (S)	0	Washington East Ward	Scrub land
42006758	19/04/2014	14:32	0	Washington (S)	WASHINGTON HIGHWAY	Washington West Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006761	19/04/2014	15:13	0	Birtley (W)	BONEMILL LANE	Washington South Ward	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42006768	19/04/2014	16:34	0	Washington (S)	0	Washington East Ward	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42006919	21/04/2014	16:19	0	Washington (S)	PRINCESS ANNE PARK	Washington East Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)

42006939	21/04/2014	17:43	0	Washington (S)	PRINCESS ANNE PARK	Washington East Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42006946	21/04/2014	19:13	WASHINGTON LEISURE CENTRE	Washington (S)	WASHINGTON TOWN CENTRE	Washington Central Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007072	23/04/2014	18:17	GEORGE WASHINGTON COUNTY HOTEL GOLF COURSE	Washington (S)	STONE CELLAR ROAD	Washington West Ward	Roadside vegetation
42007202	25/04/2014	21:48	0	Washington (S)	NORTH AVENUE	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007235	26/04/2014	20:29	0	Washington (S)	0	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007239	26/04/2014	22:15	0	Washington (S)	WHITWORTH ROAD	Washington West Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007547	02/05/2014	23:40	0	Washington (S)	WASHINGTON ROAD	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007606	03/05/2014	19:00	0	Washington (S)	DILSTON CLOSE	Washington South Ward	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42007723	05/05/2014	15:30	WASHINGTON COMMUNITY FIRE STATION	Washington (S)	GLOVER ROAD	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42007753	05/05/2014	23:07	0	Washington (S)	TEES TERRACE	Washington North Ward	Fence
42008011	10/05/2014	19:49	HILLTHORN FARM	Washington (S)	HILLTHORNE FARM	Washington North Ward	Permanent Agricultural
42008259	14/05/2014	19:21	0	Washington (S)	GLOVER ROAD	Washington North Ward	Refuse/rubbish tip
42008267	14/05/2014	21:26	ALBANY PARK	Washington (S)	ALBANY WAY	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42008316	15/05/2014	20:24	WASHINGTON COMMUNITY FIRE STATION	Washington (S)	GLOVER ROAD	Washington North Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42008518	18/05/2014	21:23	0	Washington (S)	MARTIN COURT	Washington South Ward	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42008577	19/05/2014	21:59	B AND Q WAREHOUSE	Washington (S)	ARMSTRONG ROAD	Washington West Ward	Wasteland
42008743	21/05/2014	20:52	WASHINGTON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL	Washington (S)	SPOUT LANE	Washington North Ward	Roadside vegetation
42008757	21/05/2014	22:32	0	Washington (S)	ARMSTRONG ROAD	Washington West Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42008783	22/05/2014	07:42	BARMSTON MOTORS	Washington (S)	BURNHOPE ROAD	Washington East Ward	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42008985	26/05/2014	17:45	0	Washington (S)	A194	Washington West Ward	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42009027	26/05/2014	21:58	0	Washington (S)	DRYBURGH	Washington Central Ward	Loose refuse (incl in garden)

### Washington Area Committee Report 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup>May 2014

### **Fatalities**

I am pleased to report that for the Sunderland area as a whole there have been no fire deaths from April to date, free Home Fire Risk Assessment inspections continue to be the focus of the district and is proving to be successful in tackling unwanted fire deaths. Unfortunately there are still occurrences of fire deathsso it is important that we don't let our guard down and we continue to promote fire safety in homes across the Washington area.

### **Injuries from Accidental dwelling fires**

The numbers of injuries from accidental fires in dwellings for Washington for the period were 1 compared to 0 reported for the same period in the previous year.

### Numbers of accidental dwelling fires

Total numbers of accidental fires in dwellings in Washington for the same period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> May were down to 3 compared with a figure of 4 for the previous year down 25%.

### **Deliberate property fires**

Numbers of deliberate property firesshowed a slight decrease from 3incidents to 2 for same period last year.

### **Deliberate Vehicle fires**

The area has seen no change in the numbers of deliberate vehicle fires with the area experiencing 1 incident similar to the same period in 2013.#

#### **Accidental Dwelling Fires**

This type of incident is a pre cursor to serious incidents causing injuries and deaths and so in an effort to tackle these incidents which are frequently in the kitchens of dwellings greater emphasis is highlighted on the dangers of fire in kitchens by our fire fighting staff during Home Fire Risk Assessments.

#### **Deliberate secondary fires**

This is our target area; deliberate secondary fires have increased by 7% over the 2 month period from 40 calls attended to 43. Washington North wards seeing a largest increase in ASB fires from 10 to 16 and Washington West ward showing an increase from 3 incidents to 14. Historically these fires are started by children and youths setting fire to grassland, loose refuse, wheelie bins, tree scrub etc.

To address this increase I have:-

• Targeted Washington North ward and arranged a campaign for wheelie bin stickers to be posted on bins either left out early or left out after being emptied.

- Highlighted schools in the immediate vicinity that may benefit from a visit to our safety works centre in Newcastle.
- Target Red House and Monkwearmouth school pupils to make a joint visit with the Police to educate them in the dangers of fire setting and to pass on fire safety advice.
- Highlight the Target the areas to our local firefighters who can increase ASB reporting of fly tipping and rubbish left on streets and back lanes and have it removed.
- Unoccupied / Derelict premise boarded up or demolished as soon as possible i.e. Glendale House, Hillthorne Farm.

The Target streets have been identified and ASB uplifts arranged, I will also be working with the Police and other agencies through the LMAPs to address the increase in these incidents which will address the problem and lower the numbers of that type of incident.

I am also currently working with Louise Butler in the Washington area to set up a group to look at problem industrial estates within the area around the issue of general housekeeping and storage, this may be rolled out to other areas if it proves successful.

Steve Graham

Station Manager Washington Fire Station





### Progress

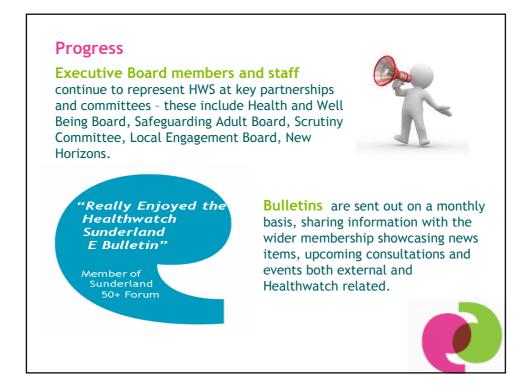
The Healthwatch Sunderland Executive Board were recruited at the end of October and met for third time in May 2014.

**Promotional materials** continue to be distributed widely at external events raising awareness and recruiting members. The membership stands at 87 groups/organisations and 73 individuals.

**Posters and leaflets were sent out to** council locations, GP's, pharmacies etc highlighting the new office address and what Healthwatch Sunderland is, in November 2013, and we are keen to continue promoting the information and signposting service.









### What's next?

- Continue to raise awareness of the Information & Signposting service
- Recruit more Information
   Champions
- Work with partners to identify issues
- Review our current work plan
- Set up Task & Finish Groups (ongoing)
- Hold our annual update event 27<sup>th</sup> June



### WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

### 19th 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 Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the Washington 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 and 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 Performance Report 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 for 2014/15 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.

