

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Tuesday 9th December, 2014 at 6.00pm

VENUE – Fire Authority Main Headquarters, Barmston Mere

Membership

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

PAGE 1. **Chairman's Welcome:** (a) **Apologies for Absence:** (b) Declarations of Interest; and (c) Minutes of the last meeting held on 16th October (d) 2014 2. **Partner Agency Reports** a) Washington Area Community Voluntary Sector 9 Network b) Report of Northumbria Police 12 c) Report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue 13 Service 3. Place Board - Progress Report 31 4. People Board - Progress Report 40

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* Denotes an item relating to an executive function

ELAINE WAUGHHead of Law and Governance

1st December, 2014

At a meeting of the WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE held at WASHINGTON BUSINESS CENTRE on THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER, 2014 at 6.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Williams in the Chair

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

Karon Purvis - Chief Executives Louise Butler - Chief Executives Helen Wardropper - Chief Executives

Neil Revely - Executive Director of People Services

David Hardy - City Services

Paul Wood - Commercial and Corporate Services

Elaine Harbron - ICT Unit

John Rostron - VCS Representative Kasia Kurowska - VCS Representative

Steve Graham - TWFRS Colin McCartney - Gentoo

Bryan Beverley - Washington Trust

Phi McAloon - ODYPP

Ev Ripley – Day - Foundation of Light

Muriel Hardy - Washington Youth Council
Emma Bowman - Washington Youth Council
Astin Maltby - Washington Youth Council
Lewis Todd - Washington Youth Council
Martin Robinson - Washington Youth Council

Karen Mallin - SNCBC

Members of the Washington Community.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Scaplehorn and Julie Parker-Walton

Declarations of Interest

Item 5 – Financial Statement and Proposals for further allocation of Resources

Councillor David Snowdon made an open declaration in the funding application for the Youth Opportunities Project as Secretary of the Millennium Centre Trust.

Councillor Fletcher made an open declaration in the funding application for the Youth Opportunities Project as a trustee of the Millennium Centre.

Councillor Walker made an open declaration in the funding application for the Youth Opportunities Project as Chairman of the Millennium Centre.

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 19th June, 2014

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 19th June, 2014 (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

Page 4 Paragraph 5 – Councillor Thompson commented that there was a dearth of heritage/culture in Washington South Ward.

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, introduced Bryan Beverley to the Committee, who was the new Washington Trust Volunteer and Community Support Worker.

Mr Rostron wished to raise his concerns in relation to DWP/Welfare reform discussions which had taken place at the last VCS meeting and a representative from DWP who had been in attendance. Despite raising concerns with the representative over the pressures put on the voluntary sector by directing members of the public to their services for help in completing C.V's and such like, these issues were still occurring and the VCS did not have the capacity to solve the problems being created and a solution needed to be found.

Louise Butler, Area Co-ordinator advised that this was an emerging issue across the City and the West Area was looking at lessons learnt from a job club project already

in place. Ms Butler commented that she was liaising with officers on this from a strategic view and can feed these comments back.

Karon Purvis, Area Officer commented that she had been asked to approach Fiona Brown on attending a future meeting but as every Board and Area Committee had also requested this, an approach on how this could be discussed collectively was being considered.

Councillor Kelly requested that a report be brought back to the next Area Committee.

Councillor G. Miller advised that a conversation needed to be had with DWP and to engage with them directly.

Councillor Kelly proposed that a member of DWP also be invited to the next Area Committee.

Councillor Farthing also suggested it would be interesting to see if the government's figures on the amount of claimants receiving job seekers allowance being reduced was down to the fact of sanctions being imposed.

Ms Butler advised that they were trying to link the subjects by having the Social Justice Co-ordinator attend the Network meetings.

Councillor David Snowdon commented that whilst there was some support available, residents had to travel to Sunderland for this, and there needed to be local support for Washington residents.

Councillor Kelly commented that a conversation needed to be had on the implementation of a system so that Washington residents had a local point of contact.

Karen Mallin, SNCBC advised that as part of their work programme they do deliver some support however the gap was in the newly unemployed, which they were not funded for.

Councillor Kelly requested that the issue be considered by the People Board. The Committee agreed with this proposal.

Mr Rostron informed the Committee that representatives had attended the Wellness Hub procurement briefing and in relation to the signposting within the sector, he requested that consideration be given at an area level rather than at a city level.

2. RESOLVED that Members noted the contents of the report and considered the opportunities and issues raised by the Washington ACVSN.

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 current years (2014/15) Place Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Fiona Miller, Chair of the Place Board presented the report and referred to the Washington Way Project, advising that she was really pleased with the work that had been carried out and more or less everything was in place now therefore requested Members to agree to note the progress to date and agree a main project launch in early spring with further engagement with local communities and the VCS to continue and co - ordinate with other Washington Area Committee projects and investments.

In relation to the Culture and Events Planning (2015) Task Group, Councillor F. Miller introduced Councillor Kelly to update the Committee on the progress. Councillor Kelly informed Members that they had been tasked with looking into getting better value and how best to take this forward by the Board.

They were proposing to change the Heritage Festival into a Washington Carnival and if they were realistic in how much they could invest and were aiming for two events over the year. As Sunderland Live were charging a fee it was possibly time to look at other organisations who were willing to get involved and with the support of officers we could create a new style carnival.

Mrs Purvis commented that we were asking the Area Committee to agree for the Place Board to go away and consider/work up a project brief and approach and also for Members support in relation to the Remembrance parade and a corporate contribution being sought.

With regards to the Walk and Talks, David Hardy, Area Response Manager advised that he would be meeting with Members to discuss final details.

Councillor Farthing commented that the walk and talks had been badly attended by officers in other departments and had consisted of only Members and the Responsive Local Services Team.

Mrs Purvis advised that she believed Councillor Mordey had raised this issue with the Head of Service.

Councillor Kelly commented that a number of key people did not turn up including key partners and this had been a lost opportunity in his opinion.

Colin McCartney, Gentoo advised that he was disappointed Gentoo officers had not turned up and he did believe there was a need for discussions on the way forward and how better to use budgets etc.

Councillor F. Miller updated the Committee on the community engagement that took place at the Heritage festival and that two themes had been mentioned the most, Litter and Hedges.

Mrs Purvis advised that there had been a lot of comments from the public who had not realised the level of work that had been undertaken and completed by the Area Committee.

Councillor Kelly commented that when events were held, it was always a Sunderland City Council poster and suggested there needed to be a 'funded by the Washington Area Committee' poster instead.

Councillor Fiona Miller suggested that investigations be made into having a Banner/poster made up for when Washington Area Committee fund events.

Councillor Kelly suggested even presentations of handing over giant novelty cheques would be beneficial in raising the Area Committees profile.

It was agreed for Mrs Purvis and Ms Butler to investigate the proposals further with Corporate Communications.

Councillor Fiona Miller informed the Committee that Highways Maintenance would be coming back to the next meeting of the Place Board with a report on the current programme and that Members would be contacted to commence identifying the 2015/16 priorities. All Members were invited to attend the next Board meeting if they so wished.

3. RESOLVED that the Committee

- (i) Considered the progress and performance update with regard to the Washington Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 as detailed in Annex 1 and paragraph 3 of the report
- (ii) Noted the progress and agreed the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Washington Way Project attached at Annex 2 of the report
- (iii) Considered and agreed the recommendations of the Place Board regarding the Events 2015 Plan attached as Annex 3 of the report

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 (2013/14) People Board Work Plan.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Councillor Williams presented the report and introduced Ms Butler to give an update on the partnership approach and Strategic Health Group. Ms Butler advised that she had met with the Clinical Commissioning Group on how we could grow the funding

that had come from Public Health and they were really positive about the application going forward.

The Boards recommendations to Area Committee were detailed in Annex 2 of the report with a recommendation for an executive decision to approve £20,000 SIB 2014/15 under Item 5. Subject to CCG funding this would result in a total budget of £60,000 being available to launch this strategic approach and shared ownership of local priorities. The Committee approved the recommendation. In relation to the Young People's Event, Councillor H. Trueman commented that it was absolutely fantastic that this event was taking place and he was pleased to see Members of the Youth Council attending this Area Committee meeting.

Berni Whitaker, Enterprise Manager advised that the planning of the event had reached a crucial stage and productive meetings had been held to try and make sure the day was rich in opportunities for the people and also the employers. A draft outline scheduling the day was to be sent around to Members and schools had been informed of the date so it was hopeful this would be a very good event.

Ms Whitaker also advised that they did hope to get Members of the Youth Council on board for the day as well.

With regards to the Youth Contract Review, Councillor L. Williams advised that a meeting was to be arranged to have an input on discussions.

- 4. 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 Annex1 of the report
- (ii) Considered and agreed the recommendation of the People Board regarding the Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects as detailed in Annex 2 of the report, adding or amending project outcomes to the proposed project briefs as appropriate
- (iii) Considered and agreed the People Boards recommendation with regard to the Young People's conference as detailed in Paragraph 3.1 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)

Ms Purvis presented the report and advised that there was only one SIB application for consideration, the Youth Opportunities (Phase 2) and that Ms Karen Mallin was in attendance to answer any queries they may have.

Councillor Kelly raised a concern in relation to the partnership working and that he would be unsupportive of a SIB project that takes away from the existing provision that was in place, therefore sought an assurance they would be working with the likes of the Millennium Centre and such like.

Ms Mallin confirmed that they would be working with the existing groups in partnership.

Councillor David Snowdon commented that he had strong concerns other projects could be harmed by this project and would like to see it re-profiled and also altered so it was not just working with NEET's.

The Chairman advised that the project had already been re-profiled. Ms Mallin commented that this application was to sustain the project for the Youth of Washington.

Mrs Purvis suggested that the People Board be tasked with working up some project proposals to look at the remaining people not catered for in this project.

Councillor Kelly suggested a possible working group to look at these areas as a number of Members had concerns about this.

Councillor G. Miller commented that he was happy with the proposals but if there had been any budget remaining, he would have liked to see more consideration to prevention rather than a cure, with under 16's being looked at.

Ms Purvis advised that this was already being considered under the School Opportunities programme.

In relation to the completion of the Washington 50 Community Programme, Mrs Purvis commented that from an officer point of view, this had been a really positive programme and work was still on going.

Councillor Kelly wished to thank Helen Wardropper, Scrutiny and Area Support Officer for the fantastic job she had carried out and the positive feedback that had been received.

Councillor Kelly also advised that through the heritage lottery fund, a film on the story of Washington had been commissioned, with discussions taking place on a venue to screen it. Work was continuing on this and he wished to thank John Rostron and his Team on behalf of the Washington Trust.

The Chairman commented that the Washington 50 project was brilliant and she would like to see it carried on for the future.

Mrs Purvis advised that the Washington 50 website was now packed with content and well worth a visit.

- RESOLVED that the Committee:
 - i) Noted the financial statements set out in the report.
 - ii) Approved the allocation of £59,992 SIB 2014/15 to Youth Opportunities Project (SNCBC) as set out in Annex 1 of the report
 - iii) Approved the allocation of £20,000 SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Call for projects
 - iv) Approved the allocation of £15,000 SIB 2014/15 to support the development of the Washington Events Programme 2015
 - v) Noted the approvals and completion of the Washington 50 Community Programme as detailed in Annex 2 of the report; and
 - vi) Noted the 32 Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/15 Community Chest as set out in Annex 3 of the report.

Planning Applications – For Information Only

Current Planning Applications relating to the Washington Area for the period 1st August to 30th September 2014 were submitted for Members information only (copy circulated).

(For copy report – see original minutes)

6. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting

(Signed) L. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

9th December 2014

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 focused on ensuring relevant voluntary sector organisations contribute to the
 discussions and planning with regards to designing and developing appropriate Employability
 Support Services. John Rostron is attending the People Board Working Group to ensure VCS
 concerns and proposals are considered as an approach to support local residents is determined
- The Washington Trust Volunteer and Community Support Worker is actively meeting and supporting local groups. An update report is included in the People Board Progress Report.
- The Network is also intending to present an 'Annual Review' to the Area Committee to highlight successful projects and activity which have contributed to delivering the Area Committee's priorities. The Area Reps will have a key role in collecting and collating information and case studies from members of the Network and presenting the report to Area Committee as part of the annual reporting processes.
- The Area Network Reps have also produced a leaflet to promote the Network and the roles of the Reps. It is intended to target those grassroots organisations who might not be aware of the support available and what the Network does. Copy of the leaflet is attached as Annex 1

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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Kasia Kurowska, Area Network Representative Email: partnershipmanager@ageuksunderland.org.uk

WASHINGTON VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY SECTOR (VCS) NETWORK

Who are we...

