

Item 2 Annex 2

Sunderland City Council Service Plans – North Area Priorities for information purposes only

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Bodmin Assessment Service	Development of an assessment service for adults with mental health needs, in partnership with the Registered Social Landlord	TBC	10/23	The consultations with current residents and families have been completed. New accommodation / service provision has been identified for the residents and work with SCAS/ASC Social Work teams to progress these moves is ongoing.
Rotherham Road	Development of Supported Living Accommodation for adults with social care, support and accommodation needs, in partnership with the Registered Social Landlord	2/23	10/23	All building works are complete. Residents have been identified and work with SCAS/ASC Social Work teams to progress these moves is ongoing. Property will be handed over to SCAS from Bernicia early September. New residents will start a phased move into the service from September 2023. All 3 tenants have moved in. Service fully operational
Fulwell Community Resource Centre	Redevelopment of building- based day care services	4/23	TBC	Building surveys have been undertaken by Property Services and improvement works have been identified. Discussions are ongoing in relation to the implementation of the improvement works. Due to the implications around Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and the immediate need for SCC to prioritise surveys/inspections across the Councils building assets in the short term, Property Services are unable to take forward the required works in the day

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				centres. As a consequence, we are in discussion with SCC on options that can support Commissioning to take the development work forward.
Brunswick Rd Assessment Service	Development of an assessment service for adults with mental health needs, in partnership with the Registered Social Landlord	TBC	4/24	7 tenants have been supported to move to alternative accommodation with the final 2 awaiting a move in date for their new accommodation. Scoping to commence re. refurb work in preparation for the new assessment service once the building is empty.

City Development: Economic Regeneration

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North East Community Forest 2023/24 planting	Tree and hedgerow planting at a series of individual sites as part of Low Carbon Framework. Options for sites in each area to be assessed and then discussed with Neighbourhood & Community Boards	9/23	3/24	Individual planting schemes developed in further detail, with some requiring further consultation before the overall programme is finalised. Seven sites currently have in principle funding approval: Holmeside Phase 2 (East); Hetton Primary School (Coalfield); Rickleton Primary School (Washington); Roker Park (North), Silksworth Ski Slope and Pit Wheel (West); Doxford Park (East); Ryhope Junior School (East). An additional 3-4 sites are also being considered and are currently at the feasibility stage.
Low Carbon Framework and Action Plan	Range of city-wide low carbon programmes and projects across the seven strategic priority areas to include			Additional green-infrastructure projects (over and above NE Community Forest activity) include 'Tiny Forests' schemes to be planted at Sandhill View Academy (West) and Hudson Road Primary (East) subject to feasibility and final approvals; Link

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	implementation within individual Area Committee areas			Together Heritage Lottery bid for £915,000 has been submitted – if successful it will support greenspace uplift to 13 sites across the Coalfield. Sunderland City Council is working in partnership with energy suppliers Utilita and E.On on the current phase of Energy Company Obligation (ECO4), which requires energy suppliers to implement energy efficiency improvements in residents' homes. The scheme is aimed at lower income and/or vulnerable households and less energy efficient properties with the aims of tackling fuel poverty, reducing carbon emissions from the domestic sector and improving thermal comfort. The ECO4 scheme was launched in October and is available to residents in all areas of Sunderland (city-wide). Utilita will include a particular focus on engaging with residents in Southwick (North) and E.On with residents in Hendon (East) during Nov/Dec to raise awareness of the scheme and its benefits to residents. Eco-4 will run to 2026 across the city.

City Development: Regulatory Services

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Sara (currently national lottery funded)	1 x Community Engagement Worker and office costs	1/21		Project continues to deliver agreed aims and outcomes via the SARA Strategic Board. External Evaluation is in year 2 of a 3-year evaluation. more in depth update can be given to forthcoming AC meetings if required.

