

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD
Place Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides an update of the 2016/17 Work Plan.

2. Background

2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the Washington Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.

2.2 The Place Board has presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key achievements during that period.

2.3 This report provides the update to the work plan

3. Update of 2016/17 Place Board Work Plan

3.1 The 2016/17 Work Plan is attached as **Item 4 Annex 1**

3.2 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Washington Place Board up to 30th September 2016.

Area Priority: Environment and Green Space	
Action	Outcome
Neighbourhood Improvement Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A number of ward based projects are under development as part of the Neighbourhood Improvement Project (NIP). Area Place Manager continues to meet with Ward Members to discuss potential proposals, to identify partners and to aid development and delivery. Detailed reports are presented to each Place Board Area Committee is requested to note the NIP criteria for delivering local action and proposals which encourages partnership working and in kind or match contribution. It does not require proposals to be matched with cash. If proposals are unable to identify partnership working and/or in kind contributions then as long as local community benefits are evident and the project does not back fill SCC cuts then they can proceed without an identified partner. Each proposal will be considered on its individual merits.
The Washington Way Network (CHGS Project)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A mini launch event is planned for 25th October. Planning meetings are underway. A detailed update report was presented to People Board re the Bike Project. Some concerns were raised by the Board with regards to provision/delivery and outputs achieved. Board was assured that SIB monitoring has already picked up these concerns and is working with the overall project lead for Washington Way To Wellbeing to look at expanding provision and partners involved.
Washington Clean and Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Place Board requested officers to meet with relevant partners re how to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and environmental improvements to respond to local

	concerns across the area. Draft Project Briefs and proposed budgets are presented under Item 5 Financial Decisions and Proposals
Area priority: Member and Community Engagement	
Encourage partnerships with the local community and VCS, link Ward Members to activities and events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk and talk programmes to identify community partnerships • Members engage residents re AC role at key Washington events and involved in steering an events and culture programme
Area priority: Heritage and Culture	
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place Board has recommended that future event planning remains a key priority in the new work plan. Draft Project Brief and proposed budgets for the Washington Events Programme 2017/18 are presented under Item 5 Finance Decisions and Proposals • Washington Carnival 2016 was held 17th September in Albany Park: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estimated attendance 4700 • Extensive programme of local performers and acts kept the crowds entertained all day • Lots of exhibitors and stalls and well attended family activities throughout the whole day • Sun FM hosted the day • Loads of positive feedback from the local community and participants via Social Media <p>A detailed report and evaluation of good practice and lessons learnt will be presented to the next Place Board.</p>
Washington's heritage and culture offer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WAC agreed £30,000 for the Washington Heritage and Culture Project to the Washington Trust. Work is underway to co-ordinate activity and determine how the Washington offer will contribute to the City of culture bid. Progress report to next Board.
Influencing role: Place Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the presentation of the Responsive Local Services Area Delivery Plan to the extraordinary Area Committee in May, as agreed, Place Board continues to oversee the development and delivery of the 2016/2017 Delivery Plan. Members reviewed the performance data presented by the Place Management Service and discussed opportunities to engage further with communities.

Place Based Priorities

- 4.1 The Place Board requests Area Committee to agree to support the following as new areas of work :
- To work alongside and compliment the development and delivery of the Place Management plan, with particular focus on environment, outdoor and green spaces, having regard to adding value to the proposed Washington Clean and Green Project

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Members are requested to:-
- a. Consider the Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2016/17 attached as **Item 4 Annex 1**
 - b. Note the updates as presented in paragraph 3.2

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Annex 1: Place Board work plan 2016/17