

## Item 2 Annex 1

### North Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023

Agreed 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020



The Plan is a working document, which will include addition information from other public sector partners and VCS Area Network, where relevant.

The Plan commits the Area Committee to a significant number of priorities, which will be delivered within the North of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan will be monitored by the Area Committee and actions will be addressed throughout the next three years via the North Neighbourhood and Communities Board.

Residents will be able to monitor delivery of the plan via the online activity tracker which will be available to access at [www.sunderland.gov.uk](http://www.sunderland.gov.uk) as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. The North Area Priorities for 2020 – 2023 are:

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| 1. Tackle empty properties                 | 9. Support voluntary and community sector  |
| 2. Derelict land                           | 10. Support youth clubs and spaces for young people to be together and feel safe |
| 3. Affordable homes                        | 11. Volunteer platform   |
| 4. Love Where You Live                     | 12. Support communities to deliver local events                                  |
| 5. Transport Routes and Parking            | 13. Improve CCTV and Enforcement   |
| 6. Highways, pavements and street lighting | 14. Promote Heritage Assets and Deliver Heritage Activities                      |
| 7. Parks, play, cycle and walking routes   | 15. Preserve and Celebrate Local Heritage  |
| 8. Social Prescribing                      |  |

It is now the responsibility of North Sunderland Area Committee to deliver their Delivery Plan and will form the work programme for the Area Committee and the Neighbourhood and Community Board for the coming months and years.

NB: numbers are for reference only, they do not list them in priority order.

Neighbourhood Investment priority		
Action	Next Steps	Update
<b>1. Tackle Empty Properties</b>		
<p>Assistant Director Housing to present full update on Housing to North Neighbourhood and Community Board to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of empty properties and related issues in the North</li> <li>• Pro-active action in place in relation to properties allowed to go into a state of dilapidation by rogue landlords</li> </ul>	North Area Committee to consider update and how they can enhance and support the offer within the North area.	Graham Scanlan, Assistant Director of Housing, to attend February Board
<b>2. Review all derelict land and properties and develop plan to address each site with partners and residents to further create green and cultural communities</b>		
Executive Director Economy and Place to provide an update on derelict land and properties to North Neighbourhood and Communities Board.	North Area Committee to consider update and how they can support the development of sites within the North area	
<b>3. Create more affordable homes</b>		
Assistant Director Housing to present full update on Housing to North Neighbourhood and Community Board	North Area Committee to consider update and how they can enhance and support the offer within the North area.	
<b>4. Launch 'Love where you live' campaign</b>		
Continue to receive updates from the North Raising Aspiration Projects on their litter picks and environmental projects and ensure they advertise opportunities for residents/schools etc to get involved.	ACDL to continue to provide updates on delivery to the Neighbourhood and Community Board	<p>Quarterly Monitoring Update presented to November 2020 Board</p> <p>February Board received feedback on the Wild flowering the North Project</p>
<b>5. Review transport routes in partnership with all providers in consultation with residents. Need to also pick up parking issues – residential and shopping</b>		

VAS Signage Project in development for North Area which will provide 2 signs per ward which will be circulated to 40 locations across the North	<p>North Area Committee agree the funding and locations of the signs.</p> <p>Once agreed the Neighbourhood and Community Board will receive regular updates on the locations and effectiveness of the signs</p>	<p>North Area Committee have agreed the funding and sites proposed, Highways have commenced the procurement exercise and further updates will be provided to future Boards</p> <p>Signs were to commence deployment w/c 9<sup>th</sup> November however signs are currently in transit and project lead is awaiting delivery</p> <p>Signs are now installed across the North</p>
<b>6. Invest in highways, pavements and street lighting</b>		
Update to be provided on amount of investment planned by Highways Services for highways, pavements and street lighting replacement programme.	Highways Maintenance Programme for 2021 - 2022 to be presented to Neighbourhood and Community Board for discussion and recommendation to North Area Committee	<p>Report presented to November 2020 Board</p> <p>Report presented to February 2021 Board</p>
<b>7. Invest in Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes in consultation with residents and users</b>		
Develop a plan for the regeneration of Thompson Park as an activity and destination park for all ages in partnership with Friends of Thompson Park	<p>Neighbourhood and Community Board agreed the formation of a Task and Finish Group.</p> <p>ACDL to coordinate and arrange the group and regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board</p>	<p>Membership of Task and Finish Group agreed</p> <p>Task and Finish Group met October 2020 priority agreed due to short timescale of funding opportunity for a group to develop a Places to Ride funding application to deliver cycling skills area in park and education/</p>

