

## WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 5:30pm**

**VENUE – Farrington Youth and Community Centre, Allendale Rd,  
Sunderland SR3 3EL**

### Membership

Cllrs P Gibson (Chair), Haswell, (Vice Chair), Blackett, Burnicle, Crosby, Dunn, Edgeworth, Greener, Mann, Mc Donough, Mullen, Nicholson, Noble, O'Brien, Peacock, G. Smith, P. Smith and Tye.

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**Assistant Director of Law and Governance**

**7<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

## **Item 1d**

**At a meeting of the WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBER, on WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER, 2021 at 5.30 p.m.**

### **Present:-**

Councillor P. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors, Burnicle, Crosby, Dunn, Edgeworth, Greener, Haswell, Mann, McDonough Mullen, Nicholson Noble, O'Brien, Peacock, G. Smith, P. Smith and Tye

### **Also Present:-**

Kelly Brougham	VCS Network Representative, Active Families N.E.
Fiona Brown	Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Sunderland City Council
Victoria Gamblin	Head of Operations, Gentoo
Joanne Laverick	VCS Network Representative, Youth Almighty
Bill Leach	VCS Network Representative, Pennywell Com. Centre
David Noon	Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council
Steven Passey	Inspector, Northumbria Police
Helen Peverley	Area Arrangements Strategic Manager, Sunderland City Council
Gilly Stanley	Area Community Development Lead, Sunderland City Council

### **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Blackett.

### **Declarations of Interest**

Item 4 West Sunderland Area Budget Report

Councillor Tye declared an interest as a member of Youth Almighty Project in the applications for funding from the Neighbourhood Fund made by the Sunderland All Together Consortium.

Councillor Tye left the meeting at the appropriate point on the agenda taking no part in any discussion or decision thereon.

### **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 16<sup>th</sup> 22 September 2021 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **West Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023**

Councillor Haswell, Chair of the West Area Neighbourhoods and Community Board, presented the report (copy circulated) which:-

- i). Presented the West Sunderland Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020-2023; and
- ii). Provided an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

The Chairman thanked Councillor Haswell for his report and invited questions from Members. Councillor O'Brien having sought assurances regarding the sustainability of the Sunderland All Together Consortium, and that funding for the various youth organisations was spread evenly across the six wards of the Area Committee it was:-

2. RESOLVED that:-

- i) the progress and performance update with regard to the West Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan 2020/23 be noted,
- ii) approval be given to the proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1 of the report.
- iii). the recommendation of the Board to approve the West Youth Activities be supported
- iv). the recommendation of the Board to approve the West ASB youth activities be supported
- v). the recommendation of the Board to align the Highways Capital project be supported.

The Committee then received and noted a short video presentation detailing the work undertaken to deliver the various components of the West Area Delivery Plan.

### **Report of the West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network**

The Network submitted a progress report (copy circulated) which briefed members on issues pertinent to the Committee and the Voluntary and Community Sector.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Consideration was given to the report presented by Bill Leach which highlighted the following VCS Network activity undertaken since its last report to the Committee:-

- i) The receipt of presentations on Crowd Fund Sunderland and the VCS reps
- ii) A review of the frequency of VCS network meetings together with a call for agenda items for 2022. Those unable to attend the December Network Meeting had been sent a survey so all members could participate in the review.

- iii) The successful collaboration of West Area VCS groups to support the Extended Targeted Covid Community Champions project.
- iv) The receipt by Local West VCS organisations delivering the COVID Targeted Community Champion Programme of funding from Sunderland City Council to provide support to vulnerable households in most need this winter with Food and Fuel Support and Other Essential Needs.
- v) Work being undertaken to complement the Neighbourhood funded holiday activities.
- vi) the attendance of Joanne Laverick at various Strategic and operational meetings with the VCS Alliance.

The Chairman thanked Mr Leach for his report and invited questions from Members.

Councillor Edgeworth expressed his concerns that with regard to the winter support scheme, there was a potential reputational risk for the Council if Councillors exploited their involvement in the scheme for political gain eg via photographs in election leaflets. To mitigate against this, he suggested that the physical distribution of support should only be undertaken by officers. Helen Peverley, Area Arrangements Strategic Manager, briefed the Committee on the operation of the Scheme and advised that Councillors assisting with the scheme would be doing so in their capacity as volunteers.

3. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

### **Report of Gentoo**

Victoria Gamblin, Head of Operations, Gentoo Group presented a report, (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on current Gentoo developments, projects and priorities.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

In addition to the items detailed in the report, Ms Gamblin briefed the Committee on Gentoo's response to the effects of Storm Arwen that had hit Sunderland over the weekend. The Group had received over 6,500 calls and had carried out 800 urgent repairs to rooves. 45 fallen trees had kept the grounds maintenance team busy and with regard to fencing, 868 repair requests had been reported since Saturday.

The Chairman thanked Ms Gamblin for her report and invited questions from Members

Councillor Mann thanked Ms Gamblin for the work undertaken by Gentoo in tackling the devastation caused by Storm Arwen and welcomed the development work that was continuing at pace on the Prestbury Road site. She also looked forward to seeing the start of the Pennywell Environmental scheme in June. In response to an enquiry from Councillor Mann Ms Gamblin advised that she would send her confirmation of the plans to double glaze the outstanding properties in Pennywell.

Councillor Burnicle referred to the modular build of the Eco Housing and asked if it was true that they were manufactured outside of Sunderland as this would impact on the businesses of local traders such as plumbers. He asked if it was possible that the modules could be manufactured in the City. Ms Gamblin advised that she did not have that information to hand, but she would check and feedback to the Committee.

Councillor McDonough referred to Lakeside Towers and asked who was responsible for de-icing the paths around the properties as they were home to many elderly residents. He also referred to the long-term issue of parking in the area and asked if there was any strategy available to tackle it. Ms Gamblin advised that conversations were ongoing regarding the de-icing and that she could copy Councillor McDonough into the email trail. With regard to the issue of parking she advised that currently there was no long-term strategy in place.

Councillor Haswell asked if Ms Gamblin was able to comment on rumours that the Havelock Housing Office was to close and the building demolished. He also raised the issue of the Pennywell Fence Replacement Scheme in respect of the voids to the rear of some properties. Ms Gamblin replied that it was no secret that the staff from the Havelock Office would be relocating to City Hall as part of Gentoo's wider review of office accommodation. It was anticipated that the re-location would be undertaken during May/June 2022. There would be building on the Havelock site, but plans related to this were yet to be finalised. With regard to the voids Ms Gamblin advised that these would be picked up as part of the regeneration scheme and she would speak to the surveyor about this.

There being no further questions or comments, the Chairman thanked Ms Gamblin for her attendance and it was :-

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

### **Report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service**

A report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service (TWFRS) (copy circulated) was submitted which provided the Committee with an update on the Service's performance indicators for the period 1st April, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 with particular reference to the L133 Incidents (deliberate fires) broken down by property type.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

The Chairman advised that in the absence of the presenting officer, the report was submitted for information only. If members had any questions on the report, they should be emailed to Ms Stanley who would ensure that they received a reply in writing from the Fire and Rescue Service.

5. RESOLVED the report be received and noted

## **Report of Northumbria Police**

Inspector Steven Massey presented a verbal report of the Northumbria Police Service which provided the Committee with an update on key performance information in relation to the Sunderland West area over the previous 3 month period. He apologised that there was no written report in the agenda papers owing to him having only just taken up his position. He would ensure a written report was provided for all future meetings.

Members were advised that overall crime had increased by 1% during the period. This was to be expected as it included Bonfire Night and Halloween. There had been 2 additional burglaries over and above the figure for the previous period however over the last 6 weeks of the current period, there had been a 19% reduction in the number of burglaries. There was no identified pattern to the burglaries which would give rise to a greater cause for concern.

The number of cases in respect of vehicle crime had risen from 21 to 41 from the last period to this. The incidents had been spread evenly across the West Area with no discernible pattern. Analysis work was being undertaken to try and establish a reason for the sudden spike. It should be noted however, that despite the rise, the actual numbers were less than the figures for the previous year.

Anti-social behaviour was down by 9% across the area which was remarkable and a tribute to the work of the Neighbourhood Team and its partners in the West.

With regard to off road motorcycle crime this had reduced by 63% and a motorcycle had been seized earlier that day.

Inspector Massey thanked the Committee for their support and asked Members to continue to feed into the Team any issues that were of concern to them.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Massey to his first meeting of the Committee, thanked him for his report and invited questions from Members.

