

# **WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, 25th June, 2014 at 5:30pm

# VENUE – Pallion Action Group, 5 East Moor Road, Sunderland SR4 6QW

# Membership

Cllrs P Gibson (Chair), Tye (Vice Chair – Place) Atkinson, (Vice Chair – People), Allan, Dixon, Essl, Galbraith, Gallagher, Gofton, L Martin, Porthouse, P Smith, M. Turton, Waller, P Watson, S Watson, A Wilson and T Wright.

1.	<ul> <li>(a) Chairman's Welcome</li> <li>(b) Apologies for Absence</li> <li>(c) Declarations of Interest</li> <li>(d) Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 (copy attached)</li> </ul>	PAGE
2.	Place Board – Progress Report	9
	Report of the Chairman of the West Sunderland Area Place Board (copy attached)	
3.	People Board – Progress Report	19
	Report of the Chairman of the West Sunderland Area People Board (copy attached)	
4.	Part 6 Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, Dog Control Orders – Consultation Results and Findings	38
	Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (copy attached)	

Contact: David Noon, Principal Governance Services Officer Tel: 561 1008

Email: david.noon@sunderland.gov.uk
Julie Lynn, West Area Community Officer
Email: Julie.lynn@sunderland.gov.uk

Tel: 561 1932

Information contained in this agenda can be made available in other languages and formats on request.

5.	Partner Reports	
	a) West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network Report (copy attached)	44
	b) Northumbria Police Update (copy attached)	46
	c) Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update (copy attached)	51
	d) Healthwatch (copy attached)	55
6.*	Financial Statement and Proposals for further Allocations of Resources	62
	Report of the Chief Executive (copy attached)	
	For Information Only	
7.	Current Planning Applications (West Area)	74
	(copy attached)	

**ELAINE WAUGH**Head of Law and Governance

17<sup>th</sup> June, 2014

<sup>\*</sup> denotes an item relating to an executive function

# At a meeting of the WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2014 at 5.30 p.m.

#### Present:-

Councillor P. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors, Dixon, Gofton, Oliver, Porthouse, P.Smith, Turton, Tye, Waller, S. Watson A. Wilson and T. Wright.

#### Also Present:-

Zoe Channing	Head of Event Development	Sunderland Live
Simone Common	West Locality Ops Manager	Sunderland City Council
Gillian Gibson	Consultant in Public Health	Sunderland City Council
Bill Leach	Representative	VCS Area Network
Julie Lynn	Area Community Officer	Sunderland City Council
Chris Marshall	Head of Operations	Gentoo
David Noon	Principal Governance Services Officer	Sunderland City Council
Helen Peverley	Area Co-ordinator	Sunderland City Council
Dave Pickett	Inspector	Northumbria Police
Edna Rochester	Representative	VCS Area Network
Sue Stanhope	Area Lead Executive	Sunderland City Council

#### Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting especially those attending their first meeting of the West Sunderland Area Committee. The Chairman then invited those present to introduce themselves.

## **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillor P Watson and also from Jeff Wilkinson of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

# **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 be confirmed and signed as a correct record subject to the inclusion of Councillor T. Wright in the list of those present.

## **Sunderland Live Presentation.**

Zoe Channing, Head of Event Development at Sunderland Live provided Members with a presentation (copy circulated) which detailed the background to the establishment of Sunderland Live, the maintenance and protection of the Core Events Programme, the increase in the provision of events in the City together with the outcomes of recent customer research.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

The Chairman referred to the number of events being held in the city and asked if there was a reason why none were being held in the West Area. Ms Channing replied that the Company had inherited a pre existing budget and core events programme. There was no reason however why events could not be held in the West in the future and she agreed that Barnes Park would provide a perfect venue.

Councillor S. Watson stated that the Council had 3 representatives on the Management Committee of Sunderland Live however none were from the West Area of the City. She suggested that perhaps that contributed to the lack of events in that part of Sunderland. Ms Channing replied that the governance arrangements for Sunderland Live rested with the City Council. She was aware that one of the Board Members was intending to step down and that perhaps this would provide the opportunity for the Council to appoint a member from the West Area if it wished.

Councillor Gofton advised that discussions had begun and would continue, as to what constituted a 'City Wide' event and how the Areas would contribute to funding them. She suggested that perhaps with regard to its heritage Sunderland was doing its self a disservice with its lack of Blue Plaques to famous buildings and people. Helen Peverley, Area Coordinator, advised that the Place Board had identified heritage as one of its priorities for the new municipal year and that this could include the identification of heritage trails and associated sites for blue plaques.

Councillor P. Smith stated that the Silksworth Sports Complex often hosted national events but that the publicity around them was usually poor. She believed that the facility was not used to its potential and that there were so many things provided there that schools could become involved in.

There being no further questions for Ms Channing the Chairman thanked her for her presentation it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the information in the presentation provided by Sunderland Live be received and noted.

## **Annual Report 2013 – 2014**

The Chairman submitted a report (copy circulated) which sought approval for the inclusion of the West Sunderland Area Committee's Annual Report 2013 – 2014 in the combined Area Committees report to be presented to full Council.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Peter Gibson presented the Annual Report and highlighted the key achievements delivered with regard to the Committee's agreed local priorities of activities for young people; job prospects; health and wellbeing and environmental and street scene improvements. He advised that the results should seen be as a collaborative effort and paid tribute to everyone who had contributed to the work of the Committee and its Place and People Boards over the course of the year

3. RESOLVED that the West Sunderland Area Committee's Annual Report 2013 – 2014 be approved for inclusion in the combined Area Committees Annual Report to Council.

# Maximising the Use Made of Green and Other Space in Areas to Improve Health and Happiness

The Director of Public Health submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided background information to support members in considering the future use of funding released by the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to support improvement to mental and physical wellness through a combination of approaches aimed at facilitating local people's access to, and use of local green space.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Gillian Gibson, Consultant in Public Health presented the report and in particular highlighted the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing' message which was positive in nature, promoting beneficial behaviours. This was a change from the more traditional public health messages which tended to be negative (eg stop smoking / drinking).

There being no questions for Mrs Gibson, the Chairman thanked her for her report and it was:-

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

# Report of the West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network (AVCSN)

The AVCS Network submitted a progress report (copy circulated) which briefed the Committee on issues pertinent to the Voluntary and Community Sector.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Julie Lynn, Area Community Officer presented the report highlighting:-

- i) the continued support from the network in relation to health partnership working. In this regard the Network had received a presentation from the NHS Training Service on the services they provided and how they could be delivered in local venues facilitated by the VCSN,
- ii) the attendance of the Council's Public Protection and Regulatory Service at a Network meeting to offer advice on how the VCSN could work in partnership with the Service to address local issues.

- the support from the Network in delivering the Committee's priorities in relation to Job prospects, Activities for Older and Younger Persons, Street Scene and Environmental Improvements together with Health and Wellbeing,
- iv) the opportunities available to the network to assist in addressing the issues of funding and resources,
- v) Joint working with the Library Service to expand the new offer across the west area of the city.

In addition to the report, Ms Lynn also advised of the West's success at the High Sheriff of Tyne and Wear Youth Awards 2014 in which the top award from the fund had gone to the Box Youth Project. The Committee were also informed of Councillor Tye's success in winning the Richard Spoor Unsung Hero Award.

Councillor Gofton praised the report which exemplified how far the Network had come in such a short time and paid tribute to all concerned in the joint working initiatives.

Bill Leach and Edna Rochester having praised the success of the community library work and the Health Training initiative, the Chairman thanked them for their report, and it was:-

5. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

# Report of the Northumbria Police – Sunderland West

Dave Pickett of Northumbria Police presented a report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on the Force's most recent performance indicators showing actual crimes for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2013 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 and the percentage increase / decrease against the previous two annual reporting periods. Particular reference was paid to crime levels in relation to violent crime, vehicle crime, burglary from dwelling, burglary other than dwelling, criminal damage, theft and handling, shoplifting, youth ASB and Non Youth ASB. In addition members were informed of the particular crime patterns in respect of the Barnes, Pallion, St. Anne's, Sandhill, Silksworth and St Chad's wards.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor P. Smith referred to the number of shopping lifting offences in the Silksworth Ward (amounting to 101 out of the 435 figure for total crime). She believed this was no surprise given the proximity of the co op store to a large estate and the pressure placed on people by changes to the benefits system. Inspector Pickett stated that it could not be ruled out as a factor but the shear volume of theft was down simply to poor security, amounting to the store being identified as a soft touch. The police had provided a considerable amount of advice to the store regarding ways to improve security and subsequently the number of shoplifting offences had 'fallen through the floor'.

Councillor P. Smith referred to the all pervasive nature of drugs and the problems they caused. She asked if details could be provided in future reports. She stated that she wasn't looking for detailed figures just an overview of the current situation and an indication of the development of any significant trends. Inspector Pickett advised that he could do so and that the figures were also detailed on the Northumbria Police web site.

Julie Lynn informed Councillor Smith that she would circulate the information on a monthly basis.

Councillor Dixon referred to the discussion at the last meeting regarding Northumbria Police's pilot of body worn video cameras and asked how the pilot had progressed. Inspector Pickett advised the pilot had only just finished. The initial feedback had been positive and pilot would now be fully evaluated.

Councillor A. Wilson asked whether there was a specific link between violent crime and drugs. Inspector Pickett replied that this was true in some cases but the vast majority of violent crimes in Sunderland involved alcohol, consumed either in the home or on the street.

The Chairman having thanked Inspector Pickett for his attendance it was:-

6. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

## Report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service

Julie Lynn, Area Community Officer having advised that Jeff Wilkinson of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service (TWFRS) was unable to attend the meeting presented his report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on the Service's performance indicators for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2014 with particular reference to:-

- i) the number of deaths from accidental / all dwelling fires (there were none),
- ii) the number of injuries from accidental / all dwelling fires (there were two),
- iii) accidental fires in domestic properties (6),
- iv) deliberate property fires (2),
- v) deliberate vehicle fires (1) and
- vi) the number of Malicious False Alarm calls attended (4)

(For copy report – see original minutes)

The Chairman having thanked Ms Lynn for the report, it was:-

7. RESOLVED the report be received and noted.

### **Place Board Progress Report.**

The Chairman of the West Sunderland Area Place Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update of progress against the current year's Place Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor P. Gibson presented the report drawing Members' attention to the initiation of action towards achieving key priorities as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report together with a summary of key areas of influence and achievements of the Place Board in relation to Responsive Local Services, Highways Capital Maintenance, Shopping Centres, Public Protection and Regulatory Services and Environment and Street Scene Improvements as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2014.

Councillor Porthouse referred to the Highways maintenance programme and stressed the importance of members being kept up to date with any changes to the schedule of works. For example the resurfacing works to Archer road had not been carried out as planned which meant members had had to field questions from residents who had expected the work to be completed. Julie Lynn advised that updates were provided via the ward bulletin service and the Chairman added that this was something that could be raised with highways officers at the Place Board.

Consideration having been given to the report it was:-

### 8. RESOLVED that :-

- the progress and performance update with regard to the West Place Board Work Plan for 2013/2014, attached at Annex 3 to the report be received and noted
- ii) approval be given to the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Highways Capital Maintenance programmes for the West Sunderland Area for 2014/2015, as detailed in Annex 4 to the report.
- iii) approval be given to the revised plan for the Bishopwearmouth Baby Cemetery as detailed in Annex 5 of the report, subject to agreement from the Friends Group.
- iv) approval be given to the alignment and utilisation of Family and Adult Community Learning to support the delivery of local area priorities and environmental improvements in the West.
- v) approval be given to the alignment of the Integrated Wellness Review and the local area priority of Environmental Improvements in the West, to support Health and Wellbeing outcomes in the West.

## **People Board Progress Report.**

The Chairman of the West Sunderland Area People Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on progress against the current year's People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor P. Gibson presented the report drawing Members' attention to the initiation of action towards achieving the key priorities as detailed in Annex 6 of the report of the report, together with a summary of key areas of influence and achievements of the People Board in relation to Family and Adult Community Learning, the Community

Directory, Sexual Health Services, The Health Plan on a Page, Job Prospects, Integrated Wellness Review and Libraries as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2014.

Councillor Tye referred to item 3 on Annex 6 regarding the recommissioning of services in Children's Centres and asked when it was likely that the matter would be reviewed by the People Board? Simone Common, West Opps Locality Manager replied that this was likely to be reported to the Board in June or July.

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

#### 9. RESOLVED that :-

- i) the progress and performance update with regard to the West People Board Work Plan for 2013/14 be received and noted
- ii) approval be given to the development and alignment of FACL learning, where appropriate, to support the Area Committee's local area priorities
- iii) approval be given the West Health Plan on a page (including those issues as identified as part of the sexual health review)
- iv) approval be given to the recommendation to support VCS capacity and sustainability to support the integrated wellness review
- v) approval be given to the proposed visit to the Goldthorpe Community Shop and attempts to influence plans for a national rollout to include Sunderland
- vi) approval be given to the alignment of the integrated wellness review and the local area priority of environmental improvements in the West to support health and wellbeing.

# Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and Community Chest – Financial Statement and Proposals for Further Allocation of Resources

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Julie Lynn, Area Community Officer, presented the report highlighting the financial statement, details of 9 projects approved for support from the 2013/14 Community Chest budget as outlined in Annex 11 of the report together with details of one further funding request.

Attention was drawn to paragraphs 2.4, 2.5 and 4.2 of the report with members being advised that the reference to £10,500 SIB funding should be amended to read £8,500. Consideration having been given to the report, it was:-

#### 10. RESOLVED that:-

- (i) the Area Committee's funding statement as detailed in paragraphs 2.1, and 3.1,of the report (as amended) be received and noted, and
- (ii) approval be given to the recommendation of the People Board to the allocation of £8,500 SIB funding from the 2014/15 budget, towards the

- diagnosis of support required by existing businesses in the West Sunderland Area as detailed in Annex10 of the report,
- (iii) the approval of the 9 Community Chest applications as detailed in Annex 11 of the report be noted.

The Chairman then closed the meeting having thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions to the meeting.

(Signed) P. GIBSON, Chairman.

25th June 2014

# REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

# **Place Board Progress Report**

# 1 Purpose of Report

## 1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2013/14 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2014/15
- c. Provides an update on Place Board Governance Arrangements for 2014/15.

# 2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year West Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the West Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The Place Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2014/15.

# 3. Annual Update of 2013/14 Place Board Work Plan

3.1 The 2013/14 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Item 2 Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

## 4. Proposed Work Plan for 2014/15

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Item 2 Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the Place Board considers key to deliver during 2014/15.
- 4.2 Additionally the Place Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of Place Based Services devolved to Area Committee.

## 5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:
  - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
  - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilizing its own resources.
- Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Item 2 Annex 4.**

5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the Place Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	Place Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Philip Tye
Barnes	Cllr Michael Essl
Pallion	Cllr Amy Wilson
Sandhill	Cllr Debra Waller
Silksworth	Cllr Peter Gibson
St. Anne's	Cllr Jacqui Gallagher
St Chad's	Cllr Darryl Dixon

#### 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the West Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Item 2 Annex 1 and 2**.
  - b. Consider and agree the West Area Place Board Work Plan Priorities for 2014/15 attached as **Item 2 Annex 3**.
  - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2014/15 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 2 Annex 4.**

Contact Officer: Julie Lynn, Area Community Officer Tel: 0191 561 1932

Email: julie.lynn@sunderland.gov.uk

PLACE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services

Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	When will Area Committee Decision be required	RAG	Progress
Responsive Local Services -     Streetscene	To influence the design, delivery and review of RLS Streetscene services in the West	Monthly basis	Work with Area Response Manager to identify opportunities to influence service; Review existing service scope and re-consider how members can influence future delivery - particularly focusing on agreement of programmed activities and the implementation of Dog Control Orders	Jun-14		Dog control order report shared with members and additional locations for the application of orders identified. A further report to June Area Committee following consultation. Identified the use of sports pitches and greenspace across the West as an issue and want to receive information from the greenspace reviewbeing undertaken by RLS in order to influence.  Information on services within RLS remit will be presented to the Place Board in the new year to allow members to influence the local delivery of services in their area.
2 Highways Maintenance	To influence usage of resources at an area level for inclusion in Capital Programme	Dec-13	Members to reflect upon success and influencing role of 2012/2013 Capital Programme; Members to feed in views to prioritise works for inclusion in the annual Capital Programme;	Apr-14		AC allocated match funding of £71,250 to capital maintenance programme and identified priorities for the West area for allocation of funds. Performance monitored through the Place Board. Highways plan for 2014/2015 presented to Feb/March 2014 Place Board and recommendations agreed at April 14 Area Committee.
3 Public Protection and Regulatory Services	Consideration to be given to potential alignment of the services with the Board. Services in scope including trading standards, food standards, pollution control, pest control and licensing	Dec-13	Establish understanding of services delivered at a local level; Look to develop early intervention activities which support vulnerable groups within the locality	As required		West Officer aligned to area from Public Protection and presentation to Dec and Jan Place Board where recommendations have been identified and progressed including closer working with VCS and local communities.
4 Play and Urban Games Strategy	Influence the update of the strategy - consider with more relevance to board or ward basis	N/A	tbc	tbc		Meeting periodically with Sport and Leisure. No further action required by the boards at this stage.
6 Parking Management Schemes	Members to be consulted on Parking Management Schemes should they be proposed for the area	As required	members to bring their local knowledge to support the development of the phase 2 Hospital Parking Management Scheme	As required		2nd phase of Hopsital Parking scheme developing. Peter graham met with Barnes, pallion and Millfield working group on 18.6.13 to advise on progress. Cllrs Gofton, Wilson, Essl attended alongside residents and hospital. PMS3 in and around the hospital area is now progressing with a working group of Cllrs, Officers, partners and residents involved.
7 Local Development Framework (LDF), Core Strategy and associated documents	Members to be consulted on process for the review of the Strategy, share views and feed into the public consultation process	Dec-13	Members to bring local knowledge to inform the development of the future policy	Sep-14		Presentation to the Place Board with additional documentation made available to members on the strategy and settlement breaks to feed in views using local knowledge and experience Consultation period completed, officers provided an update at the December Place Board.  The board requested information in the future on the Employment Land Review and Green Belt review and will be updated at key points on the development of the strategy. Further reports to future boards.

Additional Area Priorities

1 Environment and Street Scene	Develop and deliver programmes in partnership to improve the physical and environmental appearance of the West	Sep-13	* Develop and deliver 'Love Where You Live' campaign activity.	Apr-14	Work completed with PAG in Pallion and SNCBC in Thorney Close to undertake regular 'Love Where You Live' activity in the area.  Development of further Place priorities and actions underway to improve the physical environment with capital works approved at Area Committee in January. Clear links with the People priorities and how Place contributes to this have been identified with proposals to March Place Board and a Place tour undertaken in April to consider improvements to derelict/underutilised land. Love Where You Live Activity and partnership working undertaken as part of a week of action in Thorney Close.
	Improve the physical and environmental appearance of shopping centres in the West	Dec-13	* Deliver programme of improvements to shopping centres across the West.	Jan-14	Audit undertaken on all shopping centres in the West. Finalised plans for Thorndale Road and Pallion established for physical and environmental improvements and these are underway.  AC agreed the offer of business support to Pallion shopping centre to extend the benefits of the physical improvements. Pallion Traders Group now being lead by the Traders with regular meetings scheduled. This approach will be rolled out to key shopping centres in the West.
	Influence and encourage heritage activity within the West through the VCS Network	Sep-13	* Receive information on heritage activity I the West to identify where support can be provided to add value.	Sept 13 (update only)	Groundwork have prepared a report on activity within he West to be submitted to West Place Board in September 13.  Durham Council are consulting further on future limestone landscape programmes including those in the West with a consultation exercise in September at the Stadium fo Light. Members and officers from Sunderland Council attended and fed in views.  Identified additional works/actions that could be undertaken as part of the environmental improvements that include heritage.
G A R	Progressing on target Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in p Not progressing	lace to action)	<u> </u>		· · · · · ·

## **West Place Board Project Performance**

Below is a summary of all SIB and SIP funded projects showing how they have performed against targets up to quarter four 2013/2014 and what they have achieved.

Red Machine Allotments	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved community	1	1		£14,700	£14,700	
facilities and equipment						
Number of people using improved	46	106				
community facilities						
Number of community/voluntary groups	9	6				
supported						
Number of community or educational	2	5				
events held						

SIB funding was awarded to transform three vacant plots into an accessible space to be utilised as a Community allotment along with upgrading the existing internal fences. The project are working alongside Groundwork to deliver the project and are engaging with local residents, local schools and other community groups to encourage them to access the allotments and help with the up keep of the new area.

Work on site has included:

- The clearing of the old plots and land to transform them into the community allotment
- Creation of a pond
- Creation of a series of new paths
- Installation of new perimeter fencing
- Planting of new raised flower beds
- Planting of fruit trees with school children from St Cuthbert's, Broadway and Barnes Junior Schools
- A Woodland Trust tree planting session
- Allotment open event in March

All work on site is anticipated to be completed, weather permitting by the end of May.

Walk and Talk	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Improvement to appearance of streets	24	23		£20,000	£18,166	
Community events held	24	19				

The funding was allocated to support local ward members to identify and deliver smaller scale environmental and physical improvements in wards across the West.

Using the walk and talks with RLS and feedback from local residents members have identified and funded programmes across the wards. These have included:

**Bulb planting** 

Tree Planting

Fencing

Traffic surveys

Installation of goalposts

Hanging Baskets

Installation of double kerbs

Signage

Bins

Seating

All wards have used some of the budgets to make improvements across the area. The walk and talk programme has now been extended incorporating additional funding to support People and Place programmes to support the achievement of Area Committee priorities at a ward level.

Eden Vale	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work	1	1		£21,790	£15,948	
to improve appearance of streets						

The Majority of the work on site is complete with additional work identified, including painting and installation of new litter bins around the site. Once this work is complete the remaining SIP funding will be drawn down to complete the project.

Hadleigh Road Improvements	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of homes / businesses/community facilities with improved security	47	47		£35,000	£11,911	
Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1	1				

#### Progress to date includes:

- Home Group and Owner Occupiers have instructed Solicitors regarding the land transfers
- Sunderland City Council is processing the completion of the land transfers
- Discussions have taken place between Sunderland City Council, Home Group and Owner Occupiers regarding works on the land and who is responsible
- Dividing fencing is complete
- Work still remaining to be complete includes snagging works to the palisade fencing

Remaining expenditure will be drawn down against outstanding works including snagging to the palisade fencing, further fencing works, planning application costs, site vegetation clearance, tree removal, site vegetation clearance, and legal costs.

Car Parking Spaces at Lakeside Village	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved community	1	1		£10,600	£0	
facilities and equipment						

This scheme was jointly funded through SIB funding and Gentoo. Work on site has created 18 additional parking bays in Lakeside Village estate which has suffered from excessive parking problems due to the rise in car use and ownership over the past few years. All works are now complete, awaiting invoice from Gentoo for funding to be drawn down.

**PLACE** 

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1		1. Working with the RLS Area Response Manager and Customer Relationship Officer, work with schools and community organisations inc youth groups, to reinforce messages around the implications of littering, fly-tipping, wheelie bin fires, graffiti and anti-social behaviour. Support delivery of a further programme of educational support across all schools in the West, working with Safety Works.		
		Monitor Progress of SIB & SIP funded Environmental     Improvements Project		
		Present Licensing Service to new members within the West as stated within the Scrutiny recommendations		
	knowledge to support sustainable improvements within their wards, creating spaces for families to enjoy	1. Develop matrix of derelict land for each Ward within the West, noting land ownership, wider community issues and potential opportunities for development. Develop proposals to make improvements, working with the land owner, ensuring robust communication with surrounding communities to support long-term sustainable maintenance		
		2. Working with Public Health and community groups/partners, utilising (and strengthening) the Maximising Green Space Funding, increase active travel and use of outdoor space for walking, running and playing - activities may include installation of signage, website information, Apps, links to heritage sites.		
		<ol> <li>Develop a programme of love where you live activities and events, linked to site developments to promote participation and health messages, such as planting fruit and vegetables</li> </ol>		

3 Improve the physical and environmental appearance of shopping centres in the West and support the establishment of 'Trader Groups', as interest arises	1. Continue to work with Pallion Traders to promote trade and increase footfall, creating a brand for the area and installing additional signage where appropriate.  2. Introduce a shop watch scheme within the Pallion shopping area and link to other schemes within the City to ensure maximum impact with regard to reducing theft and ASB.  3. Introduce trader support within Silksworth and Thorney Close Shopping centres, utilising lessons learnt from Pallion, working torwards the same positive outcomes, to ensure traders work together to encourage trade and improve the look and feel of the area.	
4 Influence and encourage heritage activity in the West	Working with Community Librarian and local heritage groups, identify areas of interest within the West of the City	
	2. Develop a plan of events, activity and learning opportunities for use by the local community and schools, encouraging active travel and opportunities to improve health and wellbeing	
	3. Develop a 'West in Bloom Programme' linked to WW1 and the project focusing on improving sustainable greenspaces, linked to the importance of gardens and parks as the lungs of the city, during its industrial age	
5 Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	Work with individuals and communities to take more responsibility for and be passionate about keeping local communities clean, green and well looked after. Develop approach(s) to deal with neglected:  Land, Housing, Shopping Parades Industrial Estates, through interventions appropriate at Area Level  Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of	
	S106 funding at an area level	
	To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme	
	4. Consideration to be given to how the board could inform the development of annual delivery plans and identify local hot spots for target through local intelligence and work with the Housing Renewal Team to prioritise area work.	

