

COALFIELD AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held on Wednesday 9th December, 2020 at 6:00pm

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Membership

Cllrs Blackburn (Chairman), Heron (Vice Chairman), Johnston, Lawson, N. MacKnight, Rowntree, Speding, Thornton, Turner and G. Walker.

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ELAINE WAUGH

Assistant Director of Law and Governance

1st December, 2020

At a meeting of the COALFIELD AREA COMMITTEE held remotely on TUESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 2020 at 6.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Blackburn in the Chair

Councillors Heron, Johnston, Lawson. N. MacKnight, Speding, Thornton, Turner and G. Walker

Also Present:-

Wendy Cook	Area Network Representative	Sunderland North Community Business Centre
Pauline Hopper	Area Community Development Lead, Coalfield	Sunderland City Council
Kay Rowham	Councillor	Hetton Town Council
Christine Tilley	Community Governance Services Team Leader	Sunderland City Council

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting introducing himself, the Vice Chairman and Officers supporting the meeting.

The Chairman outlined how the meeting would be held remotely and streamed for the public to view.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Rowntree, Jill Colbert, Chief Executive of Together for Children and Director of Children's Services, Sunderland City Council and Allison Patterson, Area Co-ordinator, Sunderland City Council.

Declarations of Interest

Item 4 – Area Budgets Report

Councillor Turner made an open declaration as a Member of New Dawn and the 3 Together Bid Local. She left the meeting prior to any discussion on the project involving the organisations and took no part in any decision on funding.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 15th July, 2020 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023

Councillor Heron, Chair of Coalfield Area Neighbourhood and Community Board, presented the report (copy circulated) which:-

- i) presented the Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023, and;
- ii) provided an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Heron highlighted the Coalfield Area Priorities for 2020-2023 set out in Annex 1 of the report and that there were 17 projects which she felt would be fantastic for the local areas.

Ms Pauline Hopper, Area Community Development Lead, Coalfield commented that the projects were at early stages and that the Board was continuing to meet to develop some of the detail of the projects.

Councillor Heron highlighted that locations had been determined for the Vehicle Activated Sign programme.

Councillor Heron thanked Members for their contributions so far in developing the projects.

Councillor MacKnight paid tribute to all of the work put in to fleshing out the priorities, particularly by Ms Hopper, as well as all the other Officers and Members and commended the programme that was being taken forward.

Councillor Lawson echoed Councillor Heron and Councillor MacKnight's comments about some of the exciting projects that would be happening in the Coalfield over the next year or two.

Councillor Lawson enquired about the project to develop a commemorative mining statue on the Houghton Colliery site, acknowledging that it was very early days for the project, as it was for all of the projects, however she was aware that the ward councillors had already met with an artist or sculptor and enquired what discussions had taken place around the type of artwork that was being discussed.

Ms Hopper advised that the project was being led by the Council's Development Director of Land and Investment, as part of the Retail Development, who had put out a brief to artists and that meetings had been held with two of the artists. The description from Members and Officers had not been prescriptive and just gave a feel of what Houghton was like, what the community was like and what they were trying to achieve.

Both Artists would be submitting ideas which would be looked at by colleagues in Land and Investment. The Board did not know how they would look until those ideas came forward. Consultation would be undertaken and people would have an opportunity to input both in terms of the Committee and residents. It was anticipated that it would be 18 months down the line before any decisions on the artwork would be taken. Ms Hopper reported that as she was the link to the community she would be working with Land and Investment Colleagues on proposals for the Committee to consider.

Councillor Lawson agreed that it was important to trust the artists and referred to some of the work the Area Committee had previously done. Councillor Lawson commented that she felt that they needed to be bold and brave about the artwork for the site, that there was sufficient pit wheels around the Coalfield Area and that they should look for some artwork which was a little bit different from what they already had.

Councillor Speding commented that it was important that the artwork for the site was authentic and remarkable for that particular area that he was sure that the artists involved would come up with something in this regard and that he fully supported this.

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

2. RESOLVED that the progress and performance update with regard to the Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/23 be received and noted and that the proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1, be agreed.

At this juncture the Chairman advised that he would only be taking questions in relation to the Coalfield Voluntary and Community Sector Network Update. If Members had questions or wanted any further information on any of the other partner reports they needed to contact Ms Hopper who would forward the question to the relevant partner representative for a response.

Coalfield Voluntary and Community Sector Network Update

Ms Wendy Cook, Coalfield Area Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Representative submitted a report (copy circulated), providing an update with regard to the activity of the sector during the last three months.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms Cook highlighted the range of services delivered by Easington Lane Community Access Point (ELCAP), SHaRP, Hetton New Dawn, Loaves and Fishes and SNCBC detailed in the report at paragraph 3.1.

Ms Cook referred the Committee to the news that St Aidan's Community Group had not been able to continue as a direct result of the pandemic, however she added that it would have been a lot worse in that more community groups might not have survived without the financial support provided by the Coalfield Area Committee and the City Council and she thanked the Committee for this.

Ms Cook advised that the VCS Network would be recommencing by video platforms in October.

Ms Cook announced to the Committee that ELCAP had won a highly commended Community Group Award through the VCAS Open Arms Awards and Shaun Newton from ELCAP had also been awarded an Open Arms Award being recognised as an individual whose work had consistently enhanced the lives people in the community. Ms Cook congratulated ELCAP on its achievements.

The Chairman read out an email from Councillor Rowntree, the Local Authority representative on the Board of ELCAP who had not been able to attend the meeting that evening, congratulating ELCAP and Shaun Newton on achieving the Open Arms Awards and for the work they had undertaken to support the community during the pandemic.

The Chairman having thanked Ms Cook for her report, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that:-

- i) the contents of the report be received and noted;
- ii) the Committee continue to support the Sector when developing and implementing actions against local priorities and;
- iii) the Committee use information gathered from Network meetings to inform current and future priorities and the Area Committee Plan.

Northumbria Police Update

Inspector Nick Gjorven, Northumbria Police submitted a report (copy circulated) providing data in respect of crime and disorder in the Coalfields comparing the period 1st April to 7th September 2020 to figures with the preceding year for the same period.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

4. RESOLVED that the content of the report be received and noted.

Tyne and Wear Fire Service Update

Station Manager Kevin Burns, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service (TWFRS) submitted a report (copy circulated), providing Performance Monitoring details in relation to the Local Indicators for the Coalfield Area Committee area from 1st June, 2020 to 31st August, 2020, compared with the same period in 2019.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

5. RESOLVED that the content of the report be received and noted.

Gentoo Update

Mr Michael Donachie, Head of Operations, Gentoo provided an update from Gentoo for the Coalfields Area Committee from March to September 2020 to enable Members to be up to date on current Gentoo developments, projects and priorities.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

6. RESOLVED that the content of the report be received and noted.

Coalfield Area Budget Report

The Assistant Director of Community Resilience, Neighbourhoods submitted a report (copy circulated), providing a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Neighbourhood Fund and Community Chest and presenting proposals for further funding requests.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms Pauline Hopper, Coalfield Area Community Development Lead, presented the report drawing the Committee's attention to the current financial position of the Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme as set out in paragraph 2.3, advising that there were no requests for funding under that item as some of the priorities, as highlighted earlier in the meeting, were at early stages and applications would be forthcoming at future meetings.

Ms Hopper highlighted the funding which the Committee had approved to date detailed at paragraph 3.

Ms Hopper referred the Committee to paragraph 3.5 which provided details of two projects advising that the funding for them had been approved at the Committee's June meeting and that the funding was coming out of the budget from the previous financial year. The Committee was now being asked to approve the detail of the RU Ready for UC and the Digital Inclusion in the Coalfield Projects, the details of which were set out in Annex 2.

Ms Hopper advised that since the report had been written that there were different restrictions in place to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus and that this meant that

there might be changes in how the projects would be delivered, reduced face to face contact for example. She stated however, they would work with the Projects to make the necessary adaptations in order to comply with the local restrictions and meet the needs of the community.

Ms Hopper referred Members to paragraph 4 of the report detailing the Community Chest budget, approvals and balance remaining for 2020/2021.