Councillor Mullen referred to a series of accidents occurring over the last 3-4 months in relation to the junction at the top of Ettrick Grove and Durham road. He had raised the issue of the junction's safety with the Council's Highway's Team who advised that they were reliant on receiving accident data from the Police and there had been none in respect of the junction since 2014. Councillor Mullen found this hard to believe as one of the accidents had involved occupants being cut out of vehicles while Police Officers were in attendance. He also raised the issue of a van that regularly parked with all 4 wheels on the pavement between the wall of a school on one side, and a rubbish bin on the other completely blocking the path for pedestrians. He had asked an Officer to remove it on previous occasions without success. Inspector Massey stated that being new to the area he was not yet up to speed with all of its issues. With regard to the accidents, he stated that certainly in respect of the one requiring people to be cut out from vehicles that this would have been recorded. With regard to the obstruction to the pavement he asked Councillor Mullen to Email him the details and he would ask an officer to investigate and email him with the reasons for the decision made.

Councillor McDonough thanked Insp. Massey for the work done by the local PC in response to reports of increases in petty crime in Herrington and Farringdon. Previously PCs had been placed on the beat in Allendale Road and the high profile, on the ground policing, had made a big difference. With 'Bobbies on the Beat' being seen less often, Councillor McDonough asked how easy was it for the Police to access Council CCTV footage? Insp. Massey replied that the Police had very good links with the Council in this regard, with Police Officers having laptops that could connect straight away to the CCTV system.

Councillor Mann referred to the increasing despair felt by store managers at the Portsmouth Road Shopping centre with regard to rising Anti-Social Behaviour. There was a desire to set up a meeting with partners and the Police to address the issue and Asda had offered to provide a venue. Insp. Massey advised Councillor Mann that if she set up the meeting either he or a Police Sergeant would be happy to attend.

Councillor Greener advised of an increasing problem of shoplifting and drug dealing in Chester Road which she felt was being ignored. She believed the issue, especially in relation to drugs needed to be tackled as it tended to be the driver behind other crime.

Insp. Massey concurred that drugs tended to be the root cause of a lot of other crime. He informed the Committee that he had a proactive style and a desire to get on top of things. He asked that members continued to report issues to the Police. Intelligence work tended to be a slow process but the more evidence, the greater the chance of a successful funding proposal to effectively tackle the issue.

Councillor Peacock advised that he had a similar issue to Councillor Mullen with regard to an accident blackspot at the Pennywell / Portsmouth Road junction where there had been two serious crashes recently. He also referred to the Police use of Twitter to disseminate information and especially the ability to highlight successful operations, but he felt there was still more that could be done with new technology to assist the public in reporting crime, especially making reporting more streamlined, allowing people to 'ping' the police about an incident.

Insp. Massey replied that Northumbria Police were currently going through a massive review of its technology with regard to reporting which would allow it to state 'You told Us, We did it, Here's the Proof'. The NP Alerts system was currently being piloted and was due to be launched during 2022.

In response to an enquiry from Councillor O'Brien regarding Northumbria Police resources in the West Area, Insp Massey advised that there were 2 Sgts, 8 PCs and 7 PCSOs operating across two teams.

The Chairman referred to Insp Massey's predecessor, Insp Pollock, and on behalf of the Committee thanked her for all her hard work undertaken on behalf of the Committee and wished her well in her new position. Insp Massey confirmed that he would relay the Committee's thanks to Insp Pollock.

The Chairman then thanked Council Officers for their work undertaken to tackle the affects of the damage caused by storm Arwen. Councillor P. Smith also paid tribute to the friends of Silksworth Park for their work in this regard.

There being no further questions or comments for Insp. Massey, the Chairman thanked him for his report and it was:-

6. RESOLVED the report be received and noted.

### **West Area Budget Report**

The Assistant Director of Community Resilience submitted a report (copy circulated) in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Gilly Stanley Area Community Development Lead, presented the report highlighting the Committee's financial statement, details of projects approved under delegated powers for support from the 2021/22 Community Chest budgets, together with details of proposals for the allocation of funds from the Neighbourhood Fund and the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Fund.

Consideration having been given to the report, it was:-

7. RESOLVED that:-

- (i) the Area Committee's funding statement as detailed in sections 2.1 and 3.1 of the report be received and noted;
- (ii) approval be given to the granting of NF funding of £213,480 to the Sunderland All Together Consortium in respect of West Youth Activities as set out in Section 2.3 and Annex 1 of the report;
- (iii) approval be given to the granting of NF funding of £32,460 to Sunderland All Together Consortium in respect of West Youth ASB as detailed in paragraph 2.3 and Annex 1 of the report;
- (iv) approval be given the alignment of £270,971 funding from the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund to support highways investment in the West, subject to further detail being developed by the Neighbourhood and Community Board and referred back to the Area committee for full Approval
- (v) the approval of the 11 Community Chest applications from the 2021/22 budget as detailed in Annex 2 of the report be noted.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting having thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions.

(Signed) P. GIBSON,  
Chairman.

15 MARCH 2022

**REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF WEST SUNDERLAND  
NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD**

**West Sunderland Area Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020-2023**

**1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 This report:

- a. Presents the West Sunderland Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020-2023; and
- b. Provides an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 Following the approval of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans in March 2020, the West Sunderland Area Committee has worked together to finalise their Delivery Plans. All priorities have been determined following significant resident consultation via Let's Talk Sunderland. The Council also undertook further consultation with residents, during June 2020, to ensure the priorities were still relevant post COVID-19.

**3. Area Committee and Neighbourhood Investment Plan Governance Arrangements**

- 3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:
- a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a neighbourhood level; and
  - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's City Plan at a neighbourhood level and ensuring maximum impact where necessary, through utilising its own resources.
- 3.2 The Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans were approved at Cabinet in March 2020.
- 3.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their agreed priorities to support the delivery of the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Area Committee Delivery Plans have been developed to enable this to happen.
- 3.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board will be the working group for the Area Committee and the Board will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. All Committee members are invited to attend all Board meetings.
- 3.5 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 and recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committee for final endorsement. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in June 2021.

#### 4. Areas of Key Action and Progress

- 4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of action and/or progress of the Board, up to February 2022, with greater detail set out in **Annex 1**, which informs the Area Activity Tracker to allow residents to monitor Area Committee's progress throughout the year.

Issue / Area Priority	Action / Update
Develop a plan for Green gyms – consider locations and equipment across the West	All 6 Outdoor Gym sites are now open. Each site has a variety of equipment to exercise arms and legs. The Site locations are, Hylton Road Playing Fields, King George Playing Fields, Silksworth Recreation Park, Barnes Park, East Herrington Park and Thorney Close
Carry out a review, audit and capital improvements across Sunderland Cemeteries.	The Bereavement Service Manager was invited along to the November 2021 Board meeting. An update was provided on improvements and service changes. Member were informed about a new joint working group being established across the City, between Officers and Councillors to improve the appearance and design of cemeteries. Members were invited to the working group. Update pending
Update to be provided on amount of investment planned by Highways Services for highways, pavements and street lighting replacement programme	<p>A report on proposed highways to include in the 2021 / 2022 Programme was considered by the Area Committee in March 2021 and agreed. Further updates have been received and Members have fed areas for consideration in the 2022-2023 programme. At the February Board meeting the Board considered the recommendations for 2022-2023 and made some changes. This revised report is being recommended for approval at the Area Committee Item 2 Annex 2</p> <p>Following the various Task and Finish groups on highway improvements, proposals were presented to the Board in February. Those proposals are being recommended for approval at the Area Committee. Details can be found in Item 4 Annex 2</p> <p>Applications have been received for improvements to Highways from across the West Area £270,971 Neighbourhood Capital funding and £17,913 Neighbourhood funding are being recommended to Area Committee for approval</p>
West Area Committee approved £120k to improvements to play areas in the West.	Area Committee agreed a Play Improvement project. The project has experienced delays due to market conditions and in some cases vandalism to play areas. 5 sites (Hylton Road Playing Fields, Silksworth Recreation Park, East Herrington Park, King George Playing Fields, Thorney Close, Grindon Lane and Barnes Park) are now complete and equipment is being used regularly. Portsmouth Road