Kasia Kurowska

(Partnership Manager, Age UK Sunderland)

Kasie has expertise in project management, bid writing and campaigning with a particular interest in supporting local groups who offer support to older, more vulnerable people in Washington. Kasia is committed to working with and helping the local community and organisations in Washington to develop and thrive.

Jacqui Reeves

(Services Manager, Washington Mind)

Jacqui has worked in mental health services for over 30 years. The team at Washington Mind are committed to challenging the discrimination associated with mental health problems and to helping everyone who needs mental health care to get the right support, at the right time.

Jacqui is passionate about the vital role the voluntary sector plays in helping those most in need and believes strongly that we, along with our partners and indeed the whole community, are stronger together.

HOW TO CONTACT US...

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The three area reps for the Washington Area are (left to right) Kasia, John and Jacqui.

John Rostron –

(Advisor to WMC Trust)

John has worked for the Council for 25 years, the last 7 years were spent working in community development and the Washington Area. John now supports the Trustees at the Millennium Centre and volunteers with both Washington Trust and Biddick Academy. John believes in ensuring the Voluntary and Community Sector and the people of Washington have a voice; and that it is heard. John feels services and activities should meet the needs of residents and be the best they can be, and that partnership working is the only way to ensure that Washington receives the services it needs, "We already have some good relationships established amongst the groups in Washington and its now about how we develop them to make sure the sector remains strong and meets the needs of the local communities as there will continue to be tough times ahead, especially for the most vulnerable and needy."

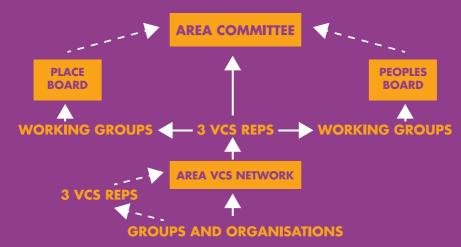
ABOUT THE NETWORK...

The Washington Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Network is a fantastic resource for any local voluntary or community group in Washington. The Network offers you and your group the opportunity to:

- Develop your work and organisation or group.
- Find out about the latest funding opportunities and local community developments from the Council and other partners.
- Work with other local groups to build

- partnership opportunities and support for your work.
- Promote the work you are doing to the Council and other organisations in the area.
- Raise issues and the challenges you face in the local community and be part of finding solutions.

Where does the Network fit in the local structure...



How can you get involved...

There are lots of ways to get involved in the Network:

- You can attend one of the regular local meetings to network and promote your work
- Receive email bulletins keeping you up to date on the latest opportunities and developments
- Speak to one of the 3 local Washington VCS Reps for support and guidance

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Northumbria Police



Washington Crime and ASB Performance Summary from 1st April 2014 to 20th November 2014
Performance figures are compared against previous year same period figures.

Total Incidents Reported – 7,581

+ 2% (134 more incidents reported to the Police)

Total Crime 997 crimes recorded.

-3% (31 less crimes recorded than previous year)

Total ASB 1,219 incidents reported.

+7% (85 more incidents reported than previous year)

Main Crime Categories

Violence against the person + 19% (31 more crimes) Notable contribution increase of 48% in Domestic Violence.

Burglary

Vehicle Crime

+ 5% (4 more crimes)

Criminal damage

+ 4% (7 more crimes)

Shop theft

- 38% (50 less crimes)

Other thefts

+ 10% (13 more crimes)

Theft of pedal bikes - 11 (5 less crimes)

Sexual Offences

ASB

Youth related -4% (14 less incidents) Non Youth related +13% (99 more incidents) 9th December 2014

REPORT OF THE TYNE AND WEAR FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Washington Area Committee Report 1st September 2014 to 20th November 2014

Fatalities

I am pleased to report that for the Sunderland area as a whole there have been no fire deaths from 1st September 2014 to date, free Home Fire Risk Assessment inspections continue to be the focus of the district and are proving to be successful in tackling unwanted fire deaths. Unfortunately there are still occurrences of fire deaths so it is important that we don't let our guard down and we continue to promote fire safety in homes across the Washington area.

Injuries from Accidental dwelling fires

The numbers of injuries from accidental fires in dwellings for Washington for the period were 0 compared to two reported for the same period in the previous year.

Numbers of accidental dwelling fires

Total numbers of accidental fires in dwellings in Washington for the same period 1st September to 20th November were up to 7 compared with a figure of 3 for the previous year.

Deliberate primary fires

Numbers of deliberate primary fires showed a slight decrease from 5 incidents to 3 for same period last year.

Deliberate Vehicle fires

The area has seen no change in the numbers of deliberate vehicle fires with the area experiencing 1 incident similar to the same period in 2013. No trends have been indicated in this area.

Deliberate secondary fires

This is the target area; deliberate secondary fires have increased over the 3 month period from 83 calls attended to 87. Washington East and North Wards experiencing the highest numbers of calls at 29 and 26 respectively. The highest incidence of calls involve loose refuse and rubbish.

To address this increase TWFS have:-

 Set up a joint initiative with Sunderland City Council, Oxclose and District Young Peoples Project, TWFRS Volunteers, Gentoo and Princes Trust Team to carry out a litter pick, place stickers on wheelie bins and generally clean up the Sulgrave area. This was carried out on the 5th November and approximately 2 tons of rubbish was removed from the area. Full skips were removed and potential bon fires averted. If this proves to be successful then the initiative will be repeated throughout the Washington area.

- Highlighted schools in the immediate vicinity that may benefit from a visit to our safety works centre in Newcastle.
- Community Fire Safety team have visited school pupils to make a joint visit with the Police to educate them in the dangers of fire setting and to pass on fire safety advice.
- Highlight and Target the hot spot areas to our local firefighters as well as the council on a regular basis to focus our attention in these areas thereby increasing ASB reporting of fly tipping and rubbish left on streets and back lanes and have it removed.
- Unoccupied / Derelict premise boarded up or demolished as soon as possible
 i.e. Armstrong House, Penshaw House, Spout Lane area.
- Working with LMAPS partners re locate 3G CCTV cameras into vulnerable areas.

The Target streets have been identified and ASB uplifts arranged. Fire Service will also be working with the Police and other agencies through the LMAPs to address the increase in these incidents which will address the problem and lower the numbers of that type of incident.

Steve Graham

Station Manager Washington Fire Station



Washington Area Committee Report 01/09/2014 -20/11/2014

Data and Information Team

21st November 2014

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Washington Area Committee

The following report provides commentary on Washington area incidents from 1st September 2014 to 20th November 2014 Some incident data may not be validated and therefore subject to change.

LI 2 Number of Deaths from all fires

No deaths were recorded during the reporting period in 2014 or 2013.

LI 3 Number of injuries from accidental fires in dwelling (excluding precautionary checks and first aid given at the scene)

There were no LI 3 injuries in the Washington Area during the reporting period.

There were two injuries in this area over the same period last year.

LI 8 Number of accidental fires in dwellings

There were seven LI 8 incidents during the reporting period.

There were three LI 8 incidents in this area over the same period last year.

Incident Ref	Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
42015445	03/09/2014	04:13	Washington Central Ward	House - single occupancy
42015625	05/09/2014	17:07	Washington Central Ward	House - single occupancy
42017098	26/09/2014	21:26	Washington South Ward	House - single occupancy
42017296	29/09/2014	00:27	Washington South Ward	Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy
42017994	07/10/2014	21:03	Washington North Ward	Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy
42019700	01/11/2014	23:05	Washington Central Ward	House - single occupancy
42021176	20/11/2014	13:59	Washington South Ward	House - single occupancy

LI 14 Number of deliberate primary fires (excluding road vehicles)

There were three deliberate property fires during the reporting period in the Washington Area.

There were five incidents in this area during the same period last year.

Incident ref	Date	Time	Ward	Property Level 4
42015750	07/09/2014	19:03	Washington West Ward	Offices and call centres
42018335	12/10/2014	21:11	Washington South Ward	Tunnel, subway
42018932	22/10/2014	00:18	Washington Central Ward	Converted Flat/Maisonette - multiple occupancy

LI 15 Number of deliberate primary road vehicle fires

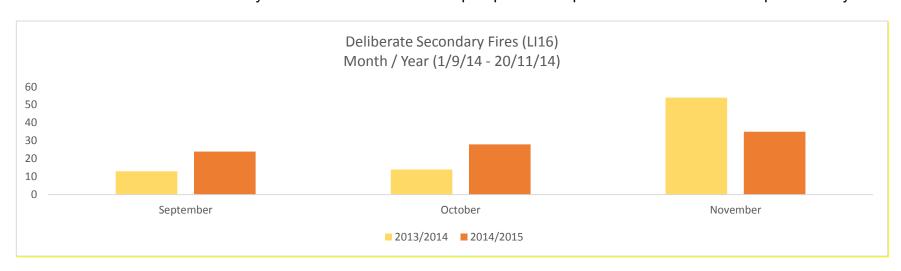
There was one deliberate vehicle fire in this area during the reporting period.

There was one incident in this area during the same period last year.

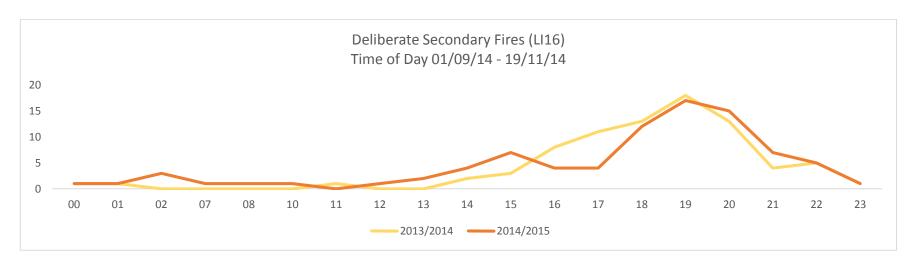
Incident Ref	Date Only	Time Only	Ward	Property Level 3
42017391	30/09/2014	05:38	Washington Central Ward	Car

LI 16 Number of deliberate secondary fires

There have been 87 deliberate secondary fires in this area over the report period compared to 81 over the same period last year.



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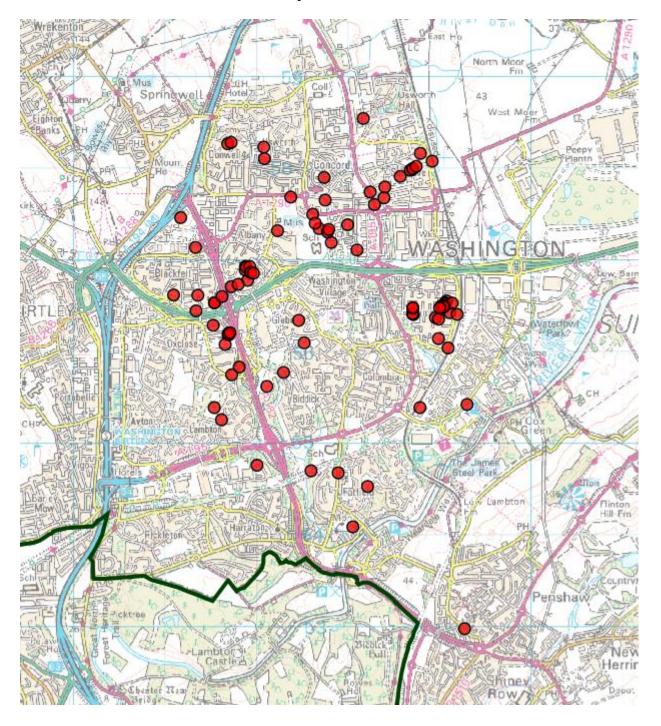
Ward	2013/2014 Incidents	2014/2015 Incidents	% Change
Washington Central Ward	5	4	-20%
Washington East Ward	25	29	16%
Washington North Ward	26	26	0%
Washington South Ward	3	10	233%
Washington West Ward	22	18	-18%

Property Type	2013/2014 Incidents	2014/2015 Incidents	% change
Food and Drink	0	1	100%
Grassland, pasture, grazing etc	1	6	500%
Highway/road surface/pavement	0	1	100%
House - single occupancy	0	1	100%
Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)	0	1	100%

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Loose refuse (incl in garden)	46	37	-20%
Other outdoor items including roadside furniture	1	1	0%
Park	0	1	100%
Playground (not equipment) or Recreational area	0	1	100%
Refuse/rubbish tip	14	19	36%
Roadside vegetation	1	2	100%
Scrub land	1	1	0%
Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding	8	5	-38%
wheelie bin)			
Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)	2	4	100%
Wheelie Bin	7	6	-14%