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				A paper will go to November Board meeting outlining the new Motorcycle Disorder team and the ask of AC
Thompson Park Event	Community Event		8/24	Postponed twice due to inclement weather therefore expected delivery Spring 2024
Hylton Castle Battle Re-enactment	Hylton Castle event		8/23	Event successfully held – supported by events funding

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Bereavement Services

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Cemetery Improvements	Prioritisation of improvement measures within area cemeteries according to an assessment of risk, need and local demand	June 22	Ongoing	Meetings: The Cemetery Improvement Boards are now established and convene bi-monthly bringing together representatives from local Ward Members and mangers from relevant Council departments. These meeting serve as a platform to identify pressing issues and local concerns in each cemetery and to reach agreement on the priority attached to each. Key improvements: Through site visits and local knowledge key areas of improvement have been identified in each cemetery developed into an action plan. Our immediate focus relates to Regulatory compliance for lawn section graves and the requirement to remove unauthorised grave surrounds and install formal personalisation areas where personal items are placed on graves. This uniformity and standardisation of grave sizes will enable us to

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			by	achieve a higher standard of maintenance which will contribute to an overall enhancement of these areas. Additionally, to protect public safety within all cemeteries we have launched a dedicated memorial testing programme to access the stability of all memorials. Upon receipt of the stock condition report in September, the Cemetery Improvement Boards (CIB) will review the findings, determine necessary works, establish a public communication strategy and prioritise tasks accordingly until the programme is adopted and forms part of standard operations. As part of the ongoing cemetery improvement works led by the Cemetery Improvement Boards, work is advancing on the enforcement of cemetery regulations relating to unauthorised items and enclosures on lawn section graves. In the coming week, signage will be installed in relevant cemetery sections providing advanced notice of the removal of unauthorised items on lawn section graves, following written notice of the requirements to remove items sent to each grave owner concerned. Following the initial removal works, operations will temporarily cease for the Christmas period and
				resume in January, continuing until complete. As part of the memorial safety programme in all cemeteries, safely audits have now been conducted and we are awaiting the findings from our consultants. Further updates will follow as the findings are available.
				Cemetery Improvement Board meetings will continue to convene on a bi-monthly basis and have been

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				instrumental in developing the process for the regulatory implementation. As regulatory enforcement becomes part of business as usual, and the memorial safety testing programme is underway, cemetery specific action plans will be introduced to identify and deliver on improvement works specific to each cemetery dependant on local requirements and need. In addition to the regulatory enforcement and MST programme, the board are currently reviewing options to improve cemetery maintenance including the sowing of low cover and slow growing clover seed in older sections as an alternative to grass, as well as increased signage relating to issues around the control of dogs in cemeteries.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Local Services

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	A trial project to help us understand the impact of alternative weed control options in different environments, with a view to the potential elimination of the use of herbicides in weed killing.	1 st April 2023	September 2023	The 2023 trial which commenced on the 1st of April which is due to conclude on the 30th of September 2023 is enabling Local Services to ensure we capture a full weed season. The process is allowing us to monitor the impact of using alternative methods to Glyphosate, understand how effective other weed control methods can be, the impact these treatments have on the effectiveness of maintenance, resource, costs, equipment/training requirements,

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				environmental and visual impact, and importantly the views of our residents.
				To date detailed records on all aspects of the trail are being gathered and analysed. Aspects such as:
				 Application process Environmental Impact Cost Effectiveness Resident Feedback We are continuing to engage with residents, our wider council colleagues, key city stakeholders and neighbouring authorities.
				We are also engaging with several other Authorities and organisations such as Cardiff Council, South Lanarkshire Council, Brighton Council the Amenity Forum and APSE.
				A final report will be produced and published following the conclusion of the trial. The further targeted trials which started in April have continued into November 2023. The detailed trial will provide clear evidence to review, enabling consideration of the available options, cost and resource implications for each method tested.
				The results of the trial will inform the appropriate next steps.
Tree Surveying	A citywide tree inspection and mapping project.	May 2023	2027	Tree inspections and mapping commenced in May 2023. Starting in the East area to date we have surveyed and digitally mapped over 5000 trees. The