	has experienced delays and vandalism, work is expected to complete in the coming weeks.
Consider improvements to the Stephenson Trail – working alongside other areas (Coalfield and East)	<p>A multi area Task and Finish group continues to meet. The action plan has been developed to support this project and work continues. At the September Area Committee £50,000 Neighbourhood Capital funding was approved.</p> <p>In February 2022, the Task Group received an update on the Walking the Routes results, which has been shared with key Council Services and Partners to identify what actions they can deliver against. This will identify outstanding works which will need additional resources to complete the works, which area funding will contribute towards.</p> <p>The Cultural Spring secured the contract to deliver the Educational programme and are aiming to engage with seven primary schools, whose location is near the Trail. The Schools will work with specialists from the creative sector to produce an Education Pack which will be shared with other Primary Schools within the City. In addition, there is an array of community activities on offer during 2022, which include: way markers competition; song writing; banners and flags project; photo competition; oral history recordings; pop up gigs across the Summer months; the West Area Committee will promote the Trail at their hugely successful annual Barnes Park event, as well as, the Hetton 2000 Group promoting it at the Hetton Steam Carnival.</p> <p>Discussions are being held with Highways about the feasibility of exploring options to connect the Trail to other routes (e.g. Laura's Loop / Lambton route), making it more varied and accessible. The Events Team are considering if the Trail should be used as part of the annual BIG bike or walk event in 2022 and have added the route to the Step Up app.</p> <p>The Task Group is liaising and co-ordinating plans with the Elemore Greenspace Project, including the installation of an iconic art feature at the beginning of the route, and the River Sunderland regeneration developments and events programme.</p>

## 5. Recommendation(s)

### 5.1 Members are requested to:

- i. Consider the progress and performance update with regard to West Sunderland Neighbourhood and Community Board Delivery Plan 2020-2023 and agree proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1.

- ii. Support the recommendation to approve the West Highways Improvements – details in Item 2 Annex 2
- iii. Support the recommendation to approve the Neighbourhood Capital Improvements and Neighbourhood Fund Highways improvements Project details in Item 4 Annex 1

Annex 1                      West Sunderland Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020-2023

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## West Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023

Updated February 2022



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 West 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 West 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 West Area Priorities for 2020 – 2023 are:

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| 1. Work with private landlords                  | 12. Drainage  |
| 2. Invest in street furniture                   | 13. Promote Heritage Assets and Deliver Heritage Activities |
| 3. Invest in green space                        | 14. Support Local Shopping Centres                          |
| 4. Love Where You Live and In Bloom             | 15. Digital   |
| 5. Transport Routes and Parking                 | 16. Job Clubs   |
| 6. Highways, pavements and street lighting      | 17. Healthy Eating  |
| 7. Parks, play, cycle and walking routes        | 18. Support Youth Clubs                                     |
| 8. Social Prescribing                           | 19. Welfare Rights Support                                  |
| 9. Support voluntary and community sector       |   |
| 10. Volunteer platform                          |   |
| 11. Support communities to deliver local events |   |

It is now the responsibility of West 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. Work with private landlords by ward and proactively deal with issues using all available enforcement powers</b>		
<b>Links to: A Dynamic Smart City <i>More and better housing</i></b>		
Assistant Director Housing to present full update on Housing to West Neighbourhood and Community Board	West Area Committee to consider update and how they can enhance and support the offer within the West area.	The Assistant Director of Housing attended the February 2020 Neighbourhood and Community Board and updated on the developments within the service area.
<b>2. Invest in Street Furniture including additional bins</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b>		
Receive an update on bins installations and new locations identified with members including smart bin technology in key locations	List to be provided to West Area and costs to be established for capital spend.	At the March 2021 Area Committee funding was approved to replace 48 110ltr bins, 4 dog bins, 19 post mounted and 6 benches. Bins were installed over the summer and continued into Autumn. Benches are due to arrive soon.
Removal or Painting of pedestrian barriers and other street furniture		The Neighbourhood and Community Board have agreed to hold further discussions regarding this priority later in the year. Wards continue to use their Walk and Talk projects to address ward based issues.
<b>3. Enhance local green spaces and encourage wider use including sports equipment, refurbishment of existing equipment and delivery of activities which support health and wellbeing</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive City and neighbourhoods</i> A Healthy Smart City <i>Reduced health inequalities enabling more people to live healthier longer lives</i></b>		
Develop a plan for Green gyms – consider locations and equipment across the West	Area Committee Development Lead (ACDL) to coordinate and arrange a Task and Finish group and regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board.	All 6 Outdoor Gym sites are now open. Each site has a variety of equipment to exercise arms and legs. The Site locations are, Hylton Road Playing Fields, King George Playing Fields, Silksworth Recreation Park, Barnes Park, East Herrington Park and Thorney Close.

Improve walking routes and fitness trails- linked to improved cycle routes- signage, improved surfaces, maps.	Promote View ranger and gather information from relevant service area to understand gaps in West and suggest improvements.	The relevant service areas attended the February Board and updated on plans for the city. Members supported the plans and are also keen to enhance existing routes, further details to be discussed at a future Board meeting. Work continues with the Stephenson Trail, with improvements planned for 2022.
Parks and Open Green Spaces		The Assistant Director of Community Resilience attended the July board and provided an update on Parks and Open green spaces and the capital investment proposals. Work has begun to deliver the improvements and updates will be provided to future Board meetings. An update is due to be provide in April 2022
Carry out a review, audit and capital improvements across Sunderland Cemeteries.	Invite the Bereavement Service Manager along to a future meeting to discuss.	The Bereavement Service Manager was invited along to the November 2021 Board meeting. An update was provided on improvements and service changes. Member were informed about a new joint working group being established across the City, between Officers and Councillors to improve the appearance and design of cemeteries. Members were invited to the working group. Update pending
Continue to develop ward based projects that utilise the Walk and Talk budget	ACDL to continue to work with ward members to deliver projects following member walk arounds.	Ward members continue to allocate the Walk and Talk budgets in each ward.

#### **4. Launch 'Love where you live' campaign and In Bloom**

**Links to:** *A Healthy Smart City Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods*

Continue to receive updates from the Clean and Green Project and the Voluntary Community Sector on community litter picks and environmental projects and ensure they advertise opportunities for residents/schools etc to get involved.	Continue to monitor the project and hold regular steering group meetings.	Environmental improvements/litter picks and community activities have been delivered across all wards. The steering group met in November and agreed a refreshed action plan for 2022. Work continues across the West with Volunteering opportunities being promoted across the Wards. The Clean and Green team are actively involved in the Great British Spring Clean.
Develop plans for a West wide in bloom delivery	Continue to monitor projects approved.	The Neighbourhood and Community Board Launched a Call for Projects. Applications for The Keep Sunderland West Tidy Programme. Were approved at September Area Committee. Projects are delivering across the West. Opportunities involving local residents are promoted on the West Area Facebook page and the individual projects pages and within each centre and local area. Over 20 litter picks have taken place with support from over 400 volunteer hours.
To understand more about the Enforcement measures and opportunities to enhance in the West to encourage more to 'Love where you live'		The West Enforcement project has begun the recruitment process and has placed the order for the CCTV cameras. Once the workers are in place, updates will be provided. All Neighbourhood wardens have been provided with information in relation to Community Provision for signposting including Youth activities.
<b>5. Review transport routes in partnership with all providers in consultation with residents. Pick up localised parking issues – residential and shopping</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy Smart City Great transport and travel links</b>		
Consider parking issues at St Luke's Terrace		The Asset and Network Manager attended the Neighbourhood and Community Board and discussed the issues faced around the area

		with regards to parking. The Neighbourhood and Community Board will discuss the matter at a future meeting and consider options.
<b>6. Invest in highways, pavements and street lighting</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Great transport and travel links</i> <i>A Vibrant Smart City People feeling safe in their neighbourhoods</i> <i>A Healthy City Smart City Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i>		
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 West Area Committee.	<p>A report on proposed highways to include in the 2021 / 2022 Programme was considered by the Area Committee in March 2021 and agreed. Further updates have been received and Members have fed areas for consideration in the 2022-2023 programme. At the February Board meeting the Board considered the recommendations for 2022-2023 and made some changes. This revised report is being recommended for approval at the Area Committee Item 2 Annex 2</p> <p>Following the various Task and Finish groups on highway improvements, proposals were presented to the Board in February. Those proposals are being recommended for approval at the Area Committee. Details can be found in Item 4 Annex 2</p> <p>Applications have been received for improvements to Highways from across the West Area £270,971 Neighbourhood Capital funding and £17,913 Neighbourhood funding are being recommended to Area Committee for approval</p>