### 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 are 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 proposed as follows:-

Ward	Place Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Fiona Miller
Washington Central	Cllr Len Lauchlan
Washington East	Cllr Neville Padgett
Washington North	Cllr Jill Fletcher
Washington South	Cllr George Thompson
Washington West	Cllr Bernie Scaplehorn

### 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Annex 1 and 2**.
  - b. Consider and agree the Washington 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.
- Contact Officer: Karon Purvis, Area Community Officer Tel: 0191 561 2449 Email: <u>karon.purvis@sunderland.gov.uk</u>

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
1	Responsive Local Services - Streetscene	To influence delivery in the Washington	Monthly basis		As required		(Dave Hardy - Lead Officer). This includes improvements to village centres, addressing environmental issues on industrial estates and proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area. Programmes of work are identified in line with current resources and responsibilities etc and will also identify proposals and opportunities to encourage partners and the voluntary and community sector to engage. This is in line with a review of the existing service scope and reflection as to how members have influenced the service. Current focus includes scheduling of Village Centre improvements, and multi agency problem solving re industrial estates ARM is currently investigating options for partnership working with regards to woodland/plantation management scheme. The results of consultation regarding Dog Control Orders will be presented to June Area Committee. Identified as a continued priority for 2014/15 through the proposed Neighbourhood Improvement Project
	Highways Maintenance	To influence usage of resources at an area level for inclusion in Capital Programme		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;	•		Members have prioritised areas for 2014/15 capital allocation. Allocated £110,000 programme.
4	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	As required	Establish understanding of services delivered at a local level; Look to develop early intervention activities which support vulnerable groups within the locality	As required		(Marion Dixon - Lead Officer). Marion provideas information to outlining the services within the PPRS remit. Further service area information will come forward to future boards in order to determine the influence and local information that can assist to scope and shape service delivery. Service has agreed to ensure links are made with other initiatives and areas of work.
Add	litional Area Priorities						
g	Investment in Washington's built and natural environment	To monitor and receive information relating to the developmnet of the new Washington Leisure Village.	As required	To identify opportunities to enhance and add value	As required		(Links to Princess Anne Park development plans and the Community Health and Green Spaces Project) (Julie Gray - Lead Officer) . AC received detail of full design proposals/concept for development. Full update to April AC. Further progress meetings to be confirmed
10		To receive information relating to flood risk planning.	Sep-14	To monitor progress made	Not applicable		(David Laux - Lead Officer) Monitoring role re impact of flooding and identify appropriate solutions and work with partners to support residents. Update presented to February 2014 board. Further updates to future Boards as appropriate. DL to contact Northumbria Water with regards to Assessment report.
13	Investment in Washington's built and natural environment and Connecting the Villages of Washington	To consider the Implementation of Community Health and Green Spaces Project	Sep-14	To monitor progress made	Not applicable		(Links to Go Smarter to Work and WLC and Princess Anne Park improvements) (Karon Purvis - Lead Officer) Capital improvements to cycling and walking network and development of integrated links between villages to address health inequalities. Map of initial network links (Phase 1) to be further developed re destinations. Programme re engagement and involvement, marketing and branding, and focus on tackling health inequalities to be confirmed following mapping of loops and destinations March 2014. Included in Setting priorities 2014/15
14	and Development of sustainable and desirable neighbourhoods	To consider and receive information on local initiatives which support pride in the neighbourhood and to receive reports and updates from RLS manager on Improvements to Village Centres	Jul-14	To identify opportunities and consider local initiatives with partners re environmental maintenance, NIB, LWYL, pride in the neighbourhood, improvements to local parks and green spaces – encourage resident and community involvement and to consider and report any recommensation that are made	Not applicable		(David Hardy - Lead Officer). Proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area involving local communities and VCS organisations to help deliver AC Place Priorities where appropriate. Village Centres Improvement Project approved January AC - works schedule to be in place and programme underway. Members will continue to meet ARM/ACO to discuss plans at a Ward level. RLS to contribute to proposals re Business Engagement and Enterprise Group re improvements to shopping centres (Concord). Recommend further development re setting priorities 2014/15 through proposals for the Neighbourhood Improvements Project.

	To monitor and receive information relating to the Park Improvement Plan for Princess Anne Park	To identify opportunities to enhance and add value	As required	( <i>Links to WLC, CHGSP</i> ) Meeting held with Colin Curtis regarding potential improvements to Princess Anne Park. A plan had been developed some time ago detailing sites and areas that may need work undertaken. Due to the time-lapse from the original plan it was necessary to revisit the park using the original plan as a guide and then produce a more up-to-date assessment of any works identified. Once this has been developed it will be decided how best to take forward an action and delivery plan to address the works. ARM now co-ordinating this. Report to future meeting re proposals for Princess Anne Park. Funds have been secured to address flooding issues in the park. Works commenced February 2014. Ensure any developments in the park are linked to the development of the Leisure Village and the Community Health & Greenspaces Network.
	To consider how local delivery and initiatives contribute to the City wide / corporate approach to Heritage via the Heritage Forum and proposals for a Heritage Strategy for the City	 To monitor, inform and co-ordinate with the local offer.	Jun-14	Member's workshop 11th March presented the Washington offer and how it informs and links to the proposed city wide strategy. Members fully supportive of aspects of heritage and culture remaining a priority for AC 2014. This includes better planning for events, cultrure and heritage being used to deliver other areas of work such as skills training and health initiatives. To be referred to AC discussions to set priorities for 2014/15 and June Area Committee for inclusion in new work plan.
17	To consider heritage and the Washington Offer	Develop projects which use heritage to engage young people in volunteering and cross generational work.	As required	Project development and action where appropriate.
G	Progressing on target			
	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans			
	in place to action)			
R	Not progressing			

### **Project Performance – Place Board**

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved up until March 2014

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

Washington Switch on Event SCC 2013-Sunderland Live	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator	
Number of community or educational     1     1     £8,000     £7,997       events held     1     1     1     1     1     1							
The project was funded £8,000 to enhan of a distinct launch event, including a fire Washington. The project complimented Sunderland City Centre. The increased i attraction of people outside normal trad <b>The project is now completed</b> .	works disp and built Ilumination	olay, creat upon the n within the	ing a focus for t success of the streets also h	the start of the e provision of ave the benef	Christmas fes Christmas IIIu it of greater lig	tive period in uminations in the levels, the	

Washington Heritage Festival 2013-	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
SCC	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of community or educational events held	1	1		£26,000	£23,298	

This project was funded £26,000 to deliver a fourth Heritage Festival on Saturday 21 September 2013 in Albany Park. The festival began with the marching banner parade along Front Street. Washington F Pit museum was open providing guided tours and there was a variety of indoor and outdoor programme for visitors. Local health, employment, housing organisations and charities were available to offer advice and information to members of the public. There is a full and varied programme of music, song and dance throughout the event. Re-enactment groups deliver a living history display and interact with visitors. Demonstrations of traditional heritage skills are given with some opportunity for visitors to participate. Fairground rides were placed in a new location onto the grassed area at the outskirts of the activity, which worked well as the rides were very visible from a distance. This left an area in the central space where the 68<sup>th</sup> DLI re-enactment had a living history stand and performed drills and musket firing throughout the day. The Punch & Judy shows proved very popular, but need a new location as the noise from the entertainment marquee conflicted at times. There were birds of prey, bird handling and traditional games such as, village stocks, coconut shy and tug of war. The Excel Youth Village team delivered a climbing wall and activity bus. The programme for the entertainment marquee needs consideration as some local groups cancelled at the last minute. Perhaps offering a small payment or a donation to the group will solve this issue. The event has grown and developed each year with new groups participating and new partnerships emerging. Promotional adverts were placed in the Washington Star, Sunderland Echo and Raring to Go. There was a press release given w/b 16.09.13 and articles promoting the forthcoming event appeared in the Sunderland Echo and Evening Chronicle. The project is **completed** with an underspend of £2,702 being returned to Area Committee funds.

Village Centre Improvements-	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
Sunderland City Council	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Update due end of June 2014	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded £80,000 to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements which can involve local communities and VCS organisations to deliver the Committee's Place priorities where appropriate. Area Committee approved a 'Project Matrix' approach to neighbourhood improvements which included village centres, industrial areas, plantations and shrub beds, parks etc. Each Ward will receive a varied programme of work to improve each of the villages and a progress report via the first quarterly monitoring return will be due at the end of June 2014.

Washington Heritage Festival 2014	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Update due later in 2014	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded £30,000 and a further £2,500 to deliver the Washington Heritage Festival working with Sunderland Live. The project organisation has commenced and a further update will follow.

