

WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 8th March, 2017 at 5:30pm

**VENUE – Lambton Street Youth Centre, 25 Falkland Road,
Sunderland, SR4 6XA**

Membership

Cllrs P Gibson (Chair), Essl (Vice Chair – Place) Atkinson, (Vice Chair – People), Allan, D. Dixon, G. Galbraith, I. Galbraith, Gallagher, Gofton, Porthouse, P. Smith, Tye, Waller, Waters, P Watson, S Watson, A Wilson and T Wright.

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ELAINE WAUGH
Head of Law and Governance

28th February, 2017

At a meeting of the WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held at The FARRINGDON YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE, ALLENDALE ROAD, SUNDERLAND on THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER, 2016 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor P. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors, Allan, Atkinson, D. Dixon, Essl, G. Galbraith, I. Galbraith, Gofton, Porthouse, Smith, Tye, Waller and Waters.

Also Present:-

Tony Carty	Neighbourhood Inspector	Northumbria Police
A. Ballantine	Member of Youth Committee	Youth Almighty Project
Steve Burdis	Station Manager	Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service
Alan Duffy	Head of Operations	Gentooo
Andrea Lanaghan	VCS Network Representative	Sunderland Carers
Joanne Laverick	VCS Network Representative	Youth Almighty
Bill Leach	VCS Network Representative	Pennywell Com. Centre
David Noon	Principal Governance Services Officer	Sunderland City Council
C. Parker	Member of Youth Committee	Youth Almighty Project
R. Parker	Member of Youth Committee	Youth Almighty Project
Helen Peverley	Area Co-ordinator	Sunderland City Council
B. Pescod	Member of Youth Committee	Youth Almighty Project
Ian Richardson	Assistant Head of Street Scene	Sunderland City Council
Gilly Stanley	Area Community Development Lead	Sunderland City Council
C. Tomkins	Member of Youth Committee	Youth Almighty Project
S. Watts	Treasurer	Youth Almighty Project

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting especially those attending their first meeting of the West Sunderland Area Committee and invited those present to introduce themselves.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors P. Watson, S. Watson and A. Wilson.

Declarations of Interest

Item 4d Partner Updates – Gentoo

Councillor Tye made an open declaration as Board member of Gentoo Group Limited.

Item 5 Financial Statement and Proposals for further Allocations of Resources – West Holiday Hunger Programme.

The following Councillors declared interests in the item as members of the organisations indicated and left the meeting during the consideration of the item, taking no part in any discussion or decision thereon.

Councillor Tye – Youth Almighty
Councillor Waters – Parker Trust
Councillor Gofton – Parker Trust

Minutes of the Last Meeting

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 19th October, 2016 be confirmed and signed as correct records.

Place Board Progress Report

The Chairman of the West Sunderland Area Place Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update of progress against the 2016/17 work plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Essl presented the report drawing Members' attention to the initiation of action towards achieving key priorities as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report together with a summary of key areas of influence and achievements of the Place Board in relation to Highway Maintenance Capital Programme, Business Support, Tall Ships 2018, Maximising Greenspace and Improving Derelict Land, West Community Energy Programme and Mobilising Communities to take sustainable action to support environmental improvements as at 5th December, 2016.

Councillor Tye referred to the huge success of the Road to Rio Event 2016 and informed the Committee that Youth Almighty supported by the Area Officers had been successful in securing a grant of approximately £10,000 from the Big Lottery Celebrate Fund towards the provision of the Area Committee's 2017 Event. Councillor Tye cited the award as an example of successful partnership working between the Local Authority and the Voluntary Sector. The Committee thanked Councillor Tye and all concerned at Youth Almighty for their work to achieve the funding.

Councillor Gofton paid tribute to the contribution made by the Parker Trust and the other local community groups in working with the Pallion Traders to develop their Christmas Festival Programme. The Christmas Illuminations Switch On had been an especially impressive event.

2. RESOLVED that:-

- i) the report be received and noted;
- ii) the progress to date to deliver the 2016/17 Highway Maintenance Programme as detailed in Annex 2 to the report be noted;

- iii) the proposals agreed through the small grants process for Maximising Greenspace / Derelict Land activity as detailed in Annex 4 to the report be noted and;
- iv) consideration be given to the financial issues arising from the Place Board report later in the meeting at item 5 on the agenda.

People Board Progress Report

The Chairman of the West Sunderland Area People Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on progress against the 2016/17 People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Atkinson presented the report drawing Members' attention to the initiation of action towards achieving the key priorities as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, together with a summary of key areas of influence and achievements of the People Board in relation to the South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Partnership, Reducing mental health issues in young people, Wires 2, Enterprise in schools, Community helpers, the Road to Rio event, Holiday hunger and Health and wellbeing as at 5th December, 2016.

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

3. RESOLVED that:-

- i) the report be received and be noted; and
- ii) consideration be given to the financial issues arising from the People Board report later in the meeting at item 5 on the agenda.

Report of the West Area Voluntary and Community Sector Network (AVCSN)

The AVCS 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 Andrea Lanaghan which highlighted the following feedback and input arising from the two Voluntary and Community Sector Network meetings held since the Area Committee last met in October:-

- i) The receipt of information relating to Sunderland City Council's budget consultation and the work of the Network to encourage their groups and clients to be involved and feed their views into the consultation process.
- ii) The invitation to VCS members to attend the Health and Wellbeing Mental Health training relating to 'supporting our young people', delivered by Washington

MIND and funded by the West Area Committee. The training was held over 3 days and over 40 members of the VCS attended, a follow up workshop was carried out to support the development of the future call for projects, facilitated by the West Area Arrangements team.

iii) The work of the VCS to plan local environmental campaigns, including litter picks as well as preparing their 2017 plans to enhance and develop the West's 'in bloom' projects, developing new 'in bloom' activities, following the success at the RHS It's your Neighbourhood Awards and the Sunderland In Bloom Awards 2016.

iv) The continued utilisation of GRANT finder opportunities with over £40k in funding secured in the West to date.

Councillor Gofton paid tribute to the outcomes being delivered by the VCS for residents since the formalisation of links to the Area Committee and in particular welcomed the fantastic news in respect of the funding achieved via grant finder. She also highlighted the success of the mental health training event which had attracted a huge attendance.

Councillor G. Galbraith referred to item iii) above and informed the Committee of the intention of a group of residents and dog walkers in the Lakeside, Premier Road area to organise a litter pick.

The Chairman having thanked Ms Lanaghan for her report, it was:-

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Report of the Northumbria Police – Sunderland West

Inspector Carty of Northumbria Police presented a report (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on the Force's most recent performance indicators for the period 19th October 2016 to 4th December 2016.

Particular reference was paid to crime levels in relation to violent crime, vehicle crime, burglary from dwelling, burglary other than dwelling, criminal damage, shoplifting, youth ASB, Non Youth ASB and drug crime.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

In addition Inspector Carty briefed members on:-

i) the levelling off of overall crime in the south of the area compared to the west of the area where crime continued to rise overall. This was mainly because there were a greater number of public order type incidents occurring which would have previously been closed as anti-social behaviour,

ii) a reduction in burglary dwelling in the West – for the third month running the police had recorded fewer burglaries,

iii) Burglary to sheds, garages and commercial premises – this was an issue with no particular pattern across both the South and West of the Area. The arrest and

imprisonment of commercial burglars in the Pallion area had stopped the issues that were occurring around St Luke's Terrace.

iv) the reduction in Vehicle crime – the police aimed to keep this reduction going by targeting the Barnes and Eden Vale areas.

v) Anti-Social Behaviour – King George playing fields was the main ASB hotspot during October and November. The Police, Fire brigade and partners had put a considerable amount of work into stopping the fire related incidents. This culminated with a presentation at Farringdon community fire station which was attended by some of the children involved who were accompanied by their parents. They were shown video evidence of youths setting fire to wheelie bins and were also given a presentation by the Fire brigade concerning the danger and cost involved.

vi) the approach taken in respect of the darker nights campaign and the lack of major incidents over Bonfire night.

vii) the approach being adopted by the Police in relation to shoplifting

Councillor Tye referred to the King George playing fields and the development of a potential scheme to provide lighting to the area of the skate park. Councillor Essl advised that he would be more than happy for Councillor Tye to submit details of his proposal for consideration at the next meeting of the West Area Place Board.

Councillor Gofton thanked the Police for their assistance in the recent Pallion illuminations.

The Chairman having thanked Inspector Carty for his report, it was:-

5. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service

The 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 October, 2016 to 22nd November 2016, with particular reference to:-

- i) the number of deaths from all fires (none),
- ii) deliberate property fires (none),
- iii) deliberate vehicle fires (8), and
- iv) secondary fires not involving property or road vehicles (37).

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Station Manager Steve Burdis, presented the report informing members of the partnership approach taken in respect of the anti-social behaviour occurring in King

George playing fields, the increase in vehicle fires for which there was no discernible pattern and his hope to bring the analysis of the darker nights campaign to the next meeting.

Members having welcomed that it had now been three years since a death caused through fire it was:-

6. RESOLVED the report be received and noted.

Report of Gentoo

Alan Duffy, Head of Operations, Gentoo Group presented a report (copy circulated) which briefed the Committee on Gentoo developments, projects and priorities undertaken during the period October 2016 to December 2016, including the work of the money matters team, a review of the allocations systems, investment and renewal projects and development of partnerships with local groups such as Farringdon Youth and Community Centre and the Silksworth Banner Group

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Tye having offered his personal thanks to Mr Duffy for his help in the refurbishment of the building in which tonight's meeting was being held, Mr Duffy proceeded to address comments and questions from members in relation to, the new lifts at Lakeside, the problem of indebtedness and forthcoming changes to the benefits system in relation to 18 to 25 year olds.

The Chairman having thanked Mr Duffy for his attendance and it was:-

7. RESOLVED the report be received and noted.

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and Community Chest – Financial Statement and Proposals for Further Allocation of Resources

The Head of Member Support and Community Partnerships submitted a report (copy circulated) in respect of the above matter.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Helen Peverley, Area Coordinator, presented the report highlighting the Committee's financial statement, the approval under the small grants process of projects in relation to the Maximisation of Green Space, details of 19 projects approved under delegated powers for support from the 2016/17 Community Chest budget and details of proposals for the allocation of SIB funding.

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

8. RESOLVED that:-

(i) the Area Committee's funding statement be received and noted;

- (ii) approval be given to the allocation of £30,000 SIB funding in respect of the West Holiday Hunger programme as detailed in annex 1 of the report;
- (iii) approval be given to the change of use to the SIB project 'Healthy Lifestyles' as detailed in annex 2 of the report;
- (iv) approval be given to the allocation of £100,000 SIB funding in respect of the West Community Energy Programme as detailed in annex 3 of the report;
- (v) approval be given to the allocation of £30,000 SIB funding in respect of the West Area Event 2017 as detailed in the reports of the Place and People Boards (items 2 & 3 on the agenda);
- (vi) the approval of projects to date through the small grants process for Maximising Green Space as detailed in annex 4 of the report, be noted and;
- (vii) the approval of the 19 Community Chest applications from the 2016/17 budget as detailed in Annex 5 of the report be noted;

The Chairman then closed the meeting having thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions and especially to all at the Farringdon Youth and Community Centre for their kindness and assistance in hosting the meeting and the associated community event.

(Signed) P. GIBSON,
Chairman.

WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE**8 MARCH 2017****REPORT OF THE HEAD OF EVENTS****THE TALL SHIPS RACES 2018****1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to present to Elected Members options to consider in relation to community engagement as part of the Tall Ships Races event in 2018. The paper provides information on how residents in the West Area can participate in, contribute to and benefit from the event.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Tall Ships Races Sunderland 2018 gives the city a unique opportunity to strengthen its position in the North East as a visitor destination, generate significant economic impact and pride for the City, and a superb opportunity to bring Sunderland's physical and cultural regeneration to a local, regional and international audience.
- 2.2 Moreover, The Tall Ships Races Sunderland 2018 will be a keystone in the City's ambition to become UK City of Culture in 2021, and allows the city to continue to celebrate its maritime heritage and showcase its natural and physical assets.

3.0 INVOLVEMENT IN THE SAIL TRAINEE PROGRAMME

- 3.1 The main aim of The Tall Ships Races series is to provide an opportunity for young people to develop their personal skills in a challenging and memorable sail-training environment and hence at least 50% of a Tall Ship's crew must be aged 15-25. As part of the contract with Sail Training International, Sunderland needs to provide opportunities for 100 sail trainees. To date there are 70 opportunities still remaining.
- 3.2 30 local young people have already had the opportunity to take part in a sail training voyage in summer 2016 via the Sail Training Ambassador programme, some mixed funding and sponsorship.
- 3.3 Each sail training voyage, which includes the berth on board a Tall Ship and travel, can be a life changing experience for some young people. There is also the requirement for each young person to have suitable equipment and clothing to take with them, e.g. warm clothes, waterproof jacket etc. In order for the young people to be committed to the opportunity, the young people are encouraged to raise funds to cover these latter costs.
- 3.4 The young trainees will be expected to engage with social media and be involved in marketing and PR activities before and after the event and act as positive ambassadors for the event.