Consideration having been given to the report, it was:-

7. RESOLVED that:-

- a) the financial statements set out in table one, two and three, be noted;
- b) approval be given to an allocation of £5,000 from the Neighbourhood Fund to ELCAP for the Lifeline Project as set in paragraph 3.4 of the report and Annex 1;
- c) approval be given to the 2 projects detailed in paragraph 3.5 and in Annex 2 from the previously agreed Digital Inclusion Budget; and
- d) the approved Community Chest grants between July 2020 and September 2020, as set out in Annex 3, be noted.

The Chairman thanked Members and Officers for their attendance and closed the meeting.

(Signed) J. BLACKBURN,
Chairman.

9 December 2020

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOODS & CABINET MEMBER COMMUNITIES AND CULTURE

COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING CHAMPIONS

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To advise Coalfield Area Committee of the next steps, following Cabinet Approval in March 2020 of the Sunderland Community Wealth Building Strategy, taking into consideration the additional action to be taken to continue to grow community wealth across our communities.

2. Background – Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy

- 2.1 Community Wealth Building is an approach to economic and social regeneration, which focuses on actions that support communities to create wealth and retain more of the benefits of economic growth locally. It is an approach that recognises that the way money circulates in a local economy is important and that growth needs to be shaped and directed.
- 2.2 Community Wealth Building aims to re-organise and control the local economy so that wealth is broadly held within the city and is generative, with local roots, so that income is recirculated, communities are put first, and people are provided with opportunity, dignity and well-being. The approach seeks to create resilient communities and local economic security.

- 2.3 Sunderland defines community wealth as follows:

‘Developing assets, of all kinds, in such a way that the wealth stays local. Using local assets to make communities more vibrant. Aiming to help individuals, families and communities control their own economic destiny’

- 2.4 Whilst Sunderland City Council has been a co-operative council since 2014 and has embedded these values across all areas of practice, a recent assessment by the Centre for Local Economic Strategies (CLES) suggests that the Council needs to continue to move from an approach of “doing for” to “doing with” the residents of Sunderland. Transforming the Council’s relationship with its communities to one of collaboration will lead to increased trust and effectiveness of services and reduce demand.
- 2.5 Much is happening already both across Council services and by other partners in the city. Through delivery of the Community Wealth Strategy, Sunderland Council seeks to harness what is already happening in addition to future opportunities to maximize impact in the City and to use our knowledge, and that of others, to inform what we need to do next, both from an economic and social perspective.
- 2.6 It is now more important than ever to enable residents to respond to the local economic shock of the Covid-19 pandemic. Through delivery of the Community Wealth Strategy, the council aims to respond to the immediate crisis and the urgent imperative to rebuild

local economies which are more fair, inclusive and secure than those that existed before.

2.7 There are 7 key areas for focus for our activities to achieve our vision as part of the Community Wealth Strategy Delivery Plan, which link directly to the principles of community wealth building:

1. Demonstrating our Commitment
2. Developing the role of Anchor Institutions
3. Socially Productive Asset Management
4. Community Empowerment, Engagement and Involvement
5. Business Growth and Investment (inc Voluntary and Community Sector)
6. Increasing Social Value through Procurement and Wider Activity
7. Improving Community Resilience

3. Demonstrating our Commitment - Community Wealth Champion

- 3.1 This report focuses upon the first key activity – ‘demonstrating our commitment’ to growing community wealth in Sunderland.
- 3.2 Elected members can champion the community wealth approach in their own areas by highlighting the significant benefits. This includes assisting the council to understand local issues and helping to target employment opportunities.
- 3.3 Elected members can encourage the council and partner anchor institutions to become accredited living wage employers. In addition to employment, elected members can encourage the council to continue to develop their procurement strategies that contain measures for the use of ‘community benefit’ clauses and ‘local supplier development’.
- 3.4 Inward investment activity can be targeted at developing the local supply base, and a means of monitoring where this spend goes and the impact it has should be monitored. In addition, council procurement spend with local companies should continue to be enhanced wherever possible and spend out of the local area continuously reviewed to identify any additional local opportunities.
- 3.5 Finally, elected members can encourage the council to consider the impact of their assets on inclusive economies and how they can contribute to socio-economic development objectives and build resilient communities. For example, linking asset management to neighbourhood plans and identifying how to support local people to take over council assets for the benefit of their communities. This can be achieved through promoting community asset transfer and exploring where this can be used to support area-based regeneration priorities, supporting capacity building for communities currently less able to take on and manage assets.
- 3.6 To ensure all elected members are supported to become Community Wealth Champions, it is proposed that each of the Area Committees Chairs become the ‘Area Community Wealth Champion’ – working alongside the Area Arrangements Team and Community Wealth Steering Group to develop a training and induction programme for all elected members, as well as ensuring the principles of community wealth are adopted by the Area Committee whilst delivering their Area Committee Delivery Plan priorities.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Note the contents of the report and acknowledge the work undertaken to support the growth of Community Wealth across Sunderland and agree to continue to support the delivery of the Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy.
- 4.2 Agree to support the Area Committee Chair to deliver their Community Wealth Champion role on behalf of the residents of Sunderland, demonstrating the commitment of Coalfield Area Committee to support growth.

9 December 2020

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF COALFIELD NEIGHBOURHOODS AND COMMUNITY BOARD

Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Presents the Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023
- b. Provides an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan

2. Background

- 2.1 Following the approval of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans in March 2020, the Coalfield Area Committee has worked together to finalise their Delivery Plan. All priorities have been determined following significant resident consultation via Let's Talk Sunderland. The Council also undertook further consultation with residents, during June 2020, to ensure the priorities were still relevant post COVID-19.

3. Area Committee and Neighbourhood Investment Plan Governance Arrangements

- 3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-

- a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a neighbourhood level; and
- b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's City Plan at a neighbourhood level and ensuring maximum impact where necessary, through utilising its own resources.

- 3.2 Following the approval of the Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans at Cabinet in March 2020, the Neighbourhood Investment Plans replaced the former Article 10 Local Area Plans.

- 3.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their agreed priorities to support the delivery of the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Area Committee Delivery Plans have been developed to enable this to happen (attached at Annex 1).

- 3.5 The Neighbourhoods and Community Board will be the working group for the Area Committee and the board will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. All Coalfield Sunderland Councillors are invited to attend all board meetings.

- 3.6 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. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in June 2020.

4. Areas of Key Action/Progress

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of action/progress of the Board up to December 2020.

Priority/Issue	Update
Tackle empty properties and explore enforcement powers to improve neighbourhoods	<p>The Assistant Director of Housing Services attended the Coalfield Neighbourhood and Community Board in November 2020 to give Members an update on empty properties and affordable housing.</p> <p>The Council became a Registered provider in November 2019 and became Investor Partner with Home England in February 2020. The Council approved the Housing Delivery and Investment Plan of £59m in February 2020 to deliver new social housing across three areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty Properties (64 in Coalfield area) • Bungalows (20 in Coalfield area) • Supported Accommodation (19 units in Coalfield area) <p>The Housing Service has restructured to enable delivery across all service areas and Area Committee areas and has a strengthened team to tackle empty properties, target empty homes acquisition, and undertake enforcement. New Environmental Health Officers are designated for investigation and enforcement.</p> <p>A Council new build project to deliver 5 bungalows is underway at Boulton Tce, Shiney Row. The project value is £897,552, with a Homes England grant of £195,000. Works are expected to be complete in May 2021.</p> <p>The Council's first tenant in 20 years moved into a newly refurbished property in Dene Street, Hetton in October 2020. The property had stood empty for 3 years prior to be acquired by the Council.</p> <p>A Task and Finish Group has been set up by the Board to look at various types of enforcement powers available to tackle issues within neighbourhoods.</p>
Improvement of Highways	<p>The Highways Maintenance Programme for 2021-2022 is under development. Officers attended the November Neighbourhood and Community Board meeting to discuss the programme with Members and ask for proposals to be put forward. All suggested sites will be assessed and prioritised for inclusion in the 2021-22 programme. Recommendations</p>

