

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Thursday 4th June, 2015 at 6.00pm

VENUE – The Fire Authority Main Headquarters, Barmston Mere

Membership

Cllrs Williams (Chair), F. Miller (Vice Chair - Place), Farthing (Vice Chair – People), Fletcher, Kelly, Lauchlan, Middleton, G Miller, Scaplehorn, David Snowdon, Dianne Snowdon, T. Taylor, D Trueman, H Trueman. P. Walker,

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* Denotes an item relating to an executive function

ELAINE WAUGH
Head of Law and Governance

27th May, 2015

Item 1d

At a meeting of the WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE held at WASHINGTON MIND, THE LIFE HOUSE, GRASMERE TERRACE on THURSDAY 5TH MARCH, 2015 at 6.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Scaplehorn in the Chair

Councillors Farthing, Fletcher, Kelly, Lauchlan, F. Miller, G. Miller, David Snowdon, Dianne Snowdon, Taylor, Thompson, D. Trueman, H. Trueman, Walker and Williams.

Louise Butler	-	Chief Executives
David Hardy	-	City Services
Paul Wood	-	Commercial and Corporate Services
Elaine Harbron	-	ICT
Jacqui Reeves	-	VCS Representative
Colin McCartney	-	Gentoo
Bryan Beverley	-	Washington Trust
Ev Ripley – Day	-	Foundation of Light
Steve Graham	-	TWFRS
Mariel Hardy	-	Washington Youth Council
Emma Bowman	-	Washington Youth Council
Suzanne Shaftoe	-	Springwell Village Community Venue

Members of the Washington Community.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Northumbria Police.

Declarations of Interest

Item 7 - Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

Councillor Fletcher made an open declaration with regards to Annex 2 – Change of SIB Funding Application as a family member was employed by Sunderland North Community Business Centre.

Councillor Dianne Snowden made an open declaration in Annex 1 – SIB Applications 1 and 2 as a trustee of Washington MIND and left the room during consideration of the items.

Councillor David Snowden made an open declaration in Annex 1 – SIB Application No 2 as a Director of the Millennium Centre which would be working in partnership with the applicant therefore he took no part in the discussion of the Item.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 9th December, 2014

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 9th December, 2014 (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendment :-

Page 4 of the minutes Paragraph 9, Councillor Farthing referred to Rickleton and not the Riverside as stated.

Change in order of business

The Chairman advised that Item 3 would be considered first in order to allow the presenting officers to attend another meeting.

Partner Agency Reports

(a) Report of the Washington Area Community Voluntary Sector Network

The Washington Area Community Voluntary Sector Network submitted a report (copy circulated) to inform the Committee of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

John Rostron, VCS Representative, presented the report and advised the Committee of the Washington Area VCS Network Annual Report for 2014-15 which was included in the agenda papers for Members consideration.

The Chairman commented that this was the first Annual Review from the VCS and they were a very important partner and it should be stressed that the Area Committee recognised the importance of their role.

2. RESOLVED that Members noted the contents of the report attached as Annex 1 of the report.

Washington Area Committee Annual Report 2014-15

The Chairman of the Washington Area Committee submitted a report (copy circulated) for the Committee to approve the Annual Report as part of the combined Area Committee Annual Report 2014-15 to be presented to Full Council.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Kelly referred to Page 14 of the agenda – Events Planning, and advised that it should refer to the agreement of a new approach to developing the 2014 Events programme, not 2015 Events programme.

The Chairman wished to thank the Committee, the VCS and Partners for their considerable efforts, with a great deal of good work carried out. Fabulous results had been achieved with NEETS, work via the VCS and also the Washington Trust with Brian Beverley now in post and proving to be a real asset.

3. RESOLVED that Members considered and approved the Washington Annual Report for inclusion in the combined Area Committee Annual Report for 2014-15

Refreshing the Area Committee Priorities

The Chairman of the Washington Area Committee submitted a report (copy circulated) to inform Members of the proposed process and timescales to refresh the Area Committee priorities. The outcomes of this process would determine the People and Place Board workplans for 2015/16.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Thompson requested that it be ensured that Officers from Property Services and Siglion attend the workshops as the Committee needed to have them on board as partners.

4. RESOLVED that Members considered and approved the timeline and process outlined in the report and agreed for the first workshop to be held in March 2015.

Place Board – Progress Report

The Chair of the Place Board submitted a report (copy circulated) to provide the Committee with an update of progress against the 2014/15 Place Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Fiona Miller, Chair of the Place Board presented the report and requested Members consideration of Annex 2 and the Highways Capital Maintenance Priority Lists, plus the additional streets for agreement. The Committee agreed to the proposed recommendations.

In relation to Responsive Local Services, Councillor F Miller introduced David Hardy, Area Response Manager who advised that it was business as usual with the winter pruning schedule having been finished and the team working through requests now. Mr Hardy also informed of a productive meeting with Ashtenne in relation to the Industrial Estates.

With regards to the Project Brief for Summer Events 2015, The Committee considered the project outcomes required.

Councillor Kelly commented that in relation to outcome 2a and the proposed date, this had not been agreed and suggested that a discussion be held over this. Louise Butler, Area Co-ordinator advised that she would amend the project brief.

Councillor Kelly also queried if outcome 2b should state the exact infrastructure required and suggested the interested parties bring forward their proposals and what they could offer. The Committee agreed the Project outcomes as detailed in the report (Pages 36 and 37).

Councillor G. Miller referred to discussions had at the Place Board in which he had raised concerns over the Committee spending large amounts of its budget sustaining main road networks rather than tackling its own streets in Washington and this needed to be considered and looked at for 2016/17 going forward.

The Chairman also advised that he had expressed concern over this issue and had been assured that this would be looked at.

5. RESOLVED that the Committee

- i) Considered the progress and performance update with regard to the Washington Place Board's Work Plan for 2014/15 as detailed in Annex 1 of the report
- ii) Considered and agreed the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Highways Capital Maintenance programmes highlighted for Washington for 2015/16, as detailed in Annex 2 of the report.
- iii) Considered and agreed the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Project Brief and Call for Projects for the Summer Event 2015 as detailed in Annex 3 of the report together with approval to award the grant based on assessment and consultation via the Events Steering Group and Place Board. Members agreed the deadline for applications as 27th March. Assessment and consultation with Members 27th March – 2nd April. Award and appointment of successful applicant 7th – 14th April.

People Board – Progress Report

The Chair of the People Board submitted a report (copy circulated) to provide the Committee with an update of progress against the current years (2014/15) People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Williams presented the report and referred to page 40 which included the proposal from the Clinical Commissioning Group to commit £20,000 funding to each Area Committee to spend on health priorities during 2015/16, subject to match funding, making a total of £40,000 available.

The Chairman advised that the Committee had a budget of £22,000 remaining.

Councillor Kelly queried if the money wasn't allocated now, if it could be carried forward and used on a bigger project later.

Ms Butler advised that it could be taken to the June Area Committee if needed, but the main aim was for this to be used around long term issues.

Councillor Kelly suggested the Committee wait for a specific project first.

Councillor G. Miller agreed with Councillor Kelly that we needed to undertake a bigger project to tackle the range of issues and felt that we could agree in principal to the match funding but we needed a measurable gain with details and outcomes.

Neil Revely, Executive Director, People Directorate advised that this funding was linked to the overall strategic approach with the Council and the CCG and this money was to tackle issues and long term conditions that people may have and to help support those to stay at home rather than placing them in long term care.

Councillor Dianne Snowden suggested that the Committee agree to the proposal in principal and to discuss the issue further as we were refreshing our priorities moving forward. The Committee agreed to the proposal.

Councillor Williams introduced Mariel Hardy and Emma Bowman of the Washington Youth Council, who provided a powerpoint presentation on the work and achievements that they had carried out to date and circulated their findings of the questionnaire completed at the Heritage Festival.

Councillor Kelly commented that this was ideal in providing information and he could not see any reason why a member of the Youth Council couldn't participate in the Events steering group.

Councillor G. Miller commented that the questionnaire had 153 responses that lead to 14 ideas, which was great, and he would've liked to have seen the Youth Council compile these into their 3 main ideas and priorities. Councillor Miller also suggested that the Youth Council challenge the Committee on issues they are passionate about.

Ms Hardy advised that the questionnaire had been collated as it had, in order to fit in with the Committees priorities. Ms Bowman also advised of two new Members that had an expertise in Facebook and would be updating the Youth Councils page, so they could promote the group more.

Ms Hardy commented that they would like to be involved with the Summer Events planning and thanked Members and Officers for involving them to date.

Councillor G. Miller suggested that the Youth Council look into a music event as the Committee had experience in this regard and could maybe help with arrangements.

The Chairman commented that the Youth Council project was to promote positive images for young people and he felt that the Committee could agree that the ladies present had cemented that image with the young people involved doing exactly what the Committee had funded this initiative for.