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				survey will move into the West area over the coming weeks. The survey will enable SCC to fully understand our tree stock, which will in turn increase our ability to manage the risk more effectively. The survey will also facilitate a much more proactive approach to tree planting and replacement, establish how much carbon as a city our trees can sequester, it will also inform us of the overall impact of Ash Dieback disease. The data base as it grows will provide a deeper case by case record of each tree and its inspection record which will improve member and customer journeys as the information held will provide more detailed information when responding to customer requests and complaints. As of 9 th of November 9,353 trees have been
E Technology Trials	Trialling alternative Electric equipment to replace petrol fuelled kit to reduce carbon emissions.	May 2023		surveyed. We continue to trial alternative kit not only to reduce carbon emissions but to reduce the hand arm vibration some kit exposes our workforce to. To date we have tested Electric hedge trimmers, chainsaws, strimmers and grass cutters. We are hoping in the coming weeks to explore hybrid chipper technology. We are also working with our fleet team to future proof our kit replacement programme factoring in the feedback we capture as part trials and are confident that over a period of time to further reduce our reliance upon petrol tools and equipment. Trials are continuing with appropriate tools being considered as part of our fleet replacement capital programme.

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Bunny Hill Fencing	Fencing project to prevent ASB motor bike and quad access.	April 2023	July 2023	Fencing has been installed and positive feedback received
Blue Flag Information Boards	Information Map Boards to meet Blue Flag eligibility.	2023	June 2023	New Display Cases and Map Boards are erected and look really good. Positive feedback received.
Park Signage	New Park Signage at Roker Park & Hylton Dene	April 2023	March 2024	New boards are erected and look really good. Positive feedback received.
War Memorials	Improvement of GM offering at Fulwell War Memorial	October 2023	November 2023	Reduction of hedges and opened up the memorial with the thinning out of the surrounding bushes, to improve appearance and help reduce ASB.
Waste Bins	New Free Standing Waste Bins Dovedale Road Shops & Southwick Green	June 2023	October 2023	New bins requested at Dovedale Road Shops by residents and local members.
				New bins at Southwick Green arranged to replace existing units that were old and beyond economical use. New bins will enhance The Green visually and help the presentation of future Britain in Bloom entries led by the SARA Project with support from Local Services
Waste Bins	Replacement of damaged, rusted, and unfit for purpose post mounted bins. Coastal / Riverside gateway route including Dame Dorothy Crescent from Harbour View to the Wearmouth Bridge		March 2024	Multiple post mounted bins are damaged, corroded, or are faulty beyond repair, or missing doors for example. Program of replacement to occur ahead of Spring 2024.
				Program of assessment and replacement to be completed by March 31 st 2024
Wildflower Introductions	Craigavon Road – outside the Castle Blackwood Road – Community Centre.	March 2024	May 2024	Repeat introductions of Annual Native Species & Euroflower Wildflower planting at Key High Profile Locations in all 5 wards of Sunderland North.
	Keir Hardie Way – Halfway House. Redhill – St Cuthbert's Church.			Rotavating and re-seeding to be completed by May 2024

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	Fishermen's Cottages – Whitburn Bents. Dovedale Rd – Fulwell Methodist Church. Torver Crescent – Mere Knolls Cemetery Entrance. Roker Park. St Peter's - Churchyard.			

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: Winter Maintenance

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Winter Smart Solutions	Trials of several infrared road surface sensors across the highway network.	the winter of	Testing, development, and evaluation of technology and installation options remains ongoing through the winter of 2023/2024	The selection, trial, and testing of additional Smart Road Surface Temperature measuring equipment supplied by the Smart City Team, remains ongoing. It is hoped that the additional equipment options being trialled will accurately enhance existing road monitoring and weather forecasting service provided by the Environmental Services, Winter Maintenance gritting team, and give the team are greater insight into the condition or road surfaces across the city during periods of cold. Following the recent trial of 10 smart sensors at a variety of key locations across the city, the detailed findings of the trial have enabled the Environmental Services Winter Maintenance Team, to further improve the planning for the essential replacement of the city's Vaisala weather station network and ensure that the positioning of the new equipment is

	optimised in response to the current and future development of new key routes and any road network changes across the city. With the new installations of modern Vaisala equipment occurring from May 2024, the road users of Sunderland can be assured the city will have some of the most advanced weather monitoring and forecasting equipment available, provided and supported by one
	of the market leaders in the industry.