Washington 50 <sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Update due later in 2014	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded £50,000 to allow local groups and non-profit making organisations (including statutory providers) to submit proposals to deliver activity and events to celebrate Washington's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. To date £13,894 has been awarded in the first round and £15,899 in the second round. A total of 18 projects were successful and a further call for projects has resulted in a further 9 projects applying for funding. The first event is that of Teal Farm Residents Association who are to hold a garden party on the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2014, with the burial of a time capsule and planting of a cherry tree. A press release is due out for this event on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014. A fund of £20,207 remains to be considered in round three of the application stage. Successful organisations who are to deliver activity to date include Teal Farm Residents, AP Extra, Springwell Village Community Venue, Washington Miners Community Heritage, Usworth Miners Banner Group, Peacehaven Court, Mature Friends, OLOFF, AGE UK, Friends of Washington Old Hall, Lambton Primary School, Oxclose Nursery, Oxclose Academy, Roseberry Court Residents, Washington Millennium Centre, Donwell Community Association, Washington Mind, and the National Trust.

Community Health and Green Spaces Sunderland City Council	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Various milestones-Update to follow	Due	Due				
	July 14	July 14		£9,976	£9,976	

This project was awarded £100,000 to improve and develop shared pedestrian/cycle routes linking across the area. The routes are to link residential areas to green spaces and promote activity to address health inequalities and get residents active. Progress to date includes the vegetation opening up work by RLS is now complete, and routine maintenance will follow by RLS. Additional work may prove necessary once the cycle routes are developed on the ground. Regarding route development work, a draft network has been developed into provisional 'loops' in conjunction. Substantial 'phase 1X' network development is on the ground and additional works to be completed by December 2014, both connecting communities to East Washington employment areas, but also forming part of a utility and recreational access network. Additional phase 1 work due at Ayton, link to and bridge over A195 to Harraton. Next steps to map out construction/sign detail and progress' target. The first milestone of improved and enhanced access routes for phase one was due for completion in July 2014, therefore a further progress report will be available after the June QMR's.

Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Update due later in 2014	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded £28,000. Progress to date has included the appointment of a retail specialist, procured in March and appointed in April 2014 to work with Concord Traders and develop a Traders Forum. This work is supported by a Shop Local Campaign. Activity is now underway and a further update will be provided.

### Washington Area Committee: Work Plan 2014 -15 PLACE

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Environment and Greenspace	1. Proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area: Working with RLS Area Response Manager and Customer Relationship Officer Ward Members to lead on delivering the Neighbourhood Improvement Project, with key partners, schools and and local community and groups(inc youth groups). The programme will enhance local neighbourhoods, working flexibly at a Ward level using evidence of need, gaps and issues and will reinforce key messages and communicate and engage with the local community.	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	
		all activity with the Neighbourhood Improvement Project	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	
		3. Continue to manage the development and delivery of the Community Health and Green Spaces Project and look for further opportunities for future funding to develop new phases and co-ordinate with wider strategic programmes.	SCC: City Services, S & AA, Highways	
		4. Improved use of green/open space linked to People/Health Priorities and Public Health Greenspace Funding.		
		5. Identify opportunities to enhance and add value in relation to on-going works and improvements to Washington parks		
		6. To monitor and receive information relating to the development of the new Washington Leisure Village.	SCC City Services Julie Gray	
		7. Support the development of the Concord Traders Association and activity to improve local shopping centres. Evaluate the success of the current SIB funded project re Concord Traders	SCC: Business Investment Team, Bsupplied.	
2	Ward Member Community Engagement (links to	1. Encourage partnerships wih the local community and the VCS re physical and environmental improvements - for example through Neighbourhood Improvements Project	SCC: RLS	
	People)	2. Link Ward Members to activities and events being delivered. Support Members in their community engagement and leadership role	SCC: S & AA	
		<ol> <li>Develop a partnership approach to implement a sustainable scheme to manage plantations and woodlands in Washington</li> </ol>	SCC: RLS	
		4. Continue to support love where you live activities and events, linked to site developments to promote participation and delivery of other priorities such as tackling health inequalities		
3	Heritage & Culture	1. Develop a plan of events, activity and learning opportunities for use by the local community and schools		
		<ol> <li>Consider wider cross cutting actions and themes in relation to Washington's heritage and culture offer - delivering other outcomes and strands re health, employment and community inclusion.</li> </ol>		

	3. Planning and stratgey for delivering key events 2015 - Heritage Festival, Washington         Illuminations, Christmas Festival         4. Identify how Washington can contribute to and influence the city wide apporach to         heritage and culture	
4 Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	of passionate about keeping local communities clean, green and well looked after. Develop	
	2. Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of S106 funding at an area level       a. area         3. To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme       a. area	

## Place Board – Terms of Reference

The Place Board is a working Board of the Area Committeefor 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 Coordinator 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.

## WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

## 19th 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 Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the Washington Place 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 Performance Report 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 are 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 Linda Williams
Washington Central	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Washington East	Cllr David Snowdon
Washington North	Cllr Peter Walker
Washington South	Cllr Louise Farthing
Washington West	Cllr Dorothy Trueman

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

Group	Elected Member Representative
Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Childrens Centre's Local Area Board (CLAB)	Cllr Linda Williams + one other Member
Youth Operations Group	Cllr Bernie Scaplehorn (Chair) – all Members invited

## 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area People Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Annex 1 and 2**.
  - b. Consider and agree the Washington 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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#### Washington Area Committee: Work Plan 2013/14 and 2014/15

#### 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
1	Early Years Intervention and Locality Services	To influence service delivery in the Washington	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		(Lead Officer - Jane Eland). Quarterly reporting to identify opportunities to influence key service delivery at a local level. Will continue to be identified as an opportunity to influence re 2- 14/15 and Locality Manager will attend board as required.
3	Re-commissioning services in Children's Centres for 2014	To influence service provision in the Washington as of April 2014	As required	Bring unique understanding of communities to identify options for future delivery	Not applicable		(Lead Officer - Jane Eland). Strengthening Families case study to future meeting. The Board received information on the universal offer within the Children's Centres, the outcomes framework and local need to consider how the universal offer within the Washington can be targeted to address specific issues within the requirements of Ofsted. Tenders out November and contracts awarded Jan/Feb 2014. On track for the new contracts to be in place for 1st April.
2	Influencing re-commissioning of Youth Contracts for 2015	Influence Youth Contract Provision from April 2015	July 2014 (tbc)	tbc	September 2014 (tbc)		(Lead Officer - Jane Eland). Quarterly update last presented at February Board. This included gender and age as well as outcomes. Note all locality targets being met - in fact overachieving. Contract review July 2014. Service Specification evaluation September 2014
Ę	Integrated Wellness Service Review	To input into forthcoming review	tbc		tbc		(Lead Officer - Lorraine Hughes) Key recommendations included linking health and green spaces, accessible community facilities and infrastructure, transport links/access, communication and development of social networks. The People Board received further information on the Integrated Wellness review and the model that had been developed in response to earlier discussions within the People Board and the Stakeholder event in November last year. To develop proposals for shared priorities and joined up working with CCG, Public Health and the VCS
7		To input into review of Sexual Health Services in the city at an area level, to influence future service delivery in terms of how much is delivered centrally and how much is delivered through outreach.		Health colleagues are carrying out a review of Sexual Health Services in the city. Members at an area level to influence future service delivery in terms of how much is delivered centrally and how much is delivered through outreach, using local knowledge.	As required		(Lead Officer - Gillian Gibson/Lorraine Hughes) Audit of Sexual Health Services in Washington presented April AC. A sub group of the Sexual Health Partnership, largely comprising commissioners and providers, will work with other groups in the City such as the CCG and the Local Pharmaceutical Committee to identify practical steps to begin to address some of the inequities identified. Depending on the issues highlighted, People Boards may wish to work with their CCG locality and representatives of the Sexual Health Partnership to influence provision within their area. Alternatively, any concerns raised in the People Board can be fed back through their public health link.
8	Area Arrangements	To ensure the board understand the outcome of the review and the impact on linkages with Area Arrangements	tbc	tbc	tbc		(Lead Officer Louise Butler) Work is ongoing to determine the LMAP links between Area Arrangements in terms of Community Leadership and as part of the desk-top reivew. Further updates of progress to be provided.