	<p>from the Board will be presented to the March 2021 Area Committee.</p> <p>A progress report on the current year's (2020-21) programme of work was presented to the Board.</p>
Progress the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) programme planned for the Coalfield area	All sites have now been agreed and a procurement exercise has been completed to acquire 8 signs for the Coalfield area, which will be deployed across 31 sites on a 3 month rolling programme. Delivery of the signs is expected in December 2020 and installation of the first signs will commence thereafter.
Support the development of a commemorative mining statue/memorial on the old Houghton Colliery site	Further discussions have taken place with the Development Director of Land and Investment who will commission an appropriate piece of artwork once all permissions for the development have been granted and funding is in place. A request for a financial contribution from Coalfield Capital Investment Programme funding is contained in Item 5 Area Budget Report.
Improve access to digital learning resources	<p>The Neighbourhood Fund Coalfield Communities Connected programme, delivered by Springboard on behalf of Area Committee, is providing training, support and access to IT within the community. A progress report will be presented to the Neighbourhoods and Community Board at the end of the current financial year.</p> <p>A loan scheme to provide IT equipment to children and young people who do not have computers at home is under development. Discussions with local secondary schools will take place in the next term to establish need and cost of implementing a project. The Neighbourhoods and Community Board will discuss the detail and provide an update and request for funding to the March 2021 Area Committee.</p>
Preserve and Celebrate Local Heritage including Hetton Colliery Railway 200 year anniversary (2022)	<p>At the October Board meeting it was agreed to form a Stephenson Trail Task and Finish group with members from the East and West areas. The group will include key stakeholders and link with the HCR 200 group already established.</p> <p>In line with previous years it is proposed a 'core activities' programme is developed to support events identified by Area Committee members as important to the local area. The project will provide a central resource for those events, celebrations and heritage activities identified by elected members and Area Committee partners as important to the local area and will be developed/delivered in partnership with the VCS Network and community organisations between January 2021 and March 2022. Further information is contained in Item 5 Area Budget Report.</p>

Set up Task and Finish Groups to look at specific priorities/issues and feed back to the Board	<p>The November Board agreed the scope and membership of each of the four Task and Finish Groups to be set up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforcement • Stephenson Trail • Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) • Property and Land available for use as leisure and culture facilities <p>The Enforcement Task and Finish group met in November 2020, the remaining three groups are due to meet in January 2021. Progress and feedback will be provided to Area Committee in future Board reports.</p>
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5. Recommendations

5.1 Members are requested to: -

- Consider the progress and performance update with regard to Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/23 and agree proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1

Annex 1 Coalfield Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/2023

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Pauline Hopper, Coalfield Area Community Development Lead

The Plan is a working document, which will include addition information from other public sector partners and VCS Area Network, where relevant.

The Plan commits the Area Committee to a significant number of priorities, which will be delivered within the Coalfield area of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan will be monitored by the Area Committee and actions will be addressed throughout the next three years via the Coalfield Neighbourhood and Communities Board.



Residents will be able to monitor delivery of the plan via the online activity tracker which will be available to access at www.sunderland.gov.uk as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. The Coalfield Area Priorities for 2020 – 2023 are:

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| 1. Tackle empty properties | 10. Vacant Properties as Cultural Hubs and Leisure Activities |
| 2. Derelict land and property | 11. Job Opportunities and Job Clubs |
| 3. Enforcement | 12. Social Prescribing – Reduce Social Isolation |
| 4. Bloom Activity | 13. Local Greenspace |
| 5. Transport and Parking | 14. Support voluntary and community sector |
| 6. Highways, pavements and street lighting | 15. Youth Clubs |
| 7. Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes | 16. Reduce fear of crime |
| 8. Digital Learning | 17. Preserve and celebrate local heritage |
| 9. Shopping Centres and Local Businesses | |

It is now the responsibility of Coalfield Sunderland Area Committee to deliver their Delivery Plan and which will form the work programme for the Area Committee and the Neighbourhood and Community Board for the coming months and years.

NB: numbers are for reference only, they do not list priorities in order.

Neighbourhood Investment priority		
1 Tackle Empty Properties		
Action	Next Steps?	
Explore the feasibility of implementing a time limit on how long properties can be boarded up.	Request an update on current delivery in the area from the Empty Property Team and invite officers to attend a Board meeting	The Assistant Director of Housing Services attended the November Board meeting to discuss issues and update the Board on current activity and plans.
Explore all types of enforcement powers to improve the neighbourhood around 'The Square' at Herrington	Request further information on future plans around 'The Square' at Herrington. Set up Enforcement Task Group to consider all enforcement powers the Council have. Invite relevant officers to discuss where Area Committee can influence and add value to current services	The Enforcement Task and Finish group met in November 2020 to discuss the issues with relevant officers and partners. Actions and progress will be reported back to the February 2021 Board meeting.
Improve the physical environment of areas with high levels of empty properties and transient tenants	Request information on what environmental services provide in terms of maintenance around 'The Square/Doorstep Green' at Herrington, including issues with unadopted road	
	Request further information regarding issues/solutions at Britannia Tce, Fencehouses	
2 Review derelict land and properties to further create green and cultural communities		
Action		
Request an update on derelict land and properties to Coalfield Neighbourhood and Communities Board	Invite Housing colleagues and Property Services to a future Board meeting to inform specific areas where Area Committee can provide additional resources	
Look at tidying up the Doorstep Green and other areas adjacent to Herrington Country Park, including the rear of Southburn Tce	Request an update from Environmental Services to inform where Area Committee can provide additionality to existing arrangements	Colleagues from Environmental Services will be in attendance at the February 2021 Board meeting to discuss specific issues and relevant actions

Carry out environmental improvements at Flintmill Park	Request an update from Environmental Services to inform where Area Committee can provide additionality to existing arrangements	
Look at other green spaces across the wards where derelict land, where not identified for other use, can be used for community activity	Invite the lead on the Coalfield Green Infrastructure Strategy to attend Area Board in order to explore further project development	The February 2021 Board meeting will discuss this issue with relevant officers
3 Ensure all available enforcement powers are used to tackle those who continue to fly tip, drop litter and spoil the neighbourhood		
Action		
Consider dealing with unsightly caravans, unroadworthy cars and advertising vehicles taking up space on grass verges	Set up Enforcement Task Group to consider all enforcement powers the Council have. Invite relevant officers to discuss where Area Committee can influence and add value to current services	The Enforcement Task and Finish Group discussed the enforcement powers available and relevant actions were agreed. An update report will be presented to the February 2021 Board meeting.
Tackle private businesses carrying out and using the highway for vehicle repairs, including using the highway as a car park (e.g. Church Street, Shiney Row and Allendale, Penshaw)	Set up Enforcement Task Group to consider all enforcement powers the Council have. Invite relevant officers to discuss where Area Committee can influence and add value to current services	
Continue the multi agency approach to large and ongoing fly-tips at the former Forest Estate, Easington Lane	Invite relevant officers to provide information to the Task group (above) and continue to feed into LMAPS	The multi agency action at this site is ongoing. Deployment of CCTV, patrols of the area, vehicle monitoring and investigation of waste has shown some improvement to the area. LMAPS continue to monitor and action the issue and the Council's Environmental Enforcement Officers are working with all relevant partners to maintain improvements
Request information on all types of enforcement powers available to the City Council	To be presented to the Task group (as above)	Officers from Northumbria Police and Sunderland City Council attended the Enforcement Task and

		<p>Finish Group meeting in November 2020 to update the Group on enforcement powers relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways • Planning • Environment • Public Health • Crime • Civil and Parking <p>Reporting and feedback mechanisms were discussed and an update will be given to the Board at the February 2021 meeting.</p>
Support a multi-agency/multi disciplinary approach to addressing a range of ASB and environmental issues at Railway Tce North and surrounding area	ACDL to request information regarding ongoing work and bring back to Task group (as above)	An ongoing multi-agency programme has been underway at this location. A number of actions have been taken and the reports of ASB and disorder have reduced significantly. The Coalfield ASB Officer, working with local police officers and police support officers, monitors the area regularly and retains contact with local residents. The issue remains on the LMAPS agenda
4 Bloom Activities and Supporting Residents to Grow Their Own		
Action		
Request further information regarding 'Gateway' improvements and how Area Committee may be able to enhance/further develop plans	ACDL to request further information on planned 'Gateway' improvements	
Explore the feasibility of installing flower tubs/railing troughs in more locations across the Coalfield area e.g. Easington Lane memorial clock, Shiney Row shopping centre	ACDL to explore options/costs with Environmental Services	