4.0 ENTERTAINMENT/CULTURAL PROGRAMME

- 4.1 As part of the Tall Ships event there will be a cultural programme in the months leading up to the event and a continuous programme of public activity and entertainment throughout the 4 days of the event. Both provide a great opportunity for the West Area residents to be part of this extraordinary occasion.
- 4.2 Bids are being submitted to various external funding streams, for example Arts Council England and Heritage Lottery Fund, to fund this programme which will include large scale activities and smaller community projects.
- 4.3 Area VCS Networks will be approached to support this element of the Tall Ships cultural programme for smaller community projects in the West Area. These projects might be delivered in the run-up to the event and / or during the 4 day festival.
- 4.4 Moreover, the Tall Ships Team are working with The Cultural Spring to deliver a “Set the Sails” project involving four groups of young people from Hendon, Hetton, St Peters and Washington areas who will work with local artists and craftspeople to learn artisan skills and make a small flotilla of working scale-model ships. These ships will then be launched and sailed at a special event as part of the City’s Tall Ships celebrations. It is intended to extend discussions with The Cultural Spring to develop opportunities for the West of Sunderland.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 West Area Committee are recommended to:-
 - Refer to Place Board for further discussions on how and if members would wish to support:
 - Sail Trainees
 - Community Events
 - Set the Sails project

8th March 2017**REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD****Place Board Progress Report****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year's (2016/17) Place Board Work Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 Earlier last year the Local Area Plan's priorities associated with Place were referred to the West Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The Place Board continue to initiate action on those priorities and **Item 3 Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3 Area 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 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.
- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 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

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 28 February 2017

- 4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the West Place Board up to 28 February 2017.

Influence: Local Services, Place Management

Following the presentation of the Local Services Area Delivery Plan to the extraordinary Area Committee in May 2016, as agreed, Place Board continue to oversee the development and delivery of the 2016/2017 Delivery Plan.

Members have reviewed the performance data presented by the Place Management Service at Place Boards in September 2016 and January 2017, and discussed

opportunities to engage further with communities.

The delivery plan for Local Services moving forward into 2017/2018 continues to be discussed extensively at the Place Board. Local area delivery plans are currently being developed for future Area Committee approval.

Place Board asked for a matrix of weed spraying activity for the 2017 season, to ensure Members can keep their communities advised of weed treatments in their wards. Place Board also asked for assurances that any further planned shrub maintenance works were shared with Members prior to works taking place.

Influence: Highways Maintenance Programme 2017/2018

The board received information on the highways requiring capital maintenance works across the West area. The proposed areas were prioritised into high, medium and low priority to assist members.

Members were asked to consult with ward colleagues to agree which of the proposed programmes should be recommended to Area Committee for completion up to a value of £101,000 for the West area.

At the February Board members agreed recommendations to Area Committee for the completion of capital maintenance programmes in the West, as described at **Item 3 Annex 2**.

Area Priority: Shopping Centres

Business Support

Pallion Traders – Following the successful Christmas illuminations and activities the traders are now preparing for Easter as well as planning for Christmas 2017. The traders are also working hard to towards their 2017 In-bloom 'It's your Neighbourhood application'.

Barnes are working with various local Traders to make improvements to paving as well as replacement litter bins and painting bollards.

St Chad's are working with local traders and have made improvements to paving as well as replacement litter bins. Organised litter picks are now being planned and Councillors are working closely with schools to ensure litter is not dropped at local shopping centres during busy lunch periods.

Silksworth continue to encourage local traders to utilise the advertising litter bins they installed into the area and are currently working with Silksworth Cricket Club on the development of a large-scale event.

St Anne's continue to develop their It's your Neighbourhood in bloom route and plans are being developed to further enhance the route around the ward, looking at additional hanging baskets, flower beds and planters.

Sandhill have arranged additional cleansing, litter bin installations and are working with local community organisations to improve planted areas throughout the ward.

Capital Improvements

Area Committee agreed to financially support capital improvements across local shopping centres in the West.

Each ward identified local shopping centres which required capital improvements. The capital improvements are to improve the

	visual appearance of the shopping centre. As part of the improvement program, Ward members are engaging with local traders and community groups to adopt flower planters and maintain them as well as agree to support keeping local centres clean and tidy.
Area Priority: Environment and Street Scene	
Walk and Talk Programme	<p>The Walk and Talk programme continues to be successful and offers the opportunity to ward Councillors to be dynamic, flexible and implement small-scale people and place based projects, which have a positive impact on their local communities.</p> <p>Members continue to meet collectively by ward to make arrangements to undertake ward walks over the coming months to determine further projects.</p>
Maximising Greenspace and Improving Derelict Land	<p>Proposals were developed and agreed by Area Committee in October 2014. Funding was allocated to support developments. Work continues to be undertaken with officers, members and partners including the VCS to develop the agreed spaces across the West, to improve the health and wellbeing of residents in the West.</p> <p>3 projects were presented and approved at the Place Board in January & February 2017. Members were particularly satisfied with their proposal to open-up walking/cycling routes within the West to enable wheelchairs to pass through via the use of Radar Key access points. The project, once implemented has been cited as exemplar by local disability groups. Item 6 Annex 5.</p> <p>During the Area Committee meeting in December, following the Police and Fire reports in relation to ASB and fires at King George Playing Fields, the Committee agreed to refer to the Place Board, a potential project to support the installation of lighting to reduce ASB and enable communities to use the outdoor space during the darker nights. The Place board considered the issues during the January and February boards, site visits were undertaken and a proposal was presented to the February Place Board to fund the installation of lighting. Match-funded by LMAPs and St Anne's and Pallion Councillors walk and talk budgets. The proposal was approved for recommendation to Area Committee. Item 6 Annex 3</p>
Area Priority: Environment and activities for Young People	
West Event 2017 – Science, Engineering and the Environment	<p>The final content for the event were presented to People and Place Boards in February 2017, following approval to host the event at December Area Committee.</p> <p>The theme is Science, Engineering and the Environment. The purpose of the event is to celebrate the achievements to-date within Sunderland, through the centuries, in the field of Science. Engineering and the Environment, as well as West projects funded by Area Committee, working with partners to create some new fun activities for young people to enjoy.</p> <p>The event is being match-funded by Youth Almighty Project, who successfully secured the Big Lottery's 'Celebrate' fund to support the event.</p> <p>Date of event will be Thursday 29th June and Friday 30th June for schools only and Saturday 1st July for Family event.</p>

	<p>Location agreed as Barnes Park.</p> <p>Event Plan developed and Multi Agency Event Group advised.</p> <p>Mayor invited and attending each day.</p> <p>All 19 west schools invited, currently the numbers are 560 children over the 2 days. Children who attend will arrive at 9.30am and enjoy the event until 2.30pm.</p> <p>Call for Projects issued to local VCS organisations to deliver 'science/engineering/environment' activities over the three days.</p> <p>Music programme being developed for the Bandstand on the Saturday – working closely with Cultural Spring who are now working within the West and keen to support the committee.</p> <p>Foods from around the world will be available during the Saturday with healthy eating options being the key ingredient.</p> <p>Mint Management commissioned to 'Welcome' at the event – stilt walkers/robot style. They will also animate the park throughout the event, walking around and signposting to activities.</p> <p>Nobles will hold a Funfair in the Park as part of the Event but they will be in place from Wednesday 28th June until Sunday 2nd July. The Funfair will be open until 7pm each evening. Nobles will provide free rides for the school children on the Thursday and the Friday.</p> <p>Volunteers to support the event are currently being recruited.</p> <p>Road Closure and parking restrictions ordered as well as the required traffic management and enforcement.</p> <p>Resident communication agreed with letters prepared to deliver to local residents. Update to be presented to a future Barnes Friends Group. Posters will also be placed within Park notice boards as well as circulated around local schools, shops, community venues and libraries.</p> <p>Logo for the event was recommended for approval at the February People and Place Boards and is available to view during the Area Committee meeting. Logo will now be used for the advertising banner for the Saturday family event and the banners will be located at all entrances to Barnes Park.</p>
Area Priority: Work with the West Voluntary and Community Sector to ensure they are focused and enabled to strengthen their position and long-term delivery strategy	
Supporting Communities to reduce energy costs	<p>Project proposal agreed at December 2016 Area Committee to support West VCS organisations to reduce their energy bills, to enable them to continue to become more sustainable for the future. Area Committee agreed that Place Board would monitor progress to ensure delivery.</p> <p>During January and February building audits were undertaken to determine what actions would reduce utility and energy costs for the organisations. Detailed proposals were presented to the February Place Board for review and recommendation of approval to Area Committee. This programme of support demonstrates the Area Committee's commitment to support the long term sustainability of the VCS sector. Item 6 Annex 4</p>
Area Priority: Sunderland Tall Ships coming 2018	
Ensure West Communities benefit from the Tall Ships Sunderland in 2018	<p>Presentation requested to Area Committee – see Item 2. Head of Events at Sunderland Council will be presenting the report to March Area Committee on Tall Ships 2018, highlighting where areas could support, to ensure all communities benefit from this fantastic event coming to Sunderland in 2018.</p>

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Note the content of the report.
- 5.2 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regard to the West Place Board Work Plan for 2017/2018 **Item 3 Annex 1.**
- 5.3 Consider and agree the recommendation of the Place Board regarding the West Highway Capital Maintenance programme for 2017/2018, attached at **Item 3 Annex 2.**
- 5.4 Consider and agree the recommendation to fund the installation of lighting at King George Playing Fields **Item 6 Annex 3.**
- 5.5 Note the proposals agreed through the small grants process for Maximising Greenspace / Derelict Land activity, as described at **Item 6 Annex 5.**
- 5.6 Approve the West Energy Projects as detailed in **Item 6 Annex 4**

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PLACE PRIORITIES

	Area Priority	Proposed Action	Lead Agent	Progress
1	Mobilising communities to take sustainable action to support environmental improvements and utilising green space to improve their health and wellbeing	1. Working with the Place Management Area Manager, work with schools and community organisations inc youth groups, to reinforce messages around the implications of littering, fly-tipping, wheelie bin fires, graffiti and anti-social behaviour. Support delivery of a further programme of educational support across all schools in the West, working with Safety Works.	All	October Area Committee agreed to fund the transport to enable all West Schools to attend Safety Works during 2016/2017. Place Board to monitor the outcome of the Scrutiny Review of Sunderland's Environmental Enforcement Policy. Environmental clean-up activities included as a funding condition within the West Holiday Hunger programme of activities for 2016/2017. Members asked that Enforcement activity utilise the Intelligence Hub data wherever possible to ensure enforcement is targeted to where it is needed the most. November Place Board discussed options for an Event in 2017 to be focused upon keeping Sunderland clean and green - event agreed at December 2016 Area Committee. Site visits undertaken regarding potential locations for focussed CCTV to deter fly-tipping. Proposals being reviewed for new CCTV cameras
		2. Members to use their local knowledge to support sustainable improvements within their wards, creating spaces for families to enjoy and support community cohesion. Develop a programme of love where you live activities and events, linked to West Green Place Plan developments to promote participation and health messages, such as planting fruit and vegetables	All; VCS	Holiday Hunger projects continue to deliver environmental activities alongside local community groups, who are arranging litter pick events. Place Board agreed a project at it's meeting in January to convert the garden at Farringdon Youth and Community Centre into a community garden. Further 'in bloom' proposals continue to be developed by local VCS organisations and traders - Area Arrangements team heavily supporting to ensure future sustainability and external funding support secured via the RHS wherever possible. West Event 2017 approved at December Area Committee. Focus for the event is Science, Engineering and the Environment.

		3. Implement the detailed actions aligned within the West Green Space Plan for 2016/2017, working with communities and partners to maximise outputs and encourage wider participation	All; VCS	Area Tour held in July 2016 - actions arising from the tour are being monitored via the Place Board and the active West green place improvement plan. Small grants agreed at September Place Board to fund litter pickers and tabards to be available across each ward in the West. The equipment is held by the VCS and is being used by local community groups who wish to undertake clean-up events within their communities. Proposal agreed at January Place Board to introduce Radar Key locking system to cycle and walking routes within the west to enable those in wheelchairs or mobility scooters to access open space provision. Project being held as exemplar by local disability groups.
2	Improve the physical and environmental appearance of shopping centres in the West and support the establishment of 'Trader Groups', as interest arises	1. Continue to work with Traders to promote trade and increase footfall and address local area issues. Encourage traders to apply for 'It's your neighbourhood' in bloom awards as well as adopt flower planters and advertising litter bins.	SCC, Traders, RHS	Pallion Traders were visited by RHS Judges in July as were the VCS organisations from St Anne's as part of their 'Blooming St Anne's application, supported by St Anne's Councillors. Both groups attended the It's Your Neighbourhood Awards ceremony on 2nd November 2016 along with local Councillors and Chair of the Area Committee. Both groups received an award and are inspired to deliver further during 2017. Both groups, alongside Pallion's Parker Trust have were shortlisted for an award as part of Sunderland in Bloom. They attended the awards ceremony on 30th November 2016, where they were Highly Commended. Congratulations to all for your continued effort and commitment. Pallion Traders again, successfully launched their Christmas programme with illuminations and a switch-on event, held 25 November. Hundreds attended the event and media coverage was fantastic. Further work continues via local ward councillors to engage with local traders. St Anne's and Pallion in bloom groups are currently planning their It's Your Neighbourhood' applications for 2017 and St Anne's group has applied for RHS Greening Grey Britain funding.
3	Housing - enabling healthier homes	1. Delivery of the healthy home project	SCC; Community Helpers; VCS	Complete. Project approved at March Area Committee. VCS organisations and the six West Community Helpers trained to ensure they are fully equipped to support vulnerable communities to understand their rights with regard to landlords and the importance of a healthy home. Specialist stall held at the West Road to Rio Event in July 2016. Information shared at the July VCS Network and the July Place Board.