9	Lifelong Learning	Consideration to be given to the benefits of lifelong learning being influenced at a local level	As required	To consider how Members can influence the commissioning of activity utilising Family Adult and Community Learning Funding (FACL) available in 2014/2015	tbc	(Lead Officer - Andrew McGuirkian) Board to understand what FACL is and delivers, what they can influence/what intell they can bring, timeline for informing service specification (C4P May to July 2014). The People Board were presented including the current timetable for delivery in the Washington 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 area, who may be able to expand provision, how awareness and take up of the provision can be maximised and how FACL can be supported to increase engagement with schools. FACL to contribute and support delivery of Area Committee priorities and link with local VCS organisations to ensure a joined up approach. 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
15	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 and influence development and delivery of the Health and Well-being Strategy		Contribute to developing a local vision with regards to Public Health and identify those most in need to identify local priorities and actions, particularly for the transformation of Adult Social Care services. Develop community directory; Identify gaps and opportunities to enhance community provision; Consider potential to develop Dementia Café's.	tbc	<ul> <li>(Lead Officer - Alan Caddick) Area Committee consulted on the Health and Well-being Strategy. Reports received regarding the public's health in Washington. Ensure that local communities and the VCS are facilitated to deliver services for the most vulnerable.</li> <li>i) Raise awareness of services available and establish Community links - Community Directory now launched ii) Increase social wellbeing by reducing social isolation - 8 projects now approved. evaluation visits to be carried out to ensure delivery. ACO to report to future board.</li> <li>iii) Support communities to cope with dementia Also proposed better use of green spaces - proposals to be developed as part of 2014 work plan</li> </ul>
Ada	litional Area Priorities					
	Area Outcome - A healthy	Influence GP Climical Commissioning Group at an area level	Jul-14	To evolve a relationship and joint working practices with the Clinical Commissioning Group	tbc	To identify how joint working is established across CCG, Public Health and Area Committee plans and priorities. CCG to attend future board to confirm shared priorities – anticipated May/June. Once completed outcomes, potential funding opportunities and shared priorities will be presented to Board. CCG invited to attend April Network to share potential priorities with relevant sector organisations. Consider capacity, gaps and issues of VCS organisations delivering health outcomes.
16 17		Ensure services addressing young people's mental health issues are provided at a local level	as required	To analyse Washington's statistics and data	tbc	(Lead Officer - Lorraine Hughes) AC confirmed this issue as a key priority for 2014/15. Need to gather relevant stats and data from both public sector and VCS partners to support and identify gaps.

	Area Outcome - Active, educated and access to employment in Washington: Continue to improve lifelong earning, volunteering and participation opportunities	To continue to improve and / or increase levels of skills, attainment and partcipation	Jul-14	Develop a local approach to emplopyment and enterprise	tbc	(Lead Officer - Berni Whitaker) A Local Approach to employment and enterprise project £28,000 SIB approved January 2014. 3 key strands - Retail Support Project : business advice and support for Concord Shopping Centre & Traders- Retail specialist now appointed. Skills Conference for Young People (@Washington Managed Workspace) £2,500, Engaging local business £2,500. Traders continue to meet with city council to progress issues. Discuss options for Skills conference given Work Discovery Week will be held the week before proposed Washington conference and will deliver more or less the same outcomes. Identify Washington specific activity. Committee to confirm menu of engagement and messages re Washington Business Directory. Project lead to update Board at July meeting re progress.
20			As required	Develop a local approach to employment and enterprise	tbc	(Lead Officer - Louise Darby SCC Comms). Shop Local Campaign for Concord Shopping Centre/Traders Association £5,000. Invitation re design of campaign closed - appointed April. Focus now to establish ownership and local Traders Association via RSS Project
21			Jul-14	Monitoring of commissioned initiatives re employment and training young people	Jun-14	(Lead Officer - Nikki Vokes/Karen Mallin SNCBC) Reprofiling of SIB confirmed - projects extended to 2015. Lead agent produced forwar strategy for best practice to continue. Identified as a key priority for 2014/15 - to be considered at June Area Committee re setting of priorities 2014/15. Proposals to be determined at July AC for referral to October AC for a decision.
,	Area Outcome - A Safer Washington: Maintain key partnerships and collboration	To influence and input into partnership working which will make Washington feel safer and more secure	as required	Continue to work in partnership through Boards, LMAPs, Young People's Group, PACT meetings	As required	(Lead Officer - Karon Purvis) Continued monitoring role re joined up approach
	or a safe and secure Washington		as required	Influence mainstream resources & partnerships to ensure the continued collaboration to deliver targeted work which impacts on identified problems, e.g. youth related ASB and positive activitivities for children and young people.		(Lead Officer - Karon Purvis). Continued monitoring role
24				Co-ordinated approach to developing and delivering positive youth work in Washington		(Lead Officer - Karon Purvis)Co-ordinate opportunities and collaboration via Youth Working Group. Ensure joint working between Area Committee and the new Washington Youth Council now established. Planning key events including Q & A sessions with Members and lead partners, celebration event and discussion re State of the Area. Sessional workers now attached to the programme via ODYPP and not SCC Youth Services. Successful Talent Show held March 2014
25			Jul-14	Monitor action plan to address issues at Sulgrave Flats	Jun-14	(Lead Officer - Alan Caddick) Further funding has been secured for the Neighbourhood Management Model for 2014. There is a team of multi-agency officers, included ASB, Police officer, a Project Manager and links with Integrated Offender Management and Substance Misuse Services. The purpose of Neighbourhood Management is to reduce and tackle the causes of crime and anti-social behaviour; encourage greater tenancy management and work with landlords and the complexes and wider community. A delivery plan has been produced and the project itself is very high of the PCC agenda. Further report in relation to this to future People Board. Recommendation to consider as key priority for 2014/15

ea Outcome - Community clusion and Support.	to ensure all actions contribute to supporting devolved and agreed area outcomes and priorities	as required	Area Committee to support the VCS to build capacity, engage and support local organisations to develop and deliver services based on local need.	(Lead Officer - Karon Purvis). Further work to collaborate with the local VCS to build capacity to contribute to delivering the AC priorities. Ongoing communication and co-ordination through Area Network. Need to ensure joined up with the sector to identify joint priorities and where working together will enhance delivery of services for local residents. SIB application from Washington Trust for a Community and Volunteer Co-ordinator at April committee.
G	Progressing on target			
A	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans ir	place to action)		
R	Not progressing			

## **Project Performance-People Board**

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved up until March 2014

Youth Opportunities -SNCBC	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	117	139	·	£73,820	£73,820	
Number of people receiving job training	79	68				
Number of people employed in voluntary work	8	16				
Number of young people aged 16-19 NEET encouraged into further education and employment	47	56				
Number of people going into employment	47	57				

This project was funded £99,900 to enable the introduction of a service for NEET young people resident in Washington, enabling individuals to gain skills and experience relevant to the world of work. A meeting took place February 2014, chaired by Cllr Williams, to which the re-profile and continuation strategy for the project programme was discussed and SNCBC were asked to submit a proposal for an extension project from the extended programme end date of September 2014. Developments include a Key Worker now being based within the Albany Centre with the School Opportunities Mentor to allow scope to see young people in local community and share good practice and develop joint working strategies to realise budget efficiencies. The key worker undertook Princes Trust training with view to developing a Princes Trust Excel Club from the Centre and to enable young people to work towards nationally recognised qualifications in Personal Development and Employability Skills and will offer 1-2-1 and group work support tailored to individual needs. Within the last month of programme, 5 Young people have signed up, 2 engaged through advertising at the Albany Centre and of those one is completing an application for a graphic design apprenticeship. Development work with service users based at the Millennium Centre has led to the Key Worker undertaking informal engagement through linking with football sessions at the Centre. This has led to one young person who engaged with the project following a four week hospitality work placement and another two actively seeking training courses one secured in business admin and one pursuing an opportunity in construction skills. An example of a positive case study of a young lady engaging in the project was submitted with the last return. All re-profiles have been agreed by the ACO. The project has achieved all targets set and continues to deliver additional outputs. It will continue until September 2014.

