3rd October 2016

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year's (2016/17) People Board Work Plan.

2. Background

2.1 Earlier this year the priorities associated with People were referred to the North People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The People Board has started to initiate action on those priorities and **Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3. Area 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 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 utilising its own resources.
- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 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. 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 R. Davison
Castle	Cllr. S. Foster
Redhill	Cllr P. Stewart
Southwick	Cllr M. Elliott
Fulwell	Cllr B. Francis
St. Peter's	Cllr B. Curran

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 21st September 2016

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the North People Board up to 21st September 2016

Action Taken	Outcome	
Local priority: Health and Well Being		
	Roker Hub Bike Hire Scheme	
	 Members continue to receive reports on the delivery of the SIB funded Roker Hub Bike Hire Scheme 	
	The hub has been open on weekends and during the school holiday period. A positive number of people continue to hire from the extensive range of cycles with the cargo bikes	

being extremely popular with families with small children. Families follow the route to Roker Park as a safe route to use additional play facilities. The electric bikes are popular particularly with older people and those who find it difficult to cycle uphill. The tandem and trikes have increased in popularity both in use and as a means of publicising the hub.

 The SIB funded project has a lifetime target of 1,000 people to access with 550 expected by end of June 2016. June figures submitted indicate 582 accessed, therefore project is exceeding targets.

Fulwell CA Refurbishment Project

- Members continue to receive updates on the SIB funded project to make improvements to Fulwell CA which includes the installation of disabled toilets provision.
- Works commenced July 2016, CA currently closed whilst works are ongoing with the majority of groups finding alternative temporary accommodation.

Local priority: Activities for Young People

Youth Contracts

- Members continue to be offered opportunity to attend Youth Operations Group
- Acting Head of Community and Family Wellbeing to attend future People Boards/specific briefing sessions for members to discuss the next steps

Re-Development of Downhill Wheeled Sports Park

- Members continue to receive updates on the SIB funded project to redevelop Downhill Wheeled Sports Park
- The lighting installation at Downhill Wheeled Sports Park requires additional funding for completion due to connection works required which were not anticipated, July People Board agreed to recommend to October Area Committee additional £1,015 SIB funding be added to the existing project. Details of which are included within the finance report (Item 5, Section 2.3)

Easter and Summer Holiday Activities

- Sports/beach school activities from NE Sports extremely well attended and popular with over 700 attendances to date
- Roker URC delivery has included board games, arts & crafts, music & drama and activities in Roker Park well attended with an end of project event held on 24th August.
- SNCBC and partners delivered a wide range of services and activities across all wards/venues within the North with regular updates and promotion provided via VCS networks, schools and youth workers
- School Holiday activities now complete with projects compiling reports/feedback to be presented to future People Board

Sail Trainees Programme for North Young People

- Sail trainee opportunities promoted to North Youth providers and via the North VCS network
- Ambassadors in place from the North:
 - One from Redhouse Academy
 - One NEET young person who also volunteers with RNLI
 - One young person from Revelstoke Road Childrens

Home

- One young person in a wheelchair put forward by Grace House who has secured some sponsorship, however his costs will exceed this owing to specialist voyage requirements. This young person is also supported by his friend from the North who would also welcome being an Ambassador
- Tall Ships Project would welcome support from North Councillors for these young people to add to bursaries and corporate sponsorship either already in place or applied for.
- September People Board agreed to make a recommendation to October Area Committee for an allocation of SIB funding to support young people from the North to access Ambassador and Trainee opportunities.
 Details of which are included within the finance report (Item 5 2. Annex 1)

Local priority: Job Prospects and Skills

Introduction to Youth Work Course Pilot

- The course was anticipated to start in September 2016 however Sunderland College identified the possibility of an earlier start date and as 12 young people were ready to start the course commenced in April and completed at the end of July:
 - 12 applied for the course
 - 10 attended the introduction day
 - 2 withdrew
 - 1 withdrew for personal reasons during the course
- Of the 12 young people identified to commence the course 7 have successfully completed the full course, these young people have met with the tutors of the College, local Youth Providers and representatives of Sunderland City Council and asked for a celebration event to be held where they will be presented with their Introduction to Youth Work Certificates by the Deputy Mayor Councillor Doris MacKnight this event was held on 24th August, 5.00pm at the Marine Activity Centre with all North Councillors invited to attend

Local priority: VCS Capacity Building

 Working group set up with a representative from each ward and Area Chairs to develop a project which enhances elected members community leadership role and brings communities together to solve local challenges. Call for Projects considered by September People Board with a recommendation to October Area Committee for alignment of funds. Details of which are included within the finance report (Item 5 Annex 2)

Influencing Role

Sport & Leisure – Joint Venture

 September People Board received an update on the Everyone Active partnership.

5. Recommendations

5.1 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regards to the North People Board Work Plan for 2016/2017 as detailed in **Annex 1**

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