		<p>training, match funding required to deliver project</p> <p>November Board agreed to recommend to December Area Committee an alignment of £200,000 for the regeneration of Thompson Park and £25,000 of this to be a match to Places to Ride application with full applications to be presented to future Board and Area Committee</p> <p>December Area Committee agreed the alignment of £200,000 for the regeneration of Thompson Park. Task and Finish Group met January 2021, Design Services to update Regeneration Plan based on feedback from Group, discussions to be held with Lottery regarding potential funding opportunities. Places to Ride application passed Expression of Interest Stage with full application submitted 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021</p> <p>February Board agreed the formation of a smaller group to develop the plans to be considered for the Park and ensure input from the SARA project and linkages to potential Lottery funding applications</p>
Develop a plan for small scale improvements in Roker Park in partnership with Friends of Roker Park and within the Heritage status of the Park	ACDL to support the Friends of Roker Park to develop plan and funding applications	Chair of Friends carried out site visit suggestions for development shared with Friends Group and projects in

		development to inform a Community Chest Application  Online Friends of Roker Park meetings held November 2020 and February 2021 – group are actively moving forward with suggestions put forward via social media and Friends meetings
Develop a plan for improvements at Hylton Dene as a wildlife and walking, cycling and running route/destination	To be discussed at future Neighbourhood and Community Board	
<b>8. Social Prescribing – develop local offer to improve health and wellbeing and access to services locally to reduce social isolation, improve mental health and support long-term health conditions, and ensure physical activity session are accessible and not cost or time prohibitive, in partnership with All Together Better</b>		
Ensure 5 Ward based Raising Aspirations Projects are providing services and activities to local residents	ACDL to continue to provide updates to the Neighbourhood and Community Board	The 5 ward based Raising Aspirations Projects continue to deliver the Community Hub Support to residents across North Sunderland.
Ensure North Communication Project keeps local communities up to date with activities and services on offer and promotes the North Area	ACDL coordinates the content and delivery of the North Communication Project in partnership with the Neighbourhood and Community Board	Project currently on hold due to COVID-19 and newsletter is to promote activities delivered in the Ward however work is commencing on delivering the leaflet element of the project  Leaflet currently in development with anticipated distribution March 2021
North Area Committee in partnership with Public Health Funding have supported health related projects in Sunderland North	ACDL to continue to provide updates to the Neighbourhood and Community Board	
Beach Access North East leading on a project on behalf of Sunderland Seafront Steering Group to install a container adjacent to Marine Activities Centre which will house beach accessible wheelchairs with volunteers managing booking of the wheelchairs	September North Area Committee to consider a funding application to deliver this project	September Area Committee agreed funding for the project, project lead is now working with Sunderland City Council on the planning process