5 Transport routes and parking issues in residential and local shopping areas		
Action		
Work with Gentoo to explore solutions to parking issues on some estates		
Work with colleagues to ensure adequate parking is provided on new housing estates		
Explore feasibility of additional resources to address persistent offenders around local shopping centres (Shiney Row and Newbottle Street) where inappropriate parking can damage business for local traders	Discuss enforcement powers and potential to provide additional resources at the Enforcement Task Group (as in 1 and 3 above)	An update on parking enforcement was given to the Enforcement Task and Finish Group in November 2020. Colleagues from Parking Services provided information on available powers, and reporting mechanisms
6 Highways, pavements and street lighting		
Action		
Consider possibility of removal of derelict planters and replace or pave over (e.g. Gravel Walks/Stanley Street area, Houghton)	Invite Highways officers to an Area Board meeting to discuss	
Explore the feasibility of removing bollards at Edwin Street, Gravel Walks.		
Update to be provided on amount of investment planned by Highways Services for highways, pavements and street lighting replacement programme	Highways Maintenance Programme for 2021 - 2022 to be presented to Neighbourhood and Community Board for discussion and recommendation to Coalfield Area Committee	The Highways Maintenance Programme for 2021-2022 is under development. Officers attended the November Neighbourhood and Community Board meeting to discuss the programme with Members and ask for proposals to be put forward. All suggested sites will be assessed and prioritised for inclusion in the 2021-22 programme. Recommendations from the Board will be presented to the March 2021 Area Committee.

		A progress report on the current year's (2020-21) programme of work was presented to the Board.
Progress the VAS programme planned for the Coalfield area consisting of 8 signs deployed across 31 sites on a 3 month rolling programme	Highways colleagues to complete a procurement exercise and provide an update to the November 2020 Area Board meeting	All sites have now been agreed and a procurement exercise has been completed to acquire 8 signs for the Coalfield area, which will be deployed across 31 sites on a 3 month rolling programme. Delivery of the signs is expected in December 2020 and installation of the first signs will commence thereafter.
7 Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes		
Action		
Explore the feasibility of installing additional/improved signage at key locations	Request further information from the PROW Officer on current footpath and cycleway signage to inform next steps	
Support the development of the Lakes Café in Hetton Lyons Country Park	Pledge support via Spacehive	The Area Committee pledged £950 to ensure that the Lakes Café reached its target before the deadline date. Improvements to the Café will provide a great facility for visitors to the park all year round.
Support renewal of bins in Hetton Lyons Country Park (and other areas where relevant)	Request location and condition information of rubbish/dog bins in parks to inform next steps	
Support the improvement and increased use of Hetton Park	Request further information on the future plans for Hetton Park to inform next steps and the potential development of a park management plan	
Provide additional, accessible, play equipment in key parks across the Coalfield area	Invite Assistant Director of Environmental Services to an Area Board meeting to discuss condition survey, future plans and	Relevant officers will attend the February 2021 Board meeting to discuss feasibility and costs for

	areas where Area Committee can add value to planned provision	installing accessible equipment at existing play sites
Support cycling proficiency in schools and with youth providers. Provide prizes to local schools. Encourage young people to take up cycling to school etc..	ACDL to request information on what is currently delivered and how AC can enhance the road safety offer to young people	Highways colleagues have attended the Neighbourhoods and Community Board to provide information on current schemes. Meetings have taken place with the Road Safety Team to discuss enhancing existing programmes.
8 Digital Learning Resources		
Action		
Implement the next phase of the Neighbourhood Funded Digital Inclusion programme to enable support to residents within the community	ACDL to develop project brief and invite applications via the VCS Network	The next phase of the Digital Inclusion Programme (Coalfield Communities Connected) was approved by Area Committee in September 2020. The project is due to commence on 1 December 2020.
Explore the feasibility of developing a 'loan' scheme to provide IT equipment to children and young people who do not have computers at home	ACDL to gather information from schools and groups to inform next steps	Discussions with local secondary schools will take place in the next term to establish need and cost of implementing a project. The Neighbourhood and Community Board will discuss the detail and provide an update and request for funding to the March 2021 Area Committee.
9 Shopping Centres and Local Businesses		
Action		
Continue to support improvement of the physical environment in local shopping centres	Area Board to discuss opportunity of aligning Neighbourhood Fund budget to environmental improvements	
Encourage use of Shop Local and using smaller traders in the community	Build on the support for local business messages developed during lock-down. Promote the benefits of local shopping. Use	The work of the Coalfield Community Hub (a partnership between Sunderland City Council and a range of VCS partners) has

	Coalfield Sunderland Community facebook page	promoted the services provided by local retailers within the Community. Shopping support to those who are isolated or vulnerable has been carried out by local groups and volunteers and has supported, where possible, shops and services within the local community. Supporting the local economy has become more important than ever to the community.
Support improvement of parking issues in shopping centres (as in 5 above)	Discuss enforcement powers and potential to provide additional resources at the Enforcement Task Group (as above)	
10 Vacant Properties and Land as Cultural Hubs and Leisure Activities		
Action		
Explore opportunities for Elemore Golf Course e.g. community farm, community forest and space for mini-festivals, training and apprenticeships. Area Committee to consider funding a feasibility study/business plan	Set up a Task Group to explore vacant properties and feasibility for future use for cultural and leisure activity.	Following initial consultation with community groups and local ward councillors a scope for a feasibility study is being developed. Once feedback is received from the Planning Department the feasibility study, which will involve significant resident and community engagement, will be progressed.
Explore the feasibility of creating a heritage centre at the former Philadelphia Depot		The Task and Finish group will meet in January 2021 to further discuss next steps, with relevant officers and partners. Initial discussions have taken place with Councillors and local community partners regarding current and potential use of the building. The Task and Finish

		group will meet in January 2021 to further discuss.
Identify vacant sites and their current and future use	Task and Finish Group members to identify any other key sites for discussion	To be discussed at the January 2021 Task and Finish Group meeting.
11 Job Opportunities and Job Clubs		
Action		
Support local residents with employment-related information and training in local venues via VCS organisations	Set up a Task Group, and liaise with VCS partners, to explore what is currently available and where additionality can be provided to enhance support locally	
Provide relevant information to support small and artisan business and encourage development of CIC companies where appropriate		
Support residents back into employment and maximise job opportunities		
Continue the Neighbourhood Funded RU Ready for UC project (partnership between Springboard and ShARP) to support people claiming Universal Credit to move further towards the employment market	ACDL to work with the project leads to adapt the project to current need. ACDL to provide update reports to the Area Board	The next phase of the RU Ready for UC project (delivered jointly by Springboard and ShARP) was approved by Area Committee at the September 2020 meeting. The project commenced on 1 December and will support claimants by telephone, on line or in person on a 1-2-1 basis (appointments only)
12 Social Prescribing and Reducing Social Isolation		
Action		
Continue to provide affordable wellbeing activities to reduce social isolation and improve health (e.g. Zumba, dance fit, walking football etc...)	Area Board to discuss allocation of Neighbourhood Fund via a Call for Projects to the VCS Network	
Provide befriending and welfare support to local residents via telephone, facetime or 1-2-1 in person	Area Board to discuss allocation of Neighbourhood Fund to address this priority	

Work with GP Alliance Social Prescribing Team and VCS Network to identify gaps in local provision	ACDL to liaise with VCS Network to identify local need, and feed back to Area Board to inform next steps	
Continue to provide support to ELCAP Community Transport project to develop new ways of working to provide social opportunities to those most at risk of isolation	Area Board to receive an update from ELCAP Community Transport regarding current and proposed transport services	At the September Area Committee, the 'Lifeline' project was approved to enable ELCAP Community Transport to provide a limited shopping bus service to residents who wanted to re-engage socially, following a period of self isolating/shielding as a result of Covid 19 restrictions. The project is running twice a week and has helped to reduce social isolation amongst some of the most vulnerable members of the community.
Continue with the development of the Neighbourhood Fund Coalfield Healthy and Active Programme (CHAP) projects	Area Board to receive an update on current and planned projects and support delivery of the Programme	Due to restrictions regarding meeting in person/group activity/social distancing, projects have employed alternative methods of delivery to support residents with physical and mental wellbeing. The Coalfield Community Hub and Coalfield Social Navigator (B Active N B Fit) continue to provide befriending calls and visits to those who require them.
13 Enhance Local Greenspace and encourage wider use		
Action		
Explore the expansion of green gyms and adult exercise equipment in parks	ACDL to request further information from colleagues in Sport and Leisure	
Explore feasibility of dog exclusion areas for Herrington Country Park	ACDL to request information on current restrictions/legislation to inform next steps	