The Chairman also wished to congratulate the Officers, Martin Robinson and Suzanne Shaftoe who had supported the Youth Council and were providing their work on a voluntary basis.

Ms Shaftoe wished to add that they had found the right group of committed people to take this project forward and they should be commended. Ms Shaftoe also wished to thank Councillor Scaplehorn for all the support and that officers would continue to support the Youth Council as much as they could.

6. RESOLVED that the Committee

- (i) Considered the progress and performance update with regards to the Washington People Board Work Plan for 2014/2015, as detailed in Annex 1 of the report
- (ii) Considered and agreed in principal to allocate £20,000 match funding with the Clinical Commissioning Group to spend on health priorities during 2015/16.
- (iii) Noted the content of the Washington Youth Council presentation as detailed in Annex 2 of the report.

Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

The Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) to request the Committee's consideration of proposals for the allocation of the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) that would benefit the area and to note the Community Chest initiatives that would benefit the area.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

7. RESOLVED that the Committee:-

- i) Noted the financial statements set out in the report.

- ii) Considered and agreed the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Physical Hub as detailed in this report and Annex 1
- iii) Considered and agreed the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark Scheme as detailed in the report and Annex 1
- iv) Considered and Agreed the Change to Project Request for Youth Opportunities and School Opportunities as detailed in Annex 2 of the report
- v) Noted the 4 approvals of the Washington Way to Well Being Small Grants Scheme – Go Washington as detailed in Annex 3 of the report.
- vi) Noted the 11 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/15 Community Chest as set out in Annex 4 of the report.

Planning Applications – For Information Only

Current Planning Applications relating to the Washington Area for the period 1st January to 18th February 2015 were submitted for Members information only (copy circulated).

(For copy report – see original minutes)

8. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting

(Signed) B. SCAPLEHORN,
Chairman.

Item 2a

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

Item 2a

4th June 2015

REPORT OF WASHINGTON AREA COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY SECTOR NETWORK

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report provides an update with regard to the Washington Area Community and Voluntary 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 and reporting back, providing a two-way flow of communication.
- 2.2 Washington Area Network delegates will present a report to each Area Committee meeting informing Members of activity, progress, issues and concerns of the sector.

3. Washington Area Community and Voluntary Sector Network (ACVSN) Progress Report

- The Washington Network will continue to work on developing and supporting the VCS re collaboration, communications, intelligence and mapping.
- The Network has met twice since the last Area Committee
- The Network has appointed a third Area Committee Area Network Representative at the April 2015 meeting. The new representative is Bryan Beverly. Bryan is the Community Volunteer Development Officer with the Washington Trust.
- The Network is working to produce its own Washington Area Network work plan. At the April meeting it was agreed to develop proposals to commence drafting the Network's work plan for 2015/16. This will consider the Area Committee priorities for the coming year and will look to encourage partnership working and collaboration. This will be an agenda item at the next Network meeting, anticipated June 2015.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested
- To note the contents of the report and consider the opportunities and issues raised by the Washington ACVSN

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WASHINGTON SECTOR PERFORMANCE UPDATE

MAY 2015 (As of 22nd May 2015) Initial 8 week financial year performance data.

Figures presented are from April 2015 to May 2015 in comparison to April 2014 to May 2014.

Total Reported Incidents	-	2,390	-61 Incidents (-3% reduction)
Total Crime	-	365	+37 Offences (11% increase)
Total Anti-Social Behaviour	-	387	-62 Incidents (14% reduction)
Crime Types:			
Burglary	-	33	+2 offences (6% increase)
Robbery	-	0	-2 offences (100% reduction)
Vehicle Crime	-	23	-7 offences (23% decrease)
Theft	-	109	+37 offences (51% increase)
Criminal Damage	-	70	-5 offences (7% reduction)
Sexual Offences	-	3	No change
Violent Crime	-	98	+18 offences (23% increase)
DV Crime	-	33	+1 offence (+3% increase)
Alcohol related Violence	-	48	+16 offences (+50% increase)
Anti-Social Behaviour			
Youth Related	-	118	-24 incidents (17% reduction)
Non Youth Related	-	259	-38 incidents (13% reduction)

4th June 2015

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

Place Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2014/15 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2015/16
- c. Provides an update on Place Board Governance Arrangements for 2015/16.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with Place and refers the priorities to the Washington Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The Place Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2015/16.

3. Annual Update of 2014/15 Place Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2014/15 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Item 3 Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

4. Proposed Work Plan for 2015/16

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan for 2015/16 is attached as **Item 3 Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the Place Board considers key to deliver during 2015/16.
- 4.2 Additionally the Place Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of Place Based Services devolved to Area Committee.

5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-
 - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilizing its own resources.
- 5.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference are attached as **Item 3 Annex 4**.

- 5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the Place Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	Place Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Fiona Miller
Washington Central	Cllr Len Lauchlan
Washington East	Cllr Tony Taylor
Washington North	Cllr John Kelly
Washington South	Cllr Paul Middleton
Washington West	Cllr Bernie Scaplehorn

6. Influencing role: Highways Capital Maintenance 2015/16

- 6.1 Further to the March 2015 Area Committee decision and role with regards to influencing the Highways Capital Maintenance Programme 2015/16, the Washington Area committee has a further opportunity to agree additional funding for highways capital maintenance at a Ward level.
- 6.2 Members met 14th May to agree which of the proposed programmes should be recommended to Area Committee for completion and is attached as **Annex 5**

7. Recommendations

- 7.1 Members are requested to:-
- Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area Place Board's Work Plan for 2014/15 attached as **Item 3 Annex 1 and 2.**
 - Consider and agree the Washington Area Place Board Work Plan Priorities for 2015/16 attached as **Item 3 Annex 3.**
 - Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2015/16 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 3 Annex 4.**
 - Consider and agree the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the additional funding for Ward based highways capital maintenance attached at **Annex 5.**

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Annex 1: Place board work plan 2014/15
Annex 2: SIB Performance Report 2014/15
Annex 3: Place board work plan 2015/16
Annex 4: Place board Terms of Reference
Annex 5: Highways Capital Maintenance

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Environment and Greenspace	1. Proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area: Working with RLS Area Response Manager and Customer Relationship Officer Ward Members to lead on delivering the Neighbourhood Improvement Project, with key partners, schools and local community and groups(inc youth groups). The programme will enhance local neighbourhoods, working flexibly at a Ward level using evidence of need, gaps and issues and will reinforce key messages and communicate and engage with the local community.	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	Walk and Talk programme underway. Key projects being identified for each Ward - ARM working with identified partners re match funding and partnership where appropriate. Winter pruning programme underway. Some Neighbourhood Improvement Projects completed. Further proposals being considered. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan
		2. Monitor Progress of SIB funded Village Centre Improvements Project and co-ordinate all activity with the Neighbourhood Improvement Project	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	VCIP spends identified. Considering replacement initiatives for gaps etc. via NIP discussions. Programme on target although due to delays because of weather the project has been extended for an additional 6 months. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		3. Continue to manage the development and delivery of the Community Health and Green Spaces Project and look for further opportunities for future funding to develop new phases and co-ordinate with wider strategic programmes.	SCC: City Services, S & AA, Highways	Steering Group continues to meet. Links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as development of Walking forums, new walking trails (2 per area), way marking and joint working with sport and leisure re activity programmes in place. New Walking Network and Cycling Network being established via Sports and Leisure. Oct AC agreed project launch Spring 2015 to ensure co-ordination with Washington Way to Well Being initiatives and further engagement opportunities with local communities. Project launch event week of 26th May - in line with opening of new play facilities in Princess Anne Park and Area Festival 2015 (Active Sunderland) as well as opening of the new Leisure Centre which is a Joint Venture arrangement. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan
		4. Improved use of green/open space linked to People/Health Priorities and Public Health Greenspace Funding.		Shared ownership approach developed - the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark, a local 'Hub' to develop and deliver health initiatives including walking and cycling initiatives, and an opportunity for small grants to the VCS and key partners to deliver health projects to help residents become more active. Further proposals for small grants will engage local people in activity re greenspace accessibility, availability and use as well as tackling health inequalities and getting residents more active. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		5. Identify opportunities to enhance and add value in relation to on-going works and improvements to Washington parks		Improvement works re Princess Anne Park culverts and weirs completed. Usworth Park considered for Green Flag Status this year. Seldom Seen improvements carried out. RLS to report to future meeting re updating of Princess Anne Park Master Plan. Cllr Kelly requested Albany Park Feasibility Study as part of the Neighbourhood Improvement Project. East requested replacement of 'monument' in James Steel Park. South Ward Members have requested work in Holley Park Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		7. Support the development of the Concord Traders Association and activity to improve local shopping centres. Evaluate the success of the current SIB funded project re Concord Traders	SCC: Business Investment Team, Bsupplied.	Project completed delivering all anticipated outcomes and outputs. Traders forum established - local traders volunteering to be part of it and key 'contacts' identified. RSS is has engaged with at least 40 of the Concord Traders. Shop Local campaign underway. Adbins sited. All grant applications now awarded. Shop Watch scheme now in place. Evaluation required to consider if approach can be delivered in other areas as part of 2015/16 priorities and workplan
2	Ward Member Community Engagement (links to People)	1. Encourage partnerships with the local community and the VCS re physical and environmental improvements - for example through Neighbourhood Improvements Project	SCC: RLS	Walk and talk programmes to identify community partnerships. LWYL campaign proposals, links to industrial area priorities. Requests from Heritage Group re painting of signage at Wear and Crowther. Volunteers available to carry out work. SCC permissions required. Passed to RLS
		2. Link Ward Members to activities and events being delivered. Support Members in their community engagement and leadership role	SCC: S & AA	Members to utilise key events re promoting community leadership role. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan

		3. Develop a partnership approach to implement a sustainable scheme to manage plantations and woodlands in Washington	SCC: RLS	On going discussions with Groundwork. Not now being pursued via Groundworks. Volunteers are clearing plantations in Oxclose and Sulgrave. Once equipped potential to move to other areas. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		4. Continue to support love where you live activities and events, linked to site developments to promote participation and delivery of other priorities such as tackling health inequalities	SCC: RLS	Completed via Washington Way to Well Being. Addressing health inequalities remaining a priority under People.
3 Heritage & Culture		1. Develop a plan of events, activity and learning opportunities for use by the local community and schools.	SCC	Link to proposals for 2 x key events in 2015 as agreed at Area Committee. Ensure all opportunities are shared via the Washington Area VCS Network. New working Group established to confirm approach re planning Events 2015 programme. Proposals for Project brief to be discussed February Board and recommended to March Area Committee for agreement. VCS/Network to have a key role re developing and delivering the community aspects re entertainment and activities. Links via FACL provision. All events and activities notified to VCAS for inclusion in the 'Weekly Bulletin'. Circulated extensively via all Networks and partners.
		2. Consider wider cross cutting actions and themes in relation to Washington's heritage and culture offer - delivering other outcomes and strands re health, employment and community inclusion.	SCC	Working group to consider opportunities for ensuring heritage and culture offer considered when looking at new projects and proposals. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		3. Planning and strategy for delivering key events 2015 - Heritage Festival, Washington Illuminations, Christmas Festival	SCC	Working group established to consider how to deliver the 2 key events on behalf of Area Committee. £15,000 SIB was agreed from the 2014/15 budget. Summer carnival event approved. Working Group to manage commissioning of 2nd event. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan.
		4. Identify how Washington can contribute to and influence the city wide approach to heritage and culture	SCC	Members will have the opportunity to contribute to how the service will be tailored to meet the needs of the community. a brief position statement was presented to the board in relation to heritage facilities. Potential to refresh the Washington Heritage Feasibility Study, including alignment with proposed feasibility study for Albany Park and the development/management of F Pit. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
4 Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee		1. Work with individuals and communities to take more responsibility for and be passionate about keeping local communities clean, green and well looked after. Develop approach(s) to deal with:- Neglected Land, Housing - housing standards and empty properties (Housing Renewal Team), Shopping Parades Industrial Estates, through interventions appropriate at Area Level	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Industrial areas being considered via local action. Housing renewal plans to come to future boards. Moving forward with works at Crowther. Potential for 'business watch' scheme for industrial estates. Shopping trolleys still an issue. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan.
		2. Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of S106 funding at an area level	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	In October all elected members were invited to take part in Member Training on the Planning System delivered by Planning Advisory Service. Members were encouraged to identify further training opportunities arrangements which are currently being considered. In January 2015 members were provided with the opportunity to attend S106 and viability training. Members requested information relating to S106 spend across the area.
		3. To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Priorities to be agreed at February Place Board and recommended to March Area Committee for approval. Members requested future reports to be split to identify 'strategic networks' and ward level programming. Additional funding identified to deliver local schemes - decision at June Area committee

SIB Project Performance for the Place Board

Below is a summary of SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved **up until end of Quarter 4 (2014/15)**

Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise

This project was funded **£28,000**, split into three strands:

1. **Shop Local Concord (Louise Darby) £5,000** Shop Local posters, leaflets and pull up banners were produced for use at events as well as a Shop Local Christmas leaflet. Recent activity includes the development of a Shop Watch sticker. There was also a very small run of posters for the advertising bins. Spend on this project to date totals £1,414.
2. **Ad Bins (David Hardy) £3,000** This element of the **project is now complete**, with the ad bins installed and the funds fully claimed.

3. **Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise (Berni Whittaker) incorporating:**

Engaging with local businesses (£2,500). This element of the project was merged with Washington Skills Conference (£2,500) which was held on the 12th November 2014. Since the event, there has been no further activity with this project. The total spend for this element was therefore £1,064.15. **Project complete.**

Retail support project (£15,000) The project included a retail support specialist engaging with the 88 independent retailers in the Concord area. Grants ranging from £175 to £500 were approved and a traders association established. The grants supported new shop fittings, flooring, shop signs, shutters, decoration CCTV and a security door. 10 companies received mentoring and regular communication bulletins are issued. A Shop Local campaign ran in September 2014 with 9 local traders offering discounts and a Christmas campaign. Community News highlighted the scheme. A Shopwatch scheme has recently just established which has reduced incidences of burglary and ASB. Remaining unspent funds (£3,935.85) returned to the SIB budget via June 2015 Area Committee. **Project complete**

Village Centre Improvements Project (SCC)

This project was awarded SIB funding of £80,000 for to deliver ward walk abouts to identify village centre improvement in the five Washington wards. The project is progressing well with spend being claimed at £63,651.39 to date. The SIB Village Improvement Programme was granted a 6 months extension as some projects are running behind due to weather and other commitments. **Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan**

Neighbourhood Improvement Project (SCC)

This project was awarded SIB funding of £125,000. To date there is no spend claimed on this project. The NIP has progressed with the completion of the installation of lighting columns at Roseberry Court in partnership with Gentoo, a further proposal for lighting columns to the rear of Helmdon, Sulgrave is being considered in the North Ward. There are several projects in each of the remaining Wards being planned such as a tree planting scheme between the two Wards of West and South. Other projects will be discussed in the coming review meetings with Ward Members which has been organised for May 2015. **Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan**

Green Spaces (SCC)

This project was awarded SIB funding of £100,000. To date there is £16,028 claimed on this project. A recent report was given to the Washington Area Committee. In order to ensure spend within deadline and not lose substantial external funding for routes in the Washington area, including c £1.5m of Regional Growth Fund on cycle routes for which the deadline is September 2015, the SIB funded works have had to be rescheduled for Autumn 2015. The Washington Area Committee Chair Cllr B Scaplehorn and Area Coordinator Louise Butler were at the meeting along with others working on the project, where this was endorsed as a necessary way forward, to maximise investment in the area. **Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan**

	Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	Progress Report
1	Environment and Greenspace	1. Proposed activity, initiatives and partnership working to deliver a co-ordinated approach to neighbourhood management and improvements to the area: Working with RLS Area Response Manager and Customer Relationship Officer Ward Members to lead on delivering the Neighbourhood Improvement Project, with key partners, schools and local community and groups(inc youth groups). The programme will enhance local neighbourhoods, working flexibly at a Ward level using evidence of need, gaps and issues and will reinforce key messages and communicate and engage with the local community.	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	Neighbourhood Improvement Project to continue being developed. Target completion July 2016. ARM arranging Ward meetings to confirm new projects, partnerships and initiatives. Aim to encourage more community partnerships and volunteering to deliver neighbourhood improvements, building volunteering, developing an educational initiative with regard to dog fouling and utilising volunteers re plantation management.
		2. Monitor Progress of SIB funded Village Centre Improvements Project	RLS (SCC): ARM Dave Hardy	Further proposals being developed for remaining funding, in consultation with Ward Members. Anticipate completion within 6 months.
		3. Continue to manage the development and delivery of the Community Health and Green Spaces Project and look for further opportunities for future funding to develop new phases and co-ordinate with wider strategic programmes.	SCC: City Services, S & AA, Highways	Steering Group continues to meet. Links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as development of Walking forums, new walking trails (2 per area), way marking and joint working with sport and leisure re activity programmes in place. New Walking Network and Cycling Network being established via Sports and Leisure. Project launch event week of 26th May at Springwell Community Venue - in line with opening of new play facilities in Princess Anne Park and Area Festival 2015 (Active Sunderland) as well as opening of new Leisure Centre which is a joint venture partnership. Works continue to be aligned with strategic developments - anticipate SIB spend completed Autumn 2015. Project will continue to provide detailed updates and reports to board and Area committee as required.
		4. Improved use of green/open space linked to People/Health Priorities and Public Health Greenspace Funding.		Shared ownership approach developed - the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark, a local 'Hub' being developed to deliver health initiatives including walking and cycling initiatives. Further Call for Projects for a 4th round re small grants to engage local people in activity re greenspace accessibility once Physical Hub and Charter Mark are up and running - to allow other organisations and VCS to gain a better understanding of how to maximise the links and opportunities.
		5. Identify opportunities to enhance and add value in relation to on-going works and improvements to Washington parks		Usworth Park considered for Green Flag Status this year. RLS to report to future meeting re updating of Princess Anne Park Master Plan. Cllr Kelly requested Albany Park Feasibility Study as part of the Neighbourhood Improvement Project.
		6. Consider how to roll out best practice from the Retail Support Project.	SCC: Business Investment Team, Bsupplied.	Evaluate the SIB funded project re Concord Traders/Retail support project
2	Ward Member Community Engagement (links to People)	1. Encourage partnerships with the local community and the VCS re physical and environmental improvements - for example through Neighbourhood Improvements Project	SCC: RLS	Walk and talk programmes to identify community partnerships. LWYL campaign proposals, links to industrial area priorities. Requests from Heritage Group re painting of signage at Wear and Crowther. Links to local Volunteers - volunteers currently helping to clear plantations at Oxclose and Sulgrave. Once properly equipped there is the potential to move onto other areas.
		2. Link Ward Members to activities and events being delivered. Support Members in their community engagement and leadership role	SCC: S & AA	Members to utilise key events re promoting community leadership role.
		3. Continue to support love where you live activities and events, linked to site developments to promote participation and delivery of other priorities such as tackling health inequalities	SCC: RLS	Completed via Washington Way to Well Being. Addressing health inequalities remaining a priority under People.
3	Heritage & Culture	1. Consider wider cross cutting actions and themes in relation to Washington's heritage and culture offer - delivering other outcomes and strands re health, employment and community inclusion.	SCC	Ensure all opportunities are shared via the Washington Area VCS Network. New Working Group established to confirm approach to refresh the Washington Heritage Offer Feasibility Study of 2011. This could look at a number of identified opportunities and issues to include a Heritage Centre (linked to development of Albany Park and F Pit) the development of a Washington heritage archive, NELSAM, Bowes and other Washington based Heritage Centres and museums.