LI 16 Number of deliberate secondary fires



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Incident ref	Date	Time	Property level 4
42015736	07/09/2014	14:01	Roadside vegetation
42015739	07/09/2014	15:27	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42015747	07/09/2014	17:52	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42015891	09/09/2014	19:35	Refuse/rubbish tip
42015904	09/09/2014	21:07	Refuse/rubbish tip
42015979	10/09/2014	19:51	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42015982	10/09/2014	20:16	Highway/road surface/pavement
42016049	11/09/2014	19:24	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016055	11/09/2014	20:09	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016060	11/09/2014	20:31	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016194	13/09/2014	17:52	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42016206	13/09/2014	18:28	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016222	13/09/2014	19:44	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42016496	17/09/2014	18:52	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016499	17/09/2014	18:57	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42016815	22/09/2014	16:03	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42016833	22/09/2014	20:06	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42016842	22/09/2014	22:08	Wheelie Bin
42017013	25/09/2014	20:18	Park
42017073	26/09/2014	19:01	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42017161	27/09/2014	18:35	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42017189	28/09/2014	02:14	Other outdoor items including roadside furniture
42017259	28/09/2014	19:13	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42017359	29/09/2014	19:30	Scrub land
42017496	01/10/2014	08:09	Grassland, pasture, grazing etc
42017765	04/10/2014	19:15	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42017810	05/10/2014	14:30	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42017852	05/10/2014	19:29	Loose refuse (incl in garden)

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Incident ref	Date	Time	Property level 4
42017995	07/10/2014	21:09	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018004	08/10/2014	01:08	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018255	11/10/2014	20:00	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018313	12/10/2014	18:03	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018328	12/10/2014	19:39	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018390	13/10/2014	18:57	Wheelie Bin
42018399	13/10/2014	19:30	Wheelie Bin
42018469	14/10/2014	20:48	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018498	15/10/2014	13:32	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018514	15/10/2014	19:06	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018520	15/10/2014	20:06	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018522	15/10/2014	20:46	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018575	16/10/2014	18:22	Food and Drink
42018657	17/10/2014	19:47	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018662	17/10/2014	20:43	Wheelie Bin
42018705	18/10/2014	18:05	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018715	18/10/2014	20:03	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018797	19/10/2014	19:31	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42018929	21/10/2014	23:07	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42019241	26/10/2014	15:21	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42019243	26/10/2014	15:43	Refuse/rubbish tip
42019321	27/10/2014	14:45	Refuse/rubbish tip
42019325	27/10/2014	16:23	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42019494	29/10/2014	22:17	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42019824	03/11/2014	18:24	House - single occupancy
42019836	03/11/2014	19:10	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42019853	03/11/2014	21:29	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42019900	04/11/2014	15:35	Refuse/rubbish tip
42019914	04/11/2014	19:06	Refuse/rubbish tip

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Incident ref	Date	Time	Property level 4
42019925	04/11/2014	21:20	Refuse/rubbish tip
42019973	05/11/2014	15:34	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020210	05/11/2014	20:59	Large refuse/rubbish container (eg skip)
42020262	05/11/2014	22:39	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020264	05/11/2014	22:50	Small refuse/rubbish/recycle container (excluding wheelie bin)
42020288	06/11/2014	00:33	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020293	06/11/2014	02:27	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020296	06/11/2014	02:58	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020320	06/11/2014	10:49	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020333	06/11/2014	14:36	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020336	06/11/2014	15:04	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020348	06/11/2014	16:08	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020356	06/11/2014	17:43	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020369	06/11/2014	18:57	Roadside vegetation
42020406	06/11/2014	21:02	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020468	07/11/2014	20:37	Refuse/rubbish tip
42020509	08/11/2014	15:30	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020534	08/11/2014	19:55	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020577	09/11/2014	17:18	Tree scrub (includes single trees not in garden)
42020724	12/11/2014	07:59	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020750	12/11/2014	18:02	Wheelie Bin
42020756	12/11/2014	20:15	Playground (not equipment) or Recreational area
42020758	12/11/2014	20:54	Wheelie Bin
42020867	14/11/2014	21:33	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020929	15/11/2014	20:45	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020930	15/11/2014	22:41	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42020982	16/11/2014	19:41	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42021029	17/11/2014	19:32	Loose refuse (incl in garden)
42021032	17/11/2014	21:08	Loose refuse (incl in garden)

Incident ref	Date	Time	Property level 4
42021209	20/11/2014	21:05	Loose refuse (incl in garden)

LI 21 Malicious false alarm calls attended

There have been four malicious false alarm calls during the reporting period.

There were five malicious false alarm calls over during the same period last year.

Incident ref	Date	Time	Ward
42016309	14/09/2014	19:33	Washington North Ward
42017333	29/09/2014	16:25	Washington Central Ward
42017584	02/10/2014	09:17	Washington South Ward
42020566	09/11/2014	12:16	Washington North Ward





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Keeping vulnerable people in Sunderland safe

Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service have joined forces with Sunderland Care and Support's Telecare service and Age UK to help make vulnerable people safer in Sunderland.

Telecare provides a communication service and equipment loan to vulnerable residents to help ensure their safety and well-being and ensure a swift response is achieved should an emergency arise. The package comprises of:-

- A personal pendant device to enable customers to raise an alarm at the press of a button. This is linked to the Customer Service Centre in Sunderland.
- A 24 hour monitored smoke alarm that is linked to the Customer Service Centre for immediate support.
- A bogus caller alarm that is installed at the front door which can be easily activated should the person feel uncomfortable or threatened by a cold caller.
- A 24 hour monitored Carbon Monoxide Detector that is also linked the Customer Service Centre.

Through the Sunderland Homesafe initiative, anyone who is referred to this scheme will receive the first six weeks of the package free of charge. Once this trial period is over the normal monthly charges will apply. This includes the maintenance of the equipment and the 24 hour monitoring of the system by Sunderland Care and Support. The cost is £12.75 (+VAT) per month.

The free trial of Homesafe is available to all people in the Sunderland area who meet the following criteria and are not currently using the Telecare provision:

The person lives alone and is elderly and is living with dementia

AND has one or more of the following risk factors:

- Is a smoker
- Is a substance misuser.

- There are signs that the person has had burns or scorch marks either/or on their person or within their living environment
- Would struggle to leave the property in the event of a fire.
- Feels lonely, isolated and scared.

Referrals to the Homesafe scheme can be made from adult social care workers, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service, the NHS and the voluntary sector. All referrals received will be screened to assess whether they are eligible for the free trail.

To receive the free trail for a 6 week period or for further queries people should call 0191 561 4435 or email telecare@sunderlandcareandsupport.gov.uk

District Manager for Sunderland, Ian Cuskin, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service, said: "Vulnerable people are more at risk from fire with most of our fire fatalities over recent years involving the elderly. This initiative provides extra protection for the more vulnerable members of our community, and gives assurance to those people and their families that for as little as 51p a day someone is constantly monitoring their environment should an emergency occur and ensure a speedy response from the partnership."

Senior Operations Manager for Sunderland Care and Support, which runs Telecare in Sunderland, Gill Lawson, said: "The Telecare service provides peace of mind for customers and their families 24 hours a day, knowing that immediate help and support is available the moment an alarm is raised. By working in partnership with Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service and Age UK Sunderland we are able to ensure that those most at risk of fire can live safely and independently in their own homes

Director Age UK Sunderland, Alan Patchett, said: "We fully support this initiative as it is a very cost effective way for older people to remain safe and have excellent protection in the event of a fire in their home. I would urge all older people to take up this brilliant offer"

For more information on how to stay safe from fire visit www.twfire.gov.uk or

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9th December 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PLACE BOARD

Place Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide an update of progress against the 2014/15 Place Board Work Plan.

2. Background

2.1 The Local Area Plan's priorities associated with Place were referred to the Washington Place Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The Place Board is working to initiate action on those priorities and **Annex 1** (Work plan) outlines progress to date.

3. Project Performance

3.1 SIB Project Performance Report is attached as **Annex 2** and provides an update on performance of SIB funded projects.

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 30th November 2014

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Washington Place Board up to end of November 2014.

Influencing role: Licensing Review

- Presentation re applying to review a premises license. The process, why a license is needed and grounds for a review were discussed in detail.
- Members to encourage community/residents to collect data and evidence to support concerns or if notified of a review of a premises license.
- Successful case studies relevant to Washington presented to the board. In order for those reviews to be considered successful, robust evidence supporting the issues was required.
- Members were also asked to note the successful Pub Watch Scheme operating in Washington

Influencing role: Highways Capital Maintenance 2015/16

- The 2014/15 programme was presented to the Board. There are still 5 outstanding proposals to complete all to be implemented by March 2015. 1 scheme deferred to the 2015/16 programme.
- Members have been asked to identify priorities to be included in the 2015/16 programme. All proposals will be assessed and inspected.
- A prioritised list will be presented to the February Board for consideration. Recommendations will be taken to the March Area Committee for approval.
- Budget levels should be confirmed by January.
- All Washington Area Committee Members are encouraged to attend the February Board on February 10th 2015 to determine the recommendation to March Area Committee.

Influencing role: Members influencing the allocation of S106

 Report to February Board with regards to proposals for a framework to assist Members to influence agreements and proposals for local S106

Area Priority: Environment and Green Space

Action	Outcome		
Neighbourhood Improvement Project and Village Centre Improvement Project	 Walk and Talks commenced and identifying key initiatives in each Ward to progress. All proposals are being co-ordinated with the Village Centre Improvement Project, will identify 		

	 match funding and a partnership approach Work carried out or underway under the VCIP has allocated c£66,000 of the £80,000 budget. The Area Response Manager will be discussing with Members at a Ward level proposals to implement works for the remaining funds. Proposals for NIP being considered include the removal of brick planters and the replanting of trees in Lambton (Central), repairs and resurfacing works at Neme Court and the installation of new lamp columns at Roseberry Court in the North Ward, some planting, and landscaping and hardscaping works across Washington South (partners to be identified)
The Washington Way Network (CHGS Project)	Steering Group to meet 15 th December to receive an update from the lead with regards to capital works, co-ordination with SCC led schemes and initiatives. Project launch Spring 2015 with further communication and engagement of local communities. Also co-ordinating launch and project literature with the proposed Washington Way to Well Being proposals (charter mark, physical hub, small grants) and the recently established Walking and Cycling Networks (SCC).
Maximising green and open spaces	The Place Board received a report from the People Board identifying proposals to utilise Public Health funding to maximise the use of green and open space to enhance and facilitate local people engaging in the '5 Ways to Well Being' as part of the Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects – approved October Area Committee. Deadline for applications under the small grants scheme December 12th. Recommendations for approval of charter mark scheme and physical hub included under Item 5 Budget Report
Washington Parks	 A range of proposals are being proposed as part of other programmes of work: Improvements to Princess Anne Park culverts and weirs completed Usworth Park confirmed Green Flag status this year. Seldom Seen - improvements and refurbishment Request to commission a feasibility study for Albany Park (Neighbourhood Improvement Project) Request to replace the monument in James Steel Park (Neighbourhood Improvement Project) Holley Park – request from Members for improvements as part of the Neighbourhood Improvement Project
Flood management	Further updates were provided to the November Board re current work programme from both SCC and NWL Emergency packs for Cllrs are being distributed.

Retail Support Project/Concord	•	A number of local businesses have agreed to form
Traders		a Traders Association.
	•	Shop local campaign well underway
	•	Mentoring and business advice and support being
		carried out. Retail support specialist now engaged
		with more than 40 local businesses
	•	Plans are being considered to include a Shop
		Watch scheme
	•	SCC has commissioned a 'health assessment' of
		local shopping centres – results/outcomes to be
Area priority: Member and Co	mmı	circulated when received
Encourage partnerships with	•	Walk and talk programmes to identify community
the local community and VCS,		partnerships
link Ward Members to	•	Members engage residents re AC role at key
activities and events		Washington events
	•	Members involved in steering an events and
		culture programme
	•	Delivery of the Washington 50 Community
		Programme
	•	National Children's Take Over Day on the 21st
		November involved Oxclose Academy working
		with RLS to develop actions plans to address key
		issues. Young people were involved in inspections
		at a Ward level, identifying issues and problems,
		then action planning for solutions with the RLS
Area priority: Heritage and Cu	lturo	Ward Teams. 10 young people took part.
Events 2015 plan	Luie	Working group established to determine a
Evente ze re plan		business planning approach to implementing
		Events 2015. To report initial thinking and
		proposals for a Call for Projects to February Board
Washington's culture offer	Wo	rking group to also consider
	•	How Washington's cultural offer can contribute to
		a city wide approach
	•	The Museum Services Review which will shape
		Museums and Heritage in a way that Sunderland
		residents want. The service is looking to adopt a
		community engagement model. Developing a
		vision that will determine the delivery plan of
		priorities for the next 3-5 years is underway. A
		report in December will be approved by the
		portfolio holder before it goes to delegated decision in March. There is a proposal to attend
		People Boards in February to provide Members
		with an oversight of what the situation is now, the
		vision and the outline delivery plan. Members will
		have the opportunity to contribute to how the
		service will be tailored to meet the needs of the
		community. Following that, the SCC team will
		engage with local individuals and groups, such as
		the VCSN, to discuss the new proposals.
	•	Exploring opportunities for relevant local 'offers' to
		be included in all communications, PR and
		marketing re Sunderland's culture and heritage
		offer. Consider how to identify and encourage

 local groups and organisations to take advantage of any 'offers'. Consider how to use Washington offers to assist delivery of other priorities – future Board to identify which organisations can or are willing to be included in programme to encourage delivery of other priorities (to consider status, capacity).
other priorities (to consider status, capacity,
appropriate governance).