Consider the improvement and promotion of local greenspaces, not identified for other use, for community activity	Invite the lead on the Green Infrastructure Strategy to discuss with the Area Board to inform next steps	
Look into improved signage for footpaths and cycle routes	Discuss as part of the Green Infrastructure Strategy	
14 Support the voluntary and community sector to provide additional services within local community venues as well as host community events/activities		
Action		
Continue to support the VCS Network and its member organisations	Area Board to ensure links with VCS Network are further strengthened and views/input from the sector are considered when developing projects	
Explore a way of saying thank you to the VCS organisations formally	Area Board to discuss a marketing campaign, or celebration event	
Continue to provide funding opportunities to local organisations via the VCS Network	All funding opportunities (internal and external) to be circulated to the VCS Network via information sharing from the Area Team	A weekly bulletin including information sharing and funding opportunities is circulated to all VCS Network members each Friday
Develop a community and volunteer programme across the Coalfield to support local residents	ACDL to provide Area Board with information regarding the recently completed Neighbourhood Fund 'Step up' project to inform next steps	The Coalfield Community Hub is supported by community groups and volunteers who are providing essential and social support to local residents. Further community development support for the area is under discussion with the Assistant Director of Community Resilience
15 Support Youth Clubs and spaces for young people to be together and feel safe		
Action		
Support the development of the 2 year Neighbourhood Funded Youth Activity project	ACDL to monitor the project closely, ensuring members have the opportunity to feed in views/proposals to the lead agent (SNCBC)	The NF project is now underway, employing alternative engagement methods due to Covid 19 restrictions. A progress report was provided to Councillors in October

		2020, reporting activity up to the end of Q3 (July to September).
Identify suitable venues for youth clubs and sessional work	SNCBC to consider and assess local venues for delivery	Due to Covid 19 restrictions a review of suitable venues (indoor and outdoor) will take place early in the new year.
Explore the development of a responsive service that can deal with problematic areas as they arise	Set up a Task group to look at ASB prevention and longer term strategies	The Task and Finish Group is due to meet in January 2021
16 Reduce fear of crime by working in partnership across neighbourhoods to bring communities of all ages together		
Action		
Develop long term strategies, with partners, for dealing with ASB	Set up a Task group to look at ASB prevention	
Explore the feasibility/benefits of setting up a boxing club in Hetton		
Explore and research neighbourhood watch-style initiatives.		
Set up regular meetings between the Police and Sunderland City Councillors	ACDL to discuss with Area Board and Police Inspector to develop a programme of meetings	Police/Councillor meetings have commenced and will take place quarterly.
17 Preserve and celebrate local heritage		
Action		
Explore opportunities to celebrate Hetton Railway 200 year anniversary	Area Co-ordinator to discuss with other areas of Sunderland, who have also identified this opportunity	At the October Board meeting it was agreed to form a Stephenson Trail Task and Finish group with members from the East and West areas. The group will include key stakeholders and link with the HCR 200 group already established.
Support the development of a commemorative mining statue/memorial on the old Houghton Colliery site	ACDL to liaise with Development Director of Land and Investment to explore how Area Committee can enhance proposals for the site	Further discussions have taken place with the Development Director of Land and Investment who will commission an appropriate piece of artwork once all

		permissions for the development have been granted and funding is in place. A request for a financial contribution from Coalfield Capital Investment Programme funding is to be presented to the December 2020 Area Committee
Explore the feasibility of creating a mining 'map' on the paving of the new retail development at Houghton		
Continue to support local events and celebrations via Neighbourhood Fund	ACDL to bring proposal for funding to the September Area Committee	A proposal for Neighbourhood Funding is presented to December 2020 Area Committee

9 DECEMBER 2020**COALFIELD VCS NETWORK REPORT**

The Coalfields VCS Network have commenced VCS Network meetings via Teams since the last Coalfields Area Committee.

5th November 2020

- Area Networks VCS discussion - Presentation delivered by Helen Peverley

Councillor Blackburn was introduced as the new Area Chair of the Coalfields Area Committee – the Network would like to extend its thanks to Councillor Anne Lawson for her support as Area Chair. Approximately 18 groups attended the initial meeting. It was fantastic to hear about the great work taking place in the Coalfields and the support being offered to our most vulnerable residents.

26th November 2020

- Green Doctor Presentation delivered by Julia Bentley – Groundwork NE & Cumbria
- Covid-19 Winter Projects update from Pauline Hopper

The network was attended by approximately 30 groups and updates were received from the Network members about work taking place in the area.

Over the past 3 months, the Coalfields VCS organisations and groups have been invaluable in providing support to residents. A large number of organisations have continued to deliver through the Covid-19 pandemic and have been successful in securing funding to develop work in the Coalfields locality area. The Coalfields VCS network would like to take this opportunity to thank Sunderland City Council – Coalfields Area Committee for their support and funding over the past 3 months.

Examples of Coalfields Projects

- Easington Lane Community Access Point have continued to deliver the community hub and over the coming months they will continue their befriending service, shopping, deliver 500 meals to residents, and run the shopping bus. Funding has also been secured to provide Children's Meals to address holiday hunger.
- Hetton New Dawn continue to deliver the food bank from ELCAP and will be providing free Christmas lunches from the 21st-23rd December 2020 at the Apostolic Church. Hilary is working in partnership with Coalfield Sunderland Councillors to distribute presents to those most in need.
- Active Families have been successful in securing funding through the Covid-19 Winter fund and they will be delivering activity bags within the Coalfields. They are also working in partnership with Hetton School and Foundation of Light and delivering a 6-week healthy eating programme online.
- SHARP continue to provide information, advice and guidance to residents and will have a helpline number available over the festive period. They reported an

increase in clients reporting domestic violence through the Covid-19 pandemic. They continue to support with food and have cleaning supplies available for individuals most in need.

- Age UK have activity packs available through their Social Focus project. The packs are aimed at clients aged 50+ years experiencing depression, anxiety or who are socially isolated. Coffee mornings, quizzes have also been delivered

4. Recommendations

4.1 Members are requested

- To note the contents of the report
- To continue to support the Sector when developing and implementing actions against local priorities
- To use information gathered from Network meetings to inform current and future priorities and Area Committee Plan

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9 December 2020

REPORT OF THE TYNE AND WEAR FIRE SERVICE

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report gives Performance Monitoring details in relation to the Local Indicators for Coalfield Area Committee area from 01 September 2020 to 25 November 2020 compared with the same period in 2019.

2 Background

- 2.1 Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each Committee meeting.

3. Tyne and Wear Fire Service Update

L.I 2 Number of Deaths from all fires

No deaths were recorded during the reporting period.

L.I 14 Number of Deliberate primary fires excluding road vehicles

5 incidents in this reporting period this compares to 3 incidents in the previous year for this period. There is no pattern to these incidents all are investigated by either Fire service or police and passed onto partners to address where it is required.

LI 15 Number of Deliberate primary road vehicle fire

There has been a decrease in the number of Vehicle fires from 24 to 16. All incidents were reported and investigated by both Police and Fire Investigators to establish any links. TWFRS will continue to work with Northumbria Police to identify trends and perpetrators.

LI 33 Number of Deliberate fires incorporating Secondary Fires (LI16)

85 incidents, this is a decrease from 138 incidents (38%) from the same period last year, (loose refuse 45-28 and rubbish 41-9). The decrease is due to the reduction in loose refuse incidents and rubbish related incidents. The Hotspot map shows the main areas where ASB/deliberate fires have occurred.

Copt Hill Ward Has seen a decrease from 24 incidents to 17, a decrease of 29% during this period. Incidents over this period vary from loose refuse to wheelie bins.