		2. Support communities to reduce their energy bills and their carbon footprint	VCS	Project proposal presented to November Place & People Board to support the West VCS organisations to reduce their energy bills, to enable them to continue to become more sustainable for the future. Recommendation agreed at December Area Committee to approve & deliver the project. During January and February building audits were undertaken to determine what actions would reduce utility and energy costs for the organisations. Detailed proposals were presented to the February Place Board and they are now forward to March Area Committee for full approval. This programme of support demonstrates the Area Committee's commitment to support the local term sustainability of the VCSector.
4	Review local parking issues	1. To acknowledge parking issues as they arise within communities to try and support wherever appropriate to do so	All	To be discussed as and when required.
5	Ensure West Communities benefit from the Tall Ships coming to Sunderland in 2018	1. Engage communities to become involved in the Tall Ships 2018 Festival either through volunteering or local trade opportunities		A further update on the Tall Ships 2018 project was delivered to November Place Board. Members were advised that Michelle Daurat will be joining the team on secondment from the University (National Glass Centre) in the role of Tall Ships Director. Michelle brings valuable experience having previously led the successful Tall Ships event in Hartlepool in 2010. Ian Flannery is now a project officer focusing on the Sail Training Ambassador Programme. When Michelle has reviewed the project opportunities she will be working across the areas to ensure everyone in the city has the opportunity to add value and become involved within the Tall Ships delivery programme. Victoria French, Head of Events at Sunderland Council will be presenting a report to March Area Committee on Tall Ships 2018 and where areas could support to ensure all communities benefit from this fantastic event coming to Sunderland in 2018.

6	Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Performance manage the 'Place Management - Responsive Local Services', Area Service Standards for the West, as agreed by Area Committee in May 2016.	SCC, VCS, Partners, Land owners	Performance updates and local resident feedback was presented to Place Board in January 2017 to support members to understand local intelligence regarding performance standards. During the performance update, key points raised included the need for targeted enforcement; support to community groups who wish to organise community clean-ups; requirement to change behaviours to reduce the amount of litter dropped. During the February 2017 Place Board, officers from Place Services consulted with members to enable the performance standards for 2017/2018 to be agreed.
		2. Continue to influence the development of the core strategy, and future land use in the West	SCC	Consultation on the Growth options concluded in July. In total 92 people submitted their view to the Council. The majority of residents and local groups supported the medium to high growth option. Since then the Planning Policy Team continue to prepare the Draft Plan which will be consulted upon in 2017. The work on the draft plan has included updating the evidence base inc. calculating housing and employment needs and supply, assessing the Green Belt, identifying locations for Gypsies and Travellers, assessing minerals and waste needs, identifying infrastructure requirements, calculating education needs, assessing impacts on transport, undertaking a Habitat Regulation Assessment and assessing flooding.
		3. To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme 2017/2018	SCC	Highway Maintenance Programme 2017/2018 was discussed at November 2016 Place Board. The board also reviewed the delivery of the current programme to track progress to-date. The February 2017 Place Board were presented with recommendations for the 2017/18 Highway programme with final recommendations attached at Item 3 Annex 2, to agreed at March 2017 Area Committee.
		4. Public Protection and Regulatory Services (PPRS) - ensure all Councillors receive Licensing and PPRS awareness training and are introduced to the Area Rep from PPRS for the West (Tom Terrett)	SCC	Tom Terrett to present an update to future Place Board in relation to the extended remit of his service to incorporate Houses in Multiple Occupation and Accredited Landlords as well as ongoing support available to vulnerable residents who may be suffering due to lack of support or neglect from Private Landlords. Tom aware of the VCS capacity development within the West as a result of the Healthy Homes project delivered over the summer, funded by West Area Committee.

SUNDERLAND WEST AREA – HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2017/2018

STREET NAME	WARD	Actual Treatment	Estimate Footway £	Estimate Road £
Wolseley Terrace & adjacent to rear of Chester Rd	Barnes	Resurface Road DBM or Micro Asphalt road surface		15,000
Hipsburn Drive junction from Queen Alexandra Rd	Barnes	Resurface Road DBM		5,000
Hadleigh Road	Pallion	Slurry footways	3,000	
Henderson Rd junction from Kayll Rd	Pallion	Resurface Road DBM		4,500
Priory Grove	Pallion	Resurface Road DBM		7,500
The Broadway (roundabout to Broadmayne) north side	Pallion	Red path failure, slurry	3,500	
Estuary Way entrance	St Anne's	Resurface Road DBM	2,500	
Gable End 14 High Street, South Hylton	St Anne's	Resurface DBM or Micro Asphalt road surface		3,000
Violet Street rear	St Anne's	Micro Asphalt road surface rear lane		10,000
Cranborne (part)	St Chad's	Resurface Road DBM		3,000
Archer Rd	St Chad's	Repair concrete		12,000
Torquay Rd. 77-66 footpath	Sandhill	Replace flags with macadam		7,500
Guernsey Road	Sandhill	Resurface Road DBM		7,500
Lord Street	Silksworth	Resurface Road DBM or Micro Asphalt road surface		6,000
Vicarage Close	Silksworth	Slurry footways		11,000
		TOTAL	9,000	92,000
		OVERALL OPTIONS TOTAL	£101,000	

Glossary

HRA: Hot Rolled Asphalt Wearing Course

DBM: Dense Bitumen Macadam Wearing Course

8th March 2017**REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD****People Board Progress Report****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year's (2016/17) People Board Work Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 Earlier last year the Local Area Plan's priorities associated with People were referred to the West People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The People Board continue to initiate action on those priorities and **Item 4 Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3 Area 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 local level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilising its own resources.
- 3.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas' of priority and ensure action taken in line with those priorities.
- 3.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the People Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	People Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Rebecca Atkinson
Barnes	Cllr Michael Essl
Pallion	Cllr Celia Gofton
Sandhill	Cllr David Allan
Silksworth	Cllr Pat Smith
St. Anne's	Cllr Susan Watson
St Chad's	Cllr Gillian Galbraith

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 28 February 2017

- 4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the West People Board up to 28th February 2017.

Influence: Health and Wellbeing
Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Joint Working
The Senior Commissioning Manager from the CCG attended the People Board in February to discuss the forward view for General Practice in Sunderland, following concerns raised by the Committee in relation to lack of GP's and increasing pressures on GP practices. Pressures on general practice are caused by increasing population, additional consultations, complexity of cases due to ageing population and increased

costs. The CCG are working hard to free-up time within general practice by reducing bureaucracy and avoidable consultations, managing the interface with hospitals and exploring new ways of working.

They are looking to invest to increase the workforce, distribute the workload effectively, review practice infrastructure and redesign care pathways to ensure efficiency.

The general practice development programme is being implemented which involves leadership training, training for reception and clerical staff, practice manager development, online consultation systems and developing technology to further improve and streamline pathways.

People Board considered the presentation and shared their own views based on their personal experience to-date. The Senior Commissioning Manager considered all views and endeavoured to take action, where applicable.

Influence: Design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee

Sport and Leisure Partnership – Everyone Active update for the third quarter was presented to the February People Board. Swimming lesson growth continues with 4428 children currently enrolled on Everyone Active swimming lessons across Sunderland. At the Silksworth pool, 667 children are taking part in the swim scheme (compared to 309 at June 2015). For health and fitness, there are 11,151 Everyone Active health and fitness members. At Silksworth there are 2602 members (compared to 1572 at June 2015).

The 3G pitches are now fully open with 1700 participants per week. Quarterly meetings booked in with the Tennis Club to continue to improve services. There has been an increase of Ski participants through a new management structure – increase by 120 a week (club growth). The plans for quarter 4 include the introduction of new Tennis and Fitness memberships to increase participation; Refurbishment of the Ski Centre and Increase 3G usage to 2000 participants a week.

Area Priority: Reducing mental health issues in young people

Following approval at October Area Committee to deliver the Mental Health for Young People Programme; West VCS organisations working with young people, alongside the Community Helpers and the Healthy Lifestyle Co-ordinator have been trained by Washington MIND to become Mental Health Champions, to recognise signs and enable early intervention to be adopted for our young people across the West.

A workshop was then facilitated by Area Arrangements with the newly trained West Mental Health Champions to develop a full proposal which was relevant to the West; not duplicating activity and support already available and which has the potential to make a real difference for young people. The delivery of projects must achieve partnership/collaborative working and lessons learnt must be shared.

14 bespoke applications were received **Item 6 Annex 6**, to deliver projects across the West, to support young people to improve their mental health and wellbeing, linking directly with the West Healthy Lifestyles Co-ordinator and all schools across the West. The People Board in February approved all applications and they were impressed with the quality of the applications and the focus on the target age-group.

The projects will now commence their delivery with an open event on 9th and 10th March, which invites all West Schools to come along and meet the projects/organisations and encourage sign-posting from schools to the provision. The signposting will then continue with the schools via the West Healthy Lifestyles Co-ordinator. The Senior Commissioning Manager from the CCG, who also attended the People Board, agreed that she would ensure GP's within the West signpost clients to the support, where appropriate.

Area Priority: Job Prospects, Skills and reducing social isolation	
Community Helpers	<p>The Community Helpers continue to deliver across the six wards within the West. They are all working incredibly hard to engage with communities and those most in need.</p> <p>The Community Helpers have shared case studies with their ward Councillors</p> <p>The Community Helpers are currently working alongside the Area Arrangements team to develop an external funding application to enable them to continue delivery and support communities across the area</p>
Community Led Local Delivery EU Funding (CLLD)	<p>Community Led Local Delivery (CLLD) funding overview report was presented to January People Board. The report was discussed in detail.</p> <p>The final application for European CLLD funding was submitted on 31st January 2017. The CLLD application seeks support to deliver the Sunderland CLLD strategy from April 2017- March 2022, requesting £3.05m of European funds:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £2.15m for European Social Fund (ESF) and • £900k from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF). • A further £2.75m would need to be secured as match funding from non-European funding sources, bringing the total value of the Local Development Strategy to £5.8m. <p>Full approval for CLLD funding is anticipated in April/May 2017, after which time the programme will be in a position to launch its first call for projects.</p> <p>At the West People Board in February, members agreed to recommend to Area Committee the alignment of an initial £60k SIB funding, to ensure match-funding was in place, to support West projects who wish to deliver CLLD activities, but who are unable to secure match-funding from other sources. Item 6 Annex 1</p>
West Intensive Recruitment Employment Support (WIRES 2)	<p>WIRES 2 continue to work with young people aged 16+ signposting to training, practical work experience and sustainable progression routes. One young person who had complex needs has accessed the WIRES 2 project and has successfully gained qualifications in First Aid, Food Safety Level 2, Personal and Social Development and also gained his Literacy and Numeracy Level 1. The young person has an interview with Home Group in March and is continuing to volunteer at Parker Trust.</p> <p>WIRES 2 are working very effectively with the Link School in Pallion, they are particularly interested in their pupils accessing the practical works experience that Parker Trust can offer.</p> <p>WIRES 2 has been working with pupils from Farrington Academy and Barbara Priestman School, the pupils have been accessing the project on a Wednesday morning and have been creating benches for their schools through up-cycling. WIRES 2 worked with Morethan who delivered a "Great to Good Session" for a group of 16 to 18 West area young people. Three of the young people successfully went on to have interviews for the ACES Project and secured apprenticeships at Age UK, Washington MIND and FISCUS.</p> <p>Whilst delivering the WIRES 2 Project, a high percentage of young</p>