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Area Arrangements

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Developing the community support offer, working closely with the voluntary sector to enable maximise positive outcomes from Social Prescribing	Supporting VCS to develop their capacity to deliver commissioned services within communities	April 2023	March 2025	UKSPF funds secured to support VCS in Sunderland to deliver 12 months of community support across the city. VCS providers will support the establishment of the Links for Life social prescribing programme in Sunderland, signing a delivery charter, ensuring a digital platform is developed and delivery is evaluated to inform future community support service delivery
VCS Alliance – growing capacity of voluntary and community sector	Continue to work in partnership with the voluntary sector Alliance to maximise resources into the sector via external funding and grow social value resources	April 2023	March 2025	VS Alliance developing their offer to support the sector. Since securing charitable status in April, the Sunderland VS Alliance asked the sector across Sunderland for a view on current needs and gaps in service offer. Following the completion of the surveys and further work with the Alliance Strategic and Operational Boards, funding priorities have been agreed which will inform future funding applications as follows: •Older peoples' services •People with disabilities

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				 Young people (the need for more youth services) Veterans People affected by the cost-of-living crisis People furthest from the job market, Refugees Mental health services The Alliance has secured £45,000 ICB funding via VONNE to employ a Capacity Mapping Officer as part of a regional piece of work to review social prescribing and look at best practise for Sunderland and the Northeast region. The Alliance are working hand in hand with the Links for Life programme team to provide recommendations which will improve communities and prevent escalation of specialist services, to benefit the outcomes for local people. The Alliance is part of the Community Foundations Participatory Grant process developing funding opportunities for grass roots voluntary and community groups. Launch date to be confirmed. The Alliance will launch their membership scheme in October and will be promoting to all of the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector organisations in Sunderland, asking them to register. The Alliance will also be: Recruiting, inducting, and training new staff Re-launching their website (with a membership hub) The Alliance is working hard to secure the following members for the Alliance: A Treasurer Trustees
				 Operational Board members

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				The Council continue to support the VS Alliance in Sunderland, who are now an independent Charity as a member of their strategy board, alongside other VCS partners, Gentoo and the ICB.
Delivery of Financial Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan	Supporting residents within areas to improve their resilience	April 2023	March 2025	Continue to use household data and intelligence to identify issues and inform Support offer available within communities, working closely with partners including the voluntary sector. The UKSPF community support offer is supporting residents to become financially resilient and forms a core part of the wider Links for Life service offer. The team continues to talk to residents in communities about their experience and report on issues and themes from the conversations. The work is facilitated by excellent relationships already established with local VCS organisations. We are combining quantitative and qualitative data to provide context and a deeper understanding of the Lived experience of residents. We are currently refining a recording and reporting system to manage both statistical and anecdotal information so that if a service or partner organisation requires some contextual information we can find and provide it.



Area Committee Update: LINKS FOR LIFE SUNDERLAND

Links for Life is Sunderland's approach to social prescribing; working with our partners to help people live the best life they can by linking them to community level services and support to make a lasting difference to their health and wellbeing.

Partners recognise that without growth of the service offer in the community we will not reduce health inequalities. Effort has gone into building support for voluntary and community groups who are delivering vital services within our communities.

WHAT IS SOCIAL PRESCRIBING?

Factors such as stress, unemployment, debt and loneliness can affect our health.¹ Also, one in five GP appointments are about issues wider than health, especially for people living in areas of high deprivation.²

Social Prescribing is about connecting people with activities and services that improve their physical and mental health, and wellbeing. It supports people to identify and discuss their own support needs, giving them time to focus on 'what matters to them' and taking a holistic approach to their health and wellbeing.