Houghton Ward Has seen a decrease from 34 to 28 a 17% decrease in the number of fires. Refuse and rubbish are the reason for the decrease.

Hetton Ward has seen a 51% decrease in incidents 49-24. For all a decrease the main area of concern is loose refuse/rubbish.

Shiney Row Ward has seen a decrease in incidents (31-16) over the reporting period. Incidents mainly loose refuse.

4 Lighter /Darker Nights

Darker evenings are now upon us, it is essential that any fire related issues are reported to myself, (Kevin Burns, Station Manager), so I can action with my crews. Each of my watches have been given ward areas to create community links (similar to the Police). This is not just about ASB fires but all deliberate fires, ensuring proper stacking/ storage of items outside a premise that may have an impact on property and life.

Summary

This report is particularly pleasing as there are overall reductions in incidents in all areas. TWFRS will continue to work with Northumbria Police and Local Authority to investigate and identify any trends. Refuse also remains problematic, Station Manager Burns will be working closely with partners to reduce these incidents. TWFRS are actively promoting fire stoppers, members of the public can use this to give information regarding fires within their communities, and all calls are confidential



5. Recommendations

5.1 Note the content of the report.

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Sunderland Coalfields LMAPS Report

1st September to 25th November

The following data set contains general information relating to fire incidents/ASB fires in this reporting area. This is for public information and sharing for the purposes of reducing ASB and fire crime.

If in doubt about the level of security contact the D&I team SHQ.

Primary fires include all fires in buildings, vehicles and outdoor structures or any fire involving casualties, rescues, or fires attended by five or more appliances.

Secondary fires include refuse, bin, derelict vehicle fires and grass fires. A secondary fire does not involve casualties or rescues.

Data and Information Audit	
Data compiled by:	OW
Checked by:	AM
Data valid at:	25/11/2020
Approved for Publication	
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Date Approved by:	27/11/2020

LI33 Incidents

Number of all deliberate fires

LI33 2019	LI33 2020
138	85

LI14 Incidents

Number of primary fires started deliberately excluding road vehicles

LI14 2019	LI14 2020
3	5

LI15 Incidents

Number of deliberate primary road Vehicle fires

LI15 2019	LI15 2020
24	15

LI16 Incidents

Number of deliberate secondary Fires

LI16 2019	LI16 2020
111	65

Ward LI33 Incidents Breakdown

Ward	LI33 2019	LI33 2020
Houghton Ward	34	28
Hetton Ward	49	24
Copt Hill Ward	24	17
Shiney Row Ward	31	16
Total	138	85

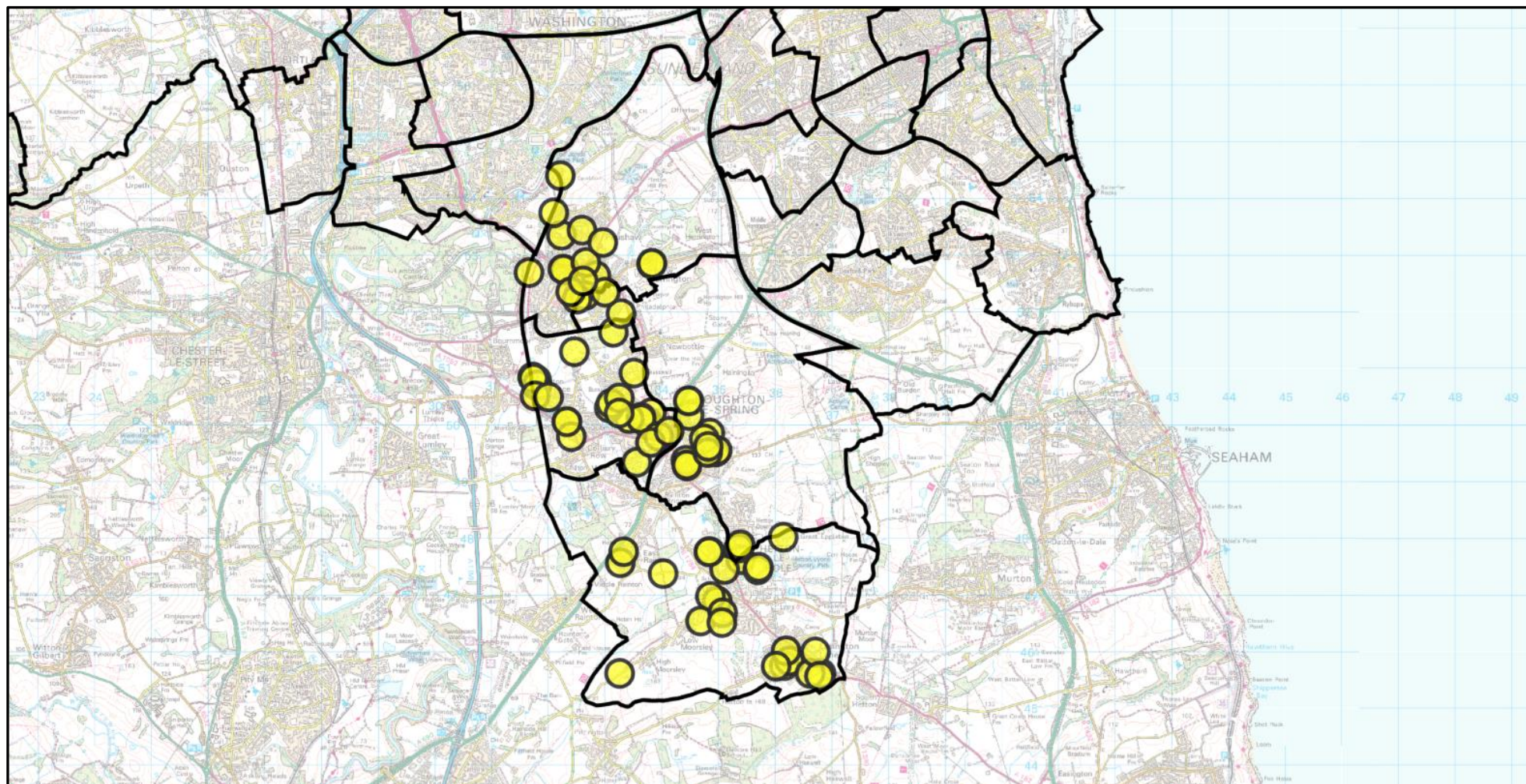
LI33 Property Level 4 Breakdown

Property Type	LI33 Last Year	LI33 Incidents
Loose refuse (incl in garden)	45	28
Car/Vehicle	25	16
Refuse/rubbish tip	41	9
Wheelie Bin	11	8
Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	2	5
Roadside Vegetation	1	3
Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	5	3
Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)	1	2
Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	1	2
Other outdoor items including roadside furniture	0	1
Hedge	0	1
Recycle collection point, bottle bank	0	1
Sporting venues	0	1
Heathland or moorland	0	1
Permanent Agriculture	0	1
Other private non-residential building	0	1
Fence	2	1
Outdoor storage	0	1

LI33 Property Level 4 Breakdown Continued

Property Type	LI33 Last Year	LI33 Incidents
House – single occupancy	2	0
Private/Domestic garden/allotment (vegetation not equipment/building)	1	0
Sports pavilion/shower block/changing facility	1	0

