

**Washington Area Committee Place Board: 2018/19 Work Plan & Priorities**

Priority	Activity/Project	Commentary
Environment and Green Space	Washington Way to Well Being. Washington Way capital works completed. £2,000 remaining for launch event	Awaiting confirmation of changes to shared route status. Further launch and PR event when confirmed.
	Washington Clean and Green: approved 4 work streams to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood improvements. This includes support for Friends Groups to take on additional tasks in parks (total funding approved £145,350)	Reporting through Place Board and SIB monitoring. Evaluations of key work streams submitted to April Board and informed priority setting for 2018/19 Plantations/ Community Clean ups. Full evaluation of Phase 1 submitted to September Board. The Place Board has considered performance data for Clean and Green and following an evaluation of what's worked well/best practice the Board recommends Clean and Green (Plantations and Community Clean Ups) continues post March 2019. Members are asked to consider a Project Brief and Call for Projects for Phase 2 at the November Area Committee. Support for Friends and Education/PR work streams to continue under current offer. Update included in Progress Report to September Board.
	Washington Ward Improvement Project	A further £50,000 approved June 2018 Area Committee to enhance the environment within the neighbourhoods. Elected members (per ward) continue to identify issues and projects to address local concerns. On going.
	Usworth Park Community Management Plan	£20k approved to complete Usworth Park Management Plan. Groundwork NE have commenced consultation with regards to determining a vision and plan for the Park. The report is anticipated to complete March 2019. Further update to December Place Board.
Heritage and Culture: Events	Events 2018	Springwell Village 1940's weekend June 29 <sup>th</sup> to July. Estimated attendance circa 2500 over 2 days. 1 <sup>st</sup> Durham Miners Gala 14 <sup>th</sup> July and Washington Family Carnival – Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 estimated attendance 5,000. All successfully completed. Forthcoming events Remembrance Sunday March and Service 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2018. Road Closures and legal orders agreed. Christmas Lights Switch On - Concord – Monday 19 <sup>h</sup> November 2018. Road Closures and legal orders arranged event application submitted.

	Events 2019	<p>Washington Village Christmas Festival – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Road Closures and legal orders arranged event application submitted. Lead meeting with Ward members to determine format of event.</p> <p>June Area Committee agreed a reduced SIB budget of £40,000 for the 2019 Programme. Place Board and the Events Sub Group have considered lots of information re costs and format of previous programmes and recommended a further meeting to determine preferred option for the 2019 Programme. That meeting took place on October 9<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Place Board recommends £40,000 SIB (previously aligned) be approved for the proposed Events 2019 Programme which is detailed in the draft Project Brief and Call for Projects to be considered at the November Area Committee.</p>
Heritage and Culture: Heritage utilised to deliver other AC priorities	Health and Heritage	<p>June Area Committee approved SIB application to Sunderland Culture Partnership. Detailed report included in September Project Update Report. Three work streams underway:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Using Arts and Culture to explore communication and confidence building activities for children and young people identified as being on the Autistic spectrum:</li> <li>2. Using Arts and Culture to address social isolation</li> <li>3. Using Arts and Culture to explore communication and confidence building activities for children and young people identified as being on the Autistic spectrum.</li> </ol>
Heritage and Culture: Washington Heritage Strategy (Refreshed 2017)	Washington Heritage Strategy Action Plan (2017)	<p>Work is ongoing with regards to Blue Plaques and Blue Plaque trails. Plaques are installed at RAF Usworth and Three Horse Shoes – unveiling event to be confirmed. As previously reported and agreed the focus of the project now is to identify and install a number of blue plaques which either recognise people and events. Further discussions are on-going with the Church on the hill, Usworth Colliery.</p>