	<p>people who are at risk of becoming NEET come from similar backgrounds - looked after children and children leaving care. A proposal relating to enhanced support for those young people in the West leaving care, was presented to the People Board in February. Item 4 and Item 6.</p>
West Enterprise	<p>43 people from the West are currently registered for support; 19 are female and 24 are males.</p> <p>There have been 13 new business starts to-date, of these 7 are female and 6 are male. Females are opposing the national trend which sees a greater number of males setting up in business. 11 of the starts (85%) were unemployed and are two were employed. Even those previously employed and moving into self-employment can have a positive benefit as they leave a vacancy in their previous job.</p> <p>The project has already exceeded the original target of 10 new business start-ups.</p>
Area Priority: Health and Wellbeing	
Healthy Lifestyles	<p>The Area Committee in December 2016, agreed to continue the Healthy Lifestyles Project for a further 12 months.</p> <p>The committee asked for assurances that the project would link directly with the West Young People Mental Health programme, ensuring that all school children and their families were made aware of the West VCS delivery and the website www.wellbeing.org.</p> <p>Following approval in December, Dawn Thompson the Healthy Lifestyles Co-ordinator has moved quickly and is working across all West schools to establish the following:</p> <p>Dawn is also arranging for the projects who are delivering the Young People Mental Health programme to attend an open event on 9th and 10th March, which invites all West Schools to come along and meet the projects/organisations and encourage sign-posting from schools to the provision.</p> <p>All 18 schools in the West also continue to deliver their Change4Life Clubs and the Change4Life Clubs will be attending the West Event in Barnes Park later this year, alongside other class groups from across the schools in the West of Sunderland.</p>
Area Priority: Young People	
Holiday Hunger	<p>Following approval at December Area Committee, the remaining funds from the Summer Holiday Hunger project were used to support families, in receipt of Free School meals, over the Christmas period.</p> <p>Six VCS organisations across the West delivered the project, supporting vulnerable families over Christmas with food vouchers, 95 families were supported.</p> <p>Further activities were held during the February school half-term holidays and ward councillors continue to be updated with ward activities and plans for the Easter holidays.</p>

Activities for Young People	<p>People Board in February discussed the importance of further activities for young people across the West area, particularly in relation to community cohesion and reducing ASB. The People Board agreed to make a recommendation to March Area Committee to align SIB funding to support activities for young people, which would be subject to a full call for projects. Item 6.</p>
Leaving Care – Enhancing outcomes in the West of Sunderland	<p>Whilst delivering the WIRES 2 Project, a high percentage of young people who are at risk of becoming NEET come from similar backgrounds - looked after children and children leaving care.</p> <p>These young people have multiple barriers and evidence is proving that a bespoke approach to engage, support and sustain a positive relationship throughout the WIRES 2 Project is starting to make a difference. During delivery of the WIRES 2 Project, Parker Trust has learned that they need more time to offer pastoral support, before trying to engage a young person on any type of education/training process.</p> <p>Parker Trust presented a report to West People Board in February, to support the West Area Committee to deliver its priority regarding support for young people, and has developed a proposal based upon local intelligence and lessons learnt to-date.</p> <p>Parker Trust would work alongside several organisations, to offer an additional bespoke resource to up to 45 young people who have additional needs, which does not duplicate statutory provision via the Sunderland provider framework (Gateway Team, Sunderland Leaving Care Team, but enhances their journey to live independently.</p> <p>Parker Trust would offer the following activities within the package:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical skills such as cooking, budgeting and decorating where they can obtain “hands on experience” including up-cycling their own furniture for trainer flats or their own tenancy; • Access to Counselling Services within 24hours; • On-site benefit advisor; • Personal coaching to raise aspirations <p>Timescales for the project for 18 months would commence 1 June 2017 up to and including, 31 December 2018.</p> <p>Monthly meetings would be held between Parker Trust and the West Area Co-ordinator. These meetings would measure delivery, achievement of outcomes and enable the chance to share immediate lessons learnt, emerging issues and opportunities to further strengthen partnerships. The meetings would permit the gathering of intelligence and data about the actual usage of the project which in turn allows appropriate monitoring of patterns and trends for demand. This monitoring would continue to underpin Contract and Commissioning arrangements between Sunderland City Council and other Partners.</p> <p>At the West People Board in February, members agreed to recommend to Area Committee the approval of SIB funding for the West Leaving Care project. Item 6 Annex 2</p>

Area Priority: Work with the West Voluntary and Community Sector to ensure they are focused and enabled to strengthen their position and long-term delivery strategy	
External Funding	Area Arrangements Team continues to support the West VCS using GRANTfinder software and regularly research and share information, as and when funding opportunities arise. VCS organisations continue to apply for the opportunities and are keen to continue to receive alerts. Organisations have achieved some success with over £70,000 external funding received, as a result of the information shared. See Item 5a for full VCS report update.
Supporting Communities to reduce energy costs	Project proposal agreed at December Area Committee to support West VCS organisations to reduce their energy bills, to enable them to continue to become more sustainable for the future. See Item 3 for full progress update.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Note the content of the report.
- 5.2 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regard to the West People Board Work Plan for 2016/2017 **Item 4 Annex 1**
- 5.3 Note the West Young People Mental Health projects, as detailed **Item 6 Annex 6**
- 5.4 Approve the alignment of £40,000 to support activities for young people across the West of Sunderland **Item 6**
- 5.5 Approve the alignment of £60,000 for the West CLLD Support programme **Item 6 Annex 1**
- 5.6 Approve the allocation of £45,000 for the West Leaving Care project **Item 6 Annex 2**

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PEOPLE PRIORITIES

	Area Priority	Proposed Action	Lead Agent	Progress
1	Create Healthy Lifestyles through targeted activities, events and communication	1. The city approach to an Active Sunderland commenced in 2014/15 and continues to be developed over the coming years. West Area Committee will support the Active Sunderland approach working with others to support delivery of outcomes with the aim of getting people physically active.	SCC, VCS	Complete. Large-scale 'Road to Rio' Healthy Lifestyles Event held 30th June, 1st July and 2nd July 2016, funded by West Area Committee. The event was a huge success with over 550 school children attending during the 30th June and 1st July and over 5000 people attending the family day on 2nd July. Feedback from the schools and those that attended the event has been incredibly positive.
		2. Continue to deliver the Healthy Lifestyles project and work with schools to influence and further embed physical activity programmes within Schools linked to School Games Organisers and the LAF Team	SCC, Schools, LAF Team, School Games Organisers	A full update was presented to November People Board to ascertain future direction to work with schools to ensure the more vulnerable young people are given the opportunity to increase their physical activity as well as improve their overall mental health and feelings of wellbeing. December Area Committee agreed to extend the project up to and including December 2017, the project must deliver mental health support as well as physical activity and link with the young people's mental health projects.
2	Work in partnership with the Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group to reduce social isolation and mental health issues through prevention and improved communication	1. Reducing Social Isolation working closely with the Sunderland Clinical Commissioning Group (SCCG) to deliver a range of projects which ensure West GP's and formal health pathways consider the positive contribution of the West VCS to reduce support a reduction in social isolation	VCS, CCG, GP's, SCC	Community Helpers presented an update to the November People Board as well as emailing ward specific updates to Councillors. They shared case studies to 'bring to life' the real issues that local people are facing- linking into the CCG Operational Plan for 2016/2017 relating to Prevention (working across the city, implementing a whole system approach to self-care to increase healthy life expectancy and make every contact count). Area Arrangements team continue to meet with the Helpers regularly to ensure they are sharing lessons learnt and developing their approach to support external funding applications to sustain their longer term future.

		<p>2. Reducing mental health issues in young people by working closely with the SCCG and the West VCS to deliver a range of projects which ensure all partners understand the benefits of informal support, alternative activities and social group dialogue and support.</p>	SCC, VCS	<p>Following approval at October Area Committee to deliver the Mental Health for Young People Programme; West VCS working with young people, alongside the Community Helpers and the Healthy Lifestyle Co-ordinator have been trained by Washington MIND to become Mental Health Champions, to recognise signs and enable early intervention to be adopted for our young people across the West. A workshop was then facilitated by Area Arrangements with the West Mental Health Champions to develop a full 'Call for Projects' which is relevant to the West; not duplicating activity and support already available and which has the potential to make a real difference for young people. The delivery of projects must achieve partnership/collaborative working and lessons learnt must be shared. The project proposals were presented to the February People Board and all projects were approved. Projects will present their services via a carousel of activities for schools on 9th and 10th March, the schools can then sign-post their young people to the projects, with the West Healthy Lifestyle Co-ordinator ensuring the projects are linked to the mental health activities being held within the West schools. The projects will also support the West Event 2017, with Washington MIND delivering a workshop to children focused on the 5 ways to wellbeing.</p>
3	<p>Develop activities for young people to reduce holiday hunger, encourage healthy lifestyles and improve their local environment</p>	<p>1. Deliver programme of holiday activities across the West, covering School Holidays from July 2016 through to June 2017, delivering activities which encourage young people to become environmentally aware; physically active and support their local community.</p>	SCC and Youth Providers/West VCS	<p>Holiday Hunger project update was presented to the People Board in November. The project outputs and outcomes achieved were exceptional, however the need within West communities was greater than anyone could have anticipated. The People Board in November reviewed the report and the presentations received regarding delivery (which included offering Breakfast as well as lunch as so many young people arrived at the activities and had not had breakfast). The People Board made a recommendation to December Area Committee to further extend the funding for the project, to allow the organisations to enhance their programme of activities for the remaining school holidays, up to and including May 2017 as well as offering Christmas Hampers to our most vulnerable families during the lead-up to Christmas. This was agreed and delivery continues, with a full programme delivered during February half-term and planning is now taking place for the Easter holidays.</p>

4	Support vulnerable communities to tackle poor health, worklessness and raise their aspirations	1. Support communities to access training for those who are actively seeking employment - Research the opportunities for access to training for those actively seeking employment and develop a proposal to support those who are unable to access free training, who are unable to pay for training which would enable them to move into sustainable employment.	SCC, SFA, FACL	Grantfinder used by Area Arrangements team to research external funding opportunities. Research and funding opportunities shared with West VCS. Extensive research already undertaken in relation to Skills Funding Agency (SFA funding) particularly- FACL training courses. West VCS encouraged to apply for FACL funding as well as adding their venues to the FACL 'delivery venue' database. Update on the potential European Community-led Local Development Funding was presented to the People board in January and February- should Sunderland be successful in their funding application. To-date the Sunderland CLLD Strategy has been approved and the CLLD Local Action Group has now submitted the 2nd stage funding application. In anticipation of successfully receiving the CLLD funding, the People Board are recommending that the West Area Committee align funding to be used as match-funding, should any West VCS organisations wish to apply for the CLLD funding but are unable to secure the 50% match-funding requirement.
		2. Deliver the Community Helpers Project across the six wards within the West of Sunderland, ensuring that any lessons learnt throughout the project are shared to influence commissioning of services to support our most vulnerable.	SCC, VCS, CCG, DWP	Community Helpers work in partnership across the West and meet regularly with Area Arrangements Team to ensure lessons learnt are timely and shared. Further updates and case studies were shared with People Board in November. Community helpers have, in the meantime, shared their ward update and case studies with their Ward Councillors. The Helpers are currently developing an external funding application with the aim of extending the project and broadening the scope of the Helper's remit.
		3. Monitor the implementation of the Sunderland Council Local Support Framework and identify potential gaps across the West of the city in preparation for the roll out of universal credit as well as the implications of the Benefit cap.	SCC, VCS	Utilise the Sunderland Council's Complex Needs Survey to ensure support is programmed to utilise the resources available across the West VCS Network. Ensure the intelligence hub is used effectively alongside the ICT resources available across the area to support people with on-line claims, job searches and benefit advice. The Community Helpers continue to provide critical support to the West's most vulnerable residents.

5	Develop and encourage partnerships between education and business	1. West Business Directory to be shared with all schools to link schools to local businesses as well as create additional opportunities for work experience; apprenticeships and vocational training.	SCC, VCS, DWP	Continue to monitor the delivery of the WIRES2 Project, linking 14-16 year olds with vocational training opportunities and businesses. Further proposal developed and presented to the People Board in February to focus support with young people leaving care and in care, to enable them to obtain the personal one to one support required, which in turn will give them the confidence they require to consider moving into employment, further education and training or starting their own business. Chair of Area Committee also continues to meet with Head of Farringdon senior school in his role as Chair of the Head Teacher's network to discuss potential opportunities to further develop enterprise opportunities within schools.
6	Support West Enterprise	1. Delivery of the West Enterprise Scheme to create ten new businesses within the West of Sunderland.	SCC, Local Businesses	43 people from the West are registered for support and of these 19 are female and 24 are males. There have been 13 business starts, of these 7 are female and 6 are male. Females are opposing the national trend which usually sees a greater number of males setting up in business. 11 of the starts(85%) were unemployed and are two were employed. Even those previously employed and moving into self employment can have a positive benefit as they leave a vacancy in their previous job.
7	Work with the West Voluntary and Community Sector to ensure they are focused and enabled to strengthen their position and long-term delivery strategy	1. West VCS Network - work with the VCS Sector to strengthen and increase capacity to enable the sector to deliver the West priorities.	SCC; VCS	Project proposal presented to November Place & People Board to support the West VCS organisations to reduce their energy bills, to enable them to continue to become more sustainable for the future. Recommendation approved at December Area Committee to deliver the project - See Item 5 as well as Item 2 within December Committee papers. Surveys were undertaken during January and February and final recommendations per ward were presented to the Place Board in February. Area Arrangements Team continues to support the West VCS using GRANTfinder software and regularly research and share information, as and when funding opportunities arise. VCS organisations continue to apply for the opportunities and are keen to continue to receive alerts. Organisations have had some success with external funding received as a result of the information shared. See Item 5a for full VCS report update.