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regard to the Washington Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 as detailed in **Annex 1** and Paragraph 4 above.
- 4.2 Note the performance report for SIB projects as detailed in **Annex 2.**

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Annex 1: Work plan 2014/15
Annex 2: SIB Performance Report

			Progress Report
Area Priority	ACTIONS	Lead Agent	
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 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 - ony Washington West remains to be held. Key projects being identified for each Ward - ARM working with identified partners re match funding and partnership where appropriate. The following projects are being developed. Winter pruning programme - South to be finished 14th November, Central commences 17th November, North programmed 10th December, West commences 15th December, East 13th January.
	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 to complete.
	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 meeting 15th December. Links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as development of Walking forums, new walking trails (2 per area), plans re apporach to city wide 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 opportunties with local communities.
	4. Improved use of green/open space linked to People/Health Priorities and Public Health Greenspace Funding.		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 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. Co-ordinating these opportunities will add value to current WAC funded initiatives linking the Community Health and Green Spaces Project (The Washington Way) and Maximising green spaces for the 5 Ways to Well Being. £20,000 SIB agreed October 16th Area Committee - this will result in a total fund of £60,000 for the opportunities above (£20,000 CCG Decision pending and £20,000 Public Health). The proposal for small grants will engage local people in activity re greenspace accesibility, availability and use as well as tackling health inequalities and getting residents more active. Project briefs advertised November 14th with deadline for submissions 27th November for charter mark scheme and physical hub and 12th December for small grants. December AC to agree award for charter mark scheme and hub under Item 5. Small grants to be approved January 2015
	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 confirmed Green Flag Status this year. Seldom Seen funds in place for improvement works. Proposals from City Services re utilisation of S106 £100k for play area linked to Washington Leisure Village via Princess Anne Park. 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
	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 sussessfully delivering all anticipated outcomes and outputs. Traders forum to be 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.

	Ward Member Community Engagement (links to People)	Encourage partnerships wih 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. Schedule in place August - October. LWYL campaign proposals, links to industrial area priorities. Requests from Heritage Group re painting of signage at Weat and Crowther. Volunteers available to carry oput work. SCC permissions required. Passed to RLS
	r eopie)	2. Link Ward Members to activities and events being delivered. Support Members in their community engagement and leadership role	SCC: S & AA	Members to utulise key events re promoting community leadership role - next opportunities include the Washington Illuminations 17th November and the Washington Village Christmas Festival week commencing 29th November
		Develop a partnership approach to implement a sustainable scheme to manage plantations and woodlands in Washington	SCC: RLS	On going discussions with Groundwork. ARM to report to future meeting
		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	There will be opportunities for VCS via Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects to collaborate and deliver against this shared priority.
3 1	Heritage & Culture	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. 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	New working group to consider opportunities for ensuring heritage and culture offer considered when looking at new projects and proposals
		Planning and stratgey for delivering key events 2015 - Heritage Festival, Washington Illuminations, Christmas Festival	scc	New working group estbalished to consider how to deliver the 2 key events on behalf of Area Committee. A new approach to format and content of each of these events be developed in order to address the current high infrastructure costs previously incurred. Many community groups have traditionally been involved in the planning etc. of the Heritage Festival. It is proposed these positive and proactive relationships are maintained to add value to any new event. An indicative budget to fund these two key events - on the assumption that the delivery will be matched to the resource available - of £30,000 be considered as appropriate. £15,000 SIB was agreed from the 2014/15 budget.
		Identify how Washington can contribute to and influence the city wide apporach to heritage and culture	SCC	To consider how to ensure the Washington Offer contributes to the Museum Services Review. Museum Services Review will shape Museums and Heritage in a way that Sunderland residents want and the service is looking to adopt a community engagement model. Developing a vision that will determine the delivery plan of priorities for the next 3-5 years is underway. A report in December will be approved by the portfolio holder before it goes to delegated decision in March. There is a proposal for attending the People Boards in February to provide members with an oversight of what the situation is now, the vision and the outline delivery plan. Members will have the opportunity to contribute to how the service will be tailored to meet the needs of the community. Following that, the SCC team will engage with local individuals and groups, such as the VCSN, to discuss the new proposals.
	Influence the design, delivery and review of Place based services devolved to Area Committee	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 considerd via local action. Housing renewal plans to come to future boards in New Year. Need to evaluate Concord Traders Retail Support Specialist Programme to determine good practice, lessons learnt and co-ordination with corporate approach and activities.
		Re-consider how members can influence the allocation of S106 funding at an area level	SCC: S & AA Louise Butler	Report to February Board with regards to proposals for a framework to help Members influence agreements and proposals for local S106.

Capital Programme Butler to identify priorities for 2015/16. This information will be reviewed and assessed.		3 .,	Butler	Proposals for programme 2015 to be discussed at February 2015 Place Board and agree
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SIB Project Performance for the Place Board

Below is a summary of all SIB projects showing how they have performed against targets and what they have achieved **up until end of Quarter 2 (2014/15).**

Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise

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

Shop Local Concord (Louise Darby) £5,000 There has been production of Shop Local posters and leaflets and a pull up banner to use at events. A Shop Local Christmas leaflet is being produced to advertise Christmas activity in Concord and to highlight Christmas offers from local traders. Spend on this project to date totals £1,251. On target.

Ad Bins (David Hardy) £3,000 The new litterbins have now been installed and will initially promote the Shop Local Campaign then will be available for advertising to local businesses. The funds for this element of the project have now been claimed and the **project is complete**.

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

Engaging with local businesses (£2,500). A Business Directory has been compiled with over 500 companies on the list, although some information may be out of date. Work is underway on the business pack. A data base of Washington Employers has provided a valuable insight into the economic base within Washington. Social media has been used to communicate and engage with businesses to promote the work of the Area Committee and its key messages. This allocation has been combined with the Skills Conference funding to hold an event which not only engages young people but local employers too.

Washington Skills Conference (£2,500). This event targeted employers and young people in Washington. The date for the event was 12 November 2014. The event will celebrate the achievements of young people who have been part of the School Opportunities and Youth Opportunities projects, have an interactive element for young people to increase their employability skills, provide an opportunity for young people and Washington businesses to come together and discuss employment opportunities and what employers expect from employees, and a session for employers to increase their knowledge and understanding of what is happening in Washington. 3 of the Washington Schools sent young people to this event. A project evaluation is currently underway. There has been no claim to date for this project. It is anticipated a full claim will be submitted for Quarter 3.

Retail support project (£15,000) The project has been running since mid-April 2014. The retail support specialist has made an excellent start engaging with the 88 independent retailers in the Concord area. There are 20 grants now approved. A working party has been set up as the start of a process to establish a traders association. The project continues to be delivered in an effective way which has seen strong engagement with the traders in Concord.. The delivery organisations continue to meet with Traders to discuss events, business support, and other areas the traders think are important. Communication with traders is strong with regular bulletins being issued. A successful shop local campaign was run in conjunction with the scheme in September 2014 with 9 local traders offering a variety of discounts. A further campaign will be run in the period up to Christmas. There has been no expenditure to date for this project. A claim is anticipated Quarter 3

Washington Neighbourhood Improvement Project

This project was awarded to £125,000. The Ward Walk Abouts are underway identifying key projects for individual wards. The board receives regular updates on this item and further updates where detailed proposals will be identified will be due via a Quarter 3 monitoring return.

Washington Way (Community Health & Green Spaces)

The project was funded £100,000. Area Committee agreed the next stage of the Washington Way. PR and communication and engagement will roll out and inform the proposed project launch in Spring 2015. This will also build on Washington Area Committee's additional investment in the Washington Way to Well Being and coordinate it with the growing partnership approach to delivering a range of health priorities to help local residents. Work is on-going on the bridge over the A195 at Ayton Rd. The bridge parapets are due to be lifted this financial year. This work is included within a larger bridge refurbishment which will 'contribute' the traffic management, whilst the parapets cost will be an LTP contribution. In addition to the above, a key arterial north-south route is designed to construction detail and is out for contractor pricing, with completion due this year weather and contractor allowing. Associated match funding of c£1m cycle route construction works connecting Washington to Nissan/surrounding employers and to North Sunderland and Boldon has been identified. This is also due for completion this financial year. Next Steering group 15th December.

Village Centre Improvement Project

This project was funded £80,000 to deliver improvements to all Washington wards. Completed projects include installation of the Washington 50 planters in each of the villages, bulb planting in Blackfell, Oxclose and Biddick, woodland clearing at Rickleton – Bluebell and Snowdrop bulbs are to be planted and the Albany Wheel has been repainted. Projects to be introduced in the next 3 month are the Lambton brick planters which will be redeveloped and trees planted, and the walls at Holley Park are to be demolished. Trees will be planted at Sulgrave as well as the removal of some, and also at Oxclose. The Hedge adjacent to the Arts Centre will be reduced, and trees and shrubs will be removed from the Blackfell Centre. There will be a footpath installed from the car park to Dilston Close at Oxclose and 5 v 5 goals will be installed at Holley Park.

9th December 2014

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide an update of progress against the current year's (2014/15) People Board Work Plan.

2. Background

2.1 Earlier this year the priorities associated with People were referred to the Washington People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee. The People Board has started to initiate action on those priorities and **Annex 1** outlines progress to date.

3. Project Performance

3.1 SIB Project Performance Report is attached as **Annex 2** and provides an update on performance of SIB funded projects.

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 30th November 2014

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Washington People Board up to 30th November 2014

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Local priority: Community Inclusion and support for VCS

VCS Network

- Progress report under Item 2
- The Network is keen to contribute to the action planning to deliver employability support services for local residents. This is based on the Network raising the capacity of the sector at the last Area Committee and the Area Network Meetings.
- The Network is represented on the recently established People Board Employability Support Working Group in order to feed in concerns as well as solutions re help develop appropriate services for Washington residents.
- The Community & Volunteer Development Officer (Washington Trust) has met with a number of organisations and partners. The project is looking at opportunities to provide individual support to organisations such as CAs. The CVDO is currently providing support to Springwell Village Community Venue and Woodridge Gardens RA and a further 6 requests have been received the Washington Trust board will determine if the programme can accommodate those requests. In addition the Washington Volunteer Steering Group will be established early 2015 this will bring together potential partners and ensure co-ordination with other 'volunteer schemes' across the area.

Local priority: Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning

Young People's Event 'Washington Working For You'

- Event was held November 12th at the Washington Business Centre
- The day delivered engagement, interaction and networking for young people and employers and showcased 'Washington is working for you' and the achievements of young people who have been part of the School Opportunities and Youth Opportunities projects.
- The event was attended by 65 individuals in total. Of these there were 8 Cllrs, 32 Young People (including 6 from Washington Youth Council), 5 teachers, 17 from private companies, and 3 SCC staff.
- Informal feedback suggested that the format of the opening session was too long for young people. However, the workshop and the fun activities were well received, the venue was very good and the catering good.
- Members are asked to note despite heavy advertising of the scheme with business contacts we are unable to get a significant amount of companies who wanted to attend the afternoon networking session, so this was cancelled. However some informal networking did happen between business and the elected members.
- A full evaluation will be undertaken and a more indepth report will be provided in due course to both the People Board and the Area Committee.

