

21<sup>st</sup> June 2018

## REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

### People Board Proposed Priorities and Governance Arrangements for 2018 / 2019

#### 1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report:-
  - a. Provides an annual update of the 2017/18 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
  - b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2018/19
  - c. Provides an update on People Board Governance Arrangements for 2018/19.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the Washington People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The People Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2018/19.

#### 3. Annual Update of 2017/18 People Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2017/19 Work Plan is attached as **Item 4 Annex 1** and provides an annual update on performance.

#### 4. Proposed Work Plan for 2018/19

- 4.1 The Washington Area People Board and Washington Voluntary and Community Sector Area Network were requested to consider future priorities for Area Committee. This information was collated and shared with all Area Councillors to consider and agree at the last Washington People Board in April. Area Committee are requested to consider and agree the following list of priorities which will inform the work plan for the Area People Board during 2018/2019, these are:-
  - a) Influence core service delivery for Council People Services
  - b) Health and Well-Being: Washington Healthy Lifestyles Project delivering a community led approach tackling health inequalities of 50+ year olds living in our most deprived neighbourhoods
  - c) Health and Well-Being: Ensure consideration of sustaining best practice of the Time to Care Project
  - d) Health and Well-Being: Deliver a project which will use heritage and culture to improve health and well-being. This will be undertaken with assistance from Public Health and the proposed outcomes are for community based projects that foster positive relationships, connect communities and heritage, improve health and well-being as well as provide accurate 'people based' information that can evidence and inform health related policy for future working.
  - e) Social Care: Continue a targeted approach to help people in crisis to overcome the challenges and disadvantages that shape their lives via the Washington Individual Support Project (WISP2). Enhancing existing services and establishing good referral and communication links with relevant partners is likely to bring more benefits for those in most need.
  - f) Community Inclusion: On-going support prioritising support for the local VCS via the Washington Area Network
  - g) Community Inclusion: Continued support for volunteering linked to capacity building of grassroots organisations via the proposed VCS Support Project
  - h) Community Inclusion: Positive activities and programmes for children and young people

- i) Community Led Local Delivery (CLLD) Programme: Ensuring that Washington organisations benefit from the CLLD EU funding opportunity, to support residents within the area by developing a partnership with local VCS to deliver shared priorities through the REACT Project
  - j) Skills and Enterprise: Deliver the proposed Enterprise Challenge programme with local schools
  - k) Community Safety: Develop a partnership approach to address and educate to address and educate with regards to healthy relationships, care versus control approach in respect of young girls and women.
- 4.2 The proposed detailed work plan for 2018/2019 is attached as **Item 4 Annex 2**. The work plan links directly into the Council's Corporate Plan.

## 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 **Item 4 Annex 3**.
- 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 Paul Middleton
Washington Central	Cllr Linda Williams
Washington East	Cllr David Snowdon
Washington North	Cllr Jill Fletcher
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
Children's Centres Local Advisory Partnerships Board (CCAB)	Cllr Len Lauchlan and Cllr Paul Middleton

## 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:-
- a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington's Area People Board's Work Plan for 2017/18 attached as **Item 4 Annex 1**.
  - b. Consider and agree the Washington Area People Board Work Plan and Priorities for 2018/19 attached as **Item 4 Annex 2** and in paragraph **4.1 above**
  - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2018/19 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 4 Annex 3**.

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