LI33 Incidents – Sunderland Coalfields



LI33 Incident Details – Sunderland Coalfields

Incident No	Date	Time	Station	Property Type	Ward
48020092	01/09/2020	19:00	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48020136	01/09/2020	23:00	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Copt Hill ward
48020365	04/09/2020	17:08	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48020387	04/09/2020	20:26	Rainton Bridge (H)	Roadside vegetation	Houghton ward
48020392	04/09/2020	20:47	Rainton Bridge (H)	Roadside vegetation	Houghton ward
48020450	05/09/2020	13:54	Rainton Bridge (H)	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	Hetton ward
48020466	05/09/2020	16:10	Rainton Bridge (H)	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	Hetton ward
48020489	05/09/2020	20:03	Rainton Bridge (H)	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	Copt Hill ward
48020512	05/09/2020	21:12	Rainton Bridge (H)	Roadside vegetation	Houghton ward
48020609	07/09/2020	00:19	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48020618	07/09/2020	00:58	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48020770	08/09/2020	17:28	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48020792	08/09/2020	20:23	Rainton Bridge (H)	Recycling collection point, bottle bank	Houghton ward
48020885	09/09/2020	17:32	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Houghton ward
48021013	10/09/2020	20:47	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Houghton ward
48021094	11/09/2020	18:51	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48021196	12/09/2020	19:35	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48021326	13/09/2020	19:44	Washington (S)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48021353	13/09/2020	21:46	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Houghton ward
48021512	15/09/2020	14:31	Rainton Bridge (H)	Fence	Copt Hill ward
48021660	16/09/2020	19:41	Washington (S)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48021669	16/09/2020	20:46	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Copt Hill ward
48021691	17/09/2020	04:41	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Houghton ward
48021741	17/09/2020	18:19	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Houghton ward
48021766	17/09/2020	20:35	Rainton Bridge (H)	Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)	Houghton ward
48021971	19/09/2020	21:45	Rainton Bridge (H)		Copt Hill ward
48022078	21/09/2020	18:59	Washington (S)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48022151	22/09/2020	17:04	Rainton Bridge (H)	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	Houghton ward

Incident No	Date	Time	Station	Property Type	Ward
48022164	22/09/2020	18:51	Rainton Bridge (H)	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	Houghton ward
48022248	23/09/2020	15:35	Rainton Bridge (H)	Sporting venues	Hetton ward
48022445	27/09/2020	05:39	Rainton Bridge (H)		Hetton ward
48022499	27/09/2020	20:35	Rainton Bridge (H)	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	Copt Hill ward
48022655	29/09/2020	17:57	Rainton Bridge (H)	Outdoor storage	Copt Hill ward
48022750	30/09/2020	17:22	Farringdon (Q)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48022839	01/10/2020	21:29	Washington (S)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48023168	06/10/2020	20:10	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Hetton ward
48023237	07/10/2020	18:48	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48023255	07/10/2020	23:13	Rainton Bridge (H)		Houghton ward
48023291	08/10/2020	14:58	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48023354	09/10/2020	20:00	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Houghton ward
48023428	11/10/2020	04:39	Farringdon (Q)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48023458	11/10/2020	14:25	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48023465	11/10/2020	17:13	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48023900	18/10/2020	15:54	Washington (S)	Car/Vehicle	Shiney Row ward
48024062	20/10/2020	21:28	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Shiney Row ward
48024066	20/10/2020	22:23	Rainton Bridge (H)	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	Shiney Row ward
48024176	22/10/2020	20:04	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48024207	23/10/2020	05:15	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48024429	26/10/2020	21:25	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48024482	27/10/2020	18:28	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48024489	27/10/2020	19:47	Rainton Bridge (H)	Heathland or moorland	Copt Hill ward
48024594	28/10/2020	21:34	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Shiney Row ward
48024753	30/10/2020	17:06	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Copt Hill ward
48024857	31/10/2020	21:02	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48024860	31/10/2020	21:16	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Hetton ward
48024905	01/11/2020	15:11	Farringdon (Q)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Shiney Row ward
48025182	04/11/2020	20:19	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48025317	05/11/2020	17:18	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Hetton ward
48025492	05/11/2020	19:09	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Shiney Row ward

Incident No	Date	Time	Station	Property Type	Ward
48025522	05/11/2020	19:31	Rainton Bridge (H)	Car/Vehicle	Copt Hill ward
48025551	05/11/2020	19:49	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Copt Hill ward
48025738	06/11/2020	00:22	Rainton Bridge (H)	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	Copt Hill ward
48025791	06/11/2020	11:44	Rainton Bridge (H)	Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)	Houghton ward
48025831	06/11/2020	17:51	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Copt Hill ward
48025845	06/11/2020	18:49	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48025883	07/11/2020	02:37	Farringdon (Q)	Wheelie Bin	Shiney Row ward
48025899	07/11/2020	11:01	Rainton Bridge (H)	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)	Shiney Row ward
48025916	07/11/2020	13:26	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Copt Hill ward
48025989	07/11/2020	20:58	Farringdon (Q)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Shiney Row ward
48026077	08/11/2020	15:26	Rainton Bridge (H)	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	Hetton ward
48026093	08/11/2020	17:30	Rainton Bridge (H)	Other private non-residential building	Hetton ward
48026117	08/11/2020	20:23	Rainton Bridge (H)		Hetton ward
48026247	10/11/2020	19:29	Rainton Bridge (H)	Other outdoor items including roadside furniture	Houghton ward
48026263	10/11/2020	23:17	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48026305	11/11/2020	16:58	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48026400	12/11/2020	17:41	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Copt Hill ward
48026478	13/11/2020	17:44	Rainton Bridge (H)	Permanent Agricultural	Hetton ward
48026604	15/11/2020	15:15	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48026611	15/11/2020	18:12	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48026714	16/11/2020	20:12	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Copt Hill ward
48026721	16/11/2020	21:15	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Houghton ward
48026878	18/11/2020	18:08	Rainton Bridge (H)	Loose refuse (incl in garden)	Hetton ward
48026965	19/11/2020	18:45	Rainton Bridge (H)	Hedge	Houghton ward
48027133	21/11/2020	18:04	Rainton Bridge (H)	Refuse/rubbish tip	Hetton ward
48027152	21/11/2020	21:20	Rainton Bridge (H)	Wheelie Bin	Copt Hill ward

COALFIELD SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE
9 DECEMBER 2020
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Coalfield Area Budget Report

Author(s):

Assistant Director of Community Resilience

Purpose of Report:

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific area priorities identified in the Neighbourhood Investment Plan with the overall aim to benefit the Coalfield residents and where possible attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement and updated on progress in relation to area funding, Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, Neighbourhood Fund and Community Chest, and presents funding proposals for Members consideration.

Description of Decision:

The Area Committee is requested to:

- a) Note the financial statements set out in table one, two and three
- b) Approve the Mining Heritage project set out in Annex 1 from the Capital Investment Programme 2020/22 budget
- c) Approve the two projects, set out in Annex 2, from the Neighbourhood Fund 2020/21 budget
- d) Note the approved Community Chest grants between September 2020 and November 2020, as set out in Annex 3

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has delegated executive functions to allocate area funding to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Neighbourhood Investment 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 the Constitution? No

Is it included in the Forward Plan? No

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

9 DECEMBER 2020

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Area Budget Report

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the neighbourhood investment plans, with the overall aim to benefit Coalfield residents and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme, Neighbourhood Fund and Community Chest, and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2. Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme

- 2.1 Coalfield Area Committee has been allocated £500,000 for capital developments which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Members will be responsible for allocating the funding through a majority decision at Area Committee.
- 2.2. The Capital Programme can be allocated in one year, or across more than one, depending on what proposals come forward throughout the year(s). The Area Committee have up to three years to allocate the full amount.
- 2.3 The following table provides the current financial position of the Capital Investment Programme

Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme allocation is £500,000				
Project Name	Committee Date	Allocated (not yet assessed)	Approved	Balance
Festive Lighting	July 2020		£10,000	£490,000
Balance			£10,000	£490,000

Table One: Financial Statement Capital Investment Programme

- 2.4 There is one funding proposal to consider from the 2020/22 Capital Investment Programme. Further detail at Annex 1.

Mining Heritage Project

£50,000

3. Neighbourhood Fund

- 3.1 Coalfield Area Committee has been allocated £361,514 for capital and revenue projects.
- 3.2 Neighbourhood Fund will need to be allocated within this current financial year.
- 3.3 The following table provides the current financial position of the Neighbourhood Fund

Neighbourhood Fund allocation is £361,514				
Project Name	Committee Date	Allocated (not yet assessed)	Approved	Balance

Kepier Hall	July 2020		£10,000	£351,514
Returned funding: Phoenix Project	March 2019		(4,560)	£356,074
Lifeline Project (ELCAP)	September 2020		£5,000	£351,074
Balance				£351,074

Table Two: Financial Statement Neighbourhood Fund 2020 / 2021

- 3.4 There are two funding proposals to consider from the 2020/21 Neighbourhood Fund. Further detail at Annex 2.