Welfare Reform and Employability Services

- Impact of Welfare Reform, Job Centre issues, DWP, claimant issues and sanctions etc. to be discussed via 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 following discussions at the last Network meeting held 25th November.
- The first meeting of working group was held 27th November. A

report is attached as **Annex 3.** Note the links to the Washington Area Community and Voluntary Sector report. The People Board Working Group recommend the development of a project focused on local need and capacity and propose the alignment of £25,000 SIB from the 2014/15 budget for the development of a proposal. This would be subject to SIB appraisal, consultation and assessment with a view to requesting a decision at the March Area Committee. This proposal is included under **Item 5** Finance Report. The proposal needs 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. The Board also received information relating to the **Washington** Community Food Project (WCFP) based in Oxclose Church. The project is run by volunteers and operates on a strict 'referral' basis with a number of local key agencies. Self-referrals are not accepted and all aid/parcels are recorded. There are 3 bases to collect food parcels from in Washington - Oxclose Church, St Michael's in Sulgrave and the Lighthouse Church in Concord. The project is currently seeking additional support for core costs and expenses, is a registered charity and is hoping to expand into other areas of need. The People Board have invited the WCFP to submit proposals for support which will be considered at the next People Board in February. Influencing role Youth contract review Youth contract report to September Board re performance, delivery and options for review. Discussions relating to youth contract review to February People Board. Further meeting of all AC Members to be confirmed - to determine AC influencing, and options relevant to the area delivery. LMAPs Review Presentation to November board re forward plan for LMAPs. Following all People Boards, a report will be presented detailing comments, issues raised and any recommendations for future **Develop New** At its meeting of 5th November Cabinet approved the Policy Relationship with Statement on the role of the Council in relation to schools and Schools 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 Year. Museum Services Museum Services Review will shape Museums and Heritage in Review a way that Sunderland residents want and the service is looking to adopt a community engagement model. Developing a vision

that will determine the delivery plan of priorities for the next 3-5 years is underway. A report in December will be approved by the portfolio holder before it goes to delegated decision in March. There is a proposal to attend People Boards in February to provide members with an oversight of what the situation is now, the vision and the outline delivery plan. Members will have the opportunity to contribute to how the service will be tailored to meet the needs of the community. Following that, the SCC team will engage with local individuals and groups, such as the VCSN, to discuss the new proposals.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regard to the Washington Place Board's Work Plan for 2013/14 as detailed in **Annex 1** and Paragraph 4 above.
- 4.2 Members are requested to note the performance report for SIB projects as detailed in **Annex 2**
- 4.3 Members are requested to note the action plan for developing employability support services as detailed in **Annex 3**.

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Annex 1 – People Work Plan 2013/14

Annex 2 – SIB Performance Report

Annex 3 – Employability Support Services Working Group Action Plan

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		Progress Report
Area Priority	ACTIONS	
Health and Wellbeing	Strategic Health Group (CCG, Public Health, SCC, VCS) to identify opportunities for partnership working and shared priorities to:	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 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. Co-ordinating these opportunities will add value to current WAC funded initiatives linking the Community Health and Green Spaces Project (The Washington Way) and Maximising green spaces for the 5 Ways to Well Being. £20,000 SIB agreed October 16th Area Committee - this will result in a total fund of £60,000 for the opportunities above (£20,000 CCG Decision pending and £20,000 Public Health). Project briefs advertised November 14th with deadline for submissions 27th November for charter mark scheme and physical hub and 12th December for small grants. December AC to agree award for charter mark scheme and hub under Item 5
	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 meeting 15th December. Links and co-ordination with corporate initiatives such as development of Walking forums, new walking trails (2 per area), plans re apporach to city wide 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.
	2. 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 accesibility, availability and use as well as tackling health inequalities and getting residents more active. Project briefs advertised November 14th with deadline for submissions 27th November for charter mark scheme and physical hub and 12th December for small grants. December AC to agree award for charter mark scheme and hub under Item 5. Small grants to be approved January
	3. 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 were referred to the People Board's Health Group and included in the thinking re the recommendations re Washington Way to Well Being Programme. Scrutiny lead for Health has confirmed a Members briefing will be taking place December 2nd.
	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 apporpriate referral pathways.
	5. Promote the take up of Health Champions Training including the Dementia Module and the promotion of dementia friendly communities	Dementia Awareness modules underway. November and December dates to be confirmed and circulated. Interim evaluation to be carried out with regards to numbers, publicity and progress with report to next People Board. Health champions and dementia friendly approach to be included in proposed charter mark scheme
	Influence work relating to Integrated Wellness Review recommendations	TBC
	7. Respond to issues raised through Sexual Health Review re locality needs	TBC
Adult Social Care	Determine best practice and added value that AC funded projects have brought to the ASC Framework.	Projects are currently being evaluated as they complete. Some SIB funding to be returned to the budget

	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.
Community Inclusion and support for the VCS	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. Meeting in October was well attended. Key issues discussed were oppportunities for the sector via the Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects, and support for VCS organisations assisting the community/residents re employability support, claimant commitments, CVs etc to meet the requirements of the Job Centre/claimant commitment. The Network identified a number of outcomes and activity which is required re tackling health - those issues and proposals were fed into People Board discussions and helped shape the proposals for the Washington Way to Well Being. VCS Network to be involved in determining way forward re employability services. Area Committee reps to draft VCS Network contribution to the Annual Plan.
	Consider how to maximise and co-ordinate volunteering opportunities throughout Washington	Washington Trust now appointed the Volunteer co-ordinator. In post 1st October. Washington Volunteer forum to be set up. Updates to future meetings.
	4. 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. To ensure involvement or consultation of young people where appropriate. Washington Youth Council attended October AC and will be attending Dec. They are also involved in the Washington Working 4U conference 12th November. discussions with lead for WYC underway re plans to sustain the council.
	Elected members to attend Youth Operational Group and receive regular updates on youth activity delivery	Next meeting to be confirmed.
	Influence and support the delivery of youth activity in the Washington.	Youth contract report to September Board re performance, delivery and options for review. Discussions relating to youth contract review to February People Board. Further meeting of all AC Members to be confirmed - to determine AC influencing, and options relevant to the area delivery.
Employment, enterprise and lifelong learning	Continue to monitor the School Opportunities Project.	54 young people engaged. 118 family members or peers engaged. Project now operating out of Albany Centre. Join 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 opportunties cohort took part in the Washington Working for You Conference.
	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.
	3. Deliver Skills Conference for Washington Young People	Completed - Held November 12th. Update and evaluation to be presented to Area Committee in People Progress Report.
	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.
	Consider how FACL provision can be best utilised to assist delivery of AC priorities and outcomes	Summary of provision circulated to Members

	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 apporpriate referral pathways. Recommendation to December Area Committee to align £25,000 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.
Safer Washington	Maintain key partnerships and collaborative working re LMAPs, links with Safer Sunderland Partnership priorities re reducing crime and disorder.	Joint Police and cllr meetings scheduled for the rest of this year. Presentation to November board re forward plan for LMAPs - details included in progress report
	3. 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
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.
	3. Review of Museum Services	Museum Services Review will shape Museums and Heritage in a way that Sunderland residents want and the service is looking to adopt a community engagement model. Developing a vision that will determine the delivery plan of priorities for the next 3-5 years is underway. A report in December will be approved by the portfolio holder before it goes to delegated decision in March. There is a proposal for attending the People Boards in February to provide members with an oversight of what the situation is now, the vision and the outline delivery plan. Members will have the opportunity to contribute to how the service will be tailored to meet the needs of the community. Following that, the SCC team will engage with local individuals and groups, such as the VCSN, to discuss the new proposals.

Project Performance (People Board report)

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 2 2014/15**

Youth Opportunities	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of people accessing improved advice and support	12	27		£85,979	£85,979	
Number of people receiving job training	18	4				
Number of young people aged 16-19 NEET encouraged into further education and employment	10	10				
Number of people going into employment (FTE)	8	6				

This project was funded £99,900 in order to enable the introduction of a service for NEET young people resident in Washington, enabling individual progression through structured participation in the service with the aim of enabling young residents to gaining skills and experience relevant to the world of work and enable engagement of those NEET. Recent progress updates included that the project has not run at full capacity over the summer period as the Key Worker left to take up alternative employment and a short-term appointment was made to cover the interim running of the project. A full recruitment exercise has been undertaken and it is anticipated that a new Young Persons Key Worker will commence in post in November 14. 18 new young people have been engaged into the service over the quarter, this being mainly in September and therefore time to progress has not been possible within the engagement period. 2 young people who were already engaged in the Project have secured employment and a further two have commenced college programmes. Links have been made with all training and study support providers and LA7 provision. Engagement has been continued throughout and the project has overachieved significantly in those enrolled to the service who will work with the new Key Worker. Spend re-profiles were agreed at each stage. Following a direct invite from Area Committee the People Board recommended to Area Committee the SIB application for Youth Opportunities 2 for £59,992 which is now approved. Spend and output re-profiles were agreed at each stage.

School Opportunities	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of people accessing improved	16	25		£65,817	£65,817	
advice and support						
Number of people receiving job training	8	7				
Number of people going into	2	1				
employment						

This project was to enable work to be carried out with young people aged 14 – 16. This project was awarded £99,982. The School Opportunities Key Worker is currently supporting 18 young people referred from Oxclose and Washington School, the latter who have further young people to refer as do Biddick Academy. The project liaised with each School across the summer period and had a presence in schools on exam results day to support young people who did not get the anticipated results to link with local support services. Planning is well underway to deliver elements of the Princes Trust employability qualifications and the Key Worker is liaising with schools to plan this into the curriculum timetable. To date across the life of the Project 118 family members have been accessed by the Key Worker to support addressing individual issues out of school as well as 'in-school' behaviour traits. This has included parents, grandparents, extended family members and main carers and this continues to be an essential element of the programme, particularly useful in identifying early interventions. Funding is slightly behind profile but it is anticipated at this point will still be on budget to 31/03/15 and to the project end in quarter two of 2015/2016 operational year. **Spend and output re-profiles were agreed at each stage**.

Washington Young Peoples Forum	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of community or educational events held	1	1		£8,500	£6,911	

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. Progress to date includes Donwell Youth Club contacting the Youth Council over mixed messages to youth club members surrounding the grassed playing area near the centre, a meeting had been arranged by Gentoo with invitations to Police, Councillors, other agencies along with a mediator and local residents, the Youth Council became involved and arranged for young people from the Donwell area to attend this meeting to give their views. The meeting went well and the young people were a credit to themselves as they gave good input to issues raised. A second meeting was arranged and held at the Millennium Centre with the young people. Councillors and the mediator where they talked about the issues raised at the last meeting. The young people were encouraged to draw out the boundaries of the grassed area and discussed different solutions to try to work together with the local residents to resolve issues from the past. The meeting was very proactive and they are waiting to hear feedback from the next meeting that is planned for the residents. The Young Peoples State of Area Debate was next on the agenda and the youth council decided it was easier to arrange five separate meetings as they were finding it difficult to get dates and times that would give a good representation from the area councillors due to their busy time tables. The separate meetings were arranged and were quite positive with issues surrounding 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 were all discussed with the councillors giving answers to most of the topics. The youth council also attended the Washington Heritage Festival to promote themselves and were invited to the Area Committee Meeting which they attended. They also attended the Washington Working For You Event November 2014. Reprofiles and outputs have been agreed throughout the project.

Washington Heritage Festival 2014	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of community events delivered	1	1		£32,500	£0	

This project was awarded to £32,500 to deliver the Washington Heritage Festival on the 20th September 2014. The event has now taken place. A full project evaluation is due from the lead agent and full spend will be claimed November Q3.

Washington Illuminations 2014	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of community events delivered	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded to £10,000 to deliver the Washington Illuminations 17th November 2014. The event has now been held with 3 x primary schools taking part - Rickleton Primary School, Usworth Colliery Primary School and Albany Primary School. Compere is Steve Walls, Santa Claus will be making an appearance and there will be a Musical duo. Fireworks display is an all aerial display. Evaluation and report will follow after the event.

Washington Village Christmas	Output	Output	Progress	Spend	Spend	Progress
Festival 2014	Target	Actual	Indicator	Target	Actual	Indicator
Number of community events delivered	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	

This project was awarded to £10,000 to deliver Washington Village Christmas Festival on the 29th November 2014 which will be held along Spout Lane. Between 1pm and 5pm there will be Santa's Grotto with a free selection box for every child, and a Farmers'/Craft Market for seasonal produce and festive gifts. On the stage there will be live music throughout the day will include performances from local school children, dance academies and local theatre groups, and there will be Christmas themed street entertainment. Further progress will follow after the event

Social Isolation projects -Various

This project was funded £30,000 and divided as follows between the following projects.

ELCAP were granted £3,000 to deliver a service for a Community bus for older people with social isolation. The successful project supported a total of 22 residents, linking people to activities, heritage and to each other. Neighbours who lived closed met for the first time through the scheme and two new volunteers where recruited from Washington, one who now has taken up full time work. This project is now complete and fully spent.