8	Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Education and Skills Strategy and developing relationship with Schools with a particular focus upon work skills, vocational qualifications and opportunities to prepare young people to move into employment and raise their personal aspirations to succeed. Understand the impact of poor mental health and wellbeing in relation to young people's aspirations to move into secure employment and personal development	SCC & Schools	WIRES 2 project, approved at December 2015 Area Committee currently delivering to support the gathering of evidence to demonstrate the need to work specifically with 14-16 year olds (especially those leaving care, in care, at risk of becoming NEET), to offer opportunities to increase vocational qualifications, develop enterprise and learn general 'ready for work' life skills. Chair of Committee met with the Director Education in August to ensure he was aware of the work being undertaken within the community to support young people. A further proposal was presented to the People Board in February, which was developed following evidence provided from the WIRES2 project. The evidence demonstrated the value of supporting those most vulnerable young people, who are often leaving care or in care, who would benefit from additional one to one support. which in turn will give them the confidence they require to consider moving into employment, further education and training or starting their own business. The proposal is presented to Area Committee in March 2017, see Item 6, to be funded for 18 months from June 2017 through to December 2018.
		2. The Sport and Leisure Joint Venture (Sport and Leisure Management SLM) - understand the implications for the West area	SCC/SLM	Further updates on delivery of the venture were presented to the February People Board. See Item 4 People Board Report within March 2017 Committee papers for full details.

8th March 2017

REPORT OF WEST AREA VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR NETWORK

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report provides an update with regard 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 have been established 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.

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

- 3.1 The West AVCSN has met twice since the last Area Committee in December 2016. The West VCSN continues to deliver activities and services which support the Area Committee priorities.
- 3.2 The VCS network met in January and discussed the West Enterprise project and how to refer individuals into the project. The network also had the opportunity to understand the services offered by Access to Counselling, which is based in the West.
- 3.3 During the March meeting the network discussed the West Area Event and opportunities to participate within the theme of Science, Engineering and the Environment.
- 3.4 The VCS discussed the projects recently approved for Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing. Details were provided to groups to ensure the whole network could signpost where required. The network were also reminded of the opportunity and support available to further identify Mental Health training requirements, to support staff and volunteers within their organisations.
- 3.5 The VCS are working together to plan how they can help and support each other through sharing of skills, knowledge and resources.
- 3.6 The network continues to receive GRANTfinder opportunities and so far over £70k has been secured in the West.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 Members are requested
- To note the contents of the report

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8th March 2017

REPORT OF THE NORTHUMBRIA POLICE – SUNDERLAND WEST

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report provides performance information in relation to the Sunderland West Committee area from 1st December 2016 – 28th February 2017.

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. Events and Updates

- 3.1 During December the Neighbourhood Police team ran a burglary operation in the Barnes and Pallion area. Officers patrolled in plain clothes and a “leave the light on” leaflet campaign was conducted in the streets where there had been a recent burglary. There were only two burglary dwelling reported in these areas during December.
- 3.2 During the last reporting period Crime levelled off in the West and rose slightly in the South. We are coming to the end of the year for recorded crime and Northumbria Police is likely to record a 30 % increase in overall crime. Sunderland South + 28% and Sunderland West +26% are therefore below the force average.
- 3.3 Burglary dwelling shows an overall rise in the South but the number of offences is low (average of 1 burglary a week over the course of the year). In the West the news is even better with a 19% reduction likely to be recorded. Recently there was a period of 22 days when not one burglary dwelling was reported in any of the wards.

On the 25th January 2017 there was a burglary to a home on West Park, East Herrington. The team identified the male responsible from a neighbours CCTV. The CCTV only showed the male leaving the street however when we caught him he still had a car key belonging to the victim in his pocket. He is one of our most prolific burglars, who was also responsible for the rise in burglaries to shed and garages across the area. He is now looking at a long prison sentence which is good news.

- 3.4 Burglary to sheds, garages and commercial premises is an issue with no particular pattern across both the South and West. We have had an average rise of 8 offences a month since the start of the financial year. Since the male mentioned in 3.3 has been remanded in custody the number of offences has slowed down.
- 3.5 Vehicle crime has at last begun to slow down across the South and West. The Barnes area has one of the highest levels of car crime in the City mainly because residents are not locking their cars overnight. There is a campaign planned shortly to try and address this issue.
- 3.6 During the reporting period there were two incidents which received significant media attention. The armed robbery at Ford Post office on 17 January 2017 was particularly worrying as a shotgun was discharged. Both the males responsible are from the Ford Estate area. One of the males was charged and remanded the next day. Evidentially

the second offender was more challenging however he was remanded in custody on 22nd February. Two very dangerous individuals we no longer have to worry about.

There was also the suspicious death in Bishopwearmouth Cemetery which was eventually, sadly, proved to be a suicide.

- 3.7 Anti-Social Behaviour remains a priority. The team are currently concentrating their efforts around Belsay House/Castle mews. It is a difficult long standing issue mainly because the area was poorly designed. St Chad's ward Councillors have been proactive in this area, in partnership with Farrington Community Academy and have recently funded the reduction of shrubs to allow more daylight into the walkway, removing potential hiding places and litter traps and therefore reducing anti-social behaviour in the area. The area will continue to be monitored.

3.8 Forward Planning:

As mentioned at 3.5 the Neighbourhood teams will be doing crime prevention work for car crime in the Barnes area. We will no doubt also see a rise in Motorbike disorder in the coming months. We are planning a leaflet campaign targeting people who use our open spaces on a daily basis, for example Dog Walkers asking for their help in identifying offenders.

4. Update – Area Information

- 4.1 The ward updates below are a selection of appropriate offence types of interest and not all crime (e.g. minor fraud or harassment type offences etc. are not included).
- 4.2 Figures are from the 1st April 2016 as the computer programme would not allow comparisons spanning different financial years.

South data covers the following wards:

St Chad's

Silksworth

West data covers the following wards:

Sandhill

St Anne's

Pallion

Barnes

South Area	Crime figures comparison since 2015	% increase or decrease since 2015
Total crime	+ 256	+ 28%
Violence with injury	+4	+3%
Violence without	+ 98	+64%
Burglary dwelling	+ 13	+ 53%
Burglary OTD	+ 37	+ 83%
Criminal damage	- 13	- 5%
TFMV	+ 28	+ 69%
Shoplifting	+ 21	+27%
Youth ASB	- 49	-13%
Non youth ASB	- 98	-10%
Drug crime	- 2	- 8%

West Area	Crime figures comparison since 2015	% increase or decrease since 2015
Total crime	+ 607	+26%
Violence with injury	+ 19	+ 8%
Violence without injury	+ 266	+ 96%
Burglary dwelling	- 17	- 19%
Burglary OTD	+ 24	+ 31%
Criminal damage	+ 102	+ 19%
TFMV	+ 8	+ 6%
Shoplifting	- 40	- 19%
Youth ASB	- 49	-13%
Non youth ASB	- 98	- 10%
Drug crime	+ 2	+ 3%

5. Recommendations

5.1 Note the content of the report.

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8th March 2017**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 December 2016 to 1 February 2017.

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

There were 0 deliberate property fires during the reporting period in the West Area. There were 2 incidents in this area during the same period last year.

3.3 LI15 Number of vehicle fires started deliberately

There were 9 deliberate vehicle fires in this area during the reporting period.
There were 9 incidents in this area during the same period last year.

Date	Time	Ward	Vehicle
05/12	02.06	Barnes	Car
07/12	21.52	Sandhill	Car
28/12	19.04	Barnes	Car
14/01	12.12	Sandhill	Caravan
20/01	18.18	Sandhill	Car
20/01	19.25	St Annes	Car
20/01	20.00	St Annes	Car
24/01	19.47	Sandhill	Car
28/01	04.36	Pallion	Car

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

There have been 28 deliberate secondary fires in this area over the report period compared to 9 over the same period last year. This is an increase of 19 over the same reporting period.

Ward	Incidents
St. Anne's Ward	10
Barnes Ward	5
Pallion Ward	3
Sandhill Ward	2
Silksworth Ward	2
St. Chad's Ward	6

Barnes Ward	Total
Loose Refuse	4
Large refuse/ rubbish container	1

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
10/12	15:01	Barnes Ward	Loose refuse
13/12	03:25	Barnes Ward	Large refuse/ container(eg skip)
26/12	16:05	Barnes Ward	Loose refuse
23/01	20:50	Barnes Ward	Loose refuse
25/01	23:41	Barnes Ward	Loose refuse

Pallion Ward	Total
Wheelie Bin	1
Loose refuse (incl in garden)	2

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
28/12	20.20	Pallion Ward	Wheelie Bin
29/12	20.53	Pallion Ward	Loose refuse
22/01	21.54	Pallion Ward	Loose refuse

Sandhill Ward	Total
Loose refuse	2

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
05/01	19:21	Sandhill Ward	Loose refuse
09/01	22:28	Sandhill Ward	Loose refuse

Silksworth Ward	Total
Tree/ scrubland	2

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
19/12	21.21	Silksworth Ward	Tree scrubland
22/12	17:55	Silksworth Ward	Tree scrubland

St Anne's Ward	Total
Loose refuse (incl in garden)	4
small refuse/ rubbish container	2
Wheelie Bin	3
Tree scrub	1

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
02/12	23:29	St Anne's Ward	Wheelie Bin
21/12	21:43	St Anne's Ward	Loose refuse
24/12	18:12	St Anne's Ward	Loose refuse
26/12	14:55	St Anne's Ward	Loose refuse
05/01	07:55	St Anne's Ward	Scrub land
11/01	19:24	St Anne's Ward	Loose Refuse
23/01	19:25	St Anne's Ward	Wheelie Bin
25/01	19:16	St Anne's Ward	Wheelie Bin

29/01	16:22	St Anne's Ward	Small Refuse container
30/01	17:21	St Anne's Ward	Small Refuse container

St Chads Ward	Total
Wheelie Bin	4
Grassland/ Pasture/grazing	1
Heathland/ moorland	1

Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
01/12	20:12	St Chads Ward	Wheelie Bin
01/12	21:23	St Chads Ward	Grassland
17/12	19:10	St Chads Ward	Wheelie Bin
17/12	21:10	St Chads Ward	Wheelie Bin
19/12	13:33	St Chads Ward	Heathland/moorland
19/12	21:03	St Chads Ward	Wheelie Bin

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

There were a total of 37 deliberate fires (28 secondary fires, 9 vehicle fires) in this reporting period, this is an increase of 23 on last year when there was 14.

This is partly due to large increase in vehicle fires up from 3 in the previous year and an increase in wheelie bin fires up from 1 last year to 8 this year. The fire service, police and council are working together to identify and put forward solutions for incidents of wheelie bin fires.

Ward	December	January	Total
St. Anne's Ward	4	8	12
Barnes Ward	5	2	7
Pallion Ward	2	2	4
Sandhill Ward	1	5	6
Silksworth Ward	2	0	2
St. Chad's Ward	6	0	6

3.6 LI21 Malicious false alarm calls attended

There were 3 Malicious False Alarm calls attended over this period.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Note the content of this report.

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8th March 2017

REPORT OF GENTOO

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report provides an update from Gentoo for the West Area of Sunderland from December 2016 to March 2017.

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. Neighbourhood Services Update

- 3.1 A fundamental service review of our Repairs & Maintenance service is on going and a number of changes to the service have recently been communicated to customers. These include the clarification of customers' rights and responsibilities, such as the replacement of toilet seats, lock changes and lost keys and the provision of flooring. Changes will continue to be communicated via a new Tenant's Handbook planned later this year and the updating of our website and social media channels.
- 3.2 Gentoo continues to track the actual and potential impacts of Welfare Reforms on our customers. These include the Local Housing Allowance Cap, changes to the Local Housing Allowance for supported housing and the removal of automatic Housing Benefit entitlement for 18 – 21 year olds. To date the actual impacts of changes already in place, such as the Bedroom Tax and the introduction of Universal Credit, have been far less than the potential maximum exposure for Gentoo and we are confident we have the appropriate support in place to assist our customers.

4. Community Partnership Coordinator Activity

- 4.1 A recent meeting of our Community Partnerships Operations Manager and the City Council's Area Coordinator has clarified joint concerns and how we can jointly support communities in the West Area. Each local Community Partnership Coordinator has now been tasked with local priorities and our Operations Manager will pick up any overarching issues citywide.

5. Investment & Renewal

- 5.1 New build activity is ongoing in High Ford where the Hillcrag development will provide 132 new homes, all for affordable rent. To date 32 new homes have been let. On Doxford Park the Thurcroft development is providing 155 new homes, all for sale.

5.2 We are continuing the stock condition survey of all of our homes and the results of this will inform future Investment Plan activity from 2017/18.