### Place Board – Terms of Reference

The Place Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

## Membership and Role

#### Chair

- The Chair of the Place Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the Place Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the Place Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the Place Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

#### **Elected Members**

- Core Membership of the Place Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members; however, Core Membership may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward; Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the Place Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that Place Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

#### **Support Officers**

- Relevant Council Officers will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- Designated Area Co-ordinator is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- Designated Area Community Officer supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the Place Board in delivering place board priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

#### Frequency

Place Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

# **Reporting Arrangements**

The Place Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the Place Board, assisted by the designated Area Coordinator and Area Community Officer.

### **Remit of the Place Board**

The remit of the Place Board is to:

- Respond to all Place priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and supports the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

25th June 2014

#### REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

# **People Board Progress Report**

# 1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report:
  - a. Provides an annual update of the 2013/14 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
  - Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2014/15
  - c. Provides an update on People Board Governance Arrangements for 2014/15.

# 2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year West Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the West People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The People Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2014/15.

# 3. Annual Update of 2013/14 People Board Work Plan

3.1 The 2013/14 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Item 3 Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

# 4. Proposed Work Plan for 2014/15

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Item 3 Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the People Board considers key to deliver during 2014/15.
- 4.2 Additionally the People Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of People Based Services devolved to Area Committee. Proposals also outlined in **Annex 3.**

## 5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:
  - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
  - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilizing its own resources.
- Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Item 3 Annex 4.**

5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the People Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	People Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Rebecca Atkinson
Barnes	Cllr Lee Martin
Pallion	Cllr Celia Gofton
Sandhill	Cllr Mary Turton
Silksworth	Cllr Pat Smith
St. Anne's	Cllr Susan Watson
St Chad's	Cllr Gillian Galbraith

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

Group	Elected Member Representative
Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)	Cllr Philip Tye
Children's Local Advisory Board (CLAB)	Cllr Rebecca Atkinson and Cllr Peter Gibson
Youth Operations Group	Cllr Pat Smith

# 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the West Area People Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 attached as **Item 3 Annex 1 and 2**.
  - b. Consider and agree the West Area People Board Work Plan Priorities for 2014/15 attached as **Item 3 Annex 3**.
  - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2014/15 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 3 Annex 4.**

Contact Officer: Julie Lynn, Area Community Officer Tel: 0191 561 1932

Email: julie.lynn@sunderland.gov.uk

PEOPLE BOARD PRIORITIES - Area specific contribution to Corporate Outcome Framework and the Transformation of Council Services

	Influencing Core Services/Activities devolved to Area Committee	Why it is coming to the Board?	When will it come to the Board?	Action Required by the Board	RAG	Progress	Completed?
1		To influence the design and delivery of local services to support improvements in public health and adult social care	Sep-13	* Develop citywide community directory of services.  * Identify gaps and opportunities to enhance community provision to meet adult social care need  * Role out and monitor dementia module of Health Champions.  * Identify opportunities to promote and market day opportunities to increase take up in the West and reduce social isolation.		Joint walk and talk budgets underway with Members, RLS, HHAS. Community Directory subject to 'soft' launch and now live on council system. Information and directory shared with partners, VCS and residents to reduce unnecessary demand on statutory services.  Dementia module launched in the West with 3 of the 10 courses remaining for delivery. Work ongoing with partners and VCS to establish further services that support the reduction in social isolation and demand on statutory services.	
2	Early Years Intervention and Locality Services	To influence the design, delivery and review of early intervention and locality services	Monthly basis	* Work with Locality Manager to identify opportunities to influence services. * Identify links with Children's Local Area Board action plan to align relevant priorities, actions and outcomes with the People Board. *Identify opportunities to reduce NEET figures in the West. * Monitor the youth contracts for the West through performance management information on 6 monthly basis.		Meeting held with Heads of West Secondary schools to discuss developing a programme of activity in partnership with secondary schools and including additional skills within the curriculum to support improved prospects for young people when they leave FTE to reduce NEET's.  Report prepared on potential support mechanisms for 14 - 16 and further meetings with Head Teachers to be held.  Youth contract performance information presented to the board on a 6 monthly basis.  Early Intervention and Locality performance information presented to the board quarterly.  CLAB action plan reviewed and overlapping priorities and	
3	Re-commissioning services in Children's Centres for 2014	To influence service provision in the West as of April 2014	Jul-13	*Bring unique understanding of communities to identify options for future delivery		Children's centre performance framework and local need information presented to the board and shared with all members for comment to feed in local information and requirements.  Members comments and local intelligence for the West fed into the contract	
4	9	Influence Youth Contract Provision from April 2015	Jul-14	tbc		Members through the People Board agreed the use of the flexible session in order to provide holiday provision from June 2014 onwards.  Information provided to Commissioning to communicate to the Youth Groups and ensure monitoring in place.	
6		Stage 2 consultation - opportunity for members to influence transformation of a reading and learning information service	Feb-14	* Members to feed in potential venues in the area for Community Book collections and reservations, outreach programmes and use of buildings * Develop in partnership with the VCS community library activities in the West.		Library Service redesign complete. Work ongoing with voluntary and community sector to further enhance and develop local library services and activities from community venues across the West.	
7	Lifelong Learning	To consider how members can influence the commissioing activity utilising Family and Adult Community Learning Funding (FACL) available in 2014/15.	Feb-14	Initial discussions and consideration		FACL information presented to board. Board identified how FACL could work with the VCS and use the learning opportuities to support the delivery of local area priorities. Information and opportunity shared through VCS meeting.	
9	Child Health/Obesity	Consideration to be given to opportunities where members/officers/relevant partners can work together to understand the local context and how community leadership can help reduce obesity				Jan and March People Board received information on health to design and develop a health plan on a page which looks at joint working to support improvements in health. Healthy lifestyles for all form part of this plan.  The board also requested the Change for Life programme extend to work with all primaries in the West area to extend the scheme to focus on healthy lifestyle of the family. Further work is ongoing to design the scheme and a report will be presented to June Area Committee.	
10	Health Funding - £20k per area	To allocate against Health priorities		Page 21 of 77		Report to April 2014 AC from public health on the funding available and how this may be used on an area basis. Area Tour undertaken to allow members to identify priorities against which funding could be allocated linking People to Place	t

11 Intergrated Wellness Service Review	To input into forthcoming review	Jan-14	*A stakeholder event arranged for 15th November 2013, 9 - 3.30pm for Chairs and Vice Chairs and as such it is proposed that the item is discussed at the November People Board meeting, allowing members time to discuss and feed in views via Area Chair and People Board Chair	An Integrated Wellness session was offered to all West area members to feed in the views on the review. The session was held on 7th November and views fed in and collated to be represented by the Chair of Area Committee at the event on 15th November. Members received further information at March People board and fed in views which have also been incorporated into teh West Health Plan.
12 Strenthening Families - Family Focus	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence the Strengthening Families - Family Focus		* A presentation delivered to September Area Committee and a request to delegate to People Board to consider local perspective.	The presentation was delivered to September Committee and agreement to delegate to the People Board.  Strengthening Families is now considered by the People Board as a strand through all of the work undertaken.
13 Welfare Reform	Consideration to be given to how the board could influence/take actions		A presentation delivered to October West People Board, following presentation to full Labour group in September.	A presentation was delivered to November People Board on the current position citywide and locally.  Members requested additional information and made suggestions to improve the offer from the Council.  Work to be undertaken with local West VCS to further develop food parcel and upcycling network in the West.  Meeting arranged with Sunderland Minister to establish current position and how local support can be developed.
14 Sexual Health Services	To input into review of Sexual Health Services in the city at an area level, to influence future service delivery in terms of how much is delivered centrally and how much is delivered through outreach (within a given financial envelope).	Mar-14	* Health colleagues are carrying out a review of Sexual Health Services in the city. Members at an area level to influence future service delivery in terms of how much is delivered centrally and how much is delivered through outreach (within a given financial envelope), using local knowledge. It is anticipated that this will be included in the December People Board with Gillian Gibson attending.	Information was presented to the People Boards in December and March regarding the Sexual Health review, members made recommendations based on local intelligence and need. Actions incorporated into West Health plan.
Additional Area Priorities	•			
1 Health and Wellbeing	Identify and develop activity that addresses and improves the health and wellbeing of residents in the West.	Jan-14	* Monitor the delivery of the Stay and Bake course to support reduction in childhood obesity. * Ensure priorities for West are considered as part of the 'Integrated Wellness Review' and review of Sexual Health Services in the city. * Monitor the delivery and outcomes of the men's health project. * Receive information to identify the health issues within the West and the identification of services/projects that can address and improve these health issues. *Identify how the accessibility of information, advice and guidance can be improved across the West (self help/mediated).	Performance of funded projects monitored quarterly through the People Board, commencing 4th October.  Stay and Bake course and funding agreed at June 13 Committee now complete.  Information provided on ICT access across the West Health needs information presented to Dec VCS network and Jan 14 People Board to align health related plans and priorities for CCG, Public Health, People and Children's Centres  Targeted health People board held and Health plan developed incorporating influencing and local priorities with partners.
2 Job Prospects	Improve the employment prospects and opportunities of residents in the West	Dec-13	* Monitor the delivery and outcomes of the apprenticeship scheme. * Consider the employment support available for Jobseekers in the West and how this can be improved. * Monitor the delivery and outcomes of the West Apprenticeship programme. * Call for Projects for Work experience scheme. * Develop options for the delivery of an enterprise scheme in the West with a focus on businesses providing services required under the personalisation agenda. * Identify and develop options to improve the employment prospects and opportunities as part of the school curriculum. * Identify and develop options to improve the employment prospects and opportunities through the Voluntary and Community Sector organisations.	Performance monitored quarterly through the People Board and regular progress updates presented.  Development of an enterprise programme for residents in the West with a focus on offering services that meet the personalisation agenda funded as a pilot by Area Committee through BIT.  Further work ongoing to identify proposals to support existing businesses, approval at April Committee to fund the work.  Work Placement programme agreed and funding aligned to support decision made at Committee to fund all 3 applicants and extend programme  Further work ongoing to with secondary head teachers in the West to consider the issues for 14 - 16 year olds and options presented to March People Board with recommendation for further discussion with Headteachers.

•	Support the delivery of positive activities for young people in the West  Monitor and receive information in recognition of a new issue being raised from		* Monitor the delivery of AC funded holiday activities for young people across the West.  *Consider the future of positive activities for young people during school holiday periods once the current SIB funding has been used.  * Consider the future use of the flexible banked youth session within the youth contract once AC funding has ended.	Performance monitored quarterly through the People Board and regular updates presented.  Agreed no further SIB funding aligned to delivery of holiday provision. Members on ward by ward basis agreeing the use of the flexible session to make provision for holiday periods from June 2014 onwards.	
	influencing/reporting				
G	Progressing on target				
Ā	Progressing but behind schedule (with plans in pl	ace to action)			
Ř	Not progressing				

## West People Board Project Performance

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against targets up to quarter four 2013/2014 and what they have achieved:

Youth Almighty Youth Project	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of additional young people engaged in youth activities	185	316		£29,995	£29,995	
Number of new additional young people engaged and participating in youth provision	193	279				
Number of people engaged in sports activities	191	269				
Number of community or educational events held	2	2				

Over the duration of the project the bus has been to an excellent resource to the group and has given groups of young people a chance to take part in off-site activities and trips especially during school holidays where they have visited Down on the Farm, Seaham Beach, the Fun Shack, Wet and Wild, Sunderland Bowl and the Marine Activity Centre, climbing wall and Laser Quest. The bus has continued to transport young people from Barnes Ward to Silksworth Youth & Community Centre, to take part in youth sessions, and activities which have enabled them to make new friends and take part in activities such as archery, a short theatre production and Chelsea's choice and Generic Youth Club. The project continues to provide young people with more access to positive activities resulting in the young people learning new skills and having fun.

Youth Almighty have also supported the work of the boards and Committee utilising the bus and volunteer driver to undertake tours of the area.

West Holiday Activities	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of additional youth sessions delivered	260	354		£75,000	£71,321	

The delivery of activities for young people in the West from February half term to the end of the Easter holidays, covering three school holiday periods has achieved:

#### 1,827 different young people attended activities.

559 different young people attended activities 4 or more times during the holiday periods.

2,574 individual activity places were available and filled during Easter, June half term and the 6 weeks holiday for young people.

### **Key Highlights:**

- A number of sessions delivered offered health related activities which included information on healthy eating, sporting activities and mountain bike rides
- Many young people who attended the youth provision volunteered during the delivery of different activities for younger children, this has enabled them to build and develop skills.
- Many of the older children took part in sessions to educate them on the dangers of alcohol misuse and risk taking behaviour
- A number of activities offered the children and young people the opportunity to visit the cinema, ten pin bowling, golfing, trampolining, the climbing wall and laser quest which they may not have experienced previously.
- Facilities within Sunderland were utilised in delivering the activities.

The remaining balance will be utilised to deliver an additional week of activities during Spring half term.

