## WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

## 4th June 2015

# **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 2014/15 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2015/16
- c. Provides an update on People Board Governance Arrangements for 2015/16.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the Washington 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 the priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2015/16.

#### 3. Annual Update of 2014/15 People Board Work Plan

3.1 The 2014/15 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Item 4 Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

#### 4. Proposed Work Plan for 2015/16

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Item 4 Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the People Board considers key to deliver during 2015/16.
- 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 utilising its own resources.

- 5.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Item 4 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 Louise Farthing
Washington Central	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Washington East	Cllr David Snowdon
Washington North	Cllr Jill Fletcher
Washington South	Cllr Graeme Miller
Washington West	Cllr Dorothy Trueman

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

Group	Elected Member Representative
Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Children's Local Advisory Board (CLAB)	Cllr Linda Williams and Cllr Louise Farthing

#### 6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
  - a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area People Board's Work Plan for 2014/15 attached as **Item 4 Annex 1 and 2**.
  - b. Consider and agree the Washington Area People Board Work Plan Priorities for 2015/16 attached as **Item 4 Annex 3**.
  - c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2015/16 outlined in Section 5 and Item 4 Annex 4.

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- Annex 1: People Board Work Plan 2014/15
- Annex 2: SIB Performance 2014/15
- Annex 3: People Board Work Plan 2015/16
- Annex 4: People Board Terms of Reference