

27 June 2022

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF EAST SUNDERLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD

East Sunderland Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan, which will be the focus for the East Sunderland Area Committee during 2022-2023.
- b. Provides an update on Neighbourhood and Community Board Governance Arrangements for 2022 -2023.

2. Background

- 2.1 Following the approval of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans in March 2020, the East Sunderland Area Committee has worked together to finalise their Delivery Plans. All priorities have been determined following significant resident consultation via Let's Talk Sunderland.

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 The Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans were approved at Cabinet in March 2020.
- 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.
- 3.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. Neighbourhood and Community Board meetings will be held in July, November, February and April and dates are included in the council diary. If required, the Board may convene a further meeting(s) should there be a business need to do so and essential to ensuring delivery of the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan Delivery Plan. All Committee members are invited to attend all board meetings.
- 3.5 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 Committee for final endorsement. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in May 2021.
- 3.6 Other local groups / boards where East Sunderland Area Committee has Elected Member representation are outlined below: -

Group	Elected Member Representatives
East Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (L.M.A.P.S)	Cllr Michael Dixon (City Centre, St Michaels and Millfield) Cllr Scanlan (Hendon and Ryhope) Cllr Tye (Doxford, which falls under West LMAPs)
East VCS Area Network	Cllr Martyn Herron – Co-Chair
CLLD Local Action Group	Cllr Martyn Herron

4. Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan 2020-2023- Areas of Key Action/Progress

- 4.1 The Plan, which includes an introduction from the Chair of the Area Committee, commits to a significant number of priorities, which are being delivered within the East Area of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan is monitored by the Area Committee and actions will continue to be addressed up to 2023, via the East Sunderland Neighbourhood and Community Board.
- 4.2 Residents will be able to review the Area Committee Delivery Plan and monitor delivery of the plan via the Council's website which is available to access at www.sunderland.gov.uk, as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. Funding to support delivery of the plan has been allocated and further information can be found at **Item 4 Area Budget Report**
- 4.3 Progress against the Delivery Plan has been reported regularly to the Neighbourhood and Community Board and Area Committee. Good news stories and promotion of projects and local information have been posted on the East Sunderland Community Facebook page. An overview of some key statistics and achievements from 2021 / 2022 is contained in **Annex 3: Year in Numbers**, and **Annex 4: Communication Plan**.
- 4.4 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of action/progress of the Board between April, up to June 2022.

Priority/Issue	Update
East Rangers (Priority 5)	In March 2022, Committee approved £95,560 to extend the East Park and Street Rangers Programme up until March 2023. It was noted during the evaluation of the Programme, that training and equipment budgets may need further financial report. Area Committee are requested to note that the ACDL will liaise with the six Lead organisation's asking them to produce a 'wish list' of necessary equipment and training required to support the programme, with an update presented to a future meeting.
Walk and Talk (priority 5)	In February 2022, 27 applications were approved, allocating all funds. Programme is now Closed
In Bloom (priority 7)	In February 2022, Members received confirmation that the East In Bloom Competition has now been launched, and is live. Entries can be submitted via <u>East in Bloom 2022 competition - Sunderland City Council</u> . Deadline for nominees is the end of June. With judging and winners to be announced in the Summer 2022. All East Area Committee members and Partners are encouraged to promote entries to the competition.

Improvement Plans City Centre (priority 7)	The Connor Brown Trust are leading on introduction of Bleed Control Kits into the City Centre, after receiving a Community Chest grant from St Michael's Councillors. Awareness of the Scheme has been shared with local partners. If the pilot is successful, the Bleed Control units could be rolled out across the City, on a similar scale and concept as community Defibrillator units. Both of which save lives. Work is ongoing.
Invest in Highways (Priority 9)	An update on delivery between January – March 2022 has been outlined for the junction on Tunstall Vale Road; Commercial Road; Hall Farm Road; Black Road and Hollycarrside Road.
Reviewing Community Buildings (Priority 12)	Members received the findings report of the Taking Stock Survey, which will be used to produce pen profiles of the existing community offer within each neighbourhood, and assist with mapping out what activities and services are available to support with social prescribing to help tackle health inequalities, as well as, identify where investment is required in buildings, places and people to enable the Area's most vulnerable residents to continue to access quality services and provision within the East.
Support the VCS (Priority 17)	<p>In April 2022, The Box provided further information on the proposed additional community space behind their building, which explained the rationale for the proposal, results from a feasibility study along with the preferred options and costs.</p> <p>Members invited The Box to submit an application to cover the costs of the installation of a garden room to the rear of the building. The Neighbourhood and Community Board are recommending approval. Further information is outlined in the Area Budget report.</p>
Local events (Priority 19)	In May 2022, Members agreed a total of £4,443 and funded ten Platinum Jubilee events across the East, with approximately 1,200 people attending the events. Funding contributed towards food, entertainment, decorations and marketing costs.
Support young people (Priority 20)	Funding application's relating to the East's Fancy a Day Out Programme for 2022 / 2023 have been received, and Members are being requested to consider and make a decision on funding the applications. Further information is set out in the Area Budget report.
Delivery Plan Review Year three	The ACDL has been hosting one to one ward meetings with elected members to review and agree schedule actions for year three of the Delivery Plan, which will be shared with Members at the July meeting.

5. Recommendations - Members are requested to: -

- 5.1 Consider the progress and performance update with regard to East Sunderland Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/23 and agree proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1.
- 5.2 Note the Area Committee Governance arrangements for 2022-2023 outlined in **Section 3 and Item 3 Annex 2.**

5.3 Note the Year in Numbers outlined in **Section 4** and **Annex 3**.

5.4 Note the Communications Plan outlined in **Section 4** and **Annex 4**.

Annex 1	East Sunderland Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/2023
Annex 2	Neighbourhood and Community Board Terms of Reference
Annex 3	East's Year in Numbers
Annex 4	East's Communications Plan

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