West Aspirations	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	430	490		£59,881	£51,881	
Number of young people aged 16-19 years old not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education and employment	44	119				
Number of people volunteering	275	318				
Number of people receiving job training	205	218				

The project has continued to make strong links with other organisations to find sustainable progression routes for the young people, and some of the young people have successfully attended a community volunteering event. Further visits to training providers including Cultivate Training and Chameleon, who are vocational training providers, have taken place along with a visit to Ingeus to promote traineeships. The young people involved in the project have also played a valuable part in the distribution of bread and fresh produce which is continuing to be delivered in partnership with Sainsburys. The young people worked alongside older members of the community to make up hampers for vulnerable and unemployed users of the Pallion Action Group.

The young people taking part on the programme have gained important works experience and valuable life skills through volunteering. One young person accessing the programme lacked confidence and direction and with the support of the project completed some volunteering at Pallion Action Group on reception then at STEFs Farm. As their confidence, knowledge and skills improved they started applying for jobs and have recently gained full time employment with 2Touch as a Customer Service Advisor.

The programme is currently averaging 70% of young people volunteering, progressing onto employment or training.

Apprenticeship Scheme	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people going into employment	30	45		£75,207	£46,515	
Number of new businesses established or current business supported.	30	32/26				

A total of 26 individual employers engaged against a target of 30 however, 6 of the businesses took more than one young person, which meant that project was still able to meet its main aim of supporting at least 30 young people from the West into employment. A total of 36?? Young people have moved into jobs with an apprenticeship and these jobs are currently being sustained. A further 9 young people were placed in jobs at various times over the duration of the project, but for a range of reasons did not remain in post, bringing the actual total up to 45 young people supported into employment.

The expenditure on the project is lower than anticipated due to a delay in receiving invoices from participating employers. A further £20,200 is due to be paid to the participating employers over the coming months, bringing committed SIB funding to £66,715.

Pennywell Partnership Co-ordinator	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of additional children and young people participating in activities during school holidays	140	169		£10,500	£10,500	
Number of adults obtaining qualifications	142	148				
Number of people using new and improved community facilities	1,460	1,680				
Number of people volunteering	90	108				

The delivery of the Partnership Co-ordinator's role within the Centre has continued to work in conjunction with other partners and centre users to deliver activities and has achieved the following:

- Refurbishment of the main hall and toilets has taken place along with the fitness suite being converted into a training room to facilitate the increased demand for training and education
- Further increase in the number of volunteers at the Centre as a result of the Children's holiday club, the Friday Fun Club and the Sunderland Royals Jazz Band
- Increased number of adults obtaining qualifications through courses offered by FACL, including first aid, health and safety and food hygiene
- The City of Sunderland College also continues to offer the Pennywell Residents computer courses on Thursday mornings
- Coach education has been very evident over the last quarter with 16 students achieving a level 2 qualification
- The number of additional children and young people participating in school holiday activities has risen to 80
  where trampolining and gymnastics was offered during the half term break as well as arts, crafts, circus
  skills and face painting
- A joint venture with Pennywell Youth Project and the Wishing Well Girls Group took place where a bouncy castle was hired to entertain the young people and some constructive work around team building was undertaken
- The increase in holiday provision, the organisation of fun days, the jazz band activity, the coach education programme has given over 780 people the opportunity of using new and improved community facilities.
- A new fitness group in the centre operating twice a week is attracting over 40 young ladies per session in circuit training activities

Stay & Bake Courses	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people engaged in healthy lifestyles	36	35		£12,500	£9,684	
Number of programmes to tackle health inequalities	6	6				
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	36	35				

The Stay and Bake course has ran 6 sessions across various locations in the West, aimed at the hardest to reach parents with children aged under 5, with the aim of learning to cook meals on a budget. Whilst the parents learn how to cook popular meals from scratch their children are in looked after in a creche, then once the meal is cooked join their parents to eat the meal.

Courses have been delivered at Lakeside and Gilley Law Community Centre covering St Chad's Ward, the Tansy Centre covering St Anne's Ward, Silksworth CA covering Silksworth Ward, Thorney Close Community Centre covering Sandhill Ward, Humbledon Church covering Barnes Ward and St Luke's Church Hall covering Pallion Ward. As a result of securing SIB funding the project has also been able to use other budgets to deliver an additional Stay & Bake course at Pennywell Neighbourhood Centre.

During the sessions the parents received informal presentations from various partners on obesity, oral health, weaning and bottles/breast feeding, speech and language development and money management.

The final expenditure is lower than anticipated due to a reduction in crèche costs.

Dementia Module - Health Champions	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people attending training sessions	72	75		£4,000 £0		
The number of people to whom information/advice/guidance were provided	5	7				
Number of programmes tackling health inequalities	4	5				
Number of people signposted to services	20	24				

SIB funding was awarded to develop and deliver a dementia awareness module as part of the Health Champion Programme which will be open to anyone living, working or volunteering in the West locality and will be administrated through the Health Champion Programme and completed through either a workshop or e-learning programme.

Overall the results from sessions delivered to date have been very postive, demonstrating an increase in learner knowlegde, competence and confidence following the course. Evaluations from the courses has shown participant's knowledge and awareness of dementia grew by 79%, with learners confidence levels in signposting people to different services within their local area almost doubling after completion of the course. In addition to this participants indicated that they are more confident in supporting, advising and signposting family, peers and collegues to Dementia Services. One carer has even used their knowledge from the course to use labelling of tins etc with pictures and alter the colour of cockery and cutlery for his mother which has had a positive impact on her eating habits and improved her quality of life as mealtimes are now far less stressful.

The courses also create awareness and understanding about dementia so that early signs and symptoms can be recognised in the community at a grassroots level, and help organisations to become more dementia friendly.

Expenditure is lower than anticipated due to a delay in invoices being received from the Organisation, Aspire who are delivering the sessions.

Community Health Information Points (CHIPS)	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of Machines repaired and	1	1		£663	£663	
located in venues delivering Health						
and Wellbeing activity						

SIB funding was awarded to fund the repair and maintenance of the Community Health Information Points across the West area of the city. Repairs have been completed to the machine located at Farringdon Jubilee Centre and is now being used to deliver the 'Feeling Fit and Fine' programme.

The machine located at Pennywell CA has been identified and relocated to Silksworth Youth and Community Centre for incorporation into the wellness programme being delivered to the local community.

The machine located at Thorney Close Action and Enterprise Centre has been identified for relocation to Beckwiths Community Resource Centre to support the development of community activities and support.

The relocation of the machine from Thorney Close is pending with Community ICT support and it is anticipated to be around £250 in cost in total.

Discussions is ongoing with providers and Community ICT on future maintenance and how the cost of this will be covered by the groups.

Safety Works Education Programme	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number programmes/activities to reduce Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)	22	17		£5,000	£4,960	

SIB Funding was awarded to support the transport costs of the Primary and Secondary schools in the West to visit and take part in a Safety Works Programme.

The programme was developed in partnership between the Police, TWFRS, St John's Ambulance, SCC and Gentoo to be delivered to year 6 Primary school children and year 8 Secondary school children in the West.

All partners have been involved in developing and delivering the educational programme at the Safety Works site. The educational programme covered subjects including how to care for your environment, keeping safe, anti-social behaviour and its impact on the individual, community and environment.

22 of the 23 schools in the West signed up to participate in the programme with 17 of the schools now having attended and completed the Safety Works education programme and a further 5 schools who will receive the training by June 14.

Feedback from the young people and schools has been extremely positive and felt the programme was very beneficial to the young people, their families and the community.

West Community Hub	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people using new and improved community facilities	5	18		£0	£0	
Number of programmes tackling health inequalities (not forecast until Quarter 1 2014/2015)	0	0				
Number of people engaged in healthy lifestyle projects (not forecast until Quarter 1 2014/2015)	0	0				
Number of people volunteering	2	2				

The project will bring together local residents to identify gaps in current services helping to influence the design, development and delivery of the new Hub, along with supporting local residents to develop new local community groups, engage with existing groups, provide access to information, advice, guidance and a place for learning, deliver a daytime Job Club and provide opportunities to improve health and wellbeing through access to a wellness centre at Silksworth Youth & Community Centre.

Results from a recent paper consultation has identified what activities/ services local residents would like to see at the Centre, which include activities for older people, parent and pre-school children sessions, art and craft classes and support for getting back into work. To date the 'Hub' has supported local residents to set up a weekly coffee morning, are in the process of providing support to set up a toddler group, baby boppers, an adult disabled group and are supporting groups with developing constitutions, setting up bank accounts, and applying for small grants. Relationships are also starting to be developed with other groups within the area and the local Primary School to help promote the centre and its activities and services. Additional funding has also been secured to help improve the IT facilities at the Centre.

Future plans include holding family fun days across the summer, car boot sales, Christmas dinners for the homeless and further consultations with local residents which will be distributed through the Plains Farm Primary School and Home Housing.

West Community Work Clubs	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of registered with Job Clubs	120	185		£7,816	£7,816	
Number of People going into employment	30	20				

The job clubs across all 6 wards commenced delivery throughout January dependent upon recruitment requirements of each partner. All partners are now delivering as follows:

**Pallion Action Group** St Anne's - Pennywell CA / Tansey Centre, delivery from Pennywell has been a gradual process with an established core group now in the centre using the Job Clubs. The Tansey Centre has been less successful in engaging potentially due to the demographics in the area and it is likely delivery from this location will be moved into Pennywell CA.

**Pallion Action Group** - Silksworth CA, take up in this location has been extremely slow and continues to be, activity is being undertaken to address the low take up.

**Pallion Action Group** - Pallion Ward, take up is increasing and at some point the club may need to restrict access due to the levels of numbers using the support.

**Jubilee Centre** - Barnes, some difficulties experienced in the location for delivery which has now been moved to Richard Ave school and is being delivered to fit in with schools drop off/pickups. The school are also identifying families they know would benefit from the programme to offer a targeted approach.

Jubilee Centre - St Chad's, take up continues to be extremely busy and is continuing to increase.

**SNCBC** - Sandhill, due to recruitment delivery started later than the other wards but take up has quickly picked up . All of the programmes have exceeded the registration figures for the job clubs. The figures moving into employment are slightly behind but these will pick up as the programme runs for a longer period and becomes more established. These will be reprofiled over the life of the programme.

West Work Experience – Youth Almighty Project	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people receiving job training	2	2		£1,309	£1,309	
Number of people going into employment (not forecast until Quarter 1 2014/2015)	0	0				
Number of young people not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education and employment (not forecast until Quarter 1 2014/2015)	0	0				

This project is delivering in partnership with Pallion Action Group to maximise employment and training opportunities for young people from across the West by working with partner organisations to identify NEET young people who are not in apprenticeship or employment, or apprenticeship, employment or traineeship ready. Dedicated workers from Youth Almighty Project and Pallion Action Group provide 1 to 1 support to the young people and work with them to achieve goals and targets with their learning and development needs and strengths identified. The project is also working with current delivery partners to identify potential employers for work placements, learning opportunities and progressions routes for young people.

Two young people are being supported by the programme with individual learning plans and are currently doing work experience placements.

Over the coming months an Action Plan will be put in place to address how further young people will be recruited to the programme.

West Work Experience – Farringdon Jubilee Centre	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people going into employment	0	0		£0	£0	
Number of young people not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education and employment	0	0				
Number of people receiving job training	0	0				

No expenditure or outputs scheduled until quarter one 2014/2015.

The project is providing tailored support for NEET young people aged 16 to 18 who are not traineeship or apprenticeship ready, with the aim of equipping the young people with the skills to move into traineeships or apprenticeships and ultimately move into employment or enterprise.

Progress has been slow, although various meetings with other delivery partners have taken place to ensure a more joined up approach is provided and that delivery is not duplicated. Relevant paperwork has been developed to register and record the NEET young people on the programme and to document the time spent on each work placement and to ensure all health and safety requirements are adhered to. Development of networks with local schools have also been established to meet with pre NEET young people and to develop a referral mechanism via Sandhill View School and Farringdon School as well as via the Youth contract delivery, to ensure young people receive the relevant opportunities.

West Work Experience – SNCBC	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people going into employment	0	0		£0	£0	
Number of young people not in employment, education or training encouraged into further education and employment	0	0				
Number of people receiving job training	0	0				

No expenditure or outputs scheduled until quarter one 2014/2015.

The proposal will support NEET young people aged 16-18, who are resident in the West area of Sunderland who aren't apprenticeship/employment/traineeship ready but wish to secure employment and gain experience in the work place through enabling access and engaging in work placements. A dedicated mentor will be employed to provide support to the young people throughout their engagement in the programme and in parallel to this will work closely with employers to identify work placement opportunities, match young people with those opportunities and to support both parties to progress together positively in the placement experience to maintain and sustain the opportunity and potentially build on this relationship to support recruitment to any of those employers future vacancies.

The project has not yet commenced, however the process of recruiting a worker to the Project has just begun. It is anticipated the service will be in place from 1st July to allow time for CRB/DBS clearance checks to be completed.

West Enterprise Scheme	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new businesses established or current business supported	0	0		£0	£0	
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	0	0				

No expenditure or outputs scheduled until quarters across 2014/2015.