		2. Planning and strategy for delivering key events 2015	SCC	Working group established to deliver the 2 key events on behalf of Area Committee. Summer carnival event approved. Events working Group to provide support, advice and guidance to delivering this event. Place Board and Working Group to manage commissioning of 2nd event.
		3. Identify how Washington can contribute to and influence the city wide approach to heritage and culture	SCC	Members will have the opportunity to contribute to how the service will be tailored to meet the needs of the community. A brief position statement was presented to the board in relation to heritage facilities.
4	Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Work with individuals and communities to take more responsibility for and be passionate about keeping local communities clean, green and well looked after. Develop approach(s) to deal with:- Neglected Land, Housing - housing standards and empty properties (Housing Renewal Team), Shopping Parades and Industrial Estates, through interventions appropriate at Area Level	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Industrial areas being considered via local action. Housing renewal plans to come to future boards. Moving forward with works at Crowther. Potential for 'business watch' scheme for industrial estates. Shopping trolleys still an issue. Still a problem with open top lorries littering, fly tipping and enforcement issues on small industrial estates.
		2. IAMP	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Members to receive regular updates and information regarding the proposed IAMP and ensure issues regarding lorry parking and lack of specific facilities is highlighted and addressed. LB to support to find a solution (meetings to discuss use of CIL and highways maintenance in and around IAMP)
		3. Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of S106 funding at an area level	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	January 2015 members were provided with the opportunity to attend S106 and viability training. Members requested information relating to S106 spend across the area.
		4. To influence Highways Maintenance Programme at an area level for inclusion in the Capital Programme	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Priorities to be agreed at February Place Board and approved to March Area Committee. Members requested future reports to be split to identify 'strategic networks' and ward level programming. Additional funding identified to deliver local schemes - decision at June Area committee.

Place Board – Terms of Reference

The Place Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

Membership and Role

Chair

- The Chair of the Place Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the Place Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the Place Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the Place Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

Elected Members

- Core Membership of the Place Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members. However, Core Membership may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the Place Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that Place Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

Support Officers

- **Relevant Council Officers** - will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- **Designated Area Co-ordinator** – is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- **Designated Area Community Officer** – supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the Place Board in delivering place board priorities; ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** - will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

Frequency

Place Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

Reporting Arrangements

The Place Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the Place Board, assisted by the designated Area Co-ordinator and Area Community Officer.

Remit of the Place Board

The remit of the Place Board is to:

- Respond to all Place priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and support the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

Washington Highway Maintenance Local Priorities
Proposed list of additional streets for consideration for inclusion in
2015-2016 Highway Maintenance Programme

Ward	Street	Treatment	Estimate
Washington South	Chipchase	Resurface road	£10k
Washington South	Vigo Lane footway - part	Specialist footway surfacing	£4k
Washington Central	Spout Lane	Resurface road	£18k
Washington Central	Oliver Street -part	Resurface road	£10k
Washington West	Craggyknowle	Resurface road	£22k
Washington West	Stafford Villas	Resurface road and footways	£13k
Washington North	Pensher View	Resurface road	£10k
Washington North	Waterloo Road – part – phase 1	Resurface road	£15k
Washington East	Waskerley Road – cul de sac – phase 1	Resurface road - part	£15k
Washington East	Waskerley Road – cul de sac – phase 2	Resurface road - part	£15k

Schemes highlighted in green are officer recommendations for discussion re: inclusion in Highways Programme.

4th June 2015

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report:-

- a. Provides an annual update of the 2014/15 Work Plan, including SIB funded projects.
- b. Seeks Area Committee approval for priorities to be taken forward as part of the Work Plan for 2015/16
- c. Provides an update on People Board Governance Arrangements for 2015/16.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the Washington People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The People Board have presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides the annual update to the work plan in addition to proposing the priorities and governance arrangements for the year 2015/16.

3. Annual Update of 2014/15 People Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2014/15 Work Plan and SIB Project Reports are attached as **Item 4 Annex 1 and 2** and provide an annual update on performance.

4. Proposed Work Plan for 2015/16

- 4.1 The proposed Work Plan is attached as **Item 4 Annex 3** and outlines those priorities for action that the People Board considers key to deliver during 2015/16.
- 4.2 Additionally the People Board will continue to influence the design, delivery and review of People Based Services devolved to Area Committee. Proposals also outlined in **Annex 3**.

5. Area Governance Arrangements

- 5.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:-
 - a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a local level; and
 - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Outcomes Framework at a local level and ensures maximum impact where necessary through utilising its own resources.

5.2 Area Place and People Boards were set up to support the Area Committee in identifying areas of priority and ensure action in line with those priorities. Terms of Reference attached as **Item 4 Annex 4**.

5.3 Each ward has one elected member representative, whose role it is to liaise with their ward colleagues in between meetings and feedback collective views into the Board meetings. Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision making body and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committees for final endorsement. Elected member representation on the People Board for this Area Committee is as follows:-

Ward	People Board Membership
Chair	Cllr Louise Farthing
Washington Central	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Washington East	Cllr David Snowdon
Washington North	Cllr Jill Fletcher
Washington South	Cllr Graeme Miller
Washington West	Cllr Dorothy Trueman

5.4 Other local groups/boards where Washington Area Committee has elected member representation are outlined below:-

Group	Elected Member Representative
Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)	Cllr Dianne Snowdon
Children's Local Advisory Board (CLAB)	Cllr Linda Williams and Cllr Louise Farthing

6. Recommendations

6.1 Members are requested to:-

- a. Consider the Annual Performance Update with regard to the Washington Area People Board's Work Plan for 2014/15 attached as **Item 4 Annex 1 and 2**.
- b. Consider and agree the Washington Area People Board Work Plan Priorities for 2015/16 attached as **Item 4 Annex 3**.
- c. Note the Area Governance arrangements for 2015/16 outlined in **Section 5 and Item 4 Annex 4**.