Supporting residents to improve their health and wellbeing through self-help and connections to community-based support services, often provided by our VCS services, is vital to support our residents with the range of social issues which drive up health inequalities in our city. Key benefits can include improved social connections, improvement in the management of health and health status, improvement in mental health and wellbeing and life enrichment.³

LINKS FOR LIFE SUNDERLAND

To build on all the positive work that already happens in Sunderland, partners are working on developing a model, called Links for Life Sunderland, which will be launched in April 2024.

Links for Life Sunderland will bring together people within communities, supporting everyone to have healthy, happy lives, with no one left behind.

A video has been produced all about Links for Life Sunderland – see here Links for Life Sunderland - https://youtu.be/h8EizBukS40

What are the aims:

- Residents and partners will be able to easily find information, including community-based services, to make better informed choices to help their health and wellbeing.
- People will recognise Links for Life Sunderland and will associate it with quality, accessibility and connectiveness.
- Residents will be able to get support through more community-based partners, including VCS, through improved promotion, collaboration and demonstration of their impact.
- Links for Life Sunderland will be developed on evidence-based practice and evaluation.
- Investment will be targeted and driven by local data, intelligence and knowledge from the system.

What are we doing:

- Creating the Links for Life Sunderland brand, informed by the views of residents and making sure it is recognised and visible across the city.
- Developing a 'digital community support platform', to make sure people can find the information and help they need.
- Mapping our community buildings and services to understand and help address gaps, making sure we focus our efforts on people and places that can't access services.
- Supporting the voluntary sector to grow the Links for Life offer within community settings. Including the provision of Community grant schemes to support voluntary sector organisations in developing Links for Life delivery centres within communities and ensure the difference their work makes to the lives of residents, is recognised and supported by all partners.
- Creating a charter that makes sure we have shared behaviours and values and everyone receives a good quality service that meets expectations
- Working alongside the community wealth building strategy / social value initiatives in the city to financially support our voluntary sector as well as support much needed improvements within our community facilities.

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The service is generally responsive based on requests for service and the severity of empty property conditions. However, the Empty Homes Strategy identified the areas of the City where empty properties were most prevalent. Work to tackle empty properties is targeted in these areas.	This is not a specific project	Progressing	Initial presentation complete Future reports presented for Area Committee Information quarterly	A presentation on Empty Properties has been delivered to all Area Committees. This showed the data relating to area, Ward and across the City. An Empty Homes Report is being developed following the views and questions provided as part of the Area Committee discussions. This report will be presented to Area Committees quarterly

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Housing Strategy

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Housing Delivery and Investment Plan 2020-26 – approved to deliver 574 new Council owned homes for letting, broken down into three workstreams: Empty Homes - 210 Bungalows - 193 Supported - 171	Empty Homes - 38 Bungalows - 40 Supported – 34	February 2020	March 2026	Empty Homes - 13 Bungalows - 23 Supported – 9 Note - Due to the current financial and economic position with increased inflationary pressures, increasing borrowing rates, increasing build costs and no growth in Homes England grant, properties linked to Housing Revenue Account (HRA) activities are suspended until the economic climate changes to enable the viability of the HRA in the future. Some non-HRA activity including supported accommodation which does not sit within the HRA will continue.

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Welfare Reform Service and Business Development

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Start Date	Due for Completion by	Area Committee quarterly update
Foodbank Support	Council currently supporting range of foodbanks / food aid organisations in all area of the city – majority in East / West via fresh food and FareShare – will be refining offer / support during the year	N/A	N/A	Service is currently collating foodbank usage in each local area to understand gaps in provision and issues within communities. Service also supporting foodbanks to receive donations ahead of the Christmas period Information continues to be made available for residents to access via website and also voluntary sector and partners such as housing, health, etc.