9. Support the voluntary and community sector to provide additional services and extend opening times within local community venues as well as host community events, activities and nurture family learning		
<p>Support the development of former Downhill School into a community hub current delivery includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth Activities</li> <li>• Boxing Club</li> <li>• Nursery</li> </ul> <p>Potential for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional facilities to support the boxing Club retain affiliation</li> <li>• Additional sporting activities utilising both inside and outside space</li> <li>• Gardening Club</li> <li>• Additional Youth activities</li> <li>• Parent and Toddler Groups</li> <li>• Activities for Older/Socially Isolated</li> <li>• Resident Group support</li> </ul>	<p>Neighbourhood and Community Board agreed the formation of a Task and Finish Group. ACDL to coordinate and arrange the group and regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board</p> <p>.</p>	<p>Membership of Task and Finish Group agreed.</p> <p>Task and Finish Group met October 2020, agreed for leaseholder of the venue to pull together costs for capital and revenue to develop the Hub into a resource for the Community</p> <p>November Board agreed to recommend an application be presented to December Area Committee to provide security measures at Downhill Hub with a total of this application and alignment for future applications to be submitted to Board and Area Committee of £100,000</p> <p>December Area Committee agreed £14,970 for Security Measures and £85,030 alignment for refurbishment project. Task and Finish Group met February 2021 to discuss the refurbishment proposals and the services and activities proposed for the Hub. Full application to be considered in the Finance Report <b>Item 3, Section 3.2, Annex 2</b></p> <p>February Board considered an Expression of Interest from Fulwell Community Library for funding to</p>

		<p>support the installation of a new roof and solar panels. Board agreed to recommend full application to be presented to March Area Committee. Details included in <b>Item 3 Section 2.2, Annex 1</b></p> <p>The VCS has continued to be supported by the Area Committee, the Community hubs receive daily on-going support and the VCS network continues to be supported to ensure they have access to all funding opportunities. Members receive weekly performance reports detailing the support provided by the Community Hubs.</p>
<b>10. Support youth clubs and spaces for young people to be together and feel safe</b>		
<p>Neighbourhood Funding in place for Youth Partnership delivery across all wards in North</p> <p>Neighbourhood Funding in place for School Holiday delivery 2020</p> <p>£20,000 Neighbourhood Funding in Place for youth activities 2020 - 2021</p>	<p>Updates on delivery of provision to be provided to the Neighbourhood Community Board</p> <p>Neighbourhood and Community Board to discuss allocation of £20,000 available and the potential of developing a call for projects</p>	<p>£20,000 funding in place for youth activities 2020 – 2021 November Board agreed the development of a Call for Projects to be considered by future Board. February Board considered the proposal to utilise the £20,000 youth funding and add to the £20,000 for 2021 – 2022 for a full application to be developed by current North School holiday providers to develop a full application to cover school holidays 2021 – 2022 including Beach Camp to be presented to a future Area Committee.</p>

		<p>£10,000 remaining in the school holiday funding budget due to non-delivery of beach camp. November Board agreed to recommend to December Area Committee that this funding be utilised in Christmas and Feb Half Term School Holidays with the project leads for each Ward delivering activities for young people. December Area Committee agreed November Board recommendation</p> <p>February Board agreed to recommend an extension to existing school holiday providers to provide a 2021 – 2022 school holiday programme utilising the £20,000 Neighbourhood Funding in place for youth activities 2020 – 2021 and adding the 2021 – 2022 £20,000 youth allocation subject to a full application being developed and presented to future Area Committee. Details of which are included in <b>Item 3 Section 2.3</b></p>
<b>11. Launch a volunteer platform to support residents to get involved more within their communities</b>		
Co-ordinate volunteers from Covid 19 hub and link with our VCS.	Update volunteer platform to enable matching volunteers to future VCS volunteer requirements in the area.	Volunteers registered on the North Platform have been provided with a booklet of volunteering opportunities from projects based within Sunderland North and City Wide
<b>12. Support communities to deliver local events</b>		