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Annex 1: People Board Work Plan 2014/15

Annex 2: SIB Performance 2014/15

Annex 3: People Board Work Plan 2015/16

Annex 4: People Board Terms of Reference

Area Priority	ACTIONS	Progress Report
Health and Wellbeing	1. Strategic Health Group (CCG, Public Health, SCC, VCS) established to identify opportunities for partnership working and shared priorities	The Board recommended three separate opportunities to develop a shared ownership approach for developing the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark, a local 'Hub' to develop and deliver health initiatives and an opportunity for small grants to the VCS and key partners to deliver health projects to help residents become more active. Co-ordinating these opportunities will add value to current WAC funded initiatives linking the CHGSP (The Washington Way) and Maximising green spaces for the 5 Ways to Well Being. A total fund of £60,000 for the opportunities above available. March AC agreed the award for Physical hub and Charter Mark. 4 grants now awarded under Go Washington. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities
	2. Improve participation in activity through ensuring Ensure use of Community Health and Green spaces Project is utilised to deliver initiatives to address health inequalities	Steering Group continues to meet ensuring links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as Walking forums, new walking trails, way marking and joint working with sport and leisure re activity programmes in place. New Walking Network and Cycling Network being established via Sports and Leisure. Project launch event Tuesday 26th May at Springwell Community Venue. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities
	3. Maximising the Use of the Health Funds for use of Green/Open Space to address health issues (also links to Place) (Public Health funding £20k)	3 x separate initiatives to deliver the Washington Way to Well Being - one of which is a proposal for small grants to engage local people in activity re greenspace accessibility, availability and use as well as tackling health inequalities and getting residents more active. 4 grants approved in total. Balance of £9,406. This element of the project and funding completed with approach and initiatives included under 1 & 2 above.
	4. Identify gaps in Mental Health Services for young people including what is already being developed and delivered by VCS and other partners. Also co-ordinate proposed activity with Member's 'No Health without Mental Health'. Mental Health Social Worker to be locality based.	VCS Network workshop discussed gaps in services. Good service provision in Washington. Main gaps and issues identified were communication, partnership approach and information sharing. The outcomes of the workshop referred to the People Board's Health Group and included in the recommendations re Washington Way to Well Being Programme. Area Network has identified young people self harming as a possible work plan priority for 2015/16 - to be determined via Refreshing the Area Committee priorities process. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities
	5. Consider initiatives to help residents - and in particular young people - manage money and debt	Impact of Welfare Reform, Job Centre issues, DWP, claimant issues and sanctions etc to be discussed at November People board with a report to AC in December. People Board Working Group established to determine way forward re identifying gap and support required. DWP rep invited to Area committee. VCS organisations to contribute to Action Plan re needs, gaps and identifying appropriate referral pathways.
	6. Promote the take up of Health Champions Training including the Dementia Module and the promotion of dementia friendly communities	Dementia Awareness modules underway. Health champions and dementia friendly approach to be included in proposed charter mark scheme. The Dementia Awareness Training is due to cease in June 2015. A report will be brought to People Board following the end of the project.
	7. Influence work relating to Integrated Wellness Review recommendations	Further information required regarding the Integrated Teams, Living Well Service etc. Possibly be invited to a future board - discuss at June Area committee re to be carried forward to 2015/16 workplan
	8. Self-harm and suicide- young people	Take forward as a priority to June Area Committee. Awaiting Scrutiny report and recommendations relating to Suicide Prevention. A Suicide Audit will take place in July 2015 which will evaluate local data. Need to have a better understanding of what the links are between Mental Health Services, Self-Harm and Drug and Alcohol. Perhaps a piece of research work is required. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
	9. Drug and Alcohol / Substance misuse	Take forward as a priority to June Area Committee. There is a wider issue particularly around alcohol as to how Cllrs can influence and prevent more licensed out-lets. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.

Adult Social Care	1. Determine best practice and added value that AC funded projects have brought to the ASC Framework.	Completed - Projects are currently being evaluated as they complete. Some SIB funding to be returned to the budget. Evaluations have been fed into Scrutiny Team as Social Isolation is a Scrutiny topic and the reports and recommendations will be brought to People Board for consideration / information when relevant. Members will be kept updated as to how/if the projects have assisted the City-wide approach and also what has been achieved with the SIB funding. The WWIN project for social isolation has directly shaped the City-wide approach regarding social isolation / domestic violence is older people. A training pack is currently being developed and Members will be provided with this once received. There is also a need to understand the impact of short-term funding projects - should a city-wide approach be taken with Area Committee provided the additional value with sustainability - if required. Adult Social Care and Social Isolation carried forward to 2015/16 workplan
	2. Ensure any proposed outcomes and initiatives are linked to the VCS - opportunities to develop collaboration and/or consortia working to deliver shared priorities	There will be opportunities for VCS via Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects to collaborate and deliver against this shared priority. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
Community Inclusion and support for the VCS	1. VCS Network to continue to be the mechanism for collaboration and partnership working with the VCS re delivering shared priorities. Area Chair to continue role as Co Chair of Network. ACO continue to provide support and co-ordination re Area Network	VCS Network meets every 6 weeks. Last meeting 21st April - proposed priorities was discussed and a new VCS Network representative elected. Other issues being addressed via the Network meeting include the production of a work-plan. The sector also keen to be part of the development and delivery of the community led programme of entertainment and activities at the proposed Summer Carnival 2015 (Project Brief approved a March Area Committee). The Washington Trust Volunteer Coordinator can assist groups who come forward with proposals etc. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
	2. Consider how to maximise and co-ordinate volunteering opportunities throughout Washington	Washington Trust now appointed the Volunteer co-ordinator. Washington Volunteer forum to be set up. Updates to future meetings. A draft Washington Volunteering Plan is currently being developed. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
	3. Consider continued support for young people to take forward initiatives develop capacity and engagement and encourage partnership working and participation, and to support the delivery of area priorities - links to health and well being initiatives and environmental/physical improvements and neighbourhood enhancements.	Ongoing via the Washington Youth Council, youth provider, and via any other projects or initiatives. Review of youth contract provision separate agenda item at board 17th February. Washington Youth Council attended March AC and Members were keen for them to become more involved in the on-going work of Area Committee moving forward. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
	4. Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery	Next meeting to be confirmed. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
	5. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington.	Discussions relating to youth contract review to February People Board. Further meeting of all AC Members was held 5th March to determine AC influencing, and options relevant to the area delivery in relation to the youth contract. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and work plan.
Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning	1. Continue to monitor the School Opportunities Project.	54 young people engaged. 118 family members or peers engaged. Project now operating out of Albany Centre. Joint working with YOP. SNCBC now Princes Trust accredited. Marketing of project underway. Washington School, Oxclose Academy and Biddick all fully engaged in the project and referring both Yrs 10 and 11. School opportunities cohort took part in the Washington Working for You Conference. Proposal to amalgamate remainder of YOP1, YOP2 and remainder of SOP presented and agreed by March AC. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan as one project.
	2. Continue to monitor Youth Opportunities Project	YOP2 now approved. YOP1 likely to continue past the Oct deadline due to delays in spend and recruitment. Key Worker now appointed. So far YOP1 engaged 152 young people with 57 into employment - 26 of which have an apprenticeship. A further 46 young people into foundation learning. Direct links with School opportunities in place. Proposal to amalgamate remainder of YOP1, YOP2 and remainder of SOP to presented and agreed by March AC. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan as one project
	3. Deliver Skills Conference for Washington Young People	Completed
	4. Continuing to work with local businesses (through SCC Business Investment Team) to engage them in AC priorities, key messages and overarching outcomes	Completed - now included in Washington Working For You Conference. Social media to be utilised to ensure key corporate approach and messages rolled out.

	5. Consider how FACL provision can be best utilised to assist delivery of AC priorities and outcomes	Completed
	6. Consider options for schemes to provide support for local residents to access appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision, and providing the required evidence to enable compliance and avoid repercussions. (Consider West Job Club best practice)	Impact of Welfare Reform, Job Centre issues, DWP, claimant issues and sanctions etc to be discussed at November People board with a report to AC in December. People Board Working Group to determine way forward re identifying gap and support required. DWP rep invited to Area committee. VCS organisations to contribute to Action Plan re needs, gaps and identifying appropriate referral pathways. December Area Committee agreed to align £20,000 SIB to develop a proposal to determine resources, local need and capacity of local organisations and relevant partners, determine where there are gaps in provision at a local level, develop measures to support those local need and gaps, and develop a sustainable approach to continue to support local residents and to help the VCS organisations work in partnership and collaboration to provide the required services for residents in need. March Area Committee agreed that People Board could agree the Call for Project Brief in relation to this priority. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan and priorities
Safer Washington	1. Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder.	Joint Police and cllr meetings to be scheduled for 2015/16. Opportunity identified for closer working in relation to inconsiderate parking around schools working with Network Management and Police. Carried forward to 2015/16 priorities and workplan
	2. Ensure Sulgrave and Concord Neighbourhood Management Model links with other initiatives to add value to the approach and assist with sustainability	Update circulated to Members Further funding secured for 15-16. LB to ensure that an update is provide to the next Board.
Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Develop New Relationship with Schools	At its meeting of 5th November Cabinet approved the Policy Statement on the role of the Council in relation to schools and the wider education system. The Statement determines the role of the Council in improving educational outcomes and defines the key elements of the local authority's role. Additionally, next steps were agreed in order to develop the necessary relationships, systems and processes to reflect the changing education landscape, the educational priorities within the city's key strategies, the Council's Community Leadership role and its statutory duties. One of those key actions is to develop arrangements whereby Elected Members are enabled to play a role in strengthening the local accountability of schools and in sharing local intelligence. Currently arrangements are underway to discuss this approach with members early in the new municipal year.' Members have also asked for information as to the number of reception class placements available for this year 15/16. LB to report back to Board. Carried forward to 2015/16

Project Performance (People Board report)
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Below is a summary of all SIB and SIP funded projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved and spent **up until Quarter 4 2014/15**. This report excludes projects that give regular updates to the boards.