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Active Sunderland

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Parks Tennis Court Programme	Refurbish Tennis Courts in Thompson Park and Roker Park	5/23	7/23	Roker park - complete and operational from 25/8/23 Thompson park - practical completion scheduled for 12/9 – complete and operational
Parks Tennis Court Programme	Develop Tennis activation programme	6/23	10/23	Complete - taking place
Swim Bike Run programme	Develop new adult parkrun in Fulwell Quarry	9/23	Ongoing	Now scheduled to commence end of November
Swim Bike Run programme	Create new opportunities to participate in SBR and Go Tri – Seafront	4/23	Ongoing	Ongoing – new opportunities in place - will develop further
Swim Bike Run programme	Develop SBR Hubs from Adventure Sunderland	7/23	Ongoing	Opportunities not progressed at Adventure Sunderland - North offer is linked to Bike hub in place already adjacent to NGC
Regular Physical Activity Opportunities	Development of 1st Playzone in Southwick	2/24	4/24	Planning application submitted

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Public Health and Integrated Commissioning – Living Well

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	Walking and Cycling activities for families in Southwick and Redhill	5/23	3/25	Delivery commenced July 23, programme supported wider initiatives in North. Next quarter focussed work with particular communities i.e. Redhill and partnerships with groups i.e SARA

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				July – Sept delivery started positively with good numbers of engagement. Sept to December focussing on more targeted work. Information has been shared with Links workers, TfC family hubs etc working in the north for referral routes. Engagement with residents carried out to identify barriers to engagement that will be used to inform the programme moving forward.
Development of Social prescribing physical hubs	To deliver a Social Prescribing 'hub' to allow for localised presence of the offer	4/23	3/25	Progressing model development
misuse related death	Development of targeted substance misuse related death prevention interventions	6/23	03/24	Targeted Outreach and identification of additional space including, Caring Changes (Southwick), Swan Lodge Hendon, Betsy Jenny's Community Café, Poplar House (Hendon) and Back on the Map (Hendon) in target areas.
				CGL also offer online sessions, and support service users in the Southwick/Hendon and St Peters area with free data sim cards to improve digital assess. This is alongside the enhanced harm reduction services to at risk clients.
				CGL are also expanding needle exchange provision with 7 pharmacies offering needle exchange in the targeted area.
				Oct 23 SSMTRG underspend to be used to deliver stimulant specific training within Wear Recovery

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Stop Smoking Clinics	To deliver stop smoking clinics in the wards with the highest smoking rates.	4/23	by 12/23	SSSS are actively investigating clinic/drop in sites within the high prevalence wards. The following clinics are either established, planned to start or in discussion: Hendon: Riverview Health Centre (established) Back on the Map (in discussion) Millfield: The Salvation Army (planned to start mid September) Pallion: St Luke's Neighbourhood Centre (planned to start early September) Redhill: Bunnyhill Centre (established) Castle: Bunnyhill Centre (established) Southwick: Salvation Army – Austin House (in discussion) SNYP (in discussion) Sandhill: Grindon Primary Care Centre (established) St Anne's: Grindon Primary Care Centre (established) Pennywell Neighbourhood Centre (planned to start soon)
				Washington North: Galleries Health Centre (established)

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				The Millenium Centre (planned to start mid- September)
				Central Sunderland: Betsy Jenny Wellbeing Café (established).

HEALTH HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES: Public Health – Starting Well and Health Protection

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	School and key partners working together on identified priorities of mental health and RSHE	4/23	3/24	Castleview has undertaken significant efforts to foster a healthy settings approach, with a primary focus on RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) and Mental Health. They have taken part in the Health Related Behaviour Survey 2023, completed with Y8 and Y10 pupils. The results have been shared with relevant staff to understand the results and to inform priorities. They have a dedicated governor and staff member have been appointed and five staff members have undergone training to serve as health advocates. Regular surveys are conducted with staff to understanding and addressing staff needs. 25 staff members have completed Mental Health Champion Training, while three staff members

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				have undergone Mental Health First Aid training. They also have additional training plans including Youth Mental Health First Aid and scheduled MIND training for staff in December 2023.
				The school has organised various wellbeing activities, such as Wear Yellow Day, and has integrated mental health topics into the curriculum for PSHE education, ensuring a comprehensive focus on mental health across different age groups.
				A nutrition action group has been established to work on promoting healthy meals, and the school proudly achieved the Food and Nutrition Charter Mark in May 2023.
				Additionally Castleview has achieved RSHE bronze charter mark. They are focusing on three key themes including Healthy relationships, Body image, and Contraception identified from the student voice survey.