Washington Trust Partnership	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator				
Number of community /	9	23		£65,000	£35,630					
voluntary groups supported										
Number of programmes	2	4								
tackling health inequalities										
Number of new or improved	2	2								
community facilities and										
equipment										
Mini's totalling £1,350 and Woodridge Gardens Entertainment Group. Work was done with groups to address social isolation. Springwell Village Hall secured funding from BIFFA circa £45,000 which will see the toilets refurbished and disable toilets created along with a refurbishment of the cafe/bar. Matched funding of £2,000 has also been given to NEETT following their bid to the Community Foundation of £3,500 and SIB funding in Washington and the North area. A bid has been developed with Washington Mind to the Henry Ford Foundation for £35,000, for addressing isolation amongst women and mental health issues. Washington History Society secured £4,500 towards a Washington history book. The Trust has been successful with a proposal to the Heritage Lottery re a bid regarding celebrating 50 years of Washington New Town. The Trust has advised WMC to set up a local exercise referral programme and smoking cessation centre, and Biddick School to set up a junior health champion's pilot.										
The Trust has continued to wor	•									
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been done with the charities commission and the objects have been updated to bring them in line with the recent guidance issued by the commission. April/May saw new bids looking at isolation within the community and mental health challenges, isolation amongst older people including carers whose partners have dementia and on a healthy living project as reported to the recent People board. **This project is now closed** with a return of £29,370 to AC at the June 2014 meeting.

School Opportunities -SNCBC	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	63	79		£46,421	£46,421	
Number of people receiving job training	18	23				
Number of people going into employment	1	1				
Number of adults obtaining	Due	Due				
qualifications (non- accredited)	Q1	Q1				

This project was awarded £99,982 to enable work to be carried out with young people 14 – 16 years. Progress to date includes the School Opportunities project being well established with the local schools and over the last year has become well respected by the young people who are most at risk of not achieving in school. The project continues to be directed by a Steering Group, chaired by ClIr Scaplehorn. Breandan, the Mentor, has recently undertaken Princes Trust accreditation training which increases the portfolio of services he can directly support young people with, it has been have understood from previous delivery that sometimes referral to a third party results in the young person disengaging as they do not build an effective relationship with the third party, highlighting how key the 'transition' timing is for some of the vulnerable young people we are working with. This approach also reduces some of the finances identified to deliver training courses and has enabled a time extension to the project as identified in the reprofile presented and agreed towards the end of the 2013 delivery year. Re-profiles for spend and outputs have been agreed accordingly with the ACO.

Washington Young Peoples Forum - SCC	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community or educational events held	2	2		£3,736	£3,736	
Number of new young people engaged or participating	162	227				

This project was awarded £8,500 to encourage young people, with the support of youth workers, to contact other young people throughout Washington raising the profile and image of young people in Washington. There was a delay in the project starting because of changes within the council. It has been agreed that recruitment could begin in August 2013 and the mile stones moved to accommodate the new recruitment start. Oxclose and District Young peoples Project were identified as the driver for this project, using the original specification set down by the Youth Development Group. Oxclose and District Young Peoples project started the initial process of starting to recruit to the project. The Young Peoples Forum continues to go from strength to strength with new young people becoming involved all of the time. The core group are currently arranging to talk with uniformed groups that include the 'Brownies'. Individual young people are becoming aware of the group and are approaching to be a part of it. A recruitment drive at the Arts Centre Washington saw a lot of young people in attendance. The group have continued on course and have completed two of the four outputs of organising and managing events. The latest event, the talent show was very successful and a copy of the local newspapers report on the event is attached. The event attracted a lot of people, with figures of around 200 in total. Over 120 young people attended this event which gave the project the opportunity to display what the forum have thus far achieved and also publicise the Forum. Young people at the forum continue to work towards further outputs and getting positive images of young people recognised. Forum members are now as well as continuing to recruit to the forum have started to make ready for the next event, a State of the Area debate for young people.

Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Update due later in 2014	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
This project was awarded £28,000. Prog March and appointed in April 2014 to wo supported by a Shop Local Campaign. A	rk with Co	ncord Trac	ders and develo	p a Traders F	orum. This wo	

Social Isolation (Older People) Call	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
for Projects)	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Various –See below	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded £30,000 and successful projects are as follows:

**ELCAP -Community bus for older people with social isolation £3,000.** The Community Transport bus has supported 32 local older people to access shopping, attend clubs and social activity. The main area of need has been to support attendance at Wednesday Group at Springwell Village Hall. 16 regulars use the service on a weekly basis. Recent consultation showed that residents were paying for taxis / lifts from relatives/friends to engage in clubs. We have developed leaflets and worked in partnership with Springwell to seek additional funding to continue with the service. People report that they have made new friends and are not isolated in their homes and comments include "*I come to the club every week now and it's the only time I get out of the house*" *I went to the Galleries on the bus today I could not do this on the regular service as I have poor walking now, the driver dropped us off at the door I have lived in Washington for 12 years and it's the first time I've been to the Galleries"* 

**Springwell CA- Golden Age People £4,000**. A new morning session called Fit Steps is being delivered aimed at older people. The GAP group enjoyed the taster sessions and have asked for it to run weekly. 23 people access the project, 9 individuals for the first time. Feedback has been excellent and the group is steering towards being user-led. Local organisations involved include: Digital Challenge Team, Gentoo, Library Services, Age UK, and British Red Cross. Sessions have included crafts, cookery, awareness sessions, I.T., health and fitness and history.

**Washington Mind £4,314.** Since Washington Minds move to Life House, they have increased services and activities to offer the local community a holistic approach to health and wellbeing- a 'one stop'. Uptake was monitored from older and vulnerable people due to mental ill health; to establish if there is has been an increase in referrals from an older age group. This has proved to be the case - in the Qtr. 3 (2013) period there were 472 total referrals and 75 (age 50+) (221 total and 56 – 50+ for same period 2012. An 8 weekly Christmas craft course with 54 attendees was completed, a ten week mentoring course from Aspire, podiatry and tai chi sessions have commenced and treatments being offered are shiatsu, reflexology, Reiki, Indian head massage and foot massage with 16 delivered to date.

**AGE UK £5,000** Open days were held for Sulgrave and Branspeth lunch clubs. The Washington officer has promoted the project with partners and this has led to a number of referrals to the project. A volunteer coordinator day was held on 15<sup>th</sup> January. 28 new referrals for socially isolated people were received, who received a home visit and were referred to a luncheon club. A total of 32 older people have been engaged with 150 receiving a winter warmer pack and 4 new volunteers have been recruited.

**WWIN Praying, Staying and Obeying £4,460** The older women's group has been meeting fortnightly since Tuesday 5th November. A formal group-work programme is being developed to support this and future groups. The group has identified the key messages/images that they believe a media campaign targeting older victims of domestic violence should contain. The WWIN Director has been attending the Homicide Review for a local, older woman and liaising with partner agencies regarding the issues emerging from this review (including the training needs of key agencies). The media campaign aimed at older women will be launched in the Spring of 2014 and target key services throughout the Summer/Autumn of 2014 and a Multi-agency training on meeting the needs of older victims of domestic violence is also likely to be launched in Autumn 2014.

**Woodridge Gardens- Activity Sessions for older people £3,840** The first five week programme has been completed. A selection of participants has given feedback on positive impact that the sessions have had. The comments have been from people who had strokes or with Parkinson's disease. Family members have reported positive feedback from relatives attending sessions.

Washington Millennium Centre –Pie and Pea Lunch £1,500 A start date of April 8th was agreed. A lead volunteer has been recruited as part of the sustainability plan, which Food Hygiene Training will be sought for and the activity has been advertised, taking names in advance. Further progress will follow via a June monitoring update.

Washington Mind –Room hire and Christmas party for anxiety group £575 This project will provide a update after the Christmas party is held.

Well Men Partnership-Washington Mind	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of groups engaged	38	42		£31,413	£31,405	
Number of individuals engaged	3202	3667				
Indirect contact through promotional	6597	6684				
materials						
Awareness Sessions held	67	78				

This project was awarded £31,413 from Washington and received further funding from other areas for delivery of similar projects, with area specific targets. The project aimed to improve the physical and mental health of men in the Washington area by identifying local need and working together effectively to focus on gaps in current service provision. This twelve month partnership project was developed to provide a holistic, co-ordinated approach to reducing cancer mortality for local men and to increase awareness and encourage healthy lifestyles. The outputs were exceeded in all areas of delivery, we engaged with all ages with children and young people pledging on behalf of their dads and grandparents and 80+ enjoying some of the physical activities. This project suffered some issues mainly due to the original Coordinator leaving the post early on and the replacement struggling to fulfil the role. One of the difficulties for the Coordinator was that some partners did not attend the steering group or submit evidence in a timely manner which made the completion of guarterly returns challenging. What worked really well was the use of specifically designed promotional items that were made engagement easier using raffles and competitions helped to keep people engaged. With some really good work taking place in terms of the Ha'way man promotional items which proved to be a real talking point at community events with both men and the females in their lives. Men's health pages on the website, Facebook and in the wellbeing directory also got very positive feedback. The opportunity to highlight men's health issues at existing events was very useful, sometimes when a session was advertised as 'a men's health event' we attracted less men than at other events where the focus was on something else and mens health discussed on the back of this. The project was publicised in the Washington Star, Washington Mind website, Facebook, <u>www.wellbeinginfo.org</u>, Sunderland Wellbeing Directory, Washington Mind's launch day, and in the Men's health network newsletters. The partnership held a celebration event in December 2103 with 65 attendees.

Key pieces of work delivered include:

- 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.
- The Washington Capacity Funding Pot was promoted through the Washington VCS Network
- Washington Mind host the <u>www.wellbeinginfo.org.uk</u> site which has a designated Men's Health area and the Men's Health Network is currently helping to develop this site further

An underspend of £8 has been recorded on this project and the project has now closed.

	Area Priority		Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Health and Wellbeing	Establish Strategic Health Group (CCG, Public Health, SCC, VCS) to identify opportunities for partnership working and shared priorities to:		
		1. Improve participation in activity through ensuring Ensure use of Community Health and Green spaces Project is utilised to deliver initiatives to address health inequalities		
		2. Maximising the Use of the Health Funds for use of Green/Open Space to address health issues (also links to Place) (Public Health funding $20k$ )		
		3. Identify gaps in Mental Health Services for young people including what is already being developed and delivered by VCS and other partners. Also co-ordinate proposed activity with Member's 'No Health without Mental Health'. Mental Health Social Worker to be locality based.		
		<ol> <li>Consider initiatives to help residents - and in particular young people - manage money and debt</li> </ol>		
		5. Promote the take up of Health Champions Training including the Dementia Module and the promotion of dementia friendly communities		
		6. Influence work relating to Integrated Wellness Review recommendations		
		7. Respond to issues raised through Sexual Health Review re locality needs		
2	Adult Social Care	<ol> <li>Determine best practice and added value that AC funded projects have brought to the ASC Framework.</li> </ol>		
		2. Ensure any proposed outcomes and initiatives are linked to the VCS - opportunities to develop collaboration and/or consortia working to deliver shared priorities		
	and support for the	<ol> <li>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.</li> <li>ACO continue to provide support and co-ordination re Area</li> <li>Natwork</li> <li>Review Terms of Reference of Area Networks – including roles and responsibilities of Area reps</li> </ol>		
		<ol> <li>Consider how to maximise and co-ordinate volunteering opportunities throughout Washington</li> </ol>		

	<ol> <li>Consider continued support for young people to take forward initiatives develop capacity and engagement and encourage partnership working and participation</li> </ol>	
	5. Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery	
	6. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington.	
	<ol> <li>Consider opportunities for young people to support the delivery of area priorities - links to health and well being initiatives and environmental/physical improvements and neighbourhood enhancements.</li> </ol>	
4 Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning	<ol> <li>Continue to monitor the School Opportunities Project.</li> </ol>	
	2. Agree project proposal building on best practice of current Youth Opportunities Project to continue to improve skills, education and employment opportunities for Washington Young People	
	3. Deliver Skills Conference for Washington Young People	
	4. Continuing to work with local businesses (through SCC Business Investment Team) to engage them in AC priorities, key messages and overarching outcomes	
	5. Consider how FACL provision can be best utilised to assist delivery of AC priorities and outcomes	
	6. Consider options for schemes to provide support for local residents to access appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision, and providing the required evidence to enable compliance and avoid repercussions. (Consider West Job Club	
	1. Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder.	
	2. Establish collaboration and partnership working re shared priorities for a Safer Washington.	
	3. Ensure Sulgrave and Concord Neighbourhood Management Model links with other initiatives to add value to the approach and assist with sustainability	
6 Influence the design, delivery and review of	1. Develop New Relationship with Schools	
devolved to Area	<ol> <li>Improve access to green/open/blue space, to support further participation in physical activities. (Greenspace Grant of £20k per area).</li> </ol>	
	3. Review of Museum Services	

## People Board – Terms of Reference

The People Board is a working Board of the Area Committeefor 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 Coordinator 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.

## WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

#### Item 5

#### 19<sup>th</sup> 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 Washington 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 online 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 Washington 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control</u>

**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://sunderlandconsult.limehouse.co.uk/public/city\_services/street\_scene\_services/dcos

Further information on these proposals is available at <u>www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control</u> 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 <u>nicola.rowland@sunderland.gov.uk</u>

Any representations should be received no later than 31<sup>st</sup> May 2014.

Janet Johnson Deputy Chief Executive Sunderland City Council

Dated the1<sup>st</sup> May 2014

#### WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

### Author(s):

Chief Executive

## Purpose of Report:

This report requests Area Committee consideration of proposals for the allocation of the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and Healthy City Investment Funds that will benefit the area. **This report denotes an item relating to an executive function** 

#### **Description of Decision:**

The Committee is requested to approve the following:

- Note the financial statement for Area Committee funding for 2014/2015
- **Approve** £125,000 SIB from the 2014/15 budget for the Neighbourhood Improvements Project as detailed in **Item 6 Annex 1**
- Note approval of an additional £2,500 SIB from the 2014/15 budget for the Washington Heritage Festival through the SIB emergency protocol as detailed in Item 6 Annex 2
- Note the allocation of SIB Call for Projects for the Washington 50 Community Programme Round 3 as detailed in Item 6 Annex 3
- Note the approvals supported from 2014/15 Community Chest budget as set out in Item 6 Annex 4.

Yes

### Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

Each Area Committee has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum 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.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in	Relevant Scrutiny Committee:
the Constitution? No	
Is it included in the Forward Plan?	
No	

### WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

Item 6

## 19<sup>th</sup> 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	Approvals	Balance
Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £30	6,507			£306,507
Project Name				•
Dementia Awareness Training			£7,000	£299,507
Volunteer Development			£74,850	£224,657
Washington Heritage Festival			£2,500	£222,157
Funding returned Washington Trust £29,370.56				£251,527
Balance				£251,527

- 2.2 There is 1 application for SIB funding presented to Committee for consideration as detailed at **Annex 1**
- 2.3 The total budget being requested from the project listed is £125,000. Should the project be approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £126,527
- 2.4 Members are asked to note the approval of additional SIB of **£2,500** for the Washington Heritage Festival 2014. This was approved by Area Committee via the SIB Emergency

Procedure. For Member's information the 'Changes to a Project' application which was utilised for consulting all Area Committee Members is attached as **Annex 2** 

- 2.5 Members are also asked to note the return to funds from the Washington Trust of **£29,370**. This funding is the balance remaining uncommitted and unspent from the original grant of £65,000 awarded to help 'pump prime' funding applications on behalf of the VCS and grassroots organisations in Washington.
- 2.6 Members are also asked to note the approvals for the Washington 50 Community Programme (Call for Projects) following completion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, as detailed in **Annex 3**

## 3 Community Chest Financial statement and proposals

3.1 The table below details balances remaining following the last Area Committee meeting in April 2014 and project approvals to date as detailed in **Annex 4**.