Springwell CA- Golden Age People £4,000. Recent progress includes; Springwell CA holding Fit Steps sessions, the GAP group enjoying taster sessions, and local organisations involved include the Digital Challenge Team, Gentoo, Library Services, Age UK, and British Red Cross. Sessions have included crafts, cookery, awareness sessions, I.T., health and fitness and history. Sessions are planned up until the end of the year and the group made a contribution to Carnival week involving individual craft work. The participation levels rose to 41 and the group contributes to the planning of the future sessions. The group produced their own notice board complete with logos which is now displayed at the entrance to the building. This project is now fully spent.

Washington Mind £4,314. Washington Minds moved to the Life House, and increased services and activities to offer the local community a holistic approach to health and wellbeing. Uptake was monitored from older and vulnerable people due to mental ill health; to establish if there is has been an increase in referrals from an older age group and this proved to be the case. Mentoring courses from Aspire have been held, podiatry and tai chi sessions have commenced and treatments being offered are shiatsu, reflexology, Reiki, Indian head massage and foot massage.

AGE UK £5,000 Open days were held for Sulgrave and Brancepeth lunch clubs. The Washington officer has promoted the project with partners and this has led to a number of referrals to the project. A volunteer coordinator day was held 28 new referrals for socially isolated people were received, who received a home visit and were referred to a luncheon club. A total of 32 older people have been engaged with 150 receiving a winter warmer pack and 4 new volunteers have been recruited.

WWIN Praying, Staying and Obeying £4,460 The older women's group has been meeting fortnightly since Tuesday 5th November. A formal group-work programme is being developed to support this and future groups. The group has identified the key messages/images that they believe a media campaign targeting older victims of domestic violence should contain. The WWIN Director has been attending the Homicide Review for a local, older woman and liaising with partner agencies regarding the issues emerging from this review (including the training needs of key agencies). The media campaign aimed at older women will be launched in November-December 2014.

Woodridge Gardens- Activity Sessions for older people £3,840 A five week programme has been completed. A selection of participants has given feedback on positive impact that the sessions have had. The comments have been from people who had strokes or with Parkinson's disease. Family members have reported positive feedback from relatives attending sessions.

Washington Millennium Centre –Pie and Pea Lunch £1,500 The project commenced 22nd April 2014. A lead volunteer was recruited as part of the sustainability plan, trained in Food Hygiene training. In total the project engaged with approximately 70 men and women over the age of 50. The project proved to be very popular, as well as new people on a regular basis there is a core group of about 60 people who continue to return as they found the experience affordable and more importantly enjoyable. The group were encouraged to have a look at other activities which they would enjoy, and as a result a lot of the members in the group attended a trip organised by the Millennium Centre and are currently thinking of new adventures to help organise.

Washington Mind –Room hire and Christmas party for anxiety group £575 This project will provide an update after the Christmas party is held. There has been no spending on this project to date.

Washington 50-Various projects

This project was awarded £50,000 in total, which was allocated to deliver various projects to celebrate Washington New Town's 50th birthday and to create a legacy. There was a celebration event held in the Washington Old Hall on the 19th September, attended the Sunderland City Council leader Paul Watson and also the Mayor of Sunderland, Councillor Porthouse in order to thank participants and celebrate the event, which then led to the showcasing of the work at the Washington Heritage Festival on the 20th September 2014. The project saw 16 primary schools come together to create a large display board which is being toured at different locations, as well as 16 sixties picnics. Other items included a W50 book for all school children, a ceramic pit wheel, cherry tree planting, framed pictures, a brass band event, and various parties with traditional games. Banners were produced, pamphlets and heritage trails made, textiles, artefacts, school performances and kite flying events. Websites were developed, ceramic art produced, a flower power party held, 50 themed days of fun, books of memories, wall hangings and artwork produced. Schools took part in photography -old and new, a history garden was created, a floor based collage made, a golden ticket party and also a Washington 50 teddy bear made. Currently projects are still spending and claiming funds, and there may be underspends to report, which will be fully updated for the next AC/board when this is finalised. There are currently two projects still live and running within this which includes Washington School and Washington Arts Centre. Work in on going to update the W50 web site and a reunion event was held by former Washington Development Corporation Staff to celebrate the new towns anniversary which was featured in the Sunderland Echo.

Washington VCS Support project

This project was awarded to £74,850 to employ a worker. Bryan Beverley has started in his role with the trust on the 1st October and he is getting out and meeting key partners and has started to visit a number of the CA's to start to meet the volunteers so that meetings can be arranged with management committees and discussions started regarding how the project can help and what are their priorities.

Washington Health Champions – Dementia Modules

This project was awarded to £8,500 HCIF to hold dementia awareness training courses for Washington residents. To date 3 courses have now been delivered, 45 people attended in quarter 2, with a number of people booked onto the course who later did not then attend. Of the people attending, 12 were already on the health champion database and 33 were new to the Health Champion Programme. Feedback from Age UK included 89% of participants were employed. Feedback obtained included who the individuals passed their knowledge onto after the course, such as friends, families etc. A high percentage fed back that the course was useful and that they had gained knowledge and that the course was clearly explained. The overall learning experience and quality of the course was also rated very highly. Spend is behind target due to the timing of invoices therefore there is no spend on this project to date.

Washington Area Committee People Board: Employability Support Services

Report for Washington Area Committee and People Board

Priority: A Local Approach to Employment and Enterprise.

Background/current position

Area Committee/People Board has already identified a need to provide local residents with access to appropriate 'employability' support and help those residents who experience problems accessing JC+ provision.

The People Board has requested the drafting of a project proposal following a similar initiative being implemented in the West of the city – which seemed to identify the same priority and need for support for residents as was being considered for Washington.

The DWP attended both the September and October Area VCS Network to provide an update with regards to Welfare Reform changes at Job Centres (Claimant Commitment) re digitisation, and the Social Justice Initiative.

At both these meetings VCS partners identified a number of issues regarding support for residents re IT and meeting their claimant commitments. VCS organisations are currently being inundated by local people needing intensive support just to be able to fulfil the initial requirements re getting an email account, registering on Universal Job Match and producing CVs. On a practical level one of the key issues is the inability to save any work/CVs etc. onto 'public' computers etc. The VCS also raised concerns with regards to the level and quality of support being provided at Job Centres.

In the West of the City the Community Work Club initiative has been implemented resulting in high levels of clients trying to access their services. Following the highlighting of similar issues as raised in Washington re incorrect referrals, IT support etc. a project evaluation is underway to assess the success of the work clubs and whether the project meets the needs of the community – and if those sector organisations such as the DWP and work programme contractors were providing claimants with what was expected. It is anticipated 'lessons learned' can be transferred to other areas. As part of the project evaluation it was agreed that those lessons learnt will be shared with the DWP at regular intervals to ensure service provision is shaped around the real gaps and needs – at a local level.

It is now recognised that both the SCC's Local Strategic Framework (Fiona Brown leading) and the DWP need to be made more aware of where local services are not being delivered to support those most in need – as well as how the current 'referral' systems is being implemented at a local level – resulting in local VCS organisations having difficulty in coping with the number of residents coming to them for help and the level of intensive and more long term support some residents require.

This capacity of the VCS in Washington was discussed at Area Committee in October with a request for Fiona Brown and/or a representative of the DWP to attend the next AC meeting with a report identifying the support being provided for those residents most in need, the methodology for referrals being adopted in Washington, and the level of need re sanctions/ clients with multiple barriers in Washington.

Proposed Next Steps

- Working Group established
- Understand 'lessons learnt' from West Project Evaluation
- VCS to be provided with relevant information re agreed referral pathways to improve communication between the VCS, local residents and DWP/JCs. Ensure the recognised pathways are used to enhance partnership working and to encourage the VCS to signpost residents appropriately. At the same time the DWP needs to ensure its staff refer customers/clients to the correct support pathway and that advice offered is correct at the initial point of contact.
- Consider how Referral Pathways & information to be provided to relevant VCS organisations
- Consider how local VCS organisations who wish to provide support to local residents do so utilising the Referral Pathways information
- Links be made with Social Justice Coach for Washington to ensure a co-ordinated approach to clients with multiple barriers is provided
- VCS organisations to be asked to document and record over a given period the number/level of
 requests for support and to identify if incorrect referrals continue to be made. All potential
 issues to be recorded in order to determine where the real gap in services exists in Washington
 and more importantly who should be filling those gaps and re shaping service provision. Data
 collected to be shared with SCC & DWP to ensure longer term communication and joint
 working
- Report to December Area Committee outlining the recognised pathways, support and mandatory requirements re client support. Also consider determination of any gaps that still exist, what they are and if Area Committee has a role in helping delivering the required support.
- Determine if the local community needs to be supported in relation to additional 'employability services' via the VCS/other partners. This could include training and upskilling current staff and/or volunteers in local projects to support local residents and deliver a localised, tailored approach to this issue.

WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE 9th DECEMBER 2014 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

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

Author(s):

Chief Executive

Purpose of Report:

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

Description of Decision:

The Area Committee is requested to approve the following from the 2014/15 budget:

Committee are requested to:-

- (a) Note the financial statement set out in the report
- (b) Consider and agree the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark and Physical Hub as detailed in this report and **Annex 1**.
- (c) Consider and agree if additional SIB is required to assist with the implementation of the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark and Physical Hub.
- (d) Consider the alignment of £20,000 SIB 2014/15 for the development of Employability Support Services Project as detailed in paragraph 2.9 above and in **Item 4 People Board Progress Report**
- (e) Note the 21 approvals of Community Chest detailed within.

Is the decision co	nsistent with	the Budget/Policy Framework?	Yes	

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

The Area Committee has an allocation for 2014/2015 from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Local Area Plan and to attract other funding into the area.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

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

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Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the	Relevant Scrutiny Committees:
Constitution? No	
Is it included in the Forward Plan?	

9th December 2014

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 2014/2015:

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Total SIB for 2014/2015 is £30	06.507			
				£306,507
Project Name				
Dementia Awareness Training	19.06.2014		£7,000	£299,507
Volunteer Development	19.06.2014		£74,850	£224,657
Washington Heritage Festival	Emergency delegated		£2,500	£222,157
Funding returned -Washington Trust £29,370.56	-	-	+ £29,370.56	£251,527
Neighbourhood Improvements	19.06.2014		£125,000	£126,527
Funding returned -Social Isolation (AGE UK) £1,575	-	-	+ £1,575	£128,102
Funding returned -Wash 50- Teal Farm Residents £432			+ £432	£128,534
Funding returned-Unallocated Washington 50 £2,845			+ £2,845	£131,379
Washington Youth Opportunities (Phase 2)			£59,992	£71,387
Washington Way to Wellbeing Call for Projects			£20,000	£51,387
Washington Events Programme 2015			£15,000	£36,387
Washington 50- RETURNS Springwell Village Community Venue £6.92 and Friends of				
Washington Old Hall £218.40			+ £225.32	£36,612.32
Washington Heritage Festival 2014 RETURN £1194			+ £1,194	£37,806.32
Balance			£268,700	£37,806.32

- 2.2 Members are asked to note the balance of £37,806. This includes returns to the budget as detailed in the table above in 2.1
- 2.3 In November 2014 Washington Area Committee invited local and non-profit making organisations including statutory partners to respond to the Washington Way to Well Being Call for Projects.
- 2.4 With an indicative budget of £30,000, proposals to deliver the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark Scheme and the Washington Way to Well Being Physical Hub were invited.
- 2.5 1 application for the Charter Mark scheme and 2 applications for the Physical hub were received (although one of those applications is included as a single application with proposals from the Charter Mark).
- 2.6 **Annex 1** provides the project brief and outcomes and a standard executive summary of the applications received for this Call for Projects. Those applications have been subject to an independent assessment using the SIB Scoring Matrix.
- 2.7 Based on that independent assessment and scoring, Members are asked to consider the full detail of the applications as included in **Annex 1** for the Washington Way to Well Being. Area Committee is asked to consider the following options when determining this application:
 - **Option 1**: Approve both applications subject to additional SIB funding being identified (additional funding required £19,856)
 - **Option 2**: Approve £24,856 only for the Charter Mark Scheme plus Information Hub to Washington Mind
 - **Option 3**: Approve £25,000 only for the Physical Hub to Sunderland Young People's Bike Project
 - **Option 4**: Decline both applications and reissue the Call for Projects. Members are asked to identify additional outcomes/different approach required for a new Call for Projects brief.
- 2.8 Members are also requested to agree that all applications for the Washington Way to Well Being Small Grants be confirmed via SIB consultation and assessment processes. Area Committee formally approved the budget level for this scheme at the October meeting. This will allow projects to be implemented in January 2015 (deadline for submission and assessment) as the next full Area Committee will not be held until March 2015 restricting implementation ahead of the end of this fiscal year. All assessments and recommendations will be subjected to full Area Committee consultation. A detailed update will be provided to the March Area Committee with regards to allocation and spend.
- 2.9 Following the November People Board and the establishment of the Employability Support Services Working Group it was agreed to seek approval from the Area Committee to align £20,000 SIB 2014/15 to develop the People based priority for employability support for local residents. Proposals for developing a local approach are detailed in Item 4 People Board Progress Report. All proposals will be subject to a Call for Projects and an Area Committee decision at the March Area Committee. If this request for alignment of funds is approved the balance of SIB funding remaining would be £17,806.