6. Recommendations

6.1 Note the content of this report.

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WEST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE
8th March 2017
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources

Author(s):

Head of Member Support and Community Partnerships

Purpose of Report:

Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area 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 SIB, and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

Description of Decision:

The Area Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2016/17 budget:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, 3.1 and 4.1 above.
- (b) Approve the alignment of £60,000 for the West CLLD Support Programme. Item 6 Annex 1
- (c) Approve the allocation of £45,000 for a West Leaving Care Project Item 6 Annex 2
- (d) Approve the alignment of £40,000 for West Youth activities Item 4
- (e) Approve the allocation of £12,925 for lighting at King George Playing Fields Item 6 Annex 3
- (f) Approve the West Energy projects, as detailed Item 6 Annex 4
- (g) Note the projects and approvals to-date for Maximising Greenspace, as detailed Item 6 Annex 5.
- (h) Note the West Young People Mental Health projects, as detailed Item 6 Annex 6
- (i) Note the 14 Community Chest approvals supported from 2016/2017 Community Chest, as detailed Item 6 Annex 7.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation of £442,175 for 2016/2017 from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution? No

Is it included in the Forward Plan?

Relevant Scrutiny Committees:

8th March 2017**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS****Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB), Community Chest – Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources****1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Local Area 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 SIB and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

2 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

- 2.1 The table below shows the financial position of SIB for 2016/2017:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB for 2016/2017 is £442,175				
				£442,175
Project Name				
Walk & Talk Budget	08.06.16		£60,000	£382,175
Holiday Hunger	08.06.16		£30,000	£352,175
Safety Works	19.10.16		£4,250	£347,925
Walk and Talk Budget	19.10.16		£30,000	£317,925
West Holiday Hunger Extension	15.12.16		£30,000	£287,925
West Voluntary and Community Sector Network's Premises Energy Efficient Programme	15.12.16		£100,000	£187,925
West Area Event 2017	15.12.16		£30,000	£157,925
Balance				£157,925

- 2.2 The People Boards have made the following recommendations for SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration.
- 2.3 At the West People Board in February, members agreed to recommend to Area Committee the alignment of an initial £60,000 SIB funding, to ensure match-funding was in place, to support West projects who wish to deliver CLLD activities, but who are unable to secure match-funding from other sources. **Item 6 Annex 1.**

- 2.4 At the West People Board in February, members received a presentation on a project to support young people leaving care in the West of Sunderland. The People Board have made the recommendation to Area Committee to approve and support Parker Trust to deliver the West Leaving Care Project for £45,000 SIB. **Item 6 Annex 2.**
- 2.5 Following a discussion at the People Board in February, members agreed to recommend to Area Committee the alignment of £40,000 SIB to support a call for projects, to deliver additional youth activities within the West of Sunderland, to promote community cohesion and to reduce Anti-social behaviour. **Item 4**
- 2.6 The Place Board have made the following recommendations for SIB funding to Area Committee for consideration.
- 2.7 During the Area Committee meeting in December, following the Police and Fire reports in relation to ASB and fires at King George Playing Fields, the Committee agreed to refer to the Place Board, a potential project to support the installation of lighting to reduce ASB and enable communities to use the outdoor space during the darker nights. The Place board considered the issues during the January and February boards, site visits were undertaken and a proposal was presented to the February Place Board to fund the installation of lighting. Place Board agreed to recommend to Area Committee the allocation of £12,925 SIB for lighting at King George Playing Fields **Item 6 Annex 3.**
- 2.8 The February Place board considered the findings from the recent energy audits carried out on Community facilities in the West. The Place Board recommends the full allocation, as detailed within **Item 6 Annex 4.**
- 2.9 The total SIB budget requested for approval for the above projects totals £157,925, if approved the balance of SIB funding remaining for 2016/2017, would be £0.

3 Maximising Green Spaces Funding

- 3.1 There were 3 maximising green spaces approvals between January 2017 and February 2017. **Item 6 Annex 5** details the approvals to-date as part of the maximising green spaces to improve health within the West, leaving a balance of zero.

4. West Health Programme

- 4.1 The table below shows the financial position of the West Health Programme following the December 2016 Area Committee meeting.

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
West Health Programme including £20,000 match funding from CCG				£100,000
Project Name				
Mental Health and Wellbeing Call For Projects	03.12.14	-	£31,421	£68,579
Community Helpers	07.10.15	-	£20,000	£48,579
Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing.	08.06.16	-	£48,579	£0
New Balance				£0

- 4.2 Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing project. 14 bespoke applications were received (**Item 6 Annex 6**), to deliver projects across the West, to support young people to improve their mental health and wellbeing, linking directly with the West Healthy Lifestyles Co-ordinator and all schools across the West. The People Board in February reviewed all applications and they were impressed with the quality of the applications and the focus on the target age-group. The Projects are due to deliver from March to July 2017.

5. Community Chest

- 5.1 The table below details the Community Chest ward starting balances for 2016/2017. **Item 6 Annex 7** indicates the approvals supported between December 2016 to February 2017.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2016	Grant Returned	Balance
Barnes	£21,039	£5,444	£0	£15,595
Pallion	£16,655	£10,412	£0	£6,243
Sandhill	£16,029	£7,686	£0	£8,343
Silksworth	£15,138	£10,590	£213	£4,761
St Anne's	£16,139	£8,285	£1,560	£9,414
St Chad's	£19,800	£9,567	£500	£10,733
Total	£104,800	£51,984	£2,273	£55,089

6. Recommendations:

- 6.1 Note the financial statements set out in sections 2.1, 3.1 and 4.1 above.
- 6.2 Approve the alignment of £60,000 for the West CLLD Support Programme. **Item 6 Annex 1**
- 6.3 Approve the allocation of £45,000 for a West Leaving Care Project **Item 6 Annex 2**
- 6.4 Approve the alignment of £40,000 for West Youth activities **Item 4**
- 6.5 Approve the allocation of £12,925 for lighting at King George Playing Fields **Item 6 Annex 3**
- 6.6 Approve the West Energy projects, as detailed **Item 6 Annex 4**
- 6.7 Note the projects and approvals to-date for Maximising Greenspace, as detailed **Item 6 Annex 5**.
- 6.8 Note the West Young People Mental Health projects as detailed **Item 6 Annex 6**
- 6.9 Note the 14 Community Chest approvals supported from 2016/2017 Community Chest as set out in. **Item 6 Annex 7**.

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West Area People Board

13th February 2017

Community Led Local Development (CLLD) – Next steps for the West

1. Introduction

- 1.1 CLLD overview report was presented to January People Board. The report was discussed in detail.
- 1.2 The People Board agreed to receive a further report, developing a proposal to potentially recommend to Area Committee, to align funding to support west VCS organisations who apply for CLLD funding in the future, who in turn would require match-funding to secure the CLLD grant.

2. Supporting the West

- 2.1 The final application for CLLD funding was submitted on 31st January 2017. The CLLD application seeks support to deliver the Sunderland CLLD strategy from April 2017- March 2022, requesting £3.05m of European funds:-
 - £2.15m for European Social Fund (ESF) and
 - £900k from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).
- 2.2 A further £2.75m will need to be secured as match funding from non-European funding sources, bringing the total value of the Local Development Strategy to £5.8m.
- 2.3 Approval for CLLD funding is anticipated in April/May 2017, after which time the programme will be in a position to launch its first call for projects.
- 2.4 At the West People Board in January, members considered the possibility of aligning £100k SIB funding, to ensure match-funding was in place, to support West projects who wish to deliver CLLD activities, but who are unable to secure match-funding from other sources.

3. Type of activity to be delivered for CLLD Funding

- 3.1 Following Government approval of the CLLD funding, the CLLD funding will be launched within Sunderland. West VCS organisations will then be offered the opportunity to apply for CLLD funding, to deliver projects which focus upon the three CLLD objectives:
 - **Objective 1 - Enhance employment and skills provision**
 - **Action 1.1** Projects /initiatives which support effective engagement, finding and sign-posting of clients missing out on employability and skills support (ESF £250k/£250k match required)
 - **Action 1.2** Projects/initiatives which provide beneficiaries with pre-employability support and their transition into work (ESF £900k / £900k match required)
 - **Objective 2 Boost enterprise and entrepreneurship**
 - **Action 2.1** Projects/initiatives which support enterprise awareness and develop a stronger enterprise culture (ERDF £300k/£200k match required)

- **Action 2.2** Projects/initiatives which promote community enterprise development including pre-start and start-up support (ERDF £600k/£400k match required)
- **Objective 3 Improve community capacity, partnership working and social innovation**
 - **Action 3.1** Projects that promote leadership development, volunteering, active inclusion and citizenship, and that support the sustainability of VCSE organisations (ESF - £350k/£350k match required)
 - **Action 3.2** Projects which stimulate innovation and investigate, develop and implement new opportunities, services and models, including social investment activity. (ESF £350k/£350k match required).

3.2 Projects/initiatives must address ways to fill gaps in local employment and skills provision, stimulate pilot projects and build the capacity of specific client groups, organisations, potential entrepreneurs and local enterprises.

4. Who will benefit from the West?

4.1 Our West VCS organisations who apply for CLLD funding. Their applications would be submitted, following a call for projects via the CLLD Local Action Group (LAG). The applications will be assessed by the CLLD Local Action Group and funding approved, following a robust process.

5. Match Funding

5.1 For every pound secured from CLLD funding, a pound of match-funding must be secured, prior to the CLLD funds being handed-over. To ensure the organisations with the West stand the best possible chance of securing the CLLD funding, Area Committee may wish to consider aligning £60,000 SIB funding, to enable those organisations who successfully received CLLD funding, to utilise SIB as match – subject to full Area Committee approval for each application.

5.2 For example if a West VCS organisation submitted an application to the CLLD LAG to deliver an employment project, they would need to secure the match funding before submission. The project, if successful, would then be required to submit all relevant evaluations for project delivery, to both the CLLD LAG and the West Area Committee/People Board respectively.

6. Recommendations

6.1 Consider the report and make a recommendation to West Area Committee in relation to the potential alignment of SIB to support match-funding requirements for West CLLD projects.

6.2 Continue to ensure the West Area Committee is fully involved in the delivery of the CLLD Strategy and that West residents benefit from this funding opportunity.

Leaving Care – Enhancing outcomes in the West of Sunderland

West People Board – 13 February 2017

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To present the current support available for young people leaving care in Sunderland and review how a new proposal could be delivered within the West of Sunderland, to offer enhanced opportunities for those young people on their journey to leave care, who would benefit from additional bespoke activities, designed to improve their personal aspirations. A key outcome from the proposal is to ensure that lessons learnt and opportunities are shared through a structured process to continue to strengthen partnerships to ensure the very best outcomes for our young people.

2. Background

- 2.1 One third of young people leave care before their 18th birthday. This is in stark contrast to the general population where 50% are still living with their parents at 24. National research has shown that a half of care-leavers believe they are made to leave care too early and say they receive little preparation and support for the challenges of adult life. They too often find themselves lonely and isolated without people to turn to. Systems that are intended to help with the transition may not always work as effectively as they could, particularly if a young person has multiple needs – the result, is that care-leavers make up a hugely disproportionate percentage of people suffering mental and physical health problems, experiencing homelessness and serving prison sentences.

3. Parker Trust Charity – Kayll Road, Sunderland

- 3.1 Parker Trust is becoming a beacon in the community, building a reputation for quality provision for young people and community members in Sunderland. Parker Trust offers more people the chance to get into employment, improve their skills, raise aspirations, encourage personal empowerment and ultimately reduce the impact of the continuing need for diminishing public services. Parker Trust shares the West Area Committee priority to empower people to change their own lives, creating stronger local communities and improve the local economy.
- 3.2 Parker Trust, based in Pallion, empower people and communities – they create an alternative learning environment concentrating on developing ‘hands on’ trades and skills – not just gaining an accreditation or qualification (which is often unreachable for some). They have developed and sustained strong partnerships with statutory, voluntary and public sector as they firmly believe that working together can create a positive change.

- 3.3 Parker Trust considers every organisation as a potential partner. They are creating a trusting, warm, relaxed environment where services delivered are based on trust, strong principled values and a positive culture, not just around outputs being designed and delivered.

4. Parker Trust – what they are learning about young people leaving care

- 4.1 Whilst delivering the WIRES 2 Project, a high percentage of young people who are at risk of becoming NEET come from similar backgrounds - looked after children and children leaving care. Currently referrals from leaving care come through a young person's allocated keyworkers,
- 4.2 These young people have multiple barriers and evidence is proving that a bespoke approach to engage, support and sustain a positive relationship throughout the WIRES 2 Project is starting to make a difference. During delivery of the WIRES 2 Project, Parker Trust has learned that they need more time to offer pastoral support, before trying to engage a young person on any type of education/training process.
- 4.3 Parker Trust has also learned that creating a strong consistent relationship with an individual, implementing robust boundaries and clear pathways yielded a better result, with young people wanting to access Parker Trust and looking forward to doing any work, tasks, training, volunteering and works experience. In fact the young people wanted to access Parker Trust more than they had originally planned for, as they felt comfortable with the services and developed a trust with the worker.
- 4.4 The young people often benefit from signposting to volunteering/ training opportunities, a space for practical work experience, advice on PIP forms etc. Having support agencies connecting through one place such as Parker Trust could continue to support the development of more efficient and effective pathways.
- 4.5 Parker Trust endeavours to find bespoke training opportunities for a young person but the young person may not be able to attend due to certain barriers including paranoia or there may be no staff from statutory organisations or allocated key workers who can take the young person to the training, (as the training is not statutory). Quite often the training can be 'small steps on a journey' and not a college/formal education course, so it is often not a requirement for key workers to ensure the young person attends.
- 4.6 Parker Trust is viewed by the young people as a trusting environment, it has a homely feel and young people want to access provision there. Parker Trust can complement other statutory provision and offer opportunities in a bespoke way, using the knowledge and expertise they have due to the grassroots level they consistently deliver at. Parker Trust wishes to support Care Leavers to

feel emotionally stable and be financially secure, ultimately making a successful transition to independence and a positive future.