Ward	Budget	Agreed	Returned	Balance
Washington Central	£11,002.60	£400	£0	£10,602.60
Washington East	£10,853.10	£1,930	£0	£8,923.10
Washington North	£10,000	£635	£124	£9,489
Washington South	£10,969.60	£0	£0	£10,969.60
Washington West	£15,369.60	£4,500	£0	£10,869.60
Balance	£58,194.90	£7,465	£124	£50,853.90

## 4. Recommendations

The Area Committee is requested to

4.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, 2.4, 2.5 and 3.1 of the report

4.2 Consider the approval of the SIB Application as detailed in **Annex 1** for the Neighbourhood Improvements Project for **£125,000** 

4.3 Note the allocation of **£15,938** SIB (2013/14 budget Call for Projects) to support three rounds of applications for the Washington 50 Community Programme as detailed in **Annex 3** 

4.4 Note the Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 4** 

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Annex 1: SIB Applications and recommendations

Annex 2: Washington Heritage Festival 2014 – application for 'Change to a Project' (FIO)

Annex 3: Washington 50 Community Programme Approvals and Update

Annex 4: Community Chest 2014/15

#### Washington Area Committee SIB Funding Applications (2014/15 budget)

Name of Project	Washington Neighbour	Washington Neighbourhood Improvement Project			
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Counc	Sunderland City Council: RLS			
Total Cost of Project	Total Match funding	Total Match funding Total SIB Requested			
£125,000		£125,000			
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date			
2 years	July 2014	July 2016			

## The Project

This project supports the Area Committee's priority of 'Investment in Washington's built and natural environment – physical and environmental improvements' as included in the Washington Place Work Plan 2014/15. This will be through locality driven, ward based activity to improve and enhance the physical and environmental appearance of Washington. Washington Area Committee has undertaken to work responsively to influence local delivery of local services - with a particular influence on responsive services, street scene and further emphasis on locality working to meet needs identified at a Ward level. The Place Board work plan includes both strategic influencing actions and local actions to ensure proposals for activity, initiatives and partnership working will deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements – which can involve local communities and VCS organisations to deliver the Committee's Place priorities where appropriate.

In January 2013 Area Committee approved a 'Project Matrix' approach to neighbourhood improvements which included village centres, industrial areas, plantations and shrub beds, parks etc. It also approved the Place board and RLS to work with partners and other organisations to look at ways to help deliver responsive services through partnership working, co-ordination and collaboration. The Area Committee has since approved SIB funding for the Village Centre Project which will roll out a dedicated programme of village enhancements over the next 12 months.

Area Committee Members are now keen to develop further emphasis on locality working and promoting the community leadership role of Members. Within that context Members wish to see opportunities for ward based initiatives developed with Members themselves being central to developing local partnerships whilst evidencing influencing local services and delivering a co-ordinated approach to 'neighbourhoods'. The project will undertake a coordinated approach to deliver local projects in partnership with multi agency partners and the local community. The projects will enhance the ongoing work that is developing within the villages of Washington.

All proposals and requests for action in each of the ward based programmes will be evidence based using intelligence from members and data to support how the local neighbourhoods within each of the 5 Wards will be enhanced. The projects will provide both environmental and physical improvements to an area based on requests from members and the community that do not duplicate the core services that are already delivered or look to replace services decommissioned by the Council.

It is anticipated that match funding or resources of a similar amount will be generated across the project's lifetime – where possible all proposals should endeavour to obtain additional funding or resources and not be 100% funded via the SIB grant.

RLS Area Response Manager will schedule regular meetings with members and frequent Walk and Talks will be programmed in at a Ward level, to identify not only problems but solutions to an issue. A range of relevant partners and the community will be invited along. Area Response Manager will update Place Board and Area Committee of the progress and any issues to ensure value for money and the best use of available resource has been achieved. This might identify, for example, initiatives or activities across more than one Ward or might actually identify an issue that is 'area' focused and therefore requires escalating appropriately.

This proposal will

- develop Member's community leadership role
- deliver the localism agenda
- involve local residents in decision making with regards to local service delivery
- deliver Washington Area Committee priorities
- encourage local partnership delivery

It is proposed funding of £25,000 per Ward be allocated to:

- Develop and deliver programmes of work and initiatives in partnership with the local community to improve the physical and environmental appearance of Washington
- Where possible some element of match funding or resources will need to be committed to any proposal
- Work with local groups and organisations to identify work that addresses local area need refer to CSN information and data, Member requests, complaints, requests from the local community and residents.
- Determine a 'walk and talk' programme at a Ward level involving key partners and residents to identify not only problems and issues but solutions
- Build on LWYL campaigns
- Contribute to delivering the new role of the Customer Relations Officer (RLS)
- Be co-ordinated with and enhance work being delivered through the Village Centre Improvements Project
- Ward Members to agree to a schedule of meetings with Area Response Manager to co-ordinate proposals, programmes and current responsibilities at a Ward level.
- The ARM will also report via the current structures at Place Board and Area Committee to ensure consultation and information sharing, best use of resources, value for money and to avoid duplication.
- Normal SIB performance monitoring would also be adhered to with regard to achieving projected outcomes, outputs and spend, performance and monitoring

## Outcome

To develop locality based working, with members as the community central point, influencing services and delivering a co-ordinated approach with the community and key partners

#### Outputs of the Project

No of programmes/initiatives	delivered	25
No of partners engaged		20

#### **Key Milestones**

Schedule of Ward meetings scheduled	July 2014
10 programmes of work delivered	July 2015
Interim evaluation	July 2015
Full Project evaluation	July 2016

## Funding

£25,000 will be allocated to each Ward to deliver a minimum of 5 programmes of work to enhance local neighbourhoods.

**Recommendation: Approve** 

### SIB funding decisions

## Washington Heritage Festival: Request for 'Change to a Project (Utilising SIB Emergency Procedures)

## AREA STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB) CHANGE TO PROJECT APPLICATION

Organisation Name	Project Title
Washington Miners and Community Heritage group	Washington Heritage Festival 2014
Address135 Horsley Road, Barmston, Washington,	
Tyne and Wear NE38 8HH	
Postcode NE38 8HH	
Telephone Number 0191 4168107	
Contact Name Kevin Roddy	
Email/Website Kevin.roddy@live.co.uk	
Date revised project will start (month and	Date project end (month and year)
year)	
April 2014	October 2014
Please describe the changes to the project and (please tryto be brief and ensure you are clear project will do)	V 11

This request is for change to finances – all outcomes, outputs etc. remain the same.

This project/proposal is being taken forward and lead by a VCS group for the first time – for the previous 4 years the City Council supported and organised all the events management for the event. With the implementation of Sunderland Live as an Alternative Delivery Model for the City's Events Management it is anticipated that where possible the local community 'lead' on delivering local events not included in Sunderland Live's Core Programme. Within that context this group has volunteered to be that lead on the understanding that they would be able to commission professional events management expertise as the lead agent.

Based on previous experience of assisting with the delivery of this event negotiations have been taking place with Sunderland Live to determine an event management proposal within the budget awarded by Area committee (£30k). That award was based on previous years budgeting.

Sunderland Live have endeavoured to obtain best value for the group for infrastructure costs and for delivering and developing the programme. Unfortunately quotes for infrastructure are higher than previous years by  $\pounds 3,000$  – previously site infrastructure costs were  $\pounds 18,000$  (such as Marquees, stewards, toilets etc) – this year quotes and estimates put this project outside the current budget with a total budget requirement of  $\pounds 32,500$ . Sunderland Live has worked hard to reduce costs when possible at the same time as supporting the group to deliver the event and programme as they require and propose.