The project will be a pilot project that will support the development of new enterprise (Business Start-up) in the West Area of the City, with a focus on developing enterprise that offers services to meet the personalisation agenda. This will allow those requiring care and support increased choice and control and allow continuance of independent living. The business start-up support will provide one to one, intensive, bespoke coaching and mentoring to break down personal and professional barriers to self-employment for 10 individuals. A repayable start-up grant of up to £500 will also be made available for the 10 individuals.

The business areas focused on will be those where there are evidenced gaps – laundry services, shopping, befriending, gardening handypersons, meals on wheels.

The project spec was developed in March and the project is currently with corporate procurement awaiting a decision.

Tackling Men's Health in the West	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of individuals engaged	3,090	3,114		£31,079	£22,761	
Number of awareness sessions held	139	104				

The project has continued to deliver sessions aimed at tackling men's health across the West area. Further sessions are being delivered by SNCBC and Fiscus that will bring the awareness sessions up to target.

### Key highlights include:

- The delivery of Health & Wealth events to get the message out to men and their partners about men's cancer awareness by using various formats ranging from participating in joint events to delivering full Health & Wealth day events covering a range of topic areas as well as the cancer awareness.
- · A number of health session held covering cancer awareness, healthy eating, and exercise
- Advice and questionnaire sessions held for men involved in the work programme to assess any potential health needs/issues.
- Cookery courses ran providing information and cooking for men on healthy eating options
- Smoking cessation programmes
- Sport & Health sessions
- Drop in and workshop sessions delivered on smoking, healthy eating and food tasting
- Washington Mind held the Men's Health Network and co-ordinated the community element of the project and to date have reached almost 8,000 males through the community development approach which has included promoting the health message through the 'Ha'way Man' promotional materials, cancer awareness and healthy lifestyle leaflets.

**PEOPLE** 

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Health and Wellbeing	Delivery of actions as included within the West Health Plan on a Page, as agreed at April Area Committee:  1. Identify impact of access to health and social care professionals and services  • Understand access to services including GP Practices, understand referrals and established pathways across the West, cross referrenced with attitudes, behaviours and issues experienced and utilise the data and intelligence gathered to identify an effective area engagement plan to ensure pathways are clear between organisations/services and individuals are accessing the right services at the right time to support improved health outcomes and best value  • Building on community assets and national programmes such as Change4life, promote participation and take up of physical activity  • Continue to deliver the Enterprise and Personalisation project, specifically supporting local businesses to grow as well as interpreting the diagnostic intelligence in relation to West business and capacity for growth to support personalisation priorities  • Understand demand for Council services via the CSN and ensure		

2. Mental Health and Wellbeing  • Identify causes for poor mental health and wellbeing and understand the barriers to addressing these  • Identify how the causes and barriers of poor mental health and wellbeing can be addressed  • Ensure that the Place Board support to address causes through improvements to open spaces and the environment  • Consider the use of alternative therapies connected to worklessness/welfare reform, working with all patrners including schools, specifically working with those groups within communities that are particularly vulnerable and currently maybe missing pathways to support  • Continue to support health champions within the West, with a particular focus upon recognising symptoms and sign posting to appropriate support, including Dementia and awareness		
3. Teenage Conception Rates (particularly St Anne's and Sandhill Wards  • Establish why teenage conception rates in these particular wards are higher and try and address these through partnership working  • Link developments with the Council's ongoing Sexual Health Review  • Link current residents groups with current GP Patient Groups to ensure local intelligence is considered and utilised to develop robust improvements		

	4. Obesity / Healthy Eating and Lifestyles  • Linking with the Council's developing Intergrated Wellness Model, support families to develop healthy lifestyles through training, support and sharing information  • Develop an extended Change4Life programme through West schools, delivering a whole family approach to offer support to develop healthy lifestyles  • Explore the development of a local food co-op  • Utilise assets within the West to add value and increase usage to support healthy lifestyles, developing derelict / under-used sites, working with communities and partners, particularly promoting active travel and using the 'great outdoors'  • Establish issues / areas of concern regarding substance misuse in the West	
2	Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery	
	2. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the West.	
	3. Consider opportunities for young people to support their Health and well being (links to Place Board priorities for developing green/open/river).	
	Improve the employment prospects and opportunities of communities in the West, strengthening and promoting partnership working between schools and employers to improve career advice, skills development and enterprise	
	2. Monitor the delivery and outcomes of the apprenticeship scheme and review options for future skills support within the West Area linked to the ongoing work to improve skills and job opportunities for 14-16, and younger.	
	3. Monitor the delivery of the West Job Clubs and consider sustainable options for community work club support in the future	

	4. Monitor and review delivery of the West enterprise scheme in the West to ensure businesses are growing, improving and supporting the broader personalisation agenda - enabling individuals and communities to become more self-supported and resilient  5. Complete a diagnostic of the businessses within the West to identify and inform how enterprise and utilisation of skills can be supported in the West  6. Identify and develop options to improve the employment prospects and opportunities as part of the school curriculum, specifically working with 14-16 and younger.	
Influence the design, delivery and review of	Develop New Relationship with Schools	
People based services devolved to Area Committee	2. Improve access to green/open/blue space, to support further participation in physical activities. (Greenspace Grant of £20k per area).	
	3. Review of Museum Services	

#### People Board – Terms of Reference

The People Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

#### Membership and Role

#### Chair

- The Chair of the People Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the People Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the People Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the People Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

#### **Elected Members**

- Core Membership of the People Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members; however, Core Membership
  may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the
  Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward; Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the People Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that People Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

#### **Support Officers**

- Relevant Council Officers will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- Designated Area Co-ordinator is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- Designated Area Community Officer supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the People Board in delivering People board priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

#### Frequency

People Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

#### **Reporting Arrangements**

The People Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the People Board, assisted by the designated Area Coordinator and Area Community Officer.

#### Remit of the People Board

The remit of the People Board is to:

- Respond to all People priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and supports the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

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

# PART 6, CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005, DOG CONTROL ORDERS – CONSULTATION RESULTS AND FINDINGS

#### 1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To update and advise Ward Members within the West Area Committee the results of the public consultation relating to Sunderland City Council's intention to implement legislation, subject to Part 6, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, Dog Control Orders and to seek approval to implement the orders detailed within Appendix 1.

#### 2 Background

- 2.1 In November 2013, Cabinet approval was sought to implement Part 6, Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005, Dog Control Orders, following recommendations from Area Committee.
- 2.2 Area Committee sought approval to implement Dog Control Orders, in order to deal with some of the most challenging local concerns, and to bring the legislation in line and up to date with other similar environmental crimes, already implemented and used by Sunderland City Council.
- 2.3 Cabinet approval was granted and Area Committee's agreed the specific requirements of each Order specifically, to address the local needs.
- 2.4 In respect of each Area, the following was agreed across all sites and Wards:-

Cemeteries - Dogs on Leads at all times
Open Fixed play sites - Dogs on Leads at all times
Open sports pitches - Dogs on Leads at all times
Formal parks or gardens - Dogs on Leads at all times

Enclosed fixed play sites - Dogs Prohibited

Roker and Seaburn Foreshore - Dogs Prohibited (1 May to 30 Sept)

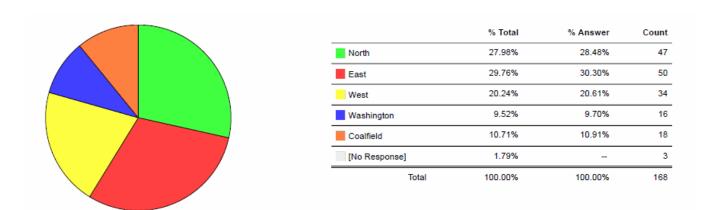
All public areas - Dog fouling

All public areas - Dogs on Leads under direction to do so

2.5 These proposals have been open to public consultation until 31 May 2014, by means of an online forum.

#### 3 Consultation Results

- 3.1 An on-line survey provided an opportunity for comments and feedback on the proposals. The survey was completed by 168 residents from all Regeneration Areas.
- 3.2 The breakdown of responses of each area are illustrated as follows:-



- 3.3 68% of those completing the survey were dog owners and 66% were dog walkers.
- 3.4 Of the 4 Dog Control Order Proposals consulted upon, the results are as follows:
  - a. **90.48% agreed** with the proposal to introduce and order making it an offence for a person to fail to clear away after their animal has fouled in any open public area.
  - b. 83.93% agreed with the exclusion of dogs from enclosed children's play sites
  - c. **56.55% agreed** with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a lead at all times in open play areas
  - d. **72.02% agreed** with the proposal to require dogs to be kept on a led at all times in cemeteries
  - e. 66.07% agreed with the proposal to enable an authorised officer of the Council to request a dog be put on a lead in any location across the city with is open to the public, where the officer feels it is appropriate to do so.
- 3.5 The Dogs Trust were consulted individually and provided the following response:
  - a. Fouling of land Order:

Dogs Trust consider 'scooping the poop' to be an integral element of responsible dog ownership and would fully support a well-implemented order on fouling. We urge the Council to enforce any such order rigorously and to provide ample signage and disposal points for responsible owners to use.

b. Dog Exclusion Order:

Dogs Trust accepts that there are some areas where it is desirable that dogs should be excluded, such as children's play areas and sports grounds, however we would recommend that exclusion areas are kept to a minimum and that, for enforcement reasons, they are restricted to enclosed areas. We would consider it more difficult to enforce an exclusion order in areas that lack clear boundaries.

c. Dogs on Leads Order:

Dogs Trust accept that there are some areas where it is desirable that dogs should be kept on a lead. Dogs Trust would urge the Council to consider the Animal Welfare Act 2006 section 9 requirements (the 'duty of care') that include the dog's need to exhibit normal behaviour patterns – this includes running off lead in appropriate areas. Dog Control Orders should not restrict the ability of dog keepers to comply with the requirements of this Act. The Council should ensure that there is an adequate number, and a variety of, well sign-posted areas locally for owners to exercise their dog off-lead.

- d. Dogs on Lead by Direction Order:
  - Dogs Trust enthusiastically support Dogs on Leads by Direction orders (for dogs to be put on and kept on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised official). We consider that this order is by far the most useful, other than the fouling order, because it allows enforcement officers to target the owners of dogs that are allowing them to cause a nuisance without restricting the responsible owner and their dog. As none of the other orders, less fouling, are likely to be effective without proper enforcement we would be content if the others were dropped in favour of this order.
- e. Taking more than a specified number of dogs onto a land Order:

  Dogs Trust does not agree that there should be a limit on the number of dogs walked as so much depends on the ability of the person to control the dogs. A good owner may be able to control large numbers of dogs while a less responsible person may be incapable of controlling one. While we accept the motivation for introducing this order, we consider that proper use of a "Dogs on Leads by Direction" order, by authorised officers, would be a better solution that is less restrictive on responsible owners.

3.6 In addition to the survey, several comments and suggestions have been received as part of the consultation process and require a response. All comments are provided anonymously and responses will be available to view on-line, following the end of the consultation.

#### 4. Comments raised during the Consultation

- 4.1 Allowing dogs to exercise freely on sport pitches when not in use was the most common suggestion within the consultation with 13 participants raising this as a concern. Whilst consideration for allowing dogs' access to sports pitches has been given, it is dog fouling on these areas that is the issue. Many open sports playing fields are within vast open spaces where dog handlers may struggle to locate the fouling once occurred or find that their dog is too far away at the time of the offence to clearly observe the incident. By asking for dog owners to place their dog on a lead when visiting sports facilities we are reducing the incidents of fouling within these locations and creating sports grounds free from dog fouling. Whilst the pitch is not in season or marked out as a playing field, dog handlers are free to exercise their dogs in these areas. Additionally, informal sports facilities maybe removed from this Order, but would be included in the Dog Fouling and Dogs on Lead under Direction Orders.
- 4.2 Dog Zones or Dog Parks have been suggested by 4 participants. Dog Zones would provide grassed, fenced areas where dogs could exercise freely without any restriction or Control Orders. Sunderland has vast open spaces where dogs are free to exercise off lead without restriction and whilst consideration for Dogs Zones or Dog Parks has been given, it would not be recommended that Dog Zones be deemed a necessary requirement of the implementation of Dog Control Orders.
- 4.3 The availability of dog bins was raised by 3 participants who requested that more be provided however over 1000 dog foul specific bins and over 1000 litter bins are available to dog walkers throughout the City and additional bins can be considered upon request.
- 4.4 Policing, education and enforcement was raised on 5 occasions with various recommendations ranging from more visible enforcement officers; less visible enforcement officers: overnight patrols; and powers provided to members of the public to enforce.
- 4.5 Improved signage to all areas was raised as a concern following the implementation of Dog Control Orders, providing information to public space users on the Dog Control Orders specific to each site. Once implemented, signed to all areas affected by Dog Prohibited areas or Dogs on Lead areas will be replaced.

#### 5. Summary

- 5.1 Consultation is complete with a majority in favour of the implementation of the Dog Control Orders as recommended.
- 5.2 Further to Area Committee recommending approval of the Dog Control Order's, implementation of the Orders is anticipated for 31 August 2014.