- 4.7 Parker Trust understands that all agencies work tirelessly to help a young person reach their full potential and to be self-reliant but they have found that those with more complex needs, have additional challenges and are not as ready to access provision offered by a statutory system.
- 4.8 Parker Trust, working alongside Sunderland City Council want all young people to receive a consistently high standard of statutory support that continues to be developed, utilising feedback from new interventions and ways of working - resulting in care leavers easily able to form healthy relationships, which enable them to make a successful transition to adulthood.

5. Proposal

- 5.1 Parker Trust would like to support the West Area Committee to deliver its priority regarding support for young people, and has developed a proposal based upon local intelligence and lessons learnt to-date.
- 5.2 Parker Trust would work alongside several organisations, to offer an additional bespoke resource to up to 45 young people who have additional needs, which does not duplicate statutory provision via the Sunderland provider framework (Gateway Team, Sunderland Leaving Care Team, but enhances their journey to live independently. The organisations may include:
 - Bell House, Centrepont
 - Harbour View, Centrepont
 - Lewis Crescent, Centrepont
 - Dundas Street, Centrepont
 - Swan lodge, Salvation Army
 - Toward Road, Salvation Army
 - Holmewood, Gentoo
 - Burlington Close, Sunderland Council
- 5.3 Parker Trust would offer the following activities within the package:
 - Practical skills such as cooking, budgeting and decorating where they can obtain “hands on experience” including up-cycling their own furniture for trainer flats or their own tenancy;
 - Access to Counselling Services within 24hours;
 - On-site benefit advisor;
 - Personal coaching to raise aspirations

- 5.4 Parker would create long lasting positive relationships with an individual and nurture and develop relationships with significant adults such as teachers, police, and youth workers.
- 5.5 Parker Trust would involve care leavers in decisions about their own lives and in the design of services, in order that they are able to influence the structures and processes that govern how they are treated. They would offer one to one support creating a bespoke, personalised, wrap-around support pathway based at Parker Trust - understanding that all young people are different and a one stop approach may not suit all.
- 5.6 This support would be initiated by developing an individualised pen picture and then agreeing the pathway plan of that person's needs, goals and aspirations in a non-judgmental way. Gaining trust is the essential element as experience has shown, it is crucial to achieve positive outcomes. Parker Trust would provide a safe, warm environment so that young people feel comfortable and not overwhelmed.
- 5.7 'Enabling a young person' is the principal of Parker Trust's approach and accepting also that a pathway plan requires flexibility, to suit an individuals' personal development journey. Parker Trust would utilise resources within the City to ensure value for money including the use of training providers to offer accreditation including FACL providers who are OFSTED approved. Parker Trust would manage and co-ordinate the delivery of a specialist support model that is aligned to and compliments statutory care planning for young people.

6. Finance

- 6.1 To make an impact and create this longer-term legacy Parker Trust would require funding for 18 months. Work would be delivered predominately from Parker Trust's premises but can and will be offered outreach to other venues within the West, if required.
- 6.2 Parker Trust has up-cycled/recycle materials donated from the local community and Dulux including furniture, paint, brushes and tools. Parker Trust has a fully fitted kitchen with equipment and qualified volunteers who can facilitate cooking sessions.
- 6.3 Parker Trust works closely with Rose Training who offer FACL funded one-day courses relevant to individuals who wish to progress in education/training. They also work in partnership with Access Counselling who are based one-day per week in Parker Trust's premises. Parker Trust work in partnership with Sunderland West Advice Project and ACES project who would offer benefit/debt/money advice.

- 6.4 Cost for Parker Trust to deliver this project for 18 months is £60,000 to support 45 young people with a bespoke individual package, working in partnership with statutory providers to enhance delivery for those young people who would benefit from one-to-one support, guidance and direction.
- 6.5 Timescales for the project for 18 months would commence 1 June 2017 up to and including, 31 December 2018.
- 6.6 Parker Trust has secured match-funding from ESF Community Grant. Parker would also utilise FREE training from providers to maximise added value for money to support activity costs.
- 6.7 Funding required is therefore £45,000.

7. Sharing lessons learnt

- 7.1 Monthly meetings would be held between Parker Trust and the West Area Co-ordinator. These meetings would measure delivery, achievement of outcomes and enable the chance to share immediate lessons learnt, emerging issues and opportunities to further strengthen partnerships. The meetings would permit the gathering of intelligence and data about the actual usage of the project which in turn allows appropriate monitoring of patterns and trends for demand.
- 7.2 This monitoring would continue to underpin Contract and Commissioning arrangements between Sunderland City Council and other Partners.

8. Recommendations

- 8.1 Note the content of the report.
- 8.2 Consider and agree a recommendation for Area Committee in relation to:
 - a) Delivery of a 'Leaving Care – Enhancing outcomes in the West of Sunderland project', developing a unique local offer for our young people
 - b) Approach to sharing lessons learnt and opportunities to continue to strengthen partnerships to ensure the very best outcomes for our young people

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB)

Internally Lead Projects – King George Playing Fields- Skate Park lighting

Project Title	King George Playing Fields – Skate Park lighting
Project Description	To install lighting in the Skate Park at Kind George Playing fields as per design
Area Priority	Activities for young people and maximising use of green space
Grant Awarded	£12,925
Lead Officer	Michael Curry
Start Date	March 2017
End Date	June 2017
Outcome(s)	Improved access to skatepark with timed lighting Improved safety and security
Key Milestones	Start work on site, March 2017
Key Milestones	Complete work on site, June 2017
Performance Management/Transfer of grant arrangements	Payment to be internally transferred on completion of works.

West Area Committee Energy Efficiency Improvements for Community Buildings

West Place Board Report – 16 February 2017

Introduction

Energy Surveys have been carried out a various community buildings within the West Area Committee boundary. West Area committee allocated £15,000 per ward for energy efficiency measures along with £10,000 for surveys and management of the scheme. The surveys have been undertaken by the Council's Energy Conservation Team and the priority energy efficiency measures have been identified with budget costs provided or where indicated a quotation obtained by the relevant community group.

The implementation of these measures will save energy, carbon emissions and reduce the operating costs (energy and maintenance) of the various community groups. Utility costs are a significant financial pressure to community organisation but are to some degree controllable with investment in energy efficiency measures and through improved energy awareness and good housekeeping. Some measures (predominantly lighting) will also improve the appearance of the internal environment whilst other measures (heating related) will improve comfort levels in buildings. Improvements in aesthetic appearance and comfort levels will also potentially increase use at the various Centres.

The completed audit for each building will be provided to the relevant organisation and members by 31/03/17.

Programme Conditions

A summary of measures by building for each ward within the constraints of the budget allocation are attached to this executive summary. As well as the implementations of these measures it is recommended that members agree to the following conditions being implemented to maximise energy savings and ensure value for money.

- 1) The scope of works and specification/designs are approved by mechanical and electrical building services engineers from within the Council. This process will be co-ordinated by the Council's Energy Manager who also has management responsibility for the building services engineers. The Energy Manager will thoroughly review all quotations to ensure best value for money and that all energy savings are maximised.
- 2) All heating controls which are not recommended for replacement (i.e. those to be retained) are re-commissioned to suit occupancy patterns in buildings. This work can be arranged by the Council's Energy Conservation Team.
- 3) The Energy Conservation Team will arrange an energy awareness training session for 2 representatives from each organisation. Attendance at this event is a necessary condition of receiving any grant funding.
- 4) No works shall proceed without an appropriate asbestos survey being in place. There will be a contribution of £500 to each group if an asbestos survey is required. The cost of asbestos removal should be borne by the community group and if this is not possible or is prohibitive then the works will not proceed.

5) Any underspend from the initial funding allocation should be reinvested in other energy efficiency measures highlighted in the summary of measures, where currently only a partial contribution or no contribution has been awarded.

It is recognised that funding is limited under this programme however the cost of conditions 1-4 will be met from the initial funding allocation for surveys.

The Council's Energy Manager and the West Area Community Development Lead will advise Lambton Street Youth Centre and Pennywell Young People's Project in relation to funding opportunities at these sites. The capital cost of implementing energy efficiency measures in full at these sites is greater than this programme can meet.

Overall Recommendations

Members are asked to note the findings of this summary report and agree to the summary of measures identified with suggested grant contribution levels.

Members are also asked to note and agree to the programme conditions.

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Ward	Pallion		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
Parker Memorial Home	Thermostatic Radiator Valves	900	900
Parker Memorial Home	LED Lighting	5000	5000
Pallion Action Group	LED Lighting	10800	3760
Pallion Action Group	Heating Controls	240	240
St Luke's Neighbourhood Trust	Heat Meter	1200	1200
St Luke's Neighbourhood Trust	Pipework Insulation	600	600
St Luke's Neighbourhood Trust	Re-commission BMS	300	300
Lambton Street Youth Centre	LED Lighting	21600	3000
	Total Cost (£)	45240	15000

Ward	Sandhill		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
Grindon Church Project	Improvements to Windows	2400	2400
Grindon Young People Project	LED Lighting	13800	600
Grindon Young People Project	Sports Hall Heating	12000	12000
	Total Cost (£)	36600	15000

Ward	St Chad's		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
Farringdon Youth and Community Centre	Heating Controls	3000	3000
Farringdon Youth and Community Centre	Pipework Insulation	600	600
Farringdon Youth and Community Centre	LED Lighting	15000	8900
Lakeside Community Association	LED Lighting	5000	1000
Lakeside Community Association	New Heating Boiler	6000	1500
	Total Cost (£)	34400	15000

Ward	Barnes		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
St Gabriel's	Boiler Replacement	6600	6600
Plains Farm Youth Centre	Replacement Boiler	1800	1800
Plains Farm Youth Centre	LED Lighting	6600	6600
	Total Cost (£)	16800	15000

Ward	Silksworth		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
Silksworth Youth and Community Centre	Heating Controls	2400	2400
Silksworth Youth and Community Centre	Pipework Insulation	600	600
Silksworth Youth and Community Centre	Football Pitch and Car Park LED Lighting	2400	2400
Silksworth Youth and Community Centre	LED Lighting	800	800
Silksworth recreation park	LED lighting	10000	6300
Lakeside Community Association	LED Lighting	5000	1000
Lakeside Community Association	New Heating Boiler	6000	1500
	Total Cost (£)	29000	15000

Ward	St Anne's		
Site	Measure	Budget Cost of Measure (£)	Place Board Recommended Grant Contribution (£)
Pennywell Community Association	Thermostatic Radiator Valves	15300	5040
South Hylton Tansey Centre	LED Lighting	9000	5000
Pennywell Youth Project	LED Lighting	20400	3460
Pennywell Youth Project	Re-commission BMS	300	300
Pennywell Youth Project	Replace broken Thermostatic Radiator valves with tamper-proof type	1200	1200
	Total Cost (£)	51750	15000

MAXIMISING GREEN SPACES TO IMPROVE HEALTH – PROJECTS APPROVED –December 2016 to February 2017Total Funding awarded: **£60,000**Funding awarded to date: **£60,000**Remaining Funding to date: **£0**

Project	Amount	Match Funding	Start Date	End Date
Purchase of Goal Posts – Purchase of two sets of goal posts to be installed at - St Anne's playing fields - Site outside the Comrades, Silksworth.	£1,200	-	November 2014	February 2015
Installation of Goal posts – Installation of two sets of goal posts at - St Anne's playing fields - Site outside the Comrades, Silksworth	£622	-	November 2014	February 2015
Be Active in our Greenspace – Provision of marked out routes, suitable for walking, jogging or running at Silksworth Sports Complex and Barnes Park extension, including; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x 5k accessible circular routes - distances will suit a new walker through to more experienced athletes • Accessible routes – encourages a range of target audiences e.g. beginners, older adults, mums with pushchairs etc. • Opportunity for users to walk / jog / run from 1k to up to 9 k within the circular routes – with the opportunity to build on the distance • Detailed information signs at the start/finish of each circular route • Way markers positioned along the route with arrows and distances 	£2378	£4,000	November 2014	June 2015