Consider traffic calming measures on Silksworth Lane alongside parking restrictions		New traffic restrictions around the area have now been completed. Consideration to be made to future traffic calming measures. As part of the Task and Finish group traffic calming measures were incorporated into the suggestions.
<b>7. Invest in Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes in consultation with residents and users</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i> <i>A Healthy Smart City Cleaner and more attractive City and neighbourhoods</i> <i>A Healthy Smart City Reduced health inequalities enabling more people to live healthier longer lives</i>		
West Area Committee approved £120k to improvements to play areas in the West.		Area Committee agreed a Play Improvement project. The project has experienced delays due to market conditions and in some cases vandalism to play areas. 7 Sites (Hylton Road Playing Fields, Silksworth Recreation Park, East Herrington Park, King George Playing Fields, Thorney Close, Grindon Lane and Barnes Park) are now complete and equipment is being used regularly. Portsmouth Road has experienced delays and vandalism, work is expected to complete in the coming weeks.
Consider improvements to existing cycle routes and improve digital routes	Request update from relevant service on City and Area Plans and then consider capital improvements to support Area improvements.	
Consider new cycle routes	Relevant Officers invited to a future board meeting, to discuss City plans and local proposals	The relevant service areas attended the Board and updated on plans for the city. Members supported the plans and are also keen to enhance existing routes, further details to be discussed at a future Board meeting.
<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>		

<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Reduced health inequalities enabling more people to live healthier longer lives</i> <i>A Healthy Smart City People enjoying independent lives</i> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Business growth and investment in VCS</b>		
Ensure the West VCS continue to be supported to provide services and activities to local residents	ACDL to continue to provide updates to the Neighbourhood and Community Board.	Activities and services have continued to be delivered throughout 2020-2021 using Community Chest and Walk and Talk. Support has continued to be offered to ensure maximum external funding attracted.
West Area Committee in partnership with Public Health Funding to support health related projects in Sunderland West. Funding aligned- linking with Green Gym development	When green gym project delivered- ensure VCS are supported to maximise usage of equipment safely and effectively.	
<b>9. Support the voluntary and community sector to grow capacity to provide additional services and extend opening times within local community venues as well as host community events, activities and nurture family learning</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More residents participating in their communities</i> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Increasing social value through procurement and wider activity</b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Business growth and investment in VCS</b>		
Work with and support our VCS and community hubs and support and build capacity at a grassroots level.	Area Co-ordinator to provide update in line with the development of support and capacity building as a strategic approach.	<p>The VCS has continued to be supported by the Area Committee, the VCS network continues to be supported to ensure they have access to all internal and external funding opportunities. The Sunderland VCS Alliance has now been established and updates provided to members at the September Board meeting. The West Community Support worker is now in post. A task and finish group has been arranged to discuss this priority and prepare feedback to a future board meeting.</p> <p>A Task and Finish group has been arranged for March 2022, feedback will be provided to a future Board meeting.</p>

<b>10. Launch a volunteer platform to support residents to get involved more within their communities</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More residents participating in their communities</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i>		
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 continue to be linked to residents and Voluntary groups who require support. Volunteering opportunities for the Great British Spring Clean 2022 are due to be advertised with activities being held across the West working alongside the West Clean and Green project.
<b>11. Support communities to deliver local events</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i>		
West Area Committee funded a large-scale event for 2022- delivered by Youth Almighty Project		Event postponed until 2022. Schools have begun to be re-engaged by Youth Almighty Project; updates will be provided at key stages of the planning of the 3 day event. The theme for the event is digital with a variety of activities being planned to engage young people and families. The links to the Stephenson Trail will also form part of the activities.
Consider purchasing event equipment for communities		
Festive lights and celebrations	£60,000 approved from Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme	Each ward has considered the impact of lights and appropriate schemes have been installed. Those without suitable locations will consider this project and discuss details at a Future Board meeting.
<b>12. Additional Drainage cleansing programme</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Cleaner and more attractive City and neighbourhoods</i>		
Continue to support local traders and link in with flooding officers regarding local issues.		A Task and Finish group took place in September 2021, Members received updates on localised issues and City wide provision.

13. Communicate heritage assets and delivery heritage activities to improve health and wellbeing and improve community cohesion		
Links to: <b>A Vibrant Smart City <i>More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b>		
Consider improvements to the Stephenson Trail – working alongside other areas (Coalfield and East)	July Neighbourhood and Community Board agreed to consider the Stephenson Trail and the heritage around the site. Need to understand the other areas interest and set up a Task and Finish group to consider.	<p>A multi area Task and Finish group continues to meet. The action plan has been developed to support this project and work continues. At the September Area Committee £50,000 Neighbourhood Capital funding was approved.</p> <p>In February 2022, the Task Group received an update on the Walking the Routes results, which has been shared with key Council Services and Partners to identify what actions they can deliver against. This will identify outstanding works which will need additional resources to complete the works, which area funding will contribute towards.</p> <p>The Cultural Spring secured the contract to deliver the Educational programme and are aiming to engage with seven primary schools, whose location is near the Trail. The Schools will work with specialists from the creative sector to produce an Education Pack which will be shared with other Primary Schools within the City. In addition, there is an array of community activities on offer during 2022, which include: way markers competition; song writing; banners and flags project; photo competition; oral history recordings; pop up gigs across the Summer months; the West Area Committee will promote the Trail at their hugely successful annual Barnes Park event,</p>

		<p>as well as, the Hetton 2000 Group promoting it at the Hetton Steam Carnival.</p> <p>Discussions are being held with Highways about the feasibility of exploring options to connect the Trail to other routes (e.g. Laura's Loop / Lambton route), making it more varied and accessible. The Events Team are considering if the Trail should be used as part of the annual BIG bike or walk event in 2022 and have added the route to the Step Up app.</p> <p>The Task Group is liaising and co-ordinating plans with the Elemore Greenspace Project, including the installation of an iconic art feature at the beginning of the route, and the River Sunderland regeneration developments and events programme.</p>
Consider the installation of the Silksworth Pit wheel	Work with the heritage team to consider the installation of the Silksworth Pit wheel.	<p>The Area Committee agreed to Capital funding of £17,500. The planning application has been submitted and approved for the location behind the miners' cottages – opposite the ski slope. Meetings have been held with Highways to assess relocation/transport requirements. The tender package has been approved and work is due to begin on site shortly.</p>
<b>14. Invest in local shopping centres and support local businesses to ensure they continue to thrive</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Dynamic Smart City A stronger city centre with more businesses, housing and cultural opportunities</i> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More residents participating in their communities</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Business growth and investment in VCS</i>		
Continue with the capital improvement projects from local shopping centre budgets - Budgets remain in Sandhill, St Chad's and Barnes)		Wards have been considering the improvements that could be made, deep cleans are being delivered and wrapping of

		bins to bring identity to smaller shopping parades are being considered. The Festive lights funding has been used to enhance 3 shopping areas within the West.
<b>15. Increase 5g access across all neighbourhoods and support people with digital resources</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Dynamic Smart City A lower carbon City with greater digital connectivity for all</i> <i>A Dynamic Smart City More local people with better qualifications and skills</i>		
Improve access and knowledge of ICT to reduce social isolation	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.	The Area Committee approved the project to be delivered by Media Savvy with the project beginning mid April 2021. The VCS network have been updated on the project and many groups are coming forward to be involved. Whilst the project which has experience delays due to Covid it has begun its work with existing provision to enhance the offer to local residents in addition to working with various community centres to develop an ICT hub. Main hubs and mini hubs have been receiving technical support on equipment and access requirements. To date 125 people have access digital support to date with over 120 people being signposted to other services.
<b>16. Create job clubs and education centres within local community venues including digital skill training and basic skills</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Dynamic Smart City More and better jobs</i> <i>A Dynamic Smart City More local people with better qualifications and skills</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</i>		
West Area Committee Invited Pennywell Youth Project (PYP) to apply for an extension to the CLLD project	PYP invited to full application for CLLD extension utilising existing alignment of funding from previous years allocation.	The project continues to be delivered alongside the other CLLD projects. All working in partnership to ensure residents from across the West receive the support required.
Continue to receive updates on existing CLLD projects in the West and consider extensions to	Receive a performance update on existing projects.	At the September Area Committee the REACT phase 2 project was approved. Other area projects continue to deliver and support