Celebrating Heritage and Local Events	£30,000
Wellbeing in the Community Opportunity	£8,000

4. Community Chest

- 4.1 Copt Hill, Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row wards have been allocated a ward budget of £10,000 each, to support projects which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. The process to allocate Community Chest remains the same. With ward Councillors leading on seeking suitable project proposals and making decisions on applications received. Where decision cannot be reached at a ward level the outcome will be escalated to Area Committee for a final decision.
- 4.2 Table three below details the budget, approvals and balance remaining for 2020 / 2021. Members are requested to note the Community Chest funding awards made between September and November 2020, as set out in Annex 3, and are encouraged to continue to sponsor and submit project proposals, which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan to ensure full allocation of Community Chest by March 2021.

Ward	2020 / 2021 Balance	Amount Awarded	Returned Funding	Remaining Allocation
Copt Hill	£10,000	£5,112.50	£0	£4,887.50
Hetton	£10,000	£2,462.50	£0	£7,537.50
Houghton	£10,000	£3,070.50	£0	£6,929.50
Shiney Row	£10,000	£3,962.50	£0	£6,037.50
Total	£40,000	£14,608	£0	£25,392

Table Three: Financial Statement Community Chest 2020 / 2021

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Members are requested to:
- Note the financial statements set out in table one, two and three
 - Approve the Mining Heritage project set out in Annex 1 from the Capital investment Programme 2020/22 budget
 - Approve the two projects, set out in Annex 2, from the Neighbourhood Fund 2020/21 budget
 - Note the approved Community Chest grants between September 2020 and November 2020, as set out in Annex 3

Annex 1	Capital Investment Programme
Annex 2	Neighbourhood Fund
Annex 3	Community Chest Awards 2020 / 2021

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Mining Heritage Project**£50,000**

The Council is close to finalising negotiations for the development of the former Houghton Colliery site as a mixed commercial scheme with supermarket and ancillary retail space including drive through coffee and food outlets. The scheme is being considered for Planning Consent. Although there may be minor amendments to the layout of the scheme it should not materially change. The development is scheduled to commence in late 2020 with completion scheduled to enable the store to open prior to December 2021. This is of course subject to planning permission being granted.

A key element of the site's development is the requirement to include a sculpture commemorating the Colliery's history and heritage. The location of the proposed structure will be at the entrance to the development. The intention is for it to be visible from the North end of Newbottle Street, the main shopping thoroughfare in Houghton le Spring, and the main A183 road. Subject to the size and scale of the sculpture, planning consent may be required. This will be dealt with by the Council and based on approved designs during the concept development stage. Further details will become available once funding and procurement arrangements are in place. The final design will be agreed with Elected Members as part of the procurement process.

As part of the capital receipt received for the sale of the site, a sum of £25,000 is available as a contribution to the artwork/sculpture. Area Committee's Work Plan includes a proposal to award Neighbourhood Fund or Capital Programme funding to the project. Therefore, to ensure the sculpture is a fitting tribute to the Houghton le Spring area the Coalfield Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend a contribution of £50,000 is approved from the Capital Investment Programme.

Recommendation: Approve

Celebrations, Events and Heritage 2020/21**£30,000**

In line with previous years it is proposed a 'core activities' programme is developed to support events identified by Area Committee members as important to the local area. This will allow a planned approach to events and activities which take place each year.

The project will provide a central resource for those events, celebrations and heritage activities identified by elected members and Area Committee partners as important to the local area and will be developed/delivered in partnership with the VCS Network and community organisations between January 2021 and March 2022. Funding will provide for a range of activities and costs associated with planned and historic events and include:

- Traffic management fees for Remembrance Parades
- Traffic management fees for Miners Gala Parades
- Contribution to live Christmas lights switch on events and Christmas activities arranged by community groups within the Coalfield
- Contribution to themed Summer Activities
- Themed celebrations to mark various historic and local events
- Celebration and preservation of local heritage

The budget will also fund heritage activities and other events developed by the Neighbourhoods and Community Board in partnership with local organisations. The Area Community Officer will manage and co-ordinate the project under the direction of the Board and Area Committee.

Recommendation: Approve. Meets Area Priority 'Celebrating Local Events and Heritage'

Wellbeing in the Community**£8,000**

MBC Arts Wellbeing has the opportunity to apply for a grant of £40,000 to deliver an arts, wellbeing, and activity project across the whole of the Coalfield area. The fund is a social prescribing fund called Thriving Communities, administered by Arts Council England. The aims are to improve the range and reach of social prescribing activities in the community, especially amongst those most impacted by Covid-19, and those living with health inequalities. The outcomes are to increase social connectivity, and connect people in need to local activities.

MBC Arts Wellbeing has established links with local NHS services, local GPs, and has developed pro-active partnerships and close working knowledge of the community support provision in Coalfield. They have delivered community activity, targeting those who are not accessing existing current services and are hard to reach, engaging with them over the short to medium term to develop social connectedness, personal resilience, increase personal wellbeing, and ultimately to refer through to local longer term provision such as helping those we connect with get into volunteering, local service / community activity groups, and more. The project is for a 12 month period from March 2021 and will be delivered entirely in the Coalfield area should it be successful. A requirement of the grant is to provide match funding, of 20% of the value of the grant, from another source.

This is an opportunity to lever in external funds to the area, adding value to Area Budgets and local delivery. Should Area Committee approve this request, funding will only be released if the application to Thriving Communities is successful. Full detail of the project will be presented to Area Committee prior to commencement.

Recommendation: Approve. Meets Area Priority 'Support the voluntary and community sector to provide additional services within the local community'

COMMUNITY CHEST 2020/2021 COALFIELD AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED – September to November 2020

Ward	Project	Ward Allocation 2020/2021	Project Approvals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned (since April 2020)	Balance Remaining
Copt Hill	Houghton Community Nursery – Towards the renovating the outdoor area into an edible garden at the nursery		£1,150			
	Coalfield Community Hub/Hetton New Dawn - (Jointly funded across all Wards) - Coalfield Christmas Cheer Project, working with Community Hub partners and elected members across the Coalfield area to provide Christmas gifts and support to those families who may not be able to give their children/family members the Christmas they would have liked to this year. The project will be available to families in all four Coalfield wards and referrals will be taken from schools and local community organisations, as well as health partners and Councillors.		£500			
	Eppleton Academy – Towards the cost of a singing coach and video editing equipment for the children to share their School Christmas performance with local care homes, community groups, residents and local business, as the children are unable to perform out in the community this year.		£1,000			
	Total	£10,000	£2,650	£2,462.50	£0	£4,887.50
Hetton	Coalfield Community Hub/Hetton New Dawn – (Jointly funded across all Wards) - Coalfield Christmas Cheer Project, working with Community Hub partners and elected members across the Coalfield area to provide Christmas gifts and support to those families who may not be able to give their children/family members the Christmas		£500			

	they would have liked to this year. The project will be available to families in all four Coalfield wards and referrals will be taken from schools and local community organisations, as well as health partners and Councillors.					
	Total	£10,000	£500	£1,962.50	£0	£7,537.50
Houghton	Coalfield Community Hub/Hetton New Dawn - (Jointly funded across all Wards) - Coalfield Christmas Cheer Project, working with Community Hub partners and elected members across the Coalfield area to provide Christmas gifts and support to those families who may not be able to give their children/family members the Christmas they would have liked to this year. The project will be available to families in all four Coalfield wards and referrals will be taken from schools and local community organisations, as well as health partners and Councillors.		£500			
	Total	£10,000	£500	£2,570.50	£0	£6,929.50
Shiney Row	Friends of West Lodge – Towards the purchase of decking materials for garden improvements		£500			
	Coalfield Community Hub/Hetton New Dawn - (Jointly funded across all Wards) - Coalfield Christmas Cheer Project, working with Community Hub partners and elected members across the Coalfield area to provide Christmas gifts and support to those families who may not be able to give their children/family members the Christmas they would have liked to this year. The project will be available to families in all four Coalfield wards and referrals will be taken from schools and local community organisations, as well as health partners and Councillors.		£500			
	Total	£10,000	£1,000	£2,962.50	£0	£6,037.50
Totals		£40,000	£4,650	£9,958	£0	£25,392