#### 6 Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Note the contents of this report
  - b. Authorise the recommendations for implementation of Dog Control Orders within the West Area of the City

Contact Officer: Nicky Rowland. Area Response Manager Tel: 0191 561 4579

Email: nicky.rowland@sunderland.gov.uk

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNDERLAND

# CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT 2005 The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations 2006 The Dog Control Orders (Procedures) Regulations 2006

NOTICE is hereby given that The Council of the City of Sunderland ("the Council") is proposing to make the following four Dog Control Orders pursuant to its powers under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005:-

#### 1. The Fouling of Land by Dogs Order 2014

If a dog defecates at any time on land to which this Order applies and a person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to so.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to all land to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) within the administrative area of the Council which is:-

- (a) parks, pleasure grounds and open spaces maintained by the Council;
- (b) sports grounds/pitches and playing fields maintained by the Council;
- (c) beaches/foreshore and any slopes or staircase leading thereto;
- (d) school grounds;
- (e) cemeteries, burial grounds and churchyards maintained by the Council;
- (f) car parks, owned and operated by the Council;
- (g) carriageways and adjoining footpaths and verges; and
- (h) footpaths, bridleways, alleys, precincts, promenades, thoroughfares and other ways (not being carriageways)

**Exemption :-** This order will not apply to a person who is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948 or to a person who has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects and relies on a dog for assistance trained by a prescribed charity, namely, Dogs for the Disabled, Support Dogs or Canine Partners for Independence.

**Note:** This Order will replace the existing controls the Council has under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996.

#### 2. The Dogs on Leads by Direction Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies, he does not comply with a direction given him by an authorised officer of the Council to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

An authorised officer of the Council may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep the dog on a lead if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a dog causing or likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person, animal or bird.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to all land to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) within the administrative area of the Council which is:-

- (a) open parks, pleasure grounds and other open spaces maintained by the Council;
- (b) open playing fields maintained by the Council not otherwise marked as a "dogs on leads area" (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect);
- (c) beaches/foreshore and any slope or staircase leading thereto not otherwise marked as a "dog exclusion area" (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect);
- (d) school grounds;
- (e) car parks, owned and operated by the Council;
- (f) carriageways and adjoining footpaths and verges; and
- (g) footpaths, bridleways, alleys, precincts, promenades, thoroughfares and other ways (not being carriageways).

#### 3. The Dogs on Leads Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence, if at any time on any land to which this Order applies he does not keep the dog on a lead unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his failing to do so.

It is proposed that this Order will apply to land maintained by the Council to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access (with or without payment) signed at its entrance(s) or otherwise marked as a "dog on leads area" (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect) which is:-

- (a) open (unfenced) designated children's play areas;
- (b) cemeteries, burial grounds and churchyards;
- (c) enclosed parks, sensory and formal gardens; and
- (d) open and enclosed playing fields and sports facilities including football pitches, cricket pitches, skate parks and bowling greens.

Maps showing the proposed areas concerned under this Order may be examined free of charge during office hours at the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre or online at www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control

#### 4. The Exclusion of Dogs from Land Order 2014

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if at any time he takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on any land to which this Order applies unless (a) he has a reasonable excuse for doing so; or (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented to his doing so.

This Order will apply to land maintained by the Council signed at its entrance(s) or otherwise marked as a "dog exclusion area" (whether the sign uses those particular words or words and/or symbols having like effect) which is:-

- (a) enclosed designated children's play areas;
- (b) enclosed multisports areas (MUGA's), sporting and other recreational facilities; and
- (c) identified areas of the beaches/foreshore and any slope or staircase leading thereto between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> September inclusive in any year

Maps showing the proposed areas concerned under this Order may be examined free of charge during office hours at the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre or online at <a href="https://www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control">www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control</a>

**Exemption :-** This order will not apply to a person who is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948, to a deaf person in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, or to a person who has a disability

which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects and relies on a dog for assistance trained by a prescribed charity, namely, Dogs for the Disabled, Support Dogs or Canine Partners for Independence.

#### **PENALTIES**

A person guilty of an offence under any of the above Orders shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (currently £1,000).

#### **CONSULTATION**

Residents are requested to express their views on these proposals at : http://sunderland-consult.limehouse.co.uk/public/city\_services/street\_scene\_services/dcos

Further information on these proposals is available at <a href="www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control">www.sunderland.gov.uk/dog-control</a> or by contacting the Council on 0191 520 555 or visiting the Fawcett Street Customer Service Centre during office hours.

Written representations may be made to Ms. N. Rowland, East Area Response Manager, Responsive Local Services, Jack Crawford House, Commercial Road, Sunderland, SR2 8QR or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:nicola.rowland@sunderland.gov.uk">nicola.rowland@sunderland.gov.uk</a>

Any representations should be received no later than 31st May 2014.

Janet Johnson Deputy Chief Executive Sunderland City Council

Dated the1st May 2014

25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

#### REPORT OF WEST AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK

#### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 The report provides an update with regard to the West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 To develop the capacity and influence of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) across the City, Area Networks have been established and delegates represent each Area Network at Area Committee taking forward issues on behalf of the whole VCS in the area, reporting on area priority delivery by the VCS, and reporting back, providing a two-way flow of communication.
- 2.2 West Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

# 3. West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network (AVCSN) Progress Report The West AVCSN has met twice since the last Area Committee in April 2014.

- The West VCSN continue to deliver activities and services which support the Area Committee priorities of Streetscene and Environmental improvements, Activities for Young People, Health and Wellbeing, Job Prospects and Activities for older persons to reduce social isolation.
- As part of the transition project the VCSN the Terms of Reference for the networks were reviewed and revised as at Annex ??
- The Area VCS representatives continue to be:

Edna Rochester - Tansy Centre

Bill Leach – Pennywell CA

Anita Heskett Saddington - Fiscus

- The network were consulted on the review of the local priorities for the West area via the network meeting and informed the potential activity that will take place to support the achievement of the key priorities.
- The network received information on the All Together Sunderland Brand and how the network can work with partners within the brand to publicise the work they do and events delivered in the area. They were also updated on how they can be supported through the brand with marketing and promotion.
- Members of the network took part in an extremely successful community event at Silksworth as part of an Open Day at Beckwith Mews showcasing the community resources available and commemorating World War 1. This event also allowed local ward councillors to work closely with the community informing residents of the work of Area Committee and seeking feedback and input as Community Leaders.
- The network were informed of the recent round of procurement for Family and Adult Community Learning opportunities and encouraged to bid for the opportunities.

#### 4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested
  - To note the contents of the report and consider the opportunities and issues raised by the West AVCSN.

Contact: Anita Heskett-Saddington, Area Network Representative

Tel No: 0191 5657605

Bill Leach, Area Network Representative.

Tel No: 0191 5346661

Edna Rochester, Area Network Representative Tel No: 0191 5344707

25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

#### REPORT OF THE NORTHUMBRIA POLICE - SUNDERLAND WEST

#### 1 Purpose of Report

1.1 The following report provides performance information in relation to the Sunderland West Committee area from 1.4.2014 – 31.5.2014

#### 2 Background

2.1 At its November 2011 meeting Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each Committee meeting.

#### 3. Update – Area Information

- 3.1 The ward updates below are a selection of appropriate offence types of interest and not all crime (e.g. minor fraud or harassment type offences etc are not included).
- 3.2 The crime and anti-social behaviour figures will not match the overall totals. Police computer systems are not yet adjusted to recognise certain foot beats transferred from the South area when the Ward boundaries changed.
- 3.3 Sunderland West Area figures.

	Percentage change is against the Fiscal Year					
	to Date					
West Area	01/04/14 - 31/05/14	01/04/13 – 31/05/13				
Total Crime	407 (-3%)	419				
Violent Crime	73 (+10%)	66				
Vehicle Crime	50 (+47%)	34				
Burglary dwelling	8 (-61%)	21				
Burglary other than dwelling	33 (+22%)	27				
Criminal Damage	101 (-7%)	108				
Theft and Handling	45 (-21%)	57				
Shoplifting	38 (-13%)	44				
Youth ASB	218 (+45%)	150				
Non Youth ASB	390 (+28%)	304				

Barnes Ward				
<ul> <li>Violence with Injury – 6</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Violence without Injury – 4</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Burglary Dwelling – 3</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD)-3</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicles – 15</li> </ul>			
Criminal Damage – 19				
Crimes	<ul><li>Shop theft - 6</li></ul>			
- Thefts from Motor vehicles continues to be the main crime				
committed, albeit, is differing MOs, primarily used to be the				

smash window and grab property, there has been an increase in vehicles being entered without causing damage. Notable arrests have been made recently in relation to this which should have effect on further reports being made. Other thefts from motor vehicles include external parts i.e. wipers, wheel trims, lights and number plates.

- To address the issue the area has been subject to increased attention as part of a targeted operation. Additional resources dressed in plain clothes and uniform were deployed into the area. The Neighbourhood PCs altered their shift and additional resources from response teams were deployed at times when crimes were being committed.
- Several offenders were arrested recently and charged with numerous thefts from motor vehicles. This should have effect on further reports being made. Stolen property was recovered and returned to owners.
- ASB issues have again been highlighted in the area of Eden Vale, Beachville Street, Vale Street etc. NPT are working closely with council and liaising with residents. Op Goodwood has saw the Traffic Department be tasked with attending the area and have issued a high number of Fixed Penalty tickets, VDRS and summons to court for various offences. All officers working the West area have been tasked with attending the area at key times and it is currently a neighbourhood priority. Council ASB team have conducted leaflet drop, environmental services have increased litter patrols and parking enforcement have also been tasked.

# Violence with Injury – 4 Violence without Injury – 4 Burglary Dwelling – 0 Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD)–6 Theft from Motor Vehicles – 4 Criminal Damage – 17 Shop Theft – 3

- Shoplifting offences have decreased due to ongoing work around Op Soundwave and extra attention to St Lukes Terrace and Pallion Retail Park. Shopwatch scheme is being implemented in conjunction with Pallion Traders Association.
- The violence offences which have resulted in injury are mainly domestic assaults where the perpetrator has been known to the victim.
- Sunderland West is running a pilot from Farringdon Police Station for a trial of Body Worn Cameras (BWC) due to the high numbers of domestic abuse offenders residing in the area and the high numbers of domestic incidents reported. A report is currently being compiled on the outcomes and is expected that this will be rolled out forcewide.
- Criminal Damage offences can mostly be linked to ASB in the area with a high number of offences being groups of young

youths throwing stones/rocks at building sites and passing cars.

	St Anne's Ward
	<ul> <li>Violence with Injury – 8</li> <li>Violence without Injury – 2</li> <li>Burglary Dwelling – 1</li> <li>Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 3</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicles – 5</li> <li>Criminal Damage – 14</li> <li>Shop Theft – 13</li> </ul>
Crimes	

- A large proportion of the crime in the St Annes Ward can be attributed to criminal damage. This can also be attributed to ASB and drunkenness in the area. Despite these figures offending has continued to fall over the last two years.
- The high number of Shopliftings can nearly all be attributed to ASDA and Iceland at Pennywell. Op Soundwave is on-going with extra attention to area for ASB and thefts. NPT working with schools as main offenders are schoolchildren. Crime Prevention Advice offered to management and security staff at all shops at Pennywell.
- Motorcycle disorder has reared its head again with the better weather, NPT have implemented Op Balance. NPT have already seized 3 bikes and conducted joint visits with social landlords on offenders identified. Covert Cameras are being discussed to be placed in meeting points/ entrance/exit points of main routes.

	Sandhill Ward
Crimes	<ul> <li>Violence with Injury – 11</li> <li>Violence without Injury – 4</li> <li>Burglary Dwelling – 1</li> <li>Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 4</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicles – 5</li> <li>Criminal Damage – 22</li> <li>Shop Theft – 0</li> </ul>

- Violence offences and criminal damage have accounted for 78% of total crimes reported in the Ward. There is no pattern to offending with crimes being reported throughout the week. The majority occur in dwelling houses and can be attributed to Domestic Violence. Half the incidents involve alcohol.
- We had ASB issues in the area of Brockenhurst Drive with youths congregating at Hastings Hill over weekends around half term. NPT conducted operation up there with extra help from Out Reach Detached Youth Workers. A number of vehicles were damaged (wing mirrors kicked off) by large groups of youths. Large number of youths stopped and Op Gryphon

letters/visits conducted. Appears to have stopped and no recent reports.

Silksworth Ward				
Crimes	<ul> <li>Violence with Injury – 9</li> <li>Violence without Injury – 3</li> <li>Burglary Dwelling – 3</li> <li>Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 14</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicles – 6</li> <li>Criminal Damage – 17</li> <li>Shop Theft – 15</li> </ul>			

- The majority of shoplifting offences were committed at Sainsbury's and The Cooperative Food on North Moor Road. Work by the Neighbourhood Team in partnership with retailers has seen a reduction in the number of offences being committed as part of Operation Soundwave.
- The other prominent offence has been burglary to other than dwellings. Several offenders have been arrested however offences are still being committed. Residents have been given crime prevention advice with regards to vulnerable premises, securing sheds/out houses and allotments with alarms, NPT had/have a number of shed alarms which have been given to residents. Advised to increase use of flood/PIR lighting etc in specific area to deter thieves.
- ASB issues which had arisen around Blind Lane were dealt with by NPT, councillors and Youth Almighty staff. There have been no recent increases in ASB calls to that particular area as a result.