existing projects and consider new applications requiring match		residents in Job Searches or Employment Training or Education.
Continue to receive updates on West NEET project	Receive a performance update on existing project.	The NEET project delivered by Youth Almighty Project alongside other youth providers in the West. Throughout this project over 50 young people have received meaningful engagement and 39 young people have progressed into Education, Training or Employment.
<b>17. Eating healthy meals and learning to prepare and cook food, delivery sessions within local community.</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Access to equitable opportunities and life chances</i> <i>A Healthy Smart City Reduced health inequalities enabling more people to live healthier longer lives</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</i>		
Receive update on Holiday hunger activities deliver 2019-2020 and consider deliver for 2020-2021.	Receive a performance report from existing projects delivering holiday hunger activities and consider proposals for future need and delivery.	The Area Committee approved £48,000 to further extend the Holiday Hunger activities projects across the West. The 6 project leads submitted applications to deliver sessions across the May, Summer, October, Christmas, February and Easter 2022 holiday periods. Activities have been delivered the school holidays, lead groups have worked with other funding providers to ensure that activities are increased where possible.
<b>18. Support youth clubs and spaces for young people to be safe together</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Access to equitable opportunities and life chances</i> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More people feeling safe in their homes and neighbourhoods</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</i>		
Receive updates from Sunderland All Together Consortium on project delivery and consider gaps when identified.		Members received a presentation from Sunderland All Together Consortium, the Consortium were invited to full application for 2 project proposals. Applications and the details of the projects were approved at December Area Committee and work has begun to be delivered with regular meetings

		with Members and young people being involved in the delivery models.
Consider if facilities need capital improvements and or additional equipment for detached and outreach work.		A Task and Finish group has met and discussed the support required for the VCS. Discussions are taking place with other Council departments to understand the capital improvements required. A further Task and Finish group due to take place in March 22 will discuss these findings and feed back to the Board. Individual wards are working with groups and identifying opportunities to utilise Walk and Talk Funding
Mental Health and Wellbeing support		At the September Area Committee, the application for Mental Health and Wellbeing sessions in Secondary schools across the West delivered by If U Care Share was approved £44,496. Regular updates to be provided to the Neighbourhood and Community Board.
<b>19. Support those who are struggling due to Universal Credit and other financial conditions</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy Smart City Access to equitable opportunities and life chances Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</b>		
Invite Welfare rights service to submit proposals for West Support - consider a 3-year proposal.	Understand if other areas are considering this priority and invite proposal.	Area Committee agreed the 3 year project to the value of £150,000. Recruitment is underway and the additional support for local residents is being delivered. Up until December 2021, 372 residents have received information, advice and guidance and 148 residents are more resilient and able to help themselves in a crisis.

## **WEST AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD**

**16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022**

### **HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2022-23**

#### **REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION**

##### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is for members to consider and recommend to Area Committee the list of streets for their area, to a value of £100,000 that should be included in the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme 2022-2023.

##### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 At November's Neighbourhood and Community Board, members were informed of the process for developing and approving the 2022-2023 Highway Maintenance Capital Programme for works on the adopted highway network.
- 2.2 At the meeting Board members were informed that a citywide programme of priority schemes would be prepared by officers to a value of 75% of the available Local Transport Plan (LTP) Highway Maintenance budget allocation and that 25% of the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme would be allocated to the members for spend on their recommended list of maintenance schemes.
- 2.3 Subject to Cabinet approval and Council ratification the amount of LTP capital allocation for Highway Maintenance will be in the region of £2m. Based on this amount £500,000 in total has been allocated to the Regeneration Areas.

##### **3.0 PROGRAMME**

- 3.1 In determining the candidate streets for the proposed Highway Maintenance Programme 2022-2023, information has been analysed and considered from the following sources:
- Machine based and manual (driven and walked) condition surveys.
  - Councillors' input throughout the year, as well as the recent submissions following October's emailed invitation.
  - Reports from residents and businesses
  - Highway inspectors' reports and engineers' inspections.

Officers also examine accident claim locations and consider whether scheme work would be appropriate to mitigate future claims.

- 3.2 Appended to this report is a table, which contains the candidate streets for consideration. To assist members deliberations officers have prioritised a list of streets (shown in bold), which totals the £100,000 (or thereabouts) area allocation, and takes into account local priorities.
- 3.3 Members may wish to endorse this list or, following discussions with their Area colleagues, choose to replace some of those streets highlighted in the table with those that are not

highlighted. A set of A4 plans highlighting the limits of the works at each location will be made available to the councillors to view online.

#### **4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

Neighbourhood and Community Board members are recommended to consider the streets listed in the table up to a value of £100,000 (or thereabouts), and confirm, the schemes to be recommended to the March West Area Committee for inclusion in the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme 2022-2023.

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Alma Street	St.Anne's	400	Resurface carriageway		5200
Portsmouth Road	St.Anne's	2 No	Renew Speed cushions		3000
Wear Street	St.Anne's	580	Resurface carriageway		7500
Foxcover Lane	St. Chad's	300	Resurface carriageway		8600
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15 MARCH 2022

**REPORT OF WEST AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK****1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The report provides an update with regards to the West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 To develop the capacity and influence of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) across the City, Area Networks are in place and delegates represent each Area Network at Area Committee, taking forward issues on behalf of the whole VCS in the area, reporting on area priority delivery by the VCS, and reporting back, providing a two-way flow of communication.
- 2.2 West Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.
- 2.3 The West VCS Network is made up of over 70 local groups, as well as strategic local/national/regional partners. The network meets in the West on a regular basis to share good practice and support one another. The network feeds into a virtual network and feed into and receives weekly updates as part of an information share.

**3. West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network (AVCSN) Progress Report**

- 3.1 The West VCS Network met in person in December 2021 and again in March 2022. At the December meeting the network welcomed presentations on the Crowd Fund Sunderland and the VCS reps. Groups also shared details on activities being delivered in centres across the West.
- 3.2 Reps have received the results from their recent survey which has shown that people want to meet in person and have a venue with parking and a large space, so the network will move around the area. The days that were chosen were Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday so the reps have set the days to be varied. Organisations have asked for the dates to be set in advance and have asked for topics that were informative. All future meetings will cover the topics organisations have requested.
- 3.3 At the March VCS Network meeting members welcomed an update from the Sunderland Voluntary Sector Alliance. The update included a summary of actions since their event at Bede Tower, the progress on creating an independent organisation, and Training opportunities. Sarah Lattaway the Sunderland VCS Alliance Community Support (West) worker gave an update on the work she has been doing to support West area organisations. The workshop focused on the future governance of the VCS Alliance. Future discussions will take place but members in attendance offered their views and support.
- 3.4 Local VCS organisations have been invited to apply to Deliver targeted activities across Sunderland during 2022, within neighbourhoods, to support older residents at risk of Falling, to improve their Strength and Balance and reduce their social isolation
- 3.5 Local VCS organisations have been invited to apply to deliver targeted activities across the west to support older residents in reducing social isolation and loneliness.
- 3.6 Organisations from the West are continuing to work collaboratively to provide support to vulnerable households in most need with Food, Fuel and Other Essential Needs.
- 3.7 Our Network representative Joanne Laverick continues to attend various Strategic and operational meetings with the Sunderland VCS Alliance.

**4. Recommendation**

- 4.1 Members are requested to note the content of this report.

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**15 March 2022**

## **REPORT OF GENTOO**

### **1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The following report provides an update from Gentoo for the West Area Committee from December 2021 to March 2022.

### **2 Background**

- 2.1 Area Committee agreed that regular updates from Gentoo would be presented to each Committee meeting to enable members to be up to date on current Gentoo developments, projects and priorities.

### **3. Update on Neighbourhood Services**

- 3.1 Housing and Property teams within Gentoo have been dealing with the impact of recent storms and adverse weather upon our properties and customers. We now have a joint out of hours response to deal with emergencies and to contact our most vulnerable customers to ensure they are safe and well. Due to the level and frequency of adverse weather over this winter, there is a backlog of repairs, particularly non urgent fencing and roofing jobs. On the Monday following Storm Malik we received more than 3,000 calls, an almost fourfold increase on normal call levels and we are now reprioritising outstanding jobs and updating customers.
- 3.2 We have reviewed how we relet our properties and have brought together colleagues from Housing and Property in a One Gentoo voids team. This team focuses on the whole process from receiving a customer termination to the start of a new tenancy. This aims to reduce relet times and decrease rent loss, as well improve the customer experience for current and future tenants.

### **4. Investment & Renewal**

- 4.1 Chestergate, Pennywell update - Phase 1 works are progressing well on site, Phase 1 delivery (118 plots). Of these 16 plots have legally completed, 22 plots have exchanged contracts and 4 are anticipated to legally complete by the end of this month. We have a further 13 plots reserved. Construction works are currently anticipated to complete on site late next year.
- 4.2 Prestbury Road Site, Pennywell update – Practically completed all 10 units and ready for handover to new tenants. Properties have been advertised with significant interest, 2 beds received 362 bids and 3 beds received 496 bids.
- 4.3 Bellmen Green (old Silksworth Housing Office) - this scheme will deliver 13 new homes (2 and 3 bed) all for affordable rent. Properties have been advertised and received significant interest with 500 bids received for the 3 beds and 437 bids for the 2 beds. Handovers due in April and practically complete.
- 4.4 Pennywell Environmental Scheme is anticipated to start in June 2022 and run over three financial years. This will be the biggest single social housing investment scheme in the

northeast. It will look at render, external wall's, fencing, outhouse doors, corner sites and parking. Currently working with tenants in preparation for this.

- 4.6 Thorney Close has 670 addresses planned for new windows.
- 4.7 Lakeside, we have ongoing roof works following the recent storm damage at Australia & Altrincham Tower. There is a vent cleaning program (in each flat kitchen) ongoing across the 7 towers. Initial stages of a program to instal AOV's (Automatic opening ventilation system) for the communal windows and an upgraded fire alarm system. Strengthening works to Altrincham Tower ready to start and finally prestart meeting taking place for External decoration to all 7 towers.

## **5. Recommendations**

- 5.1 Note the content of this report.

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15th March 2022

## REPORT OF THE TYNE AND WEAR FIRE SERVICE

### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report gives Performance Monitoring details in relation to the Local Indicators for Sunderland West Committee area from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

### 2 Background

- 2.1 At its November 2011 meeting Area Committee agreed that regular updates on Crime and Community Safety would be presented to each Committee meeting.

### 3. Tyne and Wear Fire Service Update

#### 3.1 LI 02 Number of Deaths from all fires

No deaths were recorded during the reporting period.

#### 3.2 LI 14 All Deliberate Property Fires excluding Primary road vehicles

There were 5 deliberate property fires, a reduction of 3 from last year. The continued partnership working with Northumbria Police, Gentoo, Sunderland city council and departments within have continued to work in partnership to reduce these incidents with some of the work carried out under the SARA project and similar localised targeting via LMAPS teams.

Some of the partnership work carried out to tackle the rise in incidents at the former police station seemed positive. Work including enhancing site security, clearing and reporting refuse collection/uplifts and increased patrols at key times. Unfortunately this is still a continued problem which will only eliminate this long ongoing problem when the site is cleared. To assist in deliberate property fires crews have been tasked with reporting unsecure premises in conjunction with ASB reporting.

#### 3.3 LI15 Number of primary road vehicle fires started deliberately

There were 29 incidents reported during this period compared to last year when there were 43. A decrease of 33%. St Anne's and Silksworth saw 7 and 6 vehicle fires respectively over this period. During this period 3 incidents were attended in the area between Hylton road and Portsmouth road and similarly 3 vans in and around Silksworth Lane and Warwick terrace. It is believed that they were not connected in any way, however TWFRS continue to work with Northumbria Police regarding this matter and shall continue to monitor.

#### 3.4 LI16 Number of secondary fires not involving property or road vehicles started deliberately

There have been 403 deliberate secondary fires in this area over the report period compared to 207 over the same period last year. This is an increase of 94% over the same reporting period. Pandemic lock downs during some of the reporting periods last year played a part in these figures. Some problematic areas have been Silksworth Ward - 83 incidents in particular the grassed area close to Primate Road and former police station site. Pallion ward 78 incidents - areas such as the land at the rear of Prestwick road. Sandhill ward – 72 the areas of Tay road and Thorney close. Lots of great partner

working with local authority, Gentoo, environmental services and Northumbria police. Increased patrols, Joint social media targeting and messaging. We have even used parent mail via several schools – eg Sandhill view Academy

### **3.5 LI33 All deliberate Fires (combination of LI14, LI15 and LI16)**

There were a total of 437 deliberate fires in this reporting period (up to and including 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022). An increase of 69% on last Year. This is due to an increase in predominantly loose refuse/rubbish incidents and additional problems which were previously seen in and around the Thornrey close area and the former police station. The impact of a series of violent storms which the region has suffered has had an impact on property accessibility (due to the large number of fences being destroyed) This has made access to wheelie bins easier and the additional timber from the destroyed fence posts and panels has made this loose material more readily available which has subsequently been used as fuel for many incidents. Vehicle fire incidents have decreased. TWFRS are working with Sunderland city council environmental department, Gentoo to tackle loose refuse fires with work in the Sandhill and Pallion areas. Fire crews continue to monitor and report uplifts in the “hot spot areas”. Continued partnership work (Northumbria police) carrying out estate and site visits to reduce the number of loose refuse incidents. Any information regards any type of deliberate fire setting should be reported via the anonymous fire stoppers number.

### **3.6 Community Involvement**

TWFRS continues to be involved with the hugely successful SARA project. The fire service have continued to support partners as part of the ongoing COVID response. Community education and safety information is being delivered through our home Safe and well delivery. Targeting our most vulnerable members of our community. It is anticipated that operational crews from Farringdon shall have delivered over 500 safe and wells before the end of the financial year.

All secondary schools were targeted in the build up to bonfire night with some locations having joint police and fire visits enforcing key ASB and fire safety messages. Planning for this year’s activity and targeting shall be starting soon. As Covid restrictions lift, crews are available to support and attend community events.

The Princes Trust based at Farringdon has resumed at Farringdon Community Fire Station. Numbers have been problematic but following partner support and attendance alongside our whole time fire crew recruitment campaign we are happy to welcome 12 young people from various backgrounds onto the programme due to be complete end of April. The services recruitment campaign has been busy, with personnel from Farringdon station attending several school career fairs, branching out to underrepresented members of the community to enable further representation from underrepresented groups within the fire service. The last recruit’s course finished in January. 32 firefighters are now working from their posted stations. Six of which were females, making this the largest number of females passing out from any cohort.

### **3.7 On-going Issues**

Collaboration with Northumbria police and local authority partner's continues to reduce incidents as highlighted in the report. It is essential that any fire related issues are reported to myself, (Andrew Nelson, Station Manager) or using Fire Stoppers 0800 169 5558, so I can action/address with my crews. My watches continue to work close within their respective ward areas to create community links (similar to the Police). The watches continue to deliver ASB initiatives – uplifts, premises security, and educational interaction. The educational and engagement activities are key to reduce ASB and prevent attacks on emergency services. Over this reporting period there were 67 attacks on crews across Tyne and Wear. 43 of which were projectiles thrown towards firefighters and or appliances.

Any questions please feel free to contact on the details below.

#### 4. Recommendations

##### 4.1 Note the content of this report.

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**15 MARCH 2022****REPORT OF THE NORTHUMBRIA POLICE****1.0 Purpose of Report**

The following report provides a community update and key performance information in relation to Sunderland West area between the following periods (December 2021 – February 2022

**2.0 Key Updates****Burglary Dwelling.**

Having just reviewed all the Burglary Dwelling crimes, Sunderland West are still performing very well in this crime category. In the last 2 weeks we have experienced 4 Burglaries, this includes 2 shed or garages ,1 domestic related Burglary and 1 attempt. There are no hot spot areas and the crimes are wide spread over Sunderland West.

The teams have been very proactive and although the numbers of offences in Sunderland West are already low they have reduced to only 1 burglary offence in the last 7 days.

**Burglary Commercial**

In the last 4 weeks we have experienced 3 commercial Burglaries. All of these were in a period of 2 days in the middle of February on a building site. The teams have worked closely with partners and have targeted suspects which appears to have had the desired result in preventing further offending

**Theft From Motor vehicle.**

Sunderland West has experienced 7 Theft from motor vehicles in the past two weeks which in comparison is a relatively low number. This is borne out by our year-to-date figure which shows a 5.3% reduction in all vehicle crime.

**Anti-Social Behaviour**

Sunderland West are performing very well in this area with a reduction year to date of 41%. We are currently tracking at similar levels to 2019/2020 which is where I would expect us to be. The team are preparing for our lighter nights operations and will be focusing on the our hotspots and we have a number of city wide initiatives on going at the moment which I am heavily involved in along with a number of varied partners.

**Lighter Nights Campaign**

The darker Nights campaign worked very well, with some excellent partnership work between Police, Fire service, environmental services, Local authority and Gentoo after a lot of preparation saw a reduction in disorder over this period..