West Area Signs – Installation of 10 area signs to 3 attractions in the West at -Barnes Park, -Silksworth Sports Complex and -Quarry View Playing Fields.	£3,720	-	December 2014	March 2015
Trees and Shrub Planting – Planting of trees and shrubs within Sandhill Ward at; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theme Road • Tasmin Road • Toronto Square • Twickenham Road • Tadcaster Road • Trevallyn • Saltburn Road 	£2,967	Match funding of £2,000 agreed by Gentoo	November 2014	April 2015
Victory Street Improvements – Cleaning of site around Victory Street with the installation of boulders and grass at the entrance to improve the overall appearance.	£583	-	November 2014	January 2015
Plains Farm CA – Clear overgrown shrubs and waste from rear of premises. This will open up the site and make it more visually appealing. Treat the soil to enable future growing within the space to support creation of an allotment and community garden.	£2,500	-	January 2015	April 2015
Children's Forest Consultation – Two consultation events at Pennywell Community Centre and South Hylton Tansy Centre to gather local resident's views on addressing the problems associated with the Children's Forest and suggestions about changes and improvements that could be made. Following the events focus groups will be formed to implement changes and to maximise the use of this space for local residents. Part of the event will include a small-scale tidy up of the site as well as designing a community logo for the Children's Forest	£4,600	£1,000	April 2015	September 2015

Incredible Edible In Pallion – To develop a green route in Pallion ward with the VCS and Pallion Traders as part of the Incredible Edible programme where local traders and community groups grow and look after edible planting.	£1,311	£460	February 2015	April 2015
Newport Dene Consultation – Consultation event as part of a Community Family Fun Day for residents of Silksworth to gather local resident's views and suggestions on improvements or changes within the Newport Dene area.	£4,800	£1,500	August 2015	October 2015
Hollinside Square – Create additional parking spaces for up to 10 vehicles within Hollinside Square, to enable those people parking in the square to visit the playing fields.	£13,000	£4,534 from Gentoo and £15,000 from St Anne's Walk & Talk Budget	October 2015	November 2015
Lambton Street / Hylton Playing Fields – Clearance work to thin the undergrowth in the inner plantation which bounds the playing fields, removal of brambles, self seeders and any litter etc on site.	£5,000	-	November 2015	February 2016
Purchasing and Installation of Goal posts – The project will enable the RLS team to install the goal post at the Blackie.	£1,000	-	February 2016	April 2016
Sunderland Training & Education Farm – Installation of new fencing as part of the Dene project to regenerate the farm dene into a children's adventure trail.	£5,000	-	February 2016	September 2016

Purchasing 'Love where you live' equipment and resources – Purchase of equipment to enable the VCS, alongside community resident groups and local trader groups, to undertake Environmental activities such as 'Love where you live' and low-level green space improvements and maintenance.	£2,000	-	September 2016	September 2017
West Accessible Routes – To enhance accessibility on the Metro Cycle Route and connector routes through South Hylton by modification of 5 access control points by the introduction of RADAR key accessible gate structures, to enhance network accessibility for larger mobility scooters, so that users can get out and about more freely with their families.	£4,500	-	January 2017	June 2017
Farringdon In Bloom – To develop a gardening group and improve the greenspace at the front of Farringdon Youth & Community Centre to make the building more attractive and welcoming to local residents, along with adopting some planters and hanging baskets outside of the shopping area with the longer term aim of working with the local traders to secure shopping centre improvement funding.	£2,975	-	January 2017	October 2017
King George Playing Fields – To install lighting in the Skate Park at Kind George Playing fields as per design	£1,844		March 2017	April 2017
Total	£60,000			

West Mental Health and Wellbeing for Young People

Report to West People Board – 13 February 2017

Following approval at October Area Committee to deliver the Mental Health for Young People Programme; West VCS working with young people, alongside the Community Helpers and the Healthy Lifestyle Co-ordinator have been trained by Washington MIND to become Mental Health Champions, to recognise signs and enable early intervention to be adopted for our young people across the West. A workshop was then facilitated by Area Arrangements with the West Mental Health Champions to develop a collaborative approach to ensure no duplicating of activity and making use of support already available and which has the potential to make a real difference for young people. The projects will be delivered between March and July 2017 with a launch to primary school on the 9th and 10th March facilitated by the Healthy Lifestyles Co-ordinator. The budget for all projects is: £46,000

	Project Title	Target age range	Amount requested	Brief description of Activity
Lambton Street Youth Centre	Your Time	Year 6 + (10years+)	£3,200	Cookery, arts, sports, fitness, console, relax zone and club activities all activities underpinned with the ethos outline in the mental health training
Creative Learning at Sunderland Empire	Connections Club	Year 6 + (10years+)	£3,250	Focus on young people with additional learning needs, activities based around a creative and safe programme of music and performing arts for people 10+ with learning and social disabilities.
Hope Spring	Life Skills and Family Support	Family approach	£3,200	Skills & Family Support will primarily be a preventative intervention by design, set on the premise that says if we can help parents develop a family culture and environment that gives space for all family members to adequately voice their relational, physical, and emotional needs, as well as teaching parents better basic food and communication skills so that they can help meet the needs of their dependents, then we will have positive outcomes in terms of reduced adolescent stress and improved resilience and health within the individuals and family
Keep Active (NE) CIC	Wellness workshops in the West	Year 6 + (10years+)	£3,185	Activities around being more active and will be adapted depending on attendees.
Parker Memorial Home	Just Love It	Age 7 to 11	£3,200	Cookery, arts, sports, fitness, all activities delivered by trained and qualified counsellors underpinned with the ethos outline in the mental health training

Pennywell Community Centre	Young People and Mental Health	Age 10+	£800	Workshops to address issues such as anxiety, body image, cyber bullying, lifestyle, drug and alcohol and diversity.
Pennywell Youth Project	Family Focus	Family approach	£3,200	Whole family approach to identified young people with multiple problems.
A690	West Young Peoples Mental Health	8-10 and 11+	£3,200	1:1 support for young people with various drop in sessions
Youth Almighty Project	Girls Group and Healthy Lifestyle Project	Oct-16	£3,003	Single gender project to support and encourage young girls to increase physical activity along with improving their mental health and wellbeing. Project 2 will be an 8 week healthy lifestyle project.
The Box Youth Project	Let's Talk	12-16 young women 10-11	£3,200	2 projects, one working in Farringdon Community Academy with young women referred to the sessions by Dawn Thompson, sessions encouraged young women to talk openly. Other project will be targeted at year 6 pupils and their families.
Pallion Action Group	West mental health in young people	5-12yrs	£3,200	Workshops for young people with activities such as drama, arts, crafts and games. Informal and fun with fully trained counsellors in each session.
Washington MIND	West Young Peoples Mental Health		£3,000	To provide support to all frontline and volunteers who are delivering against this agenda. To offer 2hr session to support and 1:1 support for workers
Washington MIND	Training to be identified and delivered as required		£3,000	
Collaborative work	West Area Event - Workshops	Primary school age and families	£5,000	Deliver of activities at the West Area Event, 5 ways to wellbeing and activities that worked throughout the project lifespan
Collaborative work			£2,362	To be considered at a future People board
			£46,000	
		Balance remaining	£0	

COMMUNITY CHEST 2016/2017 WEST AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED December 2016 – February 2017

Ward	Project	Allocation 2016/2017	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned since April 2016	Balance Remaining
Barnes	No applications submitted for approval between January to February 2017.					
	Total	£21,039	£0	£5,444	£0	£15,595
Pallion	Parker Memorial Home – Contribution towards equipment for recycling project for unwanted items and furniture to restore them for people in need or for re –sale.		£2,000			
	All About You North East – Funding towards a 10 week local project aimed at 7-14 yr olds focused around design, innovation and invention.		£1,993			
	Pallion Action Group – Set up of a small crisis fund to assist local members of the community needing assistance.		£1,000			
	Pallion Action Group / Parker Memorial Home – Funding to support the costs towards transportation for up cycling		£799			
	Total	£16,655	£5,792	£4,620	£0	£6,243
Sandill	No applications submitted for approval between January to February 2017.		£0			
	Total	£16,029	£0	£7,686	£0	£8,343

Silksworth	89th Sunderland Scout Group - Purchase of sporting equipment to provide children and young people with more activities to increase fitness levels and motivation.		£800			
	Youth Almighty Project - Refurbishment of the meeting space including furniture and equipment for education and training.		£2,483			
	Tots R Us - Toddler Group - Purchase of new resources and age appropriate equipment to replace worn and unsafe equipment to attract new users to the group.		£546			
	Silksworth Youth and Community Centre - Improvements to Community Centre, including redecoration and replacement of flooring.		£2,800			
	Total	£15,138	£6,629	£3,961	£213	£4,761
St Anne's	South Hylton Bowls Club – Purchase of bowling jackets for members of the group.		£450			
	Total	£16,139	£450	£7,835	£1,560	£9,414
St Chads	Wearside Golf Club Ladies Section – Funding towards section to encourage new members, 4 free taster sessions to be held to encourage new members.		£1,000			
	Farringdon Community Academy – Purchase of equipment to help girls embrace PE and sport within school.		£995			
	Lakeside Residents Association – To assist Hospital Visitor Co-ordinator when visiting the sick and those discharged from hospital moved for a short recovery period into a care home		£500			

	Herrington Women's Institute – Celebration event on 6th June 2017 of Herrington WI's 90 years working in the community.		£750			
	Farringdon Residents Association – Contribution towards summer trips for local residents.		£500			
	Total	£19,800	£3,745	£5,822	£500	£10,733
	Overall Total	£104,800	£16,616	£35,368	£2,273	£55,089

Current Planning Applications(West)

Between 01/01/2017 and 06/02/2017

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
17/00011/FUL	75 Chatsworth Street SouthSunderlandSR4 7NR	Erection of bay window to front of property.	16/01/2017	13/03/2017
17/00085/DDI	Land East Of Durham Road And Tudor Grove (Humbledon Hill)Durham RoadSunderland	Discharge of conditions 3 (peg out), 16 (method statement), 18 (levels), 19 (tree protection), 20 (tree method statement), 21 (bat boxes) and 25 (landscaping) attached to planning application 14/01638/FUL.	17/01/2017	14/03/2017
17/00174/EDI	East Of Durham Road And Tudor GroveDurham RoadSunderland	Discharge of conditions 9 (drainage) and 24 (ecological) attached to planning application 14/01638/FUL.	17/01/2017	14/03/2017
17/00109/FUL	27 Westfield GroveSunderlandSR4 8QZ	Erection of a single storey extension to rear.	19/01/2017	16/03/2017
17/00082/ADV	Pallion Retail ParkWoodbine TerraceSunderland	Display of various illuminated/non-illuminated signage	17/01/2017	14/03/2017

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
16/01011/FUL	28 Front RoadSunderlandSR4 0BY	Erection of a two storey extension to side and single storey extension to front.	19/01/2017	16/03/2017
17/00041/ADV	Post Office460 Hylton RoadSunderlandSR4 8AB	Installation of a replacement internally illuminated surround sign.	11/01/2017	08/03/2017
17/00047/VAR	17 Sutherland DriveThe BroadwaySunderlandSR4 8RJ	Variation of Condition 3 (Materials to match) attached to planning application 15/00913/FUL (Erection of a sunroom to rear), to allow render instead of brick work and grey tiles instead of red tiles.	13/01/2017	10/03/2017
17/00005/FUL	Virgin MediaCable OfficesPennywell Industrial EstateSunderlandSR4 9EN	Installation of additional ACU units/ louvres to South elevation, to serve digital media equipment. Comprising of the addition of 1no. externally mounted condenser, 6no. Louvre units with ductwork to serve internal equipment.	13/01/2017	10/03/2017
17/00100/FUL	14 Saint Chads CrescentSunderlandSR3 3TR	Erection of conservatory to rear.	19/01/2017	16/03/2017
17/00119/FUL	45 Park LeaSunderlandSR3 3TA	Erection of a single storey front extension.	23/01/2017	20/03/2017

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
17/00135/FUL	44 Sandringham CrescentFarringdonSunderland SR3 3QP	Erection of a single storey extension to front and side of property.	02/02/2017	30/03/2017
17/00206/FU4	East Herrington Primary School HouseBalmoral TerraceEast HerringtonSunderlandSR3 3PR	Erection of two new dwellings and two storey extension to existing dwelling.	03/02/2017	31/03/2017
16/02310/FUL	Land To Front Of 55 - 91 (Odds)Townsend RoadThorney CloseSunderlandSR3 4LS	Regrading of grass verge, replacement of steps/retaining wall and creation of two new sets of steps.	06/01/2017	03/03/2017
17/00170/PRI	21 Gillingham RoadSunderlandSR4 8LB	Erection of a single storey rear extension. (Extends 4m from the original dwelling, 3.19m in height and 2.1m to the eaves)	27/01/2017	10/03/2017
17/00010/FUL	30 Polmuir RoadPlains FarmSunderlandSR3 1QF	Erection of single storey extension to side and rear of property.	05/01/2017	02/03/2017
17/00070/FUL	10 Hill BrowSunderlandSR3 2BS	Creation of vehicular access onto a claassified road, new driveway with brick pillars to entrance and erection of new railings to boundary wall. (Amended description 09.02.17)	18/01/2017	15/03/2017
16/02272/FUL	5 Tunstall TerraceNew SilksworthSunderlandSR3 1HH	Erection of new dormer windows to front elevation	24/01/2017	21/03/2017

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17/00229/FUL	2 Hawthorn AvenueSunderlandSR3 1DU	Erection of a single storey extension to side and front and creation of new driveway to front.	03/02/2017	31/03/2017