Within this context Area Committee is requested to award a further **£2,500** to enable the group and Sunderland Live to formally conclude negotiations and commission the delivery and development of the events management for the Heritage Festival

The group cannot wait until the next Area Committee in June as without the required budget confirmed they will not be able to formally commission Sunderland Live.

# How do you know there is a need for the project you are proposing, and why has it been necessary to change from the original project application?

All costs and quotes have been obtained at best value and the group with Sunderland Live have worked hard to reduce and trim where possible. There is still a gap of **£2,500**. The group has been unable to identify other funding - the programme delivery is now at risk as Sunderland Live need to be formally commissioned with a budget that can deliver to allow any further progress to be made.

It is hoped some funds will be raised via catering and fun fair concessions but because this is not a 'confirmed' income it cannot be considered as part of the funds 'available' at this time to allow a formal agreement to be signed between the group and Sunderland Live. The group undertakes tha should income be raised and the full grant not be spent as detailed in the application, any unspent funds will be returned to the Area Committee

Will the outcomes of the project differform the original application form if so, what will the change be.

No

Item and description	Total Cost	SIB Contribution
Infrastructure costs	21,000	21,000
Programme Delivery	5,000	5,000
Marketing etc	1,000	1,000
Programme Manager + SL Management Fee at	1,500	1,500
<10%	3,000	3,000
continguency	1,000	1,000
TOTAL	£32,500	£32,500

When will the fund	ling be s	pent – ple	ease tell us	your revis	sed spend p	orofile		
		20	14/15			2015/1	16	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
SIB		25000	7500					
Total								

SIB Output code		Targe	et 2014/15			Target 20	14/15	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
A6		1						

What are your revised milestones?	
Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Meeting of Washington voluntary organisations to establish working group	April 2014

Complete negotiations with Sunderland Live or alternative, to deliver festival	May 2014
Development meeting	June 2014
Project delivery	September 2104
Evaluation	September 2014
Name Kevin Roddy	
Position in OrganisationChairperson	

## Washington 50 – A Community Programme

## 1. Round 1 applications approved

•	Usworth Miners Banner Group	£950	Brass and popular music event
•	Apextra	£3,000	) Book – Washington 50
•	Springwell Village Venue	£3,210	) Commemorative Art and Launch
			Day
•	Peacehaven Court	£674	Garden Party & Art Work
•	Teal Farm RA	£3,000	Celebration Event
•	Miners & Community Heritage	£3,060	) for 6 x Art compositions
	Group		

Total

## £13,894

## 2. Round 2 applications approved

•	Mature Friends	£150	50 <sup>th</sup> Tea Party and memory
			project
•	OLAFF ( with St Josephs)	£390	Golden Party + Across the
			decades
•	Age UK	£59	Support costs
•	Blackfell Lunch Club	£144	50 <sup>th</sup> celebration event and
			display
•	Millennium Centre Friends	£350	Banner
•	Friends of Old Hall	£2860	Ancient Heritage in a modern
			Setting
•	Lambton Primary School	£250	Faces and Places textile and art
•	Oxclose Academy	£1000	DiscoveryWashington@50

Oxclose Nursery	£650 Kite Flying event in Princess
	Anne Park
Roseberry Court	£330 Ceramic art and launch event
Washington Millennium Centre	£2660 50 days of Fun
Donwell CA	£650 Flower Power Party
Washington MIND	£1750 Summer Carnival
Fat Quarters	£1540 Wall Hanging
Visualize	£1500 Living space
Mark Cassell Ceramics	£1150 Beacons
National Trust	£460 Garden Party
Total	£15,893

## 3. Round 3 applications approved

- Usworth Grange Primary School £878 Old School/New School Day
- Hylton Castle CIC £1170 for 3 x fundays (subject to clarification re queries (match funding, identity of groups for each event, venue confirmation)
- Washington School £2000 Living Witness Project
- Sunderland Libraries (W'ton) £950 Landmarks in textiles
- Wessington PS &Daycare& £1750 History Garden
- Gentoo Residents Association
- Arts Centre Washington £2390 Snapshot of your New Town
- Primary Schools led by St £3800 Swinging 60s picnics (week)
   Josephs
- George Washington & Donwell £2500 Perspectives art, oral & written House history
- Washington Concord WI £500 Celebration event

## SIB Budget £50,000 (Call for Projects 2013/14)

Round 1 £13,894	Balance £36,106
Round 2 £15,893	Balance £20,213
Round 3 £15,938	Balance £4,275

## Round 4 closes June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014.

- Members are asked to note the SCC Washington 50 Web site where information on all the activities and events can be found. In addition photographs, archives and information of the actual events will be uploaded onto this site
- Members are also asked to note the Council's Corporate Communications Team are working closely with Scrutiny and Area Arrangements to provide PR and marketing resources which are available to all groups receiving funding through the Washington 50 Community Programme.
- A celebration Garden Party is scheduled at the Washington Old Hall 19<sup>th</sup> September 2pm – 4pm to mark the occasion and say thank you to the community for taking part in the Washington 50 Community Programme. The Mayor is invited to open the event, all Councillors will receive an invite together with a representative of each of the groups delivering projects, activities and events. A commemorative pin will also be presented to those attending. Refreshments will be available.

## COMMUNITY CHEST 2014/2015 WASHINGTON AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED April – May 2014

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2014/2015	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned since April 2014	Balance Remaining
Washington Central	Biddick Football Club –Purchase of football team kit and equipment	£400	£11,002.60	£400	-	£0	£10,602.60
		£400					
	Total						
Washington North	St Bedes Church Hall and Toddler Group- Trip to the Dunes Adventure and transport 2nd July 2014	£635	£10,000	£635	-	£124*	£9,489
	Total	£635					
Washington East	Barmston Village Primary School	£930	£10,853.10	£1,930	-	-	£8,923.10
	Washington and Harraton Angling Club	£1,000					
	Total	£1,930					
Washington South	No applications		£10,969.60	£0	-	-	£10,969.60
	Total	£0					
Washington West	Donwell Community Association	£1,500	£15,369.60	£1,500	£3,000	-	£10,869.60
	Total	£1,500	£58,194.90	£4,465	£3,000	£124	£50,853.90
Total							

\*Northumbria Police –Respect your neighbourhood posters

Current	<b>Current Planning</b>	Between	01/05/2014	Between 01/05/2014 and 31/05/2014
Applica	Applications(Washington)			5
Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
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 Shotley 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
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
14/01112/FUL	Land Adjacent To  5 And 6 Walsingham Biddick Washington NE38 7HF	Creation of new hardstanding to provide car parking.	13/05/2014	08/07/2014
14/01090/FUL	9 Alderwood Harraton Washington NE38 9BS	Erection of a two storey side, single storey rear extension and pitched roof above existing flat roof garage and porch to front (amended description 20.05.2014)	13/05/2014	08/07/2014
14/01197/FUL	61 Fatfield Park Fatfield Washington NE38 8BP	Erection of single storey kitchen extension to front.	21/05/2014	16/07/2014

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Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/01057/FUL	Vermont House Woodland Terrace Concord Washington	Construction of plant room / cabin to house biomass boiler and pellet store.	21/05/2014	16/07/2014
14/01177/LP4	Washington Riding Centre Stephenson Road Stephenson Washington NE 37 3HR	Erection of stable block to replace existing stables.	28/05/2014	23/07/2014
14/00982/FUL	8 Graylands Rickleton Washington NE38 9HF	Erection of single storey rear extensions and pitched roof to existing garage.	16/05/2014	11/07/2014
14/01026/FUL	3 And 4 Sedling Road Wear Washington NE38 9BZ	Erection of single storey extension to west elevation.	23/05/2014	18/07/2014
14/01035/FUL	3 Glenholme Close Ayton Washington NE38 0EW	Erection of single storey extension to replace existing conservatory to rear.	28/05/2014	23/07/2014
14/01242/FUL	27 Rookhope Rickleton Washington NE38 9HW	Erection of a two storey side extension and single storey extension to rear.	28/05/2014	23/07/2014

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