As stated above the teams in conjunction with partners are commencing the lighter nights campaign which will target hot spots.

**REPORT AUTHOR Inspector 7011 Baker**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE</b>  <b>15 March 2022</b>  <b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I</b></p>	
<p><b>Title of Report:</b>  West Sunderland Area Budget Report</p>	
<p><b>Author(s):</b>  Assistant Director of Community Resilience</p>	
<p><b>Purpose of Report:</b>  Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Neighbourhood Investment Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an updated position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funding, Neighbourhood Investment Plan Capital Programme and Community Chest, and presents proposals for further funding requests.</p>	
<p><b>Description of Decision:</b></p> <p>Committee are requested to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 and 3.1.</li> <li>(b) Approve NF funding of £17,913 to – Invest in Highways- Traffic Improvements Sunderland City Council detailed in <b>Section 2.3 and Item 4 Annex 1</b></li> <li>(c) Approve £187,587 of the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund to Invest in Highways – Traffic Improvements – Sunderland City Council detailed in <b>Section 2.3 and Item 4 Annex 1</b></li> <li>(d) Approve £53,709 of the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund to Vehicle Activated Signs – Sunderland City Council detailed in detailed in <b>Section 3.4 and Item 4 Annex 1</b></li> <li>(e) Approve £29,675 of the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund to Invest in Highways – Highway Improvements – Sunderland City Council detailed in <b>Section 3.4 and Item 4 Annex 1</b></li> <li>(f) Note the 5 Community Chest approvals supported from 2021 / 2022, as detailed <b>Item 4 Annex 2</b></li> </ul>	
<p>Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? <span style="float: right;">Yes</span></p>	
<p><b>Suggested reason(s) for Decision:</b>  The Area Committee has an allocation of £623,003 (inc Youth allocation) for 2021/2022 from the Neighbourhood Fund and £500,000 from the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme to deliver key priorities identified in the relevant Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan and to attract other funding into the area.</p>	
<p><b>Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:</b>  The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.</p>	
<p>Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No</p> <p>Is it included in the Forward Plan? No</p>	<p>Relevant Scrutiny Committees:</p>

15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE****West Sunderland Area Budget Report****1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funds, Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

**2 Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund**

- 2.1 The table below shows the financial position of Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund for 2021 / 2022:

Project Name	Committee Date	Returned	Aligned	Approved	Remaining
<b>Starting Balance for 2021 / 2022</b>					<b>£623,003</b>
West Area Enforcement Project	31.08.21			£229,977	<b>£393,026</b>
West REACT Employability Project - Stage 2- Sunderland North Community Business Centre (SNCBC)	22.09.21			£42,500	<b>£350,526</b>
Young Peoples Emotional & Mental Health Support Sessions – If you Care share	22.09.21			£44,496	<b>£306,030</b>
Keep Sunderland West Tidy	22.09.21				<b>£306,030</b>
Community Opportunities- Clean and Green	22.09.21			£1,365	<b>£304,665</b>
Friends of Silksworth Park	22.09.21			£1,126	<b>£303,539</b>
Pallion Action Group	22.09.21			£878	<b>£302,661</b>
Pennywell Community Centre	22.09.21			£1,100	<b>£301,561</b>
Sunderland Training and Education Farm	22.09.21			£839	<b>£300,722</b>
Barnes Residents Association	22.09.21			£1,495	<b>£299,227</b>
Youth Almighty Project	22.09.21			£470	<b>£298,757</b>
111 (Sunderland) Squadron	22.09.21			£1,500	<b>£297,257</b>
South Hylton Tansy Centre	2.11.21			£1,644	<b>£295,613</b>

West Youth Activities	8.12.21			£213,480	<b>£82,133</b>
West Youth ASB	8.12.21			£32,460	<b>£49,673</b>

**Table One: Neighbourhood Fund Statement 2021 / 2022**

2.2 West Sunderland Area Committee has been allocated £623,003 Neighbourhood Funding for capital and revenue projects.

2.3 There is 1 application to the Neighbourhood Fund presented to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 4 Annex 1**

1. Invest in Highways – Traffic improvements- Sunderland City Council £17,913

2.4 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested for approval is **£17,913**. If approved, the remaining balance will be **£31,760**

### **3. Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme 2020 / 2023**

3.1 The table below shows the financial position of West Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme for 2020 / 2023.

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Committee Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Aligned</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Remaining</b>
<b>Starting Balance for 2020 / 2023</b>					<b>£500,000</b>
Festive Lighting Project	14.07.20			£10,000	£490,000
Green Gym Project	16.12.20			£65,000	£425,000
Environmental Services- Bin and Benches	16.3.21			£36,529	£388,471
Silksworth and Albany Pit Wheel	16.3.21			£17,500	£370,971
Stephenson Trail	16.3.21 and 22.09.21			£50,000	£320,971
Festive Lights Project-additional	16.6.21			£50,000	£270,971
West Highways Improvements	8.12.21		£270,971		Nil

**Table Two: Neighbourhood Investment Capital Funding Statement 2020 / 2023**

3.2 West Area Committee has been allocated £500,000 for capital developments which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Members will be responsible for allocating the funding through a majority decision at Area Committee.

3.3. The Capital Programme can be allocated in one year, or across more than one, depending on what proposals come forward throughout the year(s). The Area Committee have up to three years to allocate the full amount.

3.4 There are 3 funding proposals recommended for approval from funding previously aligned by Area Committee from the 2020/2021 Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme, set out below and further detailed at **Item 4 Annex 1**

1. Invest in Highways – Traffic improvements- Sunderland City Council	£187,587
2. Vehicle Activated Signs- Sunderland City Council	£53,709
3. Invest in Highways- Highways Sunderland City Council	£29,675

- 3.5 The total Neighbourhood Investment Capital Fund requested for approval is **£270,971** If approved, the remaining balance will be **Nil**

#### 4. Community Chest

- 4.1 Each ward has been allocated a budget of £10,000 each, to support projects which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. The process to allocate Community Chest remains the same. With ward Councillors leading on seeking suitable project proposals and making decisions on applications received. Where it is difficult to make a majority decision and discussions cannot be resolved at a ward level the outcome will be escalated to Area Committee for a final decision.
- 4.2 The table below details the Community Chest awards starting balances for 2021 / 2022. **Annex 2** shows the approvals supported, January to March.

Ward	2021/2022 Allocation	Returned	Approved	Remaining
Barnes	£10,000		£3,432	£6,568
Pallion	£10,000		£8,403	£1,597
Sandhill	£10,000		£10,000	Nil
Silksworth	£10,000		£2,424	£7,576
St Anne's	£10,000	£190	£9,271	£919
St Chad's	£10,000		£6,164	£3,836
<b>Total</b>	<b>£60,000</b>	<b>£190</b>	<b>£39,694</b>	<b>£20,496</b>

*Table Three: Community Chest Funding Statement 2021 / 2022*

#### 5. Recommendations:

- 5.1 Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 and 3.1.
- 5.2 Approve NF funding of £17,913 to – Invest in Highways- Traffic Improvements Sunderland City Council detailed in **Section 2.3 and Item 4 Annex**
- 5.3 Approve £187,587 of the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund to Invest in Highways – Traffic Improvements – Sunderland City Council detailed in **Section 2.3 and Item 4 Annex 1**
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- 5.6 Note the 5 Community Chest approvals supported from 2021 / 2022, as detailed **Item 4 Annex 2**

#### Annexes

Annex One

Neighbourhood Fund Approval Proposals

Annex Two

Community Chest Grant Approvals

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**Applications for West Sunderland**  
**Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme**

**Application No. 1**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme and Neighbourhood Fund</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>Invest in Highways</b>
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Neighbourhood Fund</b>	<b>Total NCIP Application</b>
£205,500	£17,913	£187,587
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
18 month	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2023

***ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS***

***Project Description:***

A Task Group was established between Infrastructure and Commercial Services Team and West Councillors to carry out site visits and discuss options to improve highways.

Costs include initial Councillor meetings, engagements, statutory consultation, legal advice and preparation, planning and Highways (if required) site visits and liaising with contractors throughout.