TOGETHER FOR CHILDREN: Early Help Systems and Family Hubs

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	The Family Hubs and Start for Life programme helps meet commitments in The best start for life: a vision for the 1,001 critical days, published as government policy in March 2021. This programme is jointly led by the	-		Bunnyhill Family Hub Bunnyhill was launched in June 2023 offering a play space and

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	 Department for Education (DfE) and Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC). The aim of Family Hubs is to join up and enhance services, ensuring all parents and carers can access the support they need when they need it. To bring services together and make them more accessible, improve the connections between families, professionals, services, and providers, and put relationships at the heart of family support. Following a competitive bidding process, 14 trailblazers were selected and awarded additional funding to go further and faster in delivering some or all of the Start for Life services funded by the Family Hubs and Start for Life programme – peri-natal mental health and parent-infant relationships, infant feeding, and parenting support. Sunderland were one of the 14 local authority areas who were awarded trailblazer status. 			several groups for early years such as baby massage, baby weaning. Bunnyhill runs a pregnancy yoga group. Co-Delivery with ante-natal services is well underway. Early years CAMH's worker sits within the hubs. A SALT worker will be working from the hubs in the new year. Pregnancies can be booked in at the hub. All of the hubs also deliver at least one session a week within other community organisations across the city. There are 5 peer support health workers across the hubs, aligned to support the delivery of services around peri-natal mental health and infant feeding.
	https://www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/article/27857/Start- for-Life Sunderland will have 5 Family Hubs across the city offering services from conception up until the age of 18 or 25 for young people with special educational needs. The face to face offer Sunderland Family Hubs offer is mirrored as a virtual offer to our children, young people and families, with access to activities, services and resources on a new digital platform called My Best Life. MBL will also provide families with information around childcare, SEND local offer, support for older children and			Young people's groups for primary and secondary age RISE are delivered weekly from all of the Family Hubs. The groups are based on a social prescribing model focused on improving mental health and well- being, improving the life chances of children and young people. There are 12 Family Champions trained so far across the hubs and

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	young people in addition to interactive resources that families can access at home.			two parent carer panels made up of 9 and 10 members.
	Our Family hubs sits in line with the national vision of building an Early Help System offering support to children and families across universal services, community support and targeted services which will all be available in our family hubs.			The Parenting Team have co- produced a new parenting Course with Sunderland University and delivery has started of these courses within the hubs and there are new digital parenting seminars being launched.
	Early Help targeted family support teams are co-located within the family hubs. These teams provide targeted support to families with children aged 0 to 19. The Early Help workers complete a robust assessment and plan, provide interventions and work alongside our partners to address the needs of children young people and their families.			There are benefit and employment advice officers seconded to Early Help from DWP as part of the Supporting family's agenda and based in the Family Hubs. These workers offer benefit and employment advice to all families open to an Early Help or Social Care
	HAF continues to be available across all localities of the city now over all school holidays (not just Easter, Summer and Winter) due to enhanced funding from Public Health.			plan. Plans are currently being developed to offer "drop in" advice sessions, provided by the workers, to all families accessing the Family Hubs.

CORPORATE SERVICES: Smart City Team

Project/Programme	Project Detail	Date	Due for Completion/ Full expenditure by	Area Committee quarterly update
	Delivery of a range of DI initiatives subject to interest/approval	4/23		Significant work ongoing, a newsletter is available and can be circulated if of interest and further

				information can be found in the City Resources section of our website: www.sunderlandoursmartcity.com
				In addition, Digital Dashboards have been produced for every ward detailing the existing digital provision, challenges, and potential opportunities for consideration.
Smart Cities	Opportunities for a range of digital and data solutions e.g. interactive play, smart bins etc	4/23	?	Significant work ongoing, further information can be found across our website and in the Innovation Challenges section: www.sunderlandoursmartcity.com

Ward Dashboards: