

7th June 2017

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

Place Board Proposed Priorities and Governance Arrangements for 2017 / 2018

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2016/17 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for Place priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2017/18.
- c. Provides an update on Place Board Governance Arrangements for 2017/18.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year West Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the West Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The Place 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 priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2017/18.

3. Annual Update of 2016/17 Place Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2016/17 Work Plan is attached as **Item 2 Annex 1** and provides an annual update on performance.

4. Proposed Place Work Plan for 2017/18

- 4.1 The West Sunderland Area Place Board and West Voluntary and Community Sector Area Network were requested to consider future priorities for Area Committee. This information was collated and shared with all West Area Councillors to consider and agree. Area Committee are requested to consider and agree the following list of priorities which will inform the work plan for the Area Place Board during 2017 / 2018, these are:-

- a) Influence core service delivery for council Place Services
- b) Local Services – performance management of local service standards
- c) Supporting Local Shopping Centres – local maintenance, improving cleansing and increasing footfall through innovative approaches
- d) It's your Neighbourhood – roll out to a community group in each ward and promote to ensure maximum take-up and use of available growing spaces
- e) Develop a programme of community clean-up activities, targeted communication campaigns and love Sunderland events to change behaviours, to improve neighbourhoods and reduce litter
- f) Use of local intelligence to support enforcement activities to reduce fly-tipping
- g) Walk and Talk – mobilising communities to take sustainable action to support and enable local delivery of services
- h) Delivery of the SEE Event in Barnes Park – 29th, 30th June and 1st July 2017

- i) Ensure West communities are involved in and benefit from the Tall Ships Races which take place during 2018 (as outlined at March Area Committee)
- 4.2 The proposed detailed work plan for 2017 / 2018 is attached as **Item 2 Annex 2**. The work plan links directly into the Council's Corporate Plan (Regenerating our City and Future Council).

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 utilizing 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 at **Item 2 Annex 3**.
- 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 Place Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	Place Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Michael Essl
Barnes	Cllr Ian Galbraith
Pallion	Cllr Amy Wilson
Sandhill	Cllr Debra Waller
Silksworth	Cllr Philip Tye
St. Anne's	Cllr Karen Waters
St Chad's	Cllr Darryl Dixon

6. Recommendations

6.1 Members are requested to:-

- a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the West Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2016/17 attached as **Item 2 Annex 1**.
- b. Consider and agree the West Area Place Board Work Plan Priorities for 2017/18 attached as **Item 2 Annex 2**.
- c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2017/18 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 2 Annex 3**.