<p>North Area Committee supported Southwick Illumination Project since 2012 – further additions required 2020</p>	<p>July North Area Committee agreed £10,000 capital funding to support festive lighting project</p> <p>July Neighbourhood and Community Board agreed the focus for the North Illumination priority for 2020 to be Southwick Green and quotes and design options to be received for the extensive wrapping of 20 trees on Southwick Green with the expectation that additional funding will be provided from Area Committee.</p> <p>ACDL Completed Procurement Request Form 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020</p>	<p>Costs are anticipated to be over the budget available therefore additional funding to be requested at September Area Committee</p> <p>September Area Committee agreed additional funding</p> <p>Due to COVID 19 restrictions a Christmas Switch On Event cannot be held however the Christmas Tree is installed on Southwick Green and dressed with lights and was switched on in line with all other Christmas Lighting across the City on the 19<sup>th</sup> of November. Additional lighting will be installed in 2021</p> <p>Procurement process progressing for additional lighting installation 2021</p>
<p><b>13. Increase safety through the improvement of CCTV and additional enforcement</b></p>		
<p>North Area Committee funded CCTV and Enforcement project operational and ongoing</p>	<p>July Neighbourhood and Community Board received feedback on the current CCTV/Enforcement project and agreed the set up of a Task and Finish group to consider the feasibility of additional CCTV/Masts/Airtime costs</p>	<p>Task and Finish Group met October 2020 with Officers, Northumbria Police, TWFR tasked to identify hotspot areas and CCTV solutions within a budget of £100k.</p> <p>November Board agreed to recommend to December Area Committee an alignment of £100,000 for delivery of this project with a full application to be presented to future Board and Area Committee</p>

		<p>December Area Committee agreed the alignment of £100,000.</p> <p>Task and Finish Group met January 2021 discussed hotspot areas which are currently in the process of receiving a site visit to identify the relevant camera solution for the area to be then developed into a fully costed up application to be presented to future Area Committee. Full Neighbourhood Investment Capital Application to be considered in the Finance Report <b>Item 3, Section 3.2, Annex 2</b></p> <p>February Board agreed to recommend to March Area Committee an increase in overall budget be aligned for delivery of the CCTV project to £200,000. Details included in <b>Item 3 Section 2.2 and 2.3 and Annex 2</b></p>
<b>14. Communicate heritage assets and deliver heritage activities to improve health and wellbeing and improve community cohesion</b>		
Develop a project which provides access to event space at Hylton Castle in order to support bringing the community together and future sustainability of the Project	<p>July Neighbourhood and Community Board agreed the set-up of a Task and Finish group to develop plans to consider the proposals for the development of event space at Hylton Castle</p> <p>ACDL to coordinate and arrange the group and regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board</p> <p>.</p>	<p>Membership of Task and Finish Group agreed</p> <p>Task and Finish Group met October 2020, project is awaiting a decision on a Heritage Lottery Fund Application which will include elements of outside space. Trust to obtain costs for fence, matting to cover grass to protect archaeology and internal marquee refurbishments with a view to presenting to future</p>

		<p>Board for consideration of recommendations to Area Committee</p> <p>November Board agreed to recommend to December Area Committee an alignment of £100,000 for delivery of this project with a full application to be presented to future Board and Area Committee</p> <p>December Area Committee agreed alignment of £100,000. Task and Finish Group to meet March 2021 to discuss next steps for project</p> <p>February Board considered an Expression of Interest from The Fans Museum for funding to support the development of Architectural Design, Videography, Photography and a Digital Tour Project. Board agreed to recommend full application to be presented to March Area Committee. Details included in <b>Item 3 Section 2.2, Annex 1</b></p>
<b>15. Preserve and Celebrate Local Heritage</b>		
Southwick Green Redevelopment Phase 1 to commence July 2020	Regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board	Southwick Green Redevelopment Phase 1 near completion. Local VCS organisations, Springboard, Southwick Neighbourhood Youth Project and Southwick Green Preservation Society have supported the project with bulb

		<p>and winter planting led by the Southwick SARA Project and supported by Southwick Community Chest funding.</p> <p>February Board agreed for Southwick Ward Councillors to consider the original proposals for the Southwick Green Redevelopment and develop phase 2 proposals taking into consideration a local voluntary and community sector organisation proposals for heritage signage and potential of external funding to support project. Full proposals to be presented to future Board and Area Committee for consideration</p>
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