	St Chads Ward
Crimes	<ul> <li>Violence with Injury – 2</li> <li>Violence without Injury – 1</li> <li>Burglary Dwelling – 0</li> <li>Burglary Other Than Dwelling (OTD) – 2</li> <li>Theft from Motor Vehicles – 7</li> <li>Criminal Damage – 8</li> <li>Shop Theft – 1</li> </ul>

- Most of the theft from motor vehicles occurred over one weekend whereby vehicles were entered via unknown means with no damage caused. As per Barnes update, arrests have been made in connection with this MO and persons charged.
- ASB issues around Herrington Park, Crow lane etc have been reported, Again, NPT prioritised this with a number of Gryphon stops resulting in letters and Visits being conducted. Schools were also visited by NPT where they spoke in assemblies to youths involved.

#### 4. Recommendations

4.1 Note the content of the report.

Contact Officer: Inspector Craig Gardner, Northumbria Police

Tel: 0191 5636953

Email: <a href="mailto:craig.gardner.7470@northumbria.pnn.police.uk">craig.gardner.7470@northumbria.pnn.police.uk</a>

#### 25th June 2014

#### 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 Sunderland West Committee area from 1.4.2014 to 31.5.2014.

#### 2 Background

2.1 At its November 2011 meeting 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

3.1 LI2 Number of Deaths from all firesNo Deaths were recorded during the time frame of this report

#### 3.2 LI3/4 Injuries from Accidental Dwelling fires

Victim severity	Victim age	Victim Gender	Ward	Fire start location	Source of Ignition
Precautionary check recommended	42	female	doxford	kitchen	Domestic appliance; washer/dryer
Victim went to hospital, injuries appear to be Serious	80	female	pallion	Living room	Candles / naked flame
Victim went to hospital, injuries appear to be Serious	80	male	pallion	Living room	Candles / naked flame

There was 1 injury reported in previous period from 1/1/4 to 31/3/14

 Incident in Pallion followed a gas explosion where a female suffered severe burns to back and neck, whilst male suffered burns to hands in an attempt to beat out the flames.

#### 3.4 LI8 Accidental Fires in Dwellings

Ward	Room of origin	Victims involved?	Main FRS action	Source of Ignition
Sandhill	Garage	No	hosereel	Not known
Barnes	Kitchen	No	Removal from heat source	cooking
Doxford	kitchen	no	Removal from heat source	cooking
Pallion	Living room	yes	Ventilation and gas isolation	Candle / naked flame
Doxford	kitchen	no	Smothering	cooking
Doxford	kitchen	yes	hosereel	Washer/dryer appliance

There were 5 incidents in this area in the last reporting period 1/1/14 to 31/3/14 compared to 6 this period. Operational crews have been tasked with highlighting dangers in kitchens during home safety checks as these incidents are starting to rise again.

#### 3.5 LI14 All Deliberate Property Fires

Ward	Property level 4	Victims involved?	
Sandhills	Garden shed	no	
Sandhills	Plastic poly-tunnel	No	

There were 2 incidents in previous reporting period from 1/1/14 to 31/3/14.

#### 3.6 LI15 Number of vehicle fires started deliberately

Ward	Property level 3
St Anne's	Car
St Chads	Car
St Chads	Car
St Anne's	Car

There was 1 incident in this area in last reporting period compared to 4 this period.

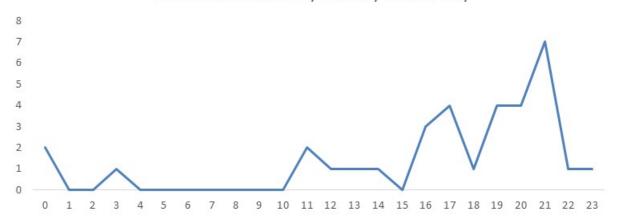
- 2 incidents in St Chads ward both occurred in Abercorn road, Farringdon. FRS are liaising with police to determine if a link exists.
- 3.7 LI16 Number of secondary fires not involving property or road vehicles started deliberately

There have been 33 deliberate secondary fires report from 1/4/14 to 31/5/14 period compared to 37 in the previous report.

Working with police and other partners there has been a joint approach to tackle problem areas. This included installation of 3G cameras, additional police patrols and a joint school visit with FRS and police to nearby schools.

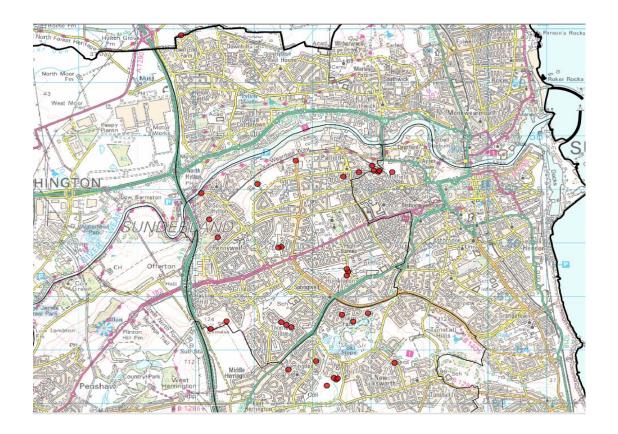
As can be seen from tables below; Pallion again has the highest numbers of secondary / rubbish fires. Although within the boundaries of West area the actual locations fall within the boundary of Sunderland Central fire station; I have liaised with colleagues to ensure action is taken from FRS and to raise it with police and enforcement officers.

### Deliberate Secondary Fires by time of day



Property Type	ĮΨ	Count
Loose refuse (incl in garden)		11
Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)		3
Wheelie Bin		3
Grassland, pasture, grazing etc		3
Refuse/rubbish tip		3
Wasteland		1
Park		1
Roadside vegetation		1
Canal/riverbank vegetation		1
Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)		1
Scrub land		1
Railway trackside vegetation		1
Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin	)	1
Fence		1
Playground (not equipment) or Recreational area		1
Grand Total		33

Ward	Total
Pallion Ward	9
St. Chad's Ward	7
Sandhill Ward	5
St. Anne's Ward	5
Silksworth Ward	4
Barnes Ward	3
<b>Grand Total</b>	33



#### 4. Recommendations

Note the content of the report. 4.1

**Contact Officer:** 

Jeff Wilkinson, Tyne and Wear Fire Service, Tel 01914441188, Email: <a href="mailto:jeff.wilkinson@twfire.gov.uk">jeff.wilkinson@twfire.gov.uk</a>



# Background

What is Healthwatch? Healthwatch is the new independent consumer champion for both health and social care services.

Healthwatch is unique as a non-statutory body with statutory powers

Healthwatch Sunderland governance is made up of an Executive Board responsible for the direction of HWS and accountable to its membership



# **Progress**

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

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

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



# 'Just Ask'...Healthwatch Sunderland



# **Progress**

## **Executive Board members and staff**

continue to represent HWS at key partnerships and committees - these include Health and Well Being Board, Safeguarding Adult Board, Scrutiny Committee, Local Engagement Board, New Horizons.



"Really Enjoyed the Healthwatch Sunderland E Bulletin"

Member of Sunderland 50+ Forum Bulletins are sent out on a monthly basis, sharing information with the wider membership showcasing news items, upcoming consultations and events both external and Healthwatch related.



# **Progress**

# Developing the work plan

The issues collected through the last Forum event, our Information and Signposting service and engagement activity were collated and a thematic analysis was adopted to support the Board to prioritise the work plan. The Work Plan was shared with our membership at our last Network Forum on the 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014. You can also find details of this on the HWS website <a href="www.healthwatchsunderland.com">www.healthwatchsunderland.com</a> but key areas include

Lack of Involvement of Young People in GP Patient Groups & Health Services

Patient and Public Engagement in Health Services

**Integrated Care** 



# What's next?

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





#### WEST AREA COMMITTEE 25<sup>th</sup> June 2014 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

#### Title of Report:

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

#### Author(s):

Chief Executive

#### Purpose of Report:

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an updated position on progress in relation to allocating SIB, and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

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

The Area Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2014/15 budget:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in 2.1 and 3.1
- (b) Consider the allocation of £5000 SIB to support the proposal to support the delivery of the Safety Works educational programme across the West subject to full application and consultation.
- (c) Consider the allocation of £60,000 SIB to support the Healthy Lifestyles programme proposal as contained at **Annex 1** subject to full application and consultation.
- (d) Consider the allocation of £1000 SIB to support the derelict land work on going through Place subject to full application and consultation.
- (e) Note the 17 approvals of Community Chest detailed within Item 6 Annex 2.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

#### Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £438,233 for 2014/2015 from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.

#### Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

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

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution? No

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

# Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB), Community Chest – Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

#### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

#### 2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2014/2015:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance		
Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £438,233						
				£438,233		
Project Name						
Supporting Existing						
Business in the West	09.04.14	-	£8,500	£429,733		
Balance			£8,500	£429,733		

- 2.2 In 2013/2014 members supported the delivery of an educational programme in West primary and secondary schools. The programme was delivered in partnership with Sunderland City Council, Gentoo, the Fire Service and Police at the Safety Works facility.
- 2.3 At the People Board members discussed the programme and recommended an allocation of £5000 SIB to support the transport costs of delivering the programme across the West to years 6 in Primary schools and Year 8 in the secondary schools, subject to full application and consultation.
- 2.4 The West People Board have on behalf of Committee considered how healthy lifestyles can be promoted and encouraged within families in the West of the city. The People Board have received reports on the rollout of the Change for Life sports programme being delivered to year 3 pupils in the primary schools throughout the West.
- 2.5 The People board made a recommendation that extra value be added to the sporting programme through the schools to help improve family's health and wellbeing. The proposal for additionality, rollout, outcomes and delivery was presented to the joint board on 3<sup>rd</sup> June as described at **Annex 2**, where a recommendation was made to allocate £60,000 SIB to the programme subject to full application and consultation.

- 2.6 The Place Board as part of the workplan and development of the priorities for 2014/15 has been working on the collation of information on land in the area that is derelict, underused or underutilised to plan how this may be brought back into effective use for the benefit of the area and local residents.
- 2.7 The information collated has shown that a number of sites identified are in private ownership. The board recognised that in order to progress works and improvements to sites ownership would need to be established through land registry searches which incur a charge. The Place Board recommended the allocation of £1000 SIB to fund Land Registry searches on privately owned sites across the West.
- 2.8 The total budget requested for allocation for the above projects totals £66,000, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £363,733.

#### 3. Community Chest

3.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward balances as at June 2014, **Item 6 Annex 2** shows the approvals between April to June 2014.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2014	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£19,916.06	£4,410.00	£0	£15,506.06
Pallion	£21,370.59	£638.00	£0	£20,732.59
Sandhill	£15,617.80	£4,553.64	£0	£11,064.16
Silksworth	£13,307.46	£3,274.00	£0	£10,033.46
St Anne's	£18,054.33	£1,110.00	£0	£16,944.33
St Chad's	£13,488.46	£1,688	£0	£11,800.46
Total	£101,754.70	£15,673.64	£0	£86,081.06

#### 4. Recommendations:

- 4.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1 and 3.1.
- 4.2 Consider and agree the recommendation for the allocation of £5000 SIB to support the proposal for Safety Works Educational delivery programme subject to full application and consultation.
- 4.3 Consider and agree the recommendation to allocate £60,000 SIB to the delivery of the healthy lifestyles programme, subject to full application and consultation.
- 4.4 Consider and agree the recommendation to allocate £1000 SIB to fund the land registry searches on privately owned land identified through the derelict land programme subject to full application and consultation.
- 4.3. Note the 17 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 2**.

Contact Officer: Julie Lynn, Sunderland West Area Community Officer

561 1932, Julie.lynn@sunderland.gov.uk

# REPORT TO WEST AREA PEOPLE BOARD 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014

#### Change for Life - Creating healthy lifestyles in the West

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 As part of its priorities for the year 2013 14, West Area People Board identified Health as a priority to improve the Health and Wellbeing in the West.
- 1.2 The People Board considered health and identified a number of actions which the board would like to work on, one of which was to consider the Change for Life Programme delivered nationally and the local dimension to this programme.
- 1.3 The Board agreed to work to further understand the programme at a local level and how value may be added locally to deliver a whole family approach to healthy lifestyles.