Washington Young Peoples Forum Sunderland City Council	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community or educational events held	1	1		£8,500	£7,105	
<p>This project was funded £8,500 with an aim to encourage young people, with the support of youth workers, to contact other young people throughout Washington and organise themselves into sub-groups that look at different elements of raising the profile and image of young people in Washington. Previous progress included work with Donwell Youth Club, Gentoo, the Police, Councillors, other agencies along with a mediator and local residents, around issues within a grassed area and boundaries. The Washington Youth Council (WYC) became involved and arranged for young people from the Donwell area to attend this meeting to give their views. The WYC arranged meetings to discuss issues such as mental health, transport, education, policing, and facilities for young people in the area e.g. cinema and the new leisure centre costs, drink and drug issues, young people and politics for the Young People's State of Area Debate. The WYC also attended the Washington Heritage Festival, Washington Area Committee Meeting and the Washington working for you Event. It is proposed that the £1,395 underspend at the end of the project will be utilised in establishing the Washington Youth Forum at their new home at Springwell. The young people have identified future plans to raise the profile further, of the WYC through social media, advertising etc.</p> <p>Council members have planned to attend events to promote the work to encourage more young people to become involved in the forum and become members. This will be achieved by engaging young people through small events, and at those events, promoting issues relating to young people in the area. The forum will increase awareness of young people in the Washington area by publishing articles to promote positive images of young people, while working more closely with other organisation to share information. The Washington Youth Forum would like to organise music events for young people in Washington. The Youth Forum is very interested in how they can get involved in the promotion of cycling routes and the Washington Way and in developing a focus on young people's mental health issues working in partnership with organisations to champion the cause of mental health services for young people. WYC will be involved in the Washington Summer Carnival and will have a stall where questionnaires will be carried out continually. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan.</p>						

Washington 50 – Washington School
<p>The Washington 50 Project awarded nearly £50,000 to deliver various projects to celebrate Washington New Town's 50th birthday and also to create a legacy. A full performance report has been previously submitted and currently there is one live project, Washington School which was funded £2,000 to deliver a Living Witness Project. The project has received an extension until December 2015. A project visit was conducted where progress was reported - the website was under construction, the school are now using Mail Chimp and parents were receiving E bulletins. An extensive marketing team has done work with BBC reporters, with children interviewing. Family links are being built, and life stories are being collated. The website will categorize into family groups. Work has been undertaken with Roseberry Court around Easter. Plaques are hoped to be fitted soon. Karon Purvis (KP) gave links to Jacqui Reeves, W Mind in relation to the Hub / Charter Mark. KP requested links were made to the School Opportunities project. Dr Beverly confirmed he promotes via E Newsletter, and KP suggested link in via Community News. More recent progress includes six weeks of filming undertaken around half term and 13 residents interviewed. The films are currently being edited and pulled together for display on the designated Washington 50 web page. Once completed, the residents who took part will come with their families to view this at a screening event. This will then open the project to the next generation within these families. The school are at the stage of involving the next residential home in the area who wish to engage in the initial stages of the project. A final project evacuation visit will take place when this project concludes on the agreed extended deadline. There is currently no expenditure to report. Carried forward to 2015/16 workplan.</p>

Item 4 Annex 2

Youth Opportunities	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	129	172		£94,829	£94,829	
Number of people receiving job training	102	78				
Number of young people aged 16-19 NEET encouraged into further education and employment	57	73				
Number of people going into employment (FTE)	58	63				

This project was funded **£99,900** in order to enable the introduction of a service for NEET young people resident in Washington. In the 4th quarter the Youth Opportunities project has begun the merger process with the School Opportunities project, in line with the February 2015 Area Committee decision to offer a single project for access to 14 to 19 year olds resident in Washington. SNCBC have been working with a number of young people who are College attendees and are experiencing a range of motivational issues which is impacting on their attendance at studying. Regular interactions with the key worker have led to two young of the people continuing with their study path rather than disengaging which was their intention on contacting the Youth Opportunities service. SNCBC have continued to work closely with Sunderland City College, Usworth Campus and local training and study support providers to maximise progression avenues for the client caseload.

School Opportunities SNCBC	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	31	41		£78,274	£78,274	
Number of people receiving job training	12	40				
Number of people going into employment	0	0				

This project was to enable work to be carried out with young people prior to them entering the youth service at 16. This project was awarded **£99,982**. Progress as above regarding merger into School Opportunities Project.

Washington Way to Wellbeing Call for Projects

A Call for Projects was made to develop opportunities to help residents become more active and address health issues. A Small grant fund was made available for Go Washington Way: Grow Our Space: Get Outdoors. A call was then also made for a Charter Mark and Physical Hub. £25,000 was awarded for the hub and £15,000 for the Charter Mark. Washington Mind in partnership with Sunderland Young Peoples Bike Project will deliver both elements.

The small grants fund to date has awarded a total of £10,594 between 4 grants as follows:

- Sunderland City Council Sport and Leisure £4,500 Be Active in Our Green Space. This will provide a range of marked out routes (suitable for walking, jogging, running).
- Springwell VRA Active Travel Gateway £1,964. This project will create a gateway for cyclists, pedestrians and walkers and provide secure cycle parking facilities so that cyclists, walkers and local people can start or finish their journey from the Springwell area of Washington.
- Washington Mind £2,000 to deliver Washington Way to Wellbeing which consists of 25 Walk to Jog Sessions, 5 Live Well Sessions, 20 group outdoor fitness sessions to work with people with mental health problems or illness, unemployed, single parents/carers, older people, economically disadvantaged families and young people.
- St Bedes Primary School £2,130 for a Forest School to include parents, grandparents, extended families, church, and local residents. Also to develop local gardening club with volunteers.

Whilst progress is not due until Q1, Washington Mind have provided an initial update as follows; The project has started and is engaging with 27 local people, who are signed up for the Walk to Jog Sessions. An open day will be held on the 15th May 2015 at the Life House in partnership with other organisations for Mental Health Awareness Week. Positive feedback was received from those engaging in outdoor exercise, stating they have gained confidence and made new friends. The Live Well course will commence in June, with 7 people currently on the waiting list. The equipment has been purchased and people are now more aware of the Greenspaces in Washington. People have expressed concern over areas that were once nice and are now overgrown or have litter problems. This has been fed back and linked to the Love Where You Live Campaign. The Washington Mind centre setting has been positive for groups and there have been referrals via this method. Participant questionnaires have been set up to monitor and evaluate the services offered and there are guidance leaflets and information displayed throughout the centre.

Washington VCS Support Project Washington Trust	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community / voluntary groups supported	6	7		£17,452	£17,452	
Number of people volunteering	100	30				

This project was awarded to £74,850 to employ a development worker, Bryan Beverley who started his role on the 1st October 2014.

Progress includes support and community development activity:

Springwell VCV- CVDO is helping organisation with regards to implementing roof repairs. The CVDO is continuing to identify potential funding opportunities to apply to and possible corporate sponsorship. The CVDO supported £1500 of successful grant aid applications made in name of Ladybird Group from Gentoo and Robertson Fund. **Harraton & District Community Association** Currently the CVDO is supporting a sub-group of the management committee to work with the city council to resolve some extremely complex land/building lease and ownership issues. CVDO has facilitated meeting between management committee and external consultant to conduct building condition survey in March. In April the CVDO facilitated a tour where the management group visited a range of community facilities to explore different business, management, governance and programming models. Ward members have shown a keen interest in the situation at this facility and in this regard asked to meet with the CVDO so that they could be given a detailed account of the work undertaken with this group and the progress made. **Woodridge Gardens Residents Association** As this organisation continues to operate without a management group therefore support is being limited by the CVDO though the individual resident trying to re-establish the group is in regular contact with the project.

Washington Village Community Association As part of the initial round of CA visits, the CVDO conducted an initial SWOT analysis at this facility. It was agreed the facility would not be part of phase one of the project as the viability of the centre was still in question. Recently ward members have asked to meet with the CVDO regarding the possibility of increasing the levels of support to this organisation. **Washington Food Project.** The work associated with this organisation's safeguarding policies and procedures is almost complete. As the management group are predominately professionals working in the area, it is suggested that this group does not require an on-going support plan. **Rickleton (RA).** A meeting took place between the CVDO and representatives of Rickleton RA. The group has requested support to look at several internal procedures and to advise upon the possibility of the group taking over some land currently in city council control. The CVDO has been invited to the next group meeting.

Holy Trinity Community Group The CVDO met with Jean Dodds and Revd. Wing from Holy Trinity Church. The church and community area are in need of significant and on-going repair. Whilst the church has been able to attract some limited external funding it is still facing a significant shortfall in terms of its on-going R+M and internal improvements plan. High numbers of people using the community hall attached to the main church groups, parent and toddler, arts and crafts other interest groups. The church has agreed to receive a community development plan developed by the CVDO in partnership with Jean and other volunteers. **Donwell Community Association** Whilst no tangible progress has been made following the support given in December, in terms of engaging this organisation in sufficient depth to address the range of issues the CVDO identified in the latter part of 2014 the group do continue to communicate with the project. **Columbia Community Association** Engagement with the management group continues to be a challenge, though there is regular contact with the Chair. Volunteers have attended to install curtain rails at the chairs request. Ward members have been kept informed and an up-date meeting was held 22nd April. A further meeting will take place at the end of May 2015 with the Area Coordinator.

Top Club Family Group CVDO met with the Top Club Family Group in March. The group historically have organised family discos, trips and sporting events. The CVDO has helped the group develop a governing document, safeguarding policy and has agreed, upon the consent of the Washington Trust Board, to support the group to establish itself as a VCSO. This would include safeguarding training, disclosure and barring and a range of other internal procedures such as money management. The group have asked the CVDO to support them through the process of planning and delivering an open public meeting at which the committee would be elected and the constitution be adopted. **Volunteering Activity** As mentioned in December report the volunteering activity of the project has increased in 2015. The Washington Volunteer Steering Group (WVSG), which is facilitated and lead by the project had a very productive second meeting on 20th February. The group of partners now includes Sunderland Volunteer Centre. The group have begun the process of developing the Washington Volunteer Plan, a strategic cross sector developed document, which will be agreed by the partners which form the WVSG once it is completed. The Volunteer plan will work towards five strategic objectives. The project has worked with the other partners which form the WVSG and have identified a wide range of actions that are needed to deliver the Washington Volunteering Plan. A key element of the volunteering plan is better volunteer management and practice across all VCS organisations in Washington.

Community Volunteers (litter Picking) CVDO supported a volunteer litter pick in Blackfell where 26 bin bags of litter were removed. Further litter picks are planned for Blackfell, Fatfield and other areas of Washington. Ayton have quite a long history of volunteers picking litter and have received support from Litter Action. There are a lot of people in Washington interested in volunteering litter picking but require more support that Litter action can provide both in terms of advice/assistance and practical support such as access to equipment etc. To help facilitate community litter picking events the CVDO, supported by Sunderland City Council, has created a small store of litter picking equipment such as pickers, gloves and tabards. On behalf of the Washington Trust the CVDO has arranged a meeting of services and local people who are interested in volunteer litter picking both from established and potentially new groups. This meeting took place on the 14th April and will be attended by the Sunderland City Council; Northumbria Police who will help set the strategic position. The aim of this meeting is to support volunteers and to explore the potential of establishing a town wide group which could take on larger projects within Washington. In addition to the service providers in attendance representative from 8 litter picking groups.

Individual Volunteering Over the past two months there has been steady increase in the numbers of Washington residents, who have not volunteered historically, approaching the project for advice and referral to volunteer opportunities. Since February the project has helped 10 individual residents to secure volunteering opportunities within Washington across a range of organisations and roles. One volunteer has received first aid at work training paid for by the project and another is enrolled on the mentoring course at Mind, a third volunteer is waiting to hear if they will be enrolled on the mentoring course too. The training is provided at no cost to the project. Two volunteers are now working with Oxclose Youth Project and a couple are with Washington Mind, others will work with the Trust to support the project.

Supporting Corporate Volunteering The project is currently supporting KAI Cleaning Ltd, based in Washington, to explore the possibility of creating a “cleaning for a reason” organisation based upon the successful American model where cleaning companies (usually described as maid services) provide cleaning services to cancer patients on a voluntary basis. The company has found it difficult to engage potential partners who are already supporting cancer patients.

Summer Events 2015

A Call for Projects was made to appoint an organisation to deliver a Summer event in 2015. A £15,000 SIB grant has been awarded to Northern Events Company CIC and a Washington Carnival will be held on the 12th September 2015. Further details will follow on future performance reports, after the event.

	2. Co-ordinate and maximise volunteering in Washington.	Washington Trust now appointed the Volunteer co-ordinator. Washington Volunteer forum to be set up. Updates to future meetings. A draft Washington Volunteering Plan is currently being developed.
	3. Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington. Consider continued support for young people to take forward initiatives develop capacity and engagement and encourage partnership working and participation, and to support the delivery of area priorities - links to health and well being initiatives and environmental/physical improvements and neighbourhood enhancements.	Continued support for local young people via the Washington Youth Council. Youth Operational Group to continue to meet to influence delivery and development of activities for young people. Discussions relating to youth contract review to February People Board. Further meeting of all AC Members was held 5th March to determine AC influencing, and options relevant to the area delivery in relation to the youth contract. Members continue to meet with youth provider to influence delivery of sessions.
Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning	1. Continue to monitor Youth Opportunities Project and School Opportunities Project.	Now merged as one project which commenced delivery 1st April 2015. New targets and milestones. Detailed report to next board.
	2. Consider options for schemes to provide support for local residents to access appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision, and providing the required evidence to enable compliance and avoid repercussions.	Working Group established to discuss issues. December Area Committee agreed to align £20,000 SIB to develop a proposal to determine resources, local need and capacity of local organisations and relevant partners, determine where there are gaps in provision at a local level, develop measures to support those local need and gaps, and develop a sustainable approach to continue to support local residents and to help the VCS organisations work in partnership and collaboration to provide the required services for residents in need. March Area Committee agreed that People Board could agree the Call for Project Brief in relation to this priority via the VCS.
Safer Washington	1. Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder. Establish collaboration and partnership working re shared priorities for a Safer Washington.	Joint Police and cllr meetings to be scheduled. Opportunity identified for closer working in relation to inconsiderate parking around schools working with Network Management and Police. Ensure Sulgrave and Concord Neighbourhood Management Model links with other initiatives to add value to the approach and assist with sustainability
Influence the design, delivery and review of People based services devolved to Area Committee	1. Develop New Relationship with Schools	<p>At its meeting of 5th November Cabinet approved the Policy Statement on the role of the Council in relation to schools and the wider education system. The Statement determines the role of the Council in improving educational outcomes and defines the key elements of the local authority's role.</p> <p>Additionally, next steps were agreed in order to develop the necessary relationships, systems and processes to reflect the changing education landscape, the educational priorities within the city's key strategies, the Council's Community Leadership role and its statutory duties.</p> <p>One of those key actions is to develop arrangements whereby Elected Members are enabled to play a role in strengthening the local accountability of schools and in sharing local intelligence.</p> <p>Currently arrangements are underway to discuss this approach with members early in the new municipal year.' Members have also asked for information as to the number of reception class placements available for this year 15/16. LB to report back to Board.</p>

People Board – Terms of Reference

The People Board is a working Board of the Area Committee for the design, delivery and review of services designated to deliver at an area level.

Membership and Role

Chair

- The Chair of the People Board is agreed at the Annual Council meeting.
- The content and order of items on the agenda and the amount of time allocated to each one will be set in consultation with the People Board Chair, who will ensure that the activities of the Board are contributing to the delivery of Area priorities.
- The Chair will progress matters and make recommendations to the Area Committee where necessary together with regular progress reports on the work of the People Board.
- The Chair will highlight issues and opportunities to the People Board, Area Committee and relevant Portfolio Holder.

Elected Members

- Core Membership of the People Board will be nominated and agreed at the first Area Committee meeting of the municipal year and will consist of representation of one Member per ward area.
- Attendance of the Board is open to all Ward Members however Core Membership may be changed throughout the municipal year in consultation with the Chair of the Area Committee and the subsequent approval of the Area Committee.
- As the Member representative for their Ward Core Members will consult ward colleagues on issues and items discussed at the People Board then feedback appropriately.
- Members will adopt a fair and equitable overview of the Area and ensure that People Board activity is based upon evidence of need and opportunity.

Support Officers

- **Relevant Council Officers** - will attend the Board as the link between their service and the business of the Board as and when required.
- **Designated Area Co-ordinator** – is the Lead Council Officer for cross-directorate support provided to the Board, and also supports the Chair and Board in determining and delivering Area Priorities in line with the Corporate Outcome Framework and Community Strategy.
- **Designated Area Community Officer** – supports the Area Co-ordinator and Chair of the People Board in delivering place board priorities, ensuring links are made to the Area VCS Network where relevant.
- **Governance Officers** - will provide governance advice and administrative support for all meetings of the Board, which will include arranging meeting times / and venues and action points, loading reports on to Sharepoint.

Frequency

People Board meetings will be held every 4-5 weeks excluding months when Area Committees are held.

Reporting Arrangements

The People Board will report quarterly to the Area Committee through both oral and written reports presented by the Chair of the People Board, assisted by the designated Area Co-ordinator and Area Community Officer.