3 Maximising Green Spaces Funding:

3.1 The table below shows the financial position of Maximising Green Spaces funding.

	Committee Date	Aligned	Approved	Balance
Green Spaces Fund (approved to AC to award)				£20,000
Project Name				
Washington Way to Well	16 th October			
Being			£20,000	-

4. Community Chest

4.1 The table below details the Community Chest Ward balances as at October 2014, **Annex 2** shows the approvals between October-November 2014.

Ward	Starting Balance	Project Approvals since April 2014	Grant Returned	Balance
Washington				
Central	£11,002.60	£5,677.59	£24.00	£5,349.01
Washington				
East	£10,853.10	£7,061.59	£24.00	£3,815.51
Washington				
North	£10,000.00	£5,533.26	£148.00	£4,614.74
Washington				
South	£10,969.60	£4,078.59	£229.76	£7,120.77
Washington				
West	£15,369.60	£6,449.76	£24.00	£8,943.84
Total	£58,194.90	£28,800.79	£449.76	£29,843.87

5. Recommendations:

- 5.1 Note the financial statement set out in the report
- 5.2 Consider and agree the approval of SIB 2014/15 for the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark and Physical Hub as detailed in this report and **Annex 1.**
- 5.3 Consider and agree if additional SIB is required to assist with the implementation of the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark and Physical Hub.
- 5.4 Consider the alignment of £20,000 SIB 2014/15 for the development of Employability Support Services Project as detailed in paragraph 2.9 above and in **Item 4 People Board Progress Report**
- 5.5 Note the **21** Community Chest approvals supported from 2014/2015 Community Chest as set out in **Annex 2**.

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9th December 2014

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Washington Way to Well Being

CALL FOR PROJECTS

Washington Area Committee would like to invite interested local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) groups and non-profit making organisations to submit proposals to deliver projects in the local community which deliver an innovative and partnership approach to help residents become more active and address health issues. All 5 Washington Wards will be covered by this invitation.

Applications will be considered from VCS groups who have a management committee, constitution and bank account with dual signatories. VCS groups must adhere to accounting requirements in accordance with the Companies Act.

Introduction and Background

- As part of the Health and Well Being priority the Area Committee is keen to develop initiatives to tackle health issues and help residents become more active utilising and accessing green spaces.
- The Washington Area Committee's People Board has worked with our health partners and the community and voluntary sector to identify shared priorities and to look to developing 'shared ownership' to helping deliver initiatives utilising a partnership approach
- The Committee would like to offer an opportunity for the local Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) groups and non-profit making organisations (including statutory partners) to submit project proposals for two initiatives.
 - 1. To design, develop and manage a **Washington Way to Well Being Charter**Mark Scheme.
 - 2. To design, develop and manage a **Washington Way to Well Being Physical Hub**.
- Applications can be for both initiatives or just one.
- Both proposals should build on Washington Area Committee's previous investment in
 developing the Washington Way Network a shared use network which provides a free
 resource to the local community for to help residents become more active and links the
 villages of Washington. They should also be considered alongside other 'Calls' under
 the 'Washington Way to Well Being' banner a small grants scheme to enhance and
 make it easier for local people to engage in the five ways to wellbeing and to
 commission local action looking specifically at action around green space accessibility,
 availability and amenity utilisation. The Washington Way to Well Being initiatives will
 enable the development of an integrated approach to supporting local residents to
 improve their health.
- In October 2014, Area Committee agreed to commission activity and seeks applications from suitable groups/organisations that can create, develop and establish the Washington Way to Well Being approach

Project Outcomes

All proposals should

- Address health inequalities across the area
- Compliment and add value to current health initiatives being delivered across the area

- Target the residents of Washington all beneficiaries will reside in the Washington area
- Encourage a co-ordinated approach to promoting key health messages, services and activities, the 'Altogether Sunderland' approach, and any previous initiatives funded by the Area Committee.
- Ensure proposed schemes provide recognition of the effectiveness of partnerships and relationships with other organisations and the local community
- Consider the relevance of promoting the Washington Way when designing the Charter Mark scheme and the siting of the physical hub
- Determine a relevant vision for those organisations wanting to earn the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark and demonstrate how it meets the priorities of the Area committee and the relevant health partners. Any proposal should determine a standard of minimum good practice to ensure high quality service provision and a recognition of excellence. Include what support will be available to those organisations entering into the charter. This standard should show how it will manage performance, is fair and accessible, uses resources effectively, encourages continuous improvement, and contributes to encouraging shared ownership and partnership working.
- Be considered alongside other health related charter marks schemes being delivered across the area. Identify which organisations or sectors the scheme will be targeted initially and what plans can be implemented for further development
- Detail separately the design element of the charter mark and the administration/management of the scheme. Proposals should also include how organisations will be assessed and monitored, how long the charter mark will be valid for, and what the process will be for reapplying.
- The Hub will be used to encourage a co-ordinated approach to promoting key
 health messages, services and activities. It should be used to deliver a range of
 schemes to encourage residents to access and use the shared network
 (Washington Way). This could be a 'structure' alongside or linked to the new
 Washington Leisure Village or could be hosted by a local organisation with a base
 or building already established near to or on the network
- Proposals should identify what services and activities to help residents become
 more active would be delivered from this hub. The proposal will also need to show
 how the 'hub' would link to key networks and facilities and how it could be utilised
 to ensure activities and initiatives developed as part of the Washington Way to Well
 Being project would reach all Wards in Washington
- All proposals will include a forward plan / exit strategy to ensure sustainability of the resource as well as clear evidence of a business planning approach.
- Creativity and innovation is encouraged

Application No.1

Name of Project	Washington Way to Well Being Hub
Lead Organisation	Sunderland Young People's Bike Project

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£25,000	£	£25,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
	April 2015	

The Project

This proposal will develop a Well Being Physical Hub in the heart of the community to promote physical exercise to enable residents feel stronger and better equipped to do everyday activities. By becoming active they will feel better mentally and emotionally, and develop a better quality of life.

The Hub will be used as a base to deliver nature walks accompanied by occasional guest speakers from local organisations such as the Washington History Society. Routes will be designed to help re-discover heritage sites such as Washington Old Hall, Bowes Railway, Washington Arts Centre, F Pit and North East Aircraft Museum to promote and develop an interest in the local environment. The project will also develop links with local branches of the U3A, who are a group for retired/semi-retired people who also have walking, cycling and history groups who can make full use of the facility.

The programme will also include local bike rides for people of all abilities to develop or increase cycling activities, whether it's to learn a new skill, cycle with family, commute, save money or get fit. We will provide a range of bicycles including electric bikes which are easy to use and pedal, helping to build stamina gradually for those who need extra assistance as they work towards getting fitter. We will use existing cycle routes as an alternative to congested busy roads to link the villages of Washington and beyond. We can offer 1-1 lessons to teach people to ride a bike and work with adults/young people of all ages and abilities who are reluctant or feel unable to participate in cycling i.e. women/ethnic minorities/adults and young people with disabilities to increase confidence and skills to cycle safely.

The Hub will provide access to affordable and sustainable transport by offering a bicycle recycling service. This will become an integral part of the Hub as residents can donate their old bikes for recycling and the Hub will sell them on as reconditioned bikes at a heavily discounted price. For those who do not have their own bicycle they will be given the opportunity to hire bikes again at a reasonable affordable cost. The aim is to make cycling accessible for all of the local community, offering bicycle repairs and servicing facilities and cycle based maintenance training programmes to encourage residents to repair their own bikes and cycle independently. This will provide an inclusive non-judgemental vibrant and supportive environment for volunteers and project users enabling residents to come together to build stronger bonds and develop a supporting network, preventing isolation by participating and contributing to community life.

In the first quarter we will develop and promote the Hub throughout the Washington area and consult with local people to establish the needs and abilities of service users. We aim to open the Hub one full day on either a Saturday or Sunday from 10-4.00 pm offering a maintenance workshop, service and repairs in the morning and a nature/historic walk and bicycle ride in the afternoon; both activities will take place at the same time accommodating up to 10 participants in each group. The Hub will also be open one day during the week from 10-2.00 and will offer services or activities based on the demand from the public, i.e. Dr. Bike Workshops, servicing, walks or bicycle rides.

Partnership Approach

Key local groups are identified as partners – this includes Oxclose and District Young People's Project, Harraton CA, Washington History Society, Washington U3A, Washington MIND. Consultations have already taken place with with Oxclose and District Young People's Project and Harraton C.A. to encourage targeted groups to participate in the programme. Washington History Society have agreed to support this initiative and would invite their members to participate in historic walks on a voluntary basis to share their knowledge and expertise of area. U3A groups in Washington who regular participate in local walks and bike rides have confirmed they would become actively involved in the Hub. The project will work with Washington Mind to encourage their service users to participate in physical activities helping them to embrace new challenges in a bid to stimulate their personal and social development both mentally and physically.

Commitment from project to consult and promote locally – this includes visiting community groups, forums and meetings to promote the Hub, the activities and services available. Postere and flyers will be distributed throughout the area, and promotion events at the Galleries etc. will be carried out.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code Description		Number	
No of schemes/programmes		1	
	No of beneficiaries	200	
	No of activities	150	

Key Milestones for the Project

Development of Hub/networking/consultation	April 2015
Opening of the Hub	May 2015
Workshop/Bike rides/walks	April 2015
Consultation/evaluation	March 2016

Funding profile

Item	SIB	Match
Salary costs	11040	
2 x e bikes + 10 x unisex bikes	5000	
Tools and accessories	500	
Rent/hire/lease of premises	5000	
Publicity	300	
ITC	400	
Insurance	2760	

This application:

This application has been submitted through Area Committee's Call for Project and using the formal SIB governance protocols and guidance, the application has been assessed and has scored <u>67 out of 100</u>

This application:

- 1. Evidences a good track record of successful delivery and experience
- 2. Evidences it meets at least one of the key priorities of the Washington and co-ordinates with a range of activities, projects and initiatives activities, health, heritage, social isolation, inclusion
- 3. This proposal has evidenced good partnership working and is committed to further developing local inclusion and collaboration. It has already established a number of local 'relationships'.
- 4. This proposal meets the project outcomes as detailed in the published Project Brief:-
 - The project will address health inequalities across the area and compliment and add value to current health initiatives being delivered across the area and will encourage a coordinated approach to promoting key health messages, services and activities

- All beneficiaries will reside in the Washington area
- A range of schemes will encourage residents to access and use the shared network (Washington Way). This includes:
 - Nature and heritage walks
 - Local bike rides
 - 1:1 lessons and coaching
 - Cycling safety
 - o Maintenance and recycling of bikes
 - Affordable activities
 - Linking local villages
 - o Targets older people, young people, disabled and families
- The proposal identifies strong partnership working, local contacts, and a commitment to promote and further develop the scheme
- The proposal identifies a range of projects and activities from this funding. Taking a cost benefit approach the assessment shows there are many health benefits for local people and a good range of activities available for approximately £260 per week.
- 5. The key concern is the need to still confirm the actual location of the Hub although it is understood that negotiations are on-going (at the time of submission).

Application No.2

Name of Project	Washington Way to Well Being
Lead Organisation	Washington MIND

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£48,681	£23,825	£24,856
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
1 year	March 2015	March 2016

The Project

This proposal will create a supportive community with the knowledge, skills and resources to improve the wellbeing of our local residents. This organisation feels it is ideally placed to lead the *Washington Way to Wellbeing** project via an established local venue (The Life House) where people come to access information, meaningful activities and social opportunities in order to improve their mental and physical health and to foster skills and confidence needed to re-engage with other community resources.

The Charter Mark and marketing materials

Using the name *Washington Way to Wellbeing' and ensuring the 'Washington Way' is central to the design, it would be the intention to consult with the local community in the lead up to the project start. The organisation will use a variety of methods to do this to ensure a diverse range of local people as possible are involved in deciding a project name and the design of a logo and Charter mark, and their views about how they would choose to be involved.