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Estimated Costs</b>
Barnes	Traffic Calming on Ettrick Grove	Initial base designs were agreed for two priority give way junctions, exact size, style and location to be agreed	12 month	£30,000
Barnes/Sandhill	Signs / road markings / bollards on Springwell Road	Exact locations and extents will be agreed with Members once the scheme has been approved	6 month	£1,250
Pallion	Traffic Calming on St Luke's Road	Road (location 6 and 10 agreed with members) and outside Dovecote Meadows, Fordfield Road, initial base designs were agreed for the development of three priority give way junctions,	12 month	£45,000

		exact size, style and location will be agreed.		
Sandhill/Barnes	Signs / road markings / bollards on Springwell Road	Exact locations and extents will be agreed with Members once the scheme has been approved	6 month	£3,750
Silksworth	Hill Brown	Speed reduction signage	6 month	£1,500
Silksworth	Blind Lane – Hawthorn Avenue	Build outs (£7500), if wanted to include junction protection, would need to be done alongside below (£1000)	12 month /18 Month	£8,500
Silksworth	Silksworth Park, Mille20r Terrace and Back George Street	Junction Protection	18 month	£9,000
Silksworth	Various locations	Roundels and slow ROAD MARKINGS locations to be determined	TBC	£5,000
Silksworth	Various locations	Refreshed line markings	TBC	£5,000
St Anne's	Pennywell Road	Junction Protection	18 month	£8,000
St Anne's	Nookside	Speed Survey, 20mph and a potential of traffic calming-maximum of one priority give way	18 month	£22,000
St Anne's	Broadstairs	Feasibility Study	6 month – 18 month	£9,000
St Chad's	Allendale Road	Traffic Calming	18 month	£40,000
		Contingency		£17,500
		Total		£205,500

### **Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to the West Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of investing in Highways

## Application No. 2

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>Vehicle Activated Signs</b>
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council- Michelle Sinclair

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NCIP Application</b>
£53,709	£Nil	£53,709
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
3 Years	April 2022	Mar 2025

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

A Task Group was established between Infrastructure and Commercial Services Team and West Councillors to carry out site visits and discuss options to improve highways.

Costs include initial Councillor meetings, engagements, statutory consultation, legal advice and preparation, planning and Highways (if required) site visits and liaising with contractors throughout.

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Estimated Costs</b>
Sandhill	Gartland Rd Greenwood Rd Gleneagles Rd Springwell Rd Sunningdale Rd Somerset Rd Telford Rd Thorndale Rd Thorney Close Rd Sevenoaks Dr	3 x VAS signs (including 8 yrs. Warranty)	Up to 16 weeks following ordering of signs and associated equipment.	£8,700
Sandhill		Deployment Costs and 3 years Rotational Costs	Deployment/Site set up as above and quarterly rotation.	£12,040

			Subject to contractor availability.	
Silksworth	Silksworth Ln Leechmere Rd Essen Way Warwick Tce Blind Lane Vicarage Rd Silksworth Tce Tunstall Village Rd Hill Brow Premier Rd	3 x VAS signs (including 8 yrs. Warranty)	As above	£8,700
Silksworth		Deployment Costs and 3 years Rotational Costs	As above	£11,240
St Anne's	Hylton Bank Holborn Rd	1xVAS inc. 8-year warranty	As above	£2,900
St Anne's		Deployment Costs and 3 years Rotational Costs	As above	£2,608
		Contingency		7,521
		Total		£53,709

### **Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to the West Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of investing in Highways

### Application No. 3

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Neighbourhood Capital Investment Programme</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	<b>Invest in Highways- Graham Carr /Tim Smith</b>
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NCIP Application</b>
£29,675	£Nil	£29,675
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2022	April 2023

#### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

A Task Group was established between Infrastructure and Commercial Services Team and West Councillors to carry out site visits and discuss options to improve highways.

Costs include initial Councillor meetings, engagements, statutory consultation, legal advice and preparation, planning and Highways (if required) site visits and liaising with contractors throughout.

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Estimated Costs</b>
Barnes	Hipsburn Drive and surrounding are	Improvements to road surface, line marking, footpath and junctions		£10,000
Sandhill	Arnham Grove, Hastings Hill	Resurfacing		£8,000
Sandhill	Thorndale Road / Tilbury Road junction,	Resurfacing		£6175

	Thorney Close -			
Sandhill	Tunis Road / Thackeray Road junction, Thorney Close -	Resurfacing		£5500
Total				£29,675

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend approval of this project, which delivers to the West Sunderland Area Investment Delivery Plan Priority of investing in Highways

Item 4, Annex 2

West Sunderland Area Committee

15<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Community Chest Awards April 2021 to March 2021

<b>Barnes Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		<b>Approvals</b>
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Humbledon and Plains Farm YFC	20.08.2021	-	£952
South Hylton Bowling Club	20.08.2021	-	£482
Broadway Junior School	20.08.2021	-	£998
Broadway Junior School	28.01.2022	-	£1,000
<b>Remaining balance</b>		-	<b>£6,568</b>
<b>Pallion Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
SCC – Highways Services	16.07.2021	-	£3,500
St Luke's Neighbourhood Trust	15.09.2021	-	£4,525
Bowes Planters	11.11.2021	-	£378
<b>Remaining balance</b>		-	<b>£1,597</b>
<b>Sandhill Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
111 Squadron	03.06.2021		£1,500
Northern Karate Association	03.06.2021		£650
Sunderland Rangers FC (multi ward)	02.08.2021		£1,205
St Oswald's Communicare Centre	02.08.2021		£1,101
Grindon Young People's Centre- Dance Section	14.09.2021		£2,000
Grindon Young People Centre	08.10.2021		£2,075
The Angelus Lunch Club	15.11.2021		£650
St Marys and St Peters Community Project	15.11.2021		£819
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£0</b>
<b>Silksworth Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Silksworth Colliery Welfare FC	23.08.2021	-	£1,000
Golden Fleece FC	14.09.2021	-	£500
Royal British Legion	06.10.2021	-	£924
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£7,576</b>

<b>St Anne's Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Sunderland Training and Education Farm	16.08.2021	-	£1,000
Royal British Legion/ SCC Events	30.09.2021	-	£354
Wear United FC	19.11.2021		£800
Pennywell Youth Project- Community Cafe	25.11.2021		£1,300
St Anne's School	10.12.2021		£1,000
Pennywell Community Centre on behalf of Bellingham House	10.12.2021		£318
Pennywell Community Centre	08.02.2022		£2,399
South Hylton Surgery (Sunderland GP Alliance)	08.02.2022		£2,100
SCC Community Lead Environmental Improvements Project	-	£190	-
<b>Remaining balance</b>		<b>£919</b>	<b>£919</b>
<b>St Chad's Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Farringdon Academy	27.05.2021		£593
New Herrington Bowling Club	27.05.2021		£750
Sunderland Rangers FC (multi ward)	02.08.2021		£1,205
Sunderland West End Juniors FC	02.08.2021		£1,116
Herrington Village Show Group	16.08.2021		£750
Holy Rosary	10.12.2021		£750
Red Sky Foundation	17.12.2021		£1,000
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£3,836</b>

## Current Planning Applications(West)

Between 01/02/2022 and 04/03/2022

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
21/02940/FUL	6 Elstob PlaceSunderlandSR3 1PF	Proposed first floor extension over existing garage to provide bedroom and en suite	03/02/2022	31/03/2022
22/00129/FUL	22 Hipsburn DriveSunderlandSR3 1UA	Part change of use of garage to beauty treatment room.	08/02/2022	05/04/2022
22/00236/FUL	2 Ashton WaySunderlandSR3 3RX	Erection of a conservatory to side	10/02/2022	07/04/2022
22/00011/ADV	The Hastings HillSevenoaks DriveSunderlandSR4 9LP	Erection of 7no non illuminated post mounted signs (Retrospective).	10/02/2022	07/04/2022
22/00252/TPA	Holm LeaHylton BankSunderlandSR4 0LJ	Prune 1no. beech tree to crown lift by 20%	11/02/2022	08/04/2022
22/00256/FUL	103 Leechmere RoadGrangetownSunderlandSR 2 9DG	Erection of single storey side extension.	14/02/2022	11/04/2022

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
22/00267/SUB	4 Saint Chads Crescent Herrington Sunderland SR3 3TR	Erection of a single storey rear extension (Resubmission).	15/02/2022	12/04/2022
22/00297/FUL	5 Corry Court Sunderland SR4 8NQ	Erection of single storey rear extension.	17/02/2022	14/04/2022
22/00328/FUL	1 Angrove Gardens Sunderland SR4 7TB	Erection of a single storey rear extension.	20/02/2022	17/04/2022
21/02000/FUL	14 Taunton Road Thorney Close Sunderland SR3 4BJ	Installation of new modular ramping to the front elevation of the property to allow wheel chair access.	02/03/2022	27/04/2022