#### 2. Change for Life Sports Clubs

- 2.1 The Department of Health has recently invested funding into Change4Life Sports Clubs, alongside the recent 'School Sport' funding. There is increasing impetus around the role of physical education and school sport as a means of addressing public health issues for children and young people.
- 2.2 The Schools Games Organisers in Sunderland have been tasked with rolling out the 'Change4Life' sports clubs, in each of the primary schools in Sunderland.
- 2.3 The key outcomes are to:
  - Embed in wider school priorities
  - Ownership by the school and pupils
  - Changing behaviours around key health issues (healthy eating, physical activity and social and emotional development and wellbeing)
  - Establish a culture of regular attendance
  - Improve behaviours
  - Increase self- esteem and confidence
  - Knowledge of healthy lifestyles
  - Engage parents
- 2.4 The teachers within the schools are identifying the hardest to reach children and families who will be engaged in the programme based upon indicators such as poor attendance rates, behaviours displayed, lack of engagement, and poor educational attainment.
- 2.5 The process of engaging and training the schools and creating the activity clubs has commenced in the West.

#### 3. Additionality

3.1 Previously the People Board has identified how they would consider adding value to the programme to deliver improved outcomes against local area priorities and the corporate outcomes of the Council.

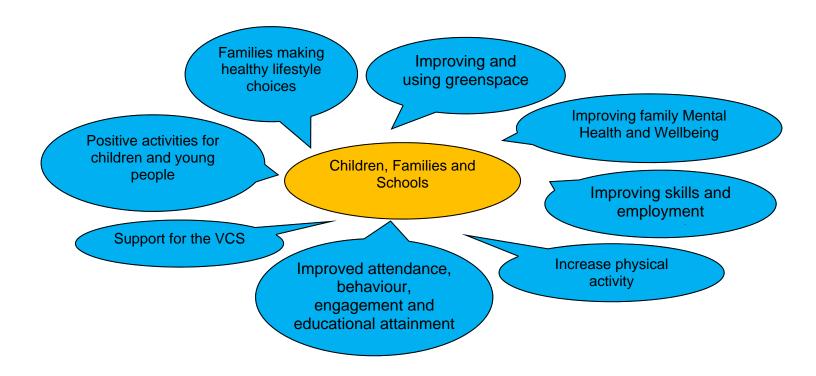
The diagram below demonstrates the proposed added value and the outcomes that would be expected to be delivered.

Page 66 of 77

#### 5 a day for mental health and wellbeing

**Sports Clubs** 

**Activity Taster Sessions** 



Healthy eating and drinking

Grow your own/Using outdoor space

**Health Champions/Junior health champions** 

- 3.2 The programme will be delivered to children aged 7 8 years old within the primary schools across the West. It will seek to engage and deliver the activity to the children and their families.
- 3.3 The children will be identified by the teachers within the school based upon low attendance, poor behavior, poor educational attendance, lack of engagement by children and families, lack of self-esteem/confidence.
- 3.4 The proposal for delivery of a 'change for life programme' within the 16 Primary Schools in the West, is to:
  - Creation of a co-ordinator post to be employed within the secondary school in the West for a period of 12 months. It is intended that this post will develop a package of delivery that can be handed to the school to continue to deliver using FACL courses, peer mentors and volunteers recruited through the first year programme.
  - The post will be responsible for training the schools/teachers and assisting them to develop sports clubs delivered to targeted pupils over a sustained period of time.
  - Recruit volunteers who will support the long term sustainability of the programme beyond the year.
  - Engagement of the parents and families of the young people to participate in the programme.
  - Coordination of the programme in order for the package to be delivered and handed on to the schools to continue to deliver in future years.
  - Performance monitoring of the programme.
- 3.5 The sports club development and delivery has commenced within the schools and will run throughout the year long programme.
- 3.6 Each of the additional courses will run alongside the sports clubs and will consist of:
  - 5 a day for Mental Health and Wellbeing. A 6 week course working with children and parents looking at family coaching, self esteem, confidence and aspirations. Identifying causes and barriers and how these can be resolved. (FACL Course)
  - Healthy Cooking on a budget. A 6 week course to be delivered to children and their families to help them identify how they can make healthy choices on a limited income and the impact this can have on health and wellbeing. (FACL Course)
  - Outdoor play/Grow your own. A 6 week course to be delivered to children and their families to help them identify how they can use the outdoors to increase their activity, improve their health and use it to grow fruit and vegetables. This will involve the creation of a local school/community garden. (FACL Course).
  - Activity taster sessions. Utilising the voluntary and community sector organisations, deliver 5 sessions of activity to enable young people to participate in activities to support them to increase physical activity, join local clubs within the community
  - Deliver the 5 modules of health champions training to the children and their parents (using young health champions for the children and health champions programme for parents).
- 3.7 The planned outcomes of the programme are:
  - Increasing physical activity in families
  - Improving mental health and wellbeing

- Increasing use of local voluntary and community sector organisations
- Participation in positive activities for children and young people
- Increasing skills and opportunities for employment
- Improved physical health and wellbeing
- Improvements in child's attendance, engagement, behavior and attainment
- Increase families aspirations
- Increased adult learning and achievement of accreditations
- Increased volunteering
- 3.8 These outcomes will be measured through the performance monitoring Framework of the programme that will be developed by the coordinator.

#### 4. Costs

- 4.1 Activity coordinator (PT for one year) £15,680
- 4.2 Health Eating/Cooking on a budget £840 per school for 12 hr course over 6 weeks.
- 4.3 Green exercise/Grow Your Own/Utilising Place £840 per school for 12 hr course over 6 weeks.
- 4.4 Family confidence/coaching and values £840 per school for 12 hr course over 6 weeks.
- 4.5 Activity taster sessions £4000
- 4.6 Discussions with FACL have shown that there is potential to develop partnership working in the delivery of the courses and utilising Skills Funding Agency funding to support delivery providing the courses meet the FACL requirements, which the above proposals do. This will be better understood once the FACL procurement programme has been completed.
- 4.7 An alternative would be to scale up or down the delivery of education courses to families where FACL funding is not available which could be met by Area Committee. This would be known following 4<sup>th</sup> July when providers will be advised of contracts.
- 4.8 If all costs were proposed to be met by Area Committee the total cost of the programme would be £56,820. This would be likely to reduce following further discussion with FACL and utilisation of the courses through the current procurement exercise.

#### 5. Recommendations

5.1 Consider the proposal and make a recommendation to Area Committee.

Page 70 of 77	

# **COMMUNITY CHEST 2014/2015 WEST AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED April – June 2014**

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2014/2015	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned since April 2014	Balance Remaining
Barnes	St Gabriel's Brownies - Purchase of folding tables, arts and craft materials, various trips and the cost of hall hire and food costs for a sleepover	£1,500		£1,500			
	St Gabriel's Guides - Purchase of art and craft materials, badges, books etc and a trip to the climbing wall	£1,000		£1,000			
	16 <sup>th</sup> St Gabriel's Brownies - Cost of an Adventure Day for 30 Brownies, transport to the event and a new unit flag	£750		£750			
	Plains Farm Coffee Morning - Contribution towards costs to run a weekly coffee morning at Plains Farm Community Centre for local residents. Costs include refreshments, room hire, boiler and cups	£500		£500			
	Tunstall FC U15's - To purchase 18 new football kits including tops, shorts, socks, training tops	£660		£660			
	Total		£19,916.06	£4,410	£0	£0	£15,506.06
Pallion	Unity - To host a Volunteer Day on 26 <sup>th</sup> June. Costs include admin, production of flyers, light refreshments and lunch, banners, event meetings and a Holistic therapist.	£638	·	£638			
	Total		£21,370.59	£638	£0	£0	£20,732.59

Sandhill	Keep Kids Active Holiday Activity Camps	£1,250		£1,250			
	- Hall hire to deliver 5 weeks of Holiday						
	Activity Camps during various School holidays at Grindon Young People's Centre						
	GATES Building Repairs (SNCBC) -	£2,503.64		£2,503.64			
	Purchase and installation of new metal gating and heating boiler at the GATES Building	22,000.04		22,000.04			
	Grindon CA Bowls Club - Cost of coach hire for three day trips to Gretna Green, Bury and Berwick in May, June and September for 14 group members and partners	£800		£800			
	Total		£15,617.80	£4,553.64	£0	£0	£11,064.16
Silksworth	<b>Silksworth Banner Group -</b> Contribution towards the cost of the Brass Band for the Durham Miners Gala on 11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	£800		£800			
	<b>Beckwith Mews -</b> Contribution towards a Heritage and Family Fun day event on 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2014.	£675		£675			
	St Matthews Church - To purchase a heavy duty lawn mower to maintain the church grounds	£1,799 Awaiting approval		£1,799			
	Total		£13,307.46	£3,274	£0	£0	£10,033.46
St Anne's	'Schools Out Fun Club' - Contribution towards the delivery of the 'Schools Out Fun Club' over various school holidays across 2014/2015. Costs include room hire, trampoline sessions, uniforms, Halloween and Christmas disco.	£1,110		£1,110			
	Total		£18,054.33	£1,110	£0	£0	£16,944.33

St Chads	St David's Community Project - Cost of membership to Fare Share and the purchase of a cooker and freezer for the project to deliver a community daily cafe	£500		£500			
	Farringdon Academy – Purchase a range of fiction/non-fiction books for the school library to improve the resources within the school and for community use	£500		£500			
	1 <sup>st</sup> Herrington Rainbows - Towards the cost of a day trip to Hall Hill Farm in June for 16 members of the Rainbows pack. Costs include coach hire, admission, adventure badge, drink, ice cream and gift bag,	£400		£400			
	Altrincham Tower Friendly Club - towards a Christmas meal for members of the group in December 2014.	£288		£288			
	Total		£13,488.46	£1,688	£0	£0	£11,800.46
Total			£101,754.70	£15,673.64	£0	£0	£86,081.06

rrent Planning	olications(West)
Curre	Applic

# Between 01/05/2014 and 31/05/2014

	5					
	larget Date for Decision 26/06/2014	18/07/2014	08/07/2014	15/07/2014	17/07/2014	04/07/2014
Date Velia	01/05/2014	23/05/2014	13/05/2014	20/05/2014	22/05/2014	09/05/2014
Proposal	Erection of carport to side of property.	Erection of first floor extension to side of property, pitched roof over garage and porch at front and pitched roof over garage at rear.	Erection of extension to rear of nursery.	Change of use from shop area to bedroom and en-suite, to include replacement of shop front with a domestic frontage.	Renew retaining wall to folllow profile on existing wall on the boundary of properties in Havelock Court and Fordfield Road	Replacement of existing security shutters.
Address	29 Ettrick Grove Sunderland SR4 8QB	1 Hipsburn Drive Sunderland SR3 1TX	Saint Lukes Church Merle Terrace Sunderland SR4 6SF	2 Brookland Road Sunderland SR4 7TH	1 - 29 Havelock Court Sunderland SR4 0RX	ASDA Stores Limited Unit 2 Pennywell Shopping Centre Portsmouth Road Pennywell Sunderland SR4
Reference	14/01025/FUL	14/01220/FUL	14/00802/FUL	14/01161/FUL	14/00774/FUL	14/00820/FUL

Target Date for Decision	04/07/2014	16/07/2014	4 07/07/2014	4 07/07/2014	17/07/2014	14 27/06/2014	14 14/07/2014
Date Valid	09/05/2014	21/05/2014	12/05/2014	12/05/2014	22/05/2014	02/05/2014	19/05/2014
Proposal	Extension of hipped roof over existing side and rear extension.	Part first floor/two storey extension to side of property.	Erection of single storey rear extension.	Erection of a garage to side.	Erection of single storey extension to side/rear of property.	Erection of single- and two-storey extension to side and single-storey extension to rear	Erection of raised decking above existing conservatory to rear of property, to include supporting posts, balustrading and staircase. (amended description 29.05.14)
0000	30 Summerhill Middle Herrington Sunderland SR3 3NJ	7 Berkeley Close Sunderland SR3 3QA	67 Sunningdale Road Sunderland SR3 4ES	48 Twickenham Road Sunderland SR3 4JL	59 Marlborough Road Hastings Hill Sunderland SR4 9NG	25 Bedford Place Sunderland SR3 1LA	Church Cottage Silksworth Road Sunderland SR3 2AA
•	Reference 14/01086/FUL	14/01176/FUL	14/01132/FUL	14/00933/FUL	14/01206/FUL	14/00917/FUL	14/00986/FUL

	Ç		
1	4		
	(		)
1	r	•	5
	9	ļ	)
	ζ		2
	0000	•	3
١	8		

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/01239/FUL	7 Devon Drive Sunderland SR3 1LB	Erection of a first floor extension above existing garage.	28/05/2014	23/07/2014
14/00844/VAR	Homebase Silksworth Lane Sunderland SR3 1PD	Variation of condition no.16 of previously approved planning application 00/00500/FUL. To allow the sale of books magazines, toys, snorts nones	30/05/2014	29/08/2014
14/01272/FUL	2 Grassholm Meadows Sunderland SR3 1PZ	and camping equipment from 465 square metres (5,000 square feet) of the existing sales area  Erection of a single storey extension to side/rear.	30/05/2014	25/07/2014
14/01241/FUL	35 Sunnybrow Sunderland SR3 1DG	Erection of a two storey side extension.	30/05/2014	25/07/2014