Remit of the People Board

The remit of the People Board is to:

- Respond to all People priorities in the Local Area Plan as agreed by the Area Committee
- Agree to the development / implementation plans for each priority and make recommendations to the Area Committee based on information and research.
- Improve the identification of services that could benefit the area by being more responsive to local issues and priorities.
- Ensure that the delivery of devolved Council services and the use of its resources reflect the priorities of the Area Committee and supports the delivery of the Corporate Outcome Framework at a local level.
- Make recommendations on any plans and proposals for potential service delivery to the Area Committee.
- Ensure that devolved Council services, partner agencies and the local community work together to implement the Council's policies and to respond to local issues more effectively.
- Work with partner agencies to promote the aims, principles and actions relating to a specific priority.
- Receive monitoring information in relation to expenditure from agreed funds e.g. Community Chest and Strategic Initiatives Budget.
- Recommend applications for funding from the Council's Strategic Initiative Budget to the Area Committee for approval.

The Board has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Committee. Where necessary, a majority vote of Core Membership will be required to carry forward any recommendation(s) to the Area Committee.

Item 5

<p style="text-align: center;">WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE 4th JUNE 2015 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I</p>	
<p>Title of Report: Strategic Initiative Budget (SIB) and Community Chest - Financial Statement and proposals for further allocation of resources</p>	
<p>Author(s): Chief Executive</p>	
<p>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.</p>	
<p>Description of Decision:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Area Committee is requested to:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) Note the financial statement set out in the report (b) Note the 18 approvals of Community Chest detailed within.</p>	
<p>Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? Yes</p>	
<p>Suggested reason(s) for Decision:</p>	
<p>Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:</p>	
<p>Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No</p> <p>Is it included in the Forward Plan?</p>	<p>Relevant Scrutiny Committees:</p>

4th June 2015

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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 2015/2016:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB available for 2015/2016 is £329,283.65 This includes new allocation of £287,261 plus unallocated funds and aligned funds from the 2014/15 budget.				
				£329,283.65
Project Name				
Health Priorities Project – matched to CCG £20,000	05.03.2015	£20,000		£309,283.65
Employability Support	09.12.2014	£20,000		£289,283.65
RETURN Washington 50 St Joseph's School £100				£289,383.65
RETURN Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise, Retail Support £3,935.85				£293,319.50
Balance				£293,319.50

- 2.2 Members are asked to note the balance of **£293,319.50**. This includes returns to the budget as detailed in the table above in 2.1.

3. Community Chest

- 3.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward balances as at end of May 2015. **Annex 1** shows the approvals until **March 2015**, then approvals in the new financial year (2015/16) from April to May 2015.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2015	Grant Returned	Balance
Washington Central	£11,597.89	£800.00	£0.00	£10,797.89
Washington East	£12,664.39	£430.00	£0.00	£12,234.39
Washington North	£10,568.62	£0.00	£0.00	£10,568.62
Washington South	£13,469.65	£0.00	£0.00	£13,469.65
Washington West	£15,355.72	£215.00	£0.00	£15,140.72
Total	£63,656.27	£1,445.00	£0.00	£62,211.27

6. Recommendations: Members are requested to

- 6.1 Note the financial statement set out in the report
- 6.2 Note the 18 approvals of Community Chest detailed within.

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Annex 1: Community Chest awards – for information

COMMUNITY CHEST 2014/2015 WASHINGTON AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED until March 2015 (*Due to panel timings, annex includes new allocation for 15/16)

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2015/2016	Project Proposals	Previous Approval	Grants Returned	Balance Remaining
Washington Central	Washington Glebe Miners Banner Group- Contribution towards transport, refreshments and brass band for Durham Miners Gala	£500	£10,000				
	Washington Boxing Club-Boxing equipment for youth members	£1,750					
	Sunderland City Council –Install LED lighting at village cenotaph	£620					
	Total		£10,000	£2,870	-	£0	£11,597.89
Washington North	Washington 3rd Scout Group- Venue and camping equipment	£650					
	St Bedes Toddlers Group- Play equipment	£1,000					
	St Bedes Ladies Friendship Group-Catering costs for outing for elderly members	£550					
	Sunderland City Council –Install LED lighting at village cenotaph	£620					
	Total		£10,000	£2,820	-	£0	£10,568.62
Washington East	Sunderland City Council –Install LED lighting at village cenotaph	£620					
	Total		£10,000	£620	-	£0	£12,664.39
Washington South	Washington 3rd Scout Group- Venue and camping equipment	£650					
	Sunderland City Council –Install LED lighting at village cenotaph	£620					
	Rickleton Primary School –Costs for installation of growing garden	£2,000					
	Total		£10,000	£3,270	-	£0	£13,469.65
Washington West	Washington 3rd Scout Group- Venue and camping equipment	£650					
	Springwell Village Community Venue- Fitting of sink and taps for community cafe	£437					
	Springwell Village Residents Association Purchase of resources for community use	£1,000					
	Sunderland City Council –Install LED lighting at village cenotaph	£620					
	Total		£10,000	£2,707	-	-	£15,355.72
Overall Total			£50,000	£12,287	-	£0	£63,656.27

COMMUNITY CHEST 2015/2016 WASHINGTON AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED until April –May 2015 *Includes unallocated funds from 14/15

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2015/2016	Project Proposals	Previous Approval	Grants Returned	Balance Remaining
Washington Central	St Joseph's PTA –Equipment purchase to renovate a garden area and create a learning gardening club	£800	£10,000				
	Total		£10,000	£800	-	£0	£10,797.89
Washington North	No applications						
	Total		£10,000	£0	-	£0	£10,568.62
Washington East							
	St Joseph's PTA –Equipment purchase to renovate a garden area and create a learning gardening club	£430					
	Total		£10,000	£430	-	£0	£12,234.39
Washington South	No applications						
	Total		£10,000	£0	-	£0	£13,469.65
Washington West							
	St Joseph's PTA –Equipment purchase to renovate a garden area and create a learning gardening club	£215					
	Total		£10,000	£215	-	-	£15,140.72
Overall Total			£50,000	£1,445	-	£0	£62,211.27

Current Planning Applications(Washington)

Between 01/04/15 and 20/04/15

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/02001/FUL	Cellinis Cafe And Restorante13 Spout LaneWashingtonNE38 7HN	Installation of a replacement extraction fan and flue to side of property to comply with current standards (Retrospective).	07/04/2015	02/06/2015
15/00765/FDC	The Brae3 Glebe MountWashington VillageWashingtonNE38 7AE	Erection of single storey side and rear extensions including demolition of existing garage.	10/04/2015	05/06/2015
14/02445/ADV	The Old SmithyThe GreenWashington VillageWashingtonNE38 7AB	Installation of 3no externally illuminated fascia signs and 3no non-illuminated fascia signs.	10/04/2015	05/06/2015
15/00657/FUL	Iqbal Newsagents4 - 5 Railway TerraceColumbiaWashingtonNE38 8LZ	Change of use from Retail Use Class A1 Shop to a mixed use of Restaurant (Use Class A3) & Hot Food Takeaway (Use Class A5) to include indicative extraction flue to side.	15/04/2015	10/06/2015
15/00541/FUL	Saint Georges Nursing HomeVigo LaneWashingtonNE38 9AH	Erection of first floor extension to rear and ground floor extension to front.	07/04/2015	02/06/2015

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
15/00259/FUL	Land North Of Station Road/North West Of Pattinson Road And Adjacent To Barmston RoadWashington	Substitution of house types within approved residential development at Teal Park Farm Phase 4 [Area D] (ref. 12/00333/FUL) resulting in the replacement of 59no. units with 64no. units: Replacement of plots 42-45 (4no.) with 5no. units (renumbered 241-244 and 333), plots 47, 49, 50, 52, 53, 55 and 56 (renumbered 246, 248, 249, 251, 252, 254 and 255), plots 63-73 (11no.) with 12no. units (renumbered 317-328), plots 81, 82, 84 and 91 (renumbered 309, 308, 306, 299) and plots 95-127 (33no.) with 36no. units (renumbered 262-295, 331 and 332) including revised highway layout, parking and garage provision	08/04/2015	08/07/2015
15/00698/FUL	14 Eskdale CrescentUsworthWashingtonNE37 2LD	Erection of porches to front and side, partial demolition of outbuildings to rear to provide parking and erection of 1.8 metre high gates.	02/04/2015	28/05/2015
15/00762/FUL	10 Monkside CloseLambtonWashingtonNE38 0QB	Erection of single storey extension to side/rear of property and creation of hardstanding to front.	10/04/2015	05/06/2015
15/00800/FUL	48 Gairloch DriveLambtonWashingtonNE38 0DS	Erection of two storey side extension and single storey front extension.	14/04/2015	09/06/2015

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
15/00508/FUL	George Washington County Hotel Golf CourseStone Cellar RoadUsworthWashingtonNE37 1PH	Erection of single storey extension, entrance canopy and refuse store to front, alterations to front elevation, creation of new patio area to front and reconfiguration of front car park, access arrangements and landscaping.	07/04/2015	02/06/2015
15/00719/FUL	16 WesternmoorBlackfellWashington nNE37 1LD	Extension to existing porch with new pitched roof over.	13/04/2015	08/06/2015