Relationships are a key component of social capital and there is strong evidence that they are a major factor in promoting wellbeing and preventing mental health problems. For this reason a dedicated project group led by the Wellbeing Worker (WW) with representation from groups from all areas of Washington, will be key to ensuring an accessible, co-ordinated approach. The group will develop the work plan for the project with clear goals and timescales including planning for ways to carry the work forward at the end of this funding period. The WW role will also include engaging with other local 'groups' to support them to be involved in the project. Initial thoughts are that the 'groups' will include VCS organisations, schools, leisure facilities and local businesses and possible 'individual' awards. This might mean the charter is adapted for the different categories. Our initial conversations with schools have shown they already pay to sign up to charter marks (e.g. arts, eco-

friendly, diversity) and that the group will look at the potential for a similar model for businesses and schools bringing income into the project, to carry the work forward. The WW will report into the group monthly (and complete the required quarterly monitoring) re. targets met, progress, challenges and resource management.

The Charter Mark Programme

The project group that will work together to create the criteria for the award which will consist of a number of key areas which need to be in place to support wellbeing, healthy resilient communities so that local people can 'feel good and function well'. We will work from evidence based research already in place about how we can help communities to be more wellbeing focussed and resilient. The administration and management of the scheme will be the responsibility of Washington Mind who will work with the group to establish the assessment process and criteria.

Signing up for the charter will be an indicator that an organisation is working towards / meeting the criteria for helping the local community to have improved wellbeing, the role of the WW will be to support groups through this process. The Charter mark and logo will be used on Plagues, promotional items, individual badges and the organisations will be able to use it on their own headed paper and promotional items to show their commitment to wellbeing. We would plan to hold celebration event(s) for groups achieving the Charter mark and would suggest there to be an annual review.

The organisation has used the work carried out by national Mind around the necessary components for building Resilient Communities. This criteria will be used as a starting block for developing the criteria for the Washington Way to Wellbeing Charter Mark. This would the following key areas:

- 1. Promote the Five ways to wellbeing the five ways to wellbeing are a central part of the services, activities and support. (For instance 'be active' - exercise classes, walking groups to encourage residents to access and use the shared network (Washington Way).
- 2. Improve opportunities for social connection bringing people together through
- our activities, tea room, groups etc.

 3. Raise awareness of mental health and wellbeing providing training for staff and volunteers (ensuring groups have trained health champions, mental health first aiders, dementia friends etc). Raising awareness of health campaigns through displays and events (e.g Pink October for breast cancer awareness).
- 4. Make sure your services are accessible and welcoming making sure services are appropriate to people of all ages, status, sexual orientation, disabilities, gender or ethnicity.
- 5. Think about the impact your services have on the wellbeing of your community - taking steps to improve wellbeing e.g. health information available and Healthy Lifestyle courses, smoking cessation services, alcohol awareness, stress reduction, financial capability, emotional health and resilience.
- 6. Connect with other community organisations using resources such as www.wellbeinginfo.org.uk, SCC Area directories, VCS networks and other meetings and events to provide opportunities to share information.

The Information HubThe Wellbeing Officer will also coordinate this aspect of the project with the support of the apprentice and additional Washington Mind staff. We will ensure the hub is accessible and provides a range of information in a variety of formats. We will offer local individuals, organisations, employers and schools access to resources that will enable them to promote the Washington Way, wellbeing, local activities and health improvement to their users, colleagues, pupils and families. There will be access to a public PC and printing facilities as well as the wide range of health and wellbeing activities, facilities and support available in the Life House. To ensure services are accessible and information a sharing easier in the Life House we work with a broad range of partners who provide support for a range of issues and target groups e.g. drug and alcohol, young people, health trainers, carers, welfare rights, holistic therapies etc. We will promote regional and national health campaigns that help to raise awareness of the health priorities and inequalities that are issues for the Washington area. We will use a hub and spoke model where we

provide the main hub but can offer access to the same resources for health campaigns so that they are displayed through the Washington in bases in the five areas.

Expected outcomes of the project:

Good levels of wellbeing are associated with improved quality of life for participants and

- Improved learning and academic achievement
- · Reduced absence from work due to sickness
- · Reductions in risk-taking behaviours like smoking
- Improved physical health
- Reduced mortality
- Increased community involvement

The local community will be more aware of the benefits of healthier lifestyle choices and have access to interventions and information that support making changes and improved health profiles of participating community members. Feedback would be gathered on —

- Increased wellbeing, confidence and self-esteem.
- Improved lifestyle choices
- Increased physical activity
- Weight reduction
- Smoking reduction
- Safer drinking habits
- New coping strategies
- Increased awareness of services, activities and facilities.
- Examples of how individuals have used the Five Ways to Wellbeing

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
	Charter marks/schemes	40
	Beneficiaries	800

Key Milestones for the Project

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Community Consultation	March 2015
Officer and Apprentice in post	April 2015
Community Partner working Group established	May 2015
Charter Mark, promotional material designed and developed for roll out	June 2015
Programme agreed	June 2015
End of Year Report	March 2016

Funding Profile

Item	SIB	Match
Overheads	2032	
Wellbeing worker	12071	
Apprenticeship	5253	
Promotional material	3500	1500
Project costs	2000	3000
Wellbeing Network info		16,325
Training		3,000

Partnership working

Washington Mind Services Manager is one of the Washington VCS representatives on the Area Committee and is the Objective lead for Objective 1 (Promoting Understanding between communities and organisations) on the SCC Health and Wellbeing strategy. We have established strong partnerships with other local organisation and will build on this to ensure the success of the project.

The plans for the project have been discussed with key partners - the SCC Promoting Health Engagement Lead for Washington, The Millennium Centre, Carers, Age UK, local schools and businesses and partners currently delivering activities in The Life House such as Lifeline, U3A, WI, Health Trainers, Sunderland Wellbeing and Mens Health networks. We will build on existing provision including wellbeinginfo, VCAS and SCC Directories and All Together Sunderland. The overwhelming consensus is that organisations are keen to get involved in strengthening our local community and improving wellbeing.

This application has been submitted through Area Committee's Call for Project and using the formal SIB governance protocols and guidance, the application has been assessed and has scored <u>87 out of 100</u>

This application:

- 1. Evidences a good track record of successful delivery and experience
- 2. Evidences it meets at least one of the key priorities of the Washington and co-ordinates with a range of activities, projects and initiatives health, employment, social isolation, inclusion
- 3. This proposal has evidenced good partnership working and is committed to further developing local inclusion and collaboration. It has already established a number of local 'relationships'.
- 4. This proposal meets many of the project outcomes as detailed in the published Project Brief:
 - The project will address health inequalities across the area and compliment and add value to current health initiatives being delivered across the area and will encourage a coordinated approach to promoting key health messages, services and information
 - All beneficiaries will reside in the Washington area
 - Considers the relevance of promoting the Washington Way when designing the Charter Mark scheme and the siting of the physical hub
 - The proposal has determined a relevant vision for those organisations wanting to earn the Washington Way to Well Being Charter Mark.
 - The proposal has been considered alongside other health related charter marks schemes being delivered across the area.
 - Details of the design element of the charter mark and the administration/management of the scheme will be implemented. The proposal also includes how organisations will be assessed and monitored.
 - The Hub will be used to encourage a co-ordinated approach to promoting key health messages, services and activities.
 - The proposal includes how it will consider sustainability
- 5. This application does not evidence if it will deliver physical activities its focus re the 'hub' is the co-ordination of information sharing, signposting and health service provision. The proposal has a key focus on the development and delivery of the Charter Mark Scheme supported via a Health Information Hub.

COMMUNITY CHEST 2014/2015 WASHINGTON AREA - PROJECTS APPROVED October - November 2014

Ward	Project	Amount	Allocation 2014/2015	Project Proposals	Previous Approvals	Grants Returned since April 2014	Balance Remaining
Washington Central			£11,002.60		-		
	Washington Glebe Bowling Club -Purchase of wood and posts to replace rotten bowls exterior	£950					
	Washington Age Concern- Afternoon function for 200 Washington residents including entertainment and food	£200					
	South Tyneside Mesothelioma Group- Christmas outing	£400					
	Royal British Legion Retired Armed Forces (Multi Ward) PA system and road closures	£124.76					
	Friends of Washington Village Christmas Festival – Ice Rink costs	£400					
	Total	£2,074.76		£2,074.76		£24	£5,349.01
Washington North			£10,000		-		
	Washington Age Concern- Afternoon function for 200 Washington residents including entertainment and food	£200					
	Royal British Legion Retired Armed Forces (Multi Ward) PA system and road closures	£124.76					
	Friends of Washington Village Christmas Festival – Ice Rink costs	£100					
	Total	£424.76		£424.76		£148	£4,614.74
Washington East	Teal Farm Residents Association - Purchase of bulbs and plants for Thornbridge Road to improve appearance	£417.53	£10,853.10		-		
	Washington Athletic FC -Purchase of samba goals, training equipment and winter tracksuits	£1,100					
	Washington Sequence Dance Club -Christmas dinner, dance and coach costs	£500					
	Age Concern - afternoon function for 200 residents including entertainment and food	£200					
	Miss Tina's CIC-Purchase of play equipment	£500					
	Royal British Legion Retired Armed Forces (Multi	£124.76					

	Ward) PA system and road closures Friends of Washington Village Christmas Festival –	£100					
	200 Washington residents including entertainment and food Royal British Legion Retired Armed Forces (Multi	£200 £124.76					
	Washington Age Concern- Afternoon function for						
Washington West			£15,369.60				
M/ I. I	Total	£424.76	045 200 00	£424.76		£229.76	£7,120.77
	Friends of Washington Village Christmas Festival – Ice Rink costs	£100					
	Royal British Legion Retired Armed Forces (Multi Ward) PA system and road closures	£124.76					
	Washington Age Concern- Afternoon function for 200 Washington residents including entertainment and food	£200					
Washington South			£10,969.60		-		
	Total	£2,942.29		£2,942.29		£24	£3,815.51
	Ward) PA system and road closures Friends of Washington Village Christmas Festival – Ice Rink costs	£100					

^{*}Northumbria Police –£124 Washington North Respect your neighbourhood posters *12th July road closures £24 returned to all wards *£205.76 returned to Washington South Rickleton Residents

Current Planning Applications(Washington)

Between 01/10/2014 and 20/11/2014

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
14/02282/FUL	40 Rushmore GrangeWashingtonNE38 7LF	Change of use of open space to side garden area and erection of two storey extension to side with rooms in roof space. Single storey rear extension and detached garage to rear garden, erection of 1.8m high bounday fence	07/10/2014	02/12/2014
14/02180/FUL	17 - 18 Model Dwellings ColumbiaWashingtonNE38 7AS	Change of use from residential dwelling into two flats, to include installation of additional entrance door to front elevation.	10/10/2014	05/12/2014
14/02105/FUL	Land AtVigo LaneWashington	Erection of 2 new detached two storey dwellings.	03/10/2014	28/11/2014
14/02132/FUL	Woodhouse FarmFerryboat LaneSunderlandSR5 3HP	Construction, operation and decommissioning of an 11MWp Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Array comprising 44,088no. 250W, 60 cell, 1650 x 990 x 35mm PV panels, mounting system, 24no. Holtab 400kVA stations, distribution network operator (DNO) connection, maintenance tracks, cabling and cable trenches, CCTV, weather station, security fencing, temporary construction compound and storage area and alterations to existing site access.	10/10/2014	09/01/2015

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Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision	
14/02206/ADV	Land AtCraggs RoadWashington	1no. freestanding internally illuminated sign.	13/10/2014	08/12/2014	
14/02212/FUL	Nisa SupermarketBlue House LaneUsworthWashingtonNE37 2TE	Installation of 3 no. new external condensing units upon the roof on a steel grated platform with a 50mm tubular steel handrail and replacement windows/door to front elevation.	08/10/2014	03/12/2014	
14/02232/VAR	Ropers Caravan WorldSpire RoadGloverWashingtonNE37 3ES	Variation of condition 3 of planning permission ref. 90/01451/10/ 90/1461 (caravan sales and workshop for repairs and refurbishments) to allow for the sale of cars.	22/10/2014	17/12/2014	
14/02399/FUL	73 Essex DriveConcordWashingtonNE37 2PE	Erection of a first floor side extension.	31/10/2014	26/12/2014	
14/02268/FUL	Land To The South OfBramhall DriveWashington	Change of use of land to enable dog walking.	14/10/2014	13/01/2015	
14/02241/FUL	Land Adjacent25 Mitford CloseOxcloseWashingtonNE38 0HA	Change of use from open space to residential garden and extension to side to create double garage. (Part retrospective)	14/10/2014	09/12/2014	

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Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision	
14/02440/FUL	68 Bramhall DriveWashingtonNE38 9DB	Erection of conservatory to rear	27/10/2014	22/12/2014	
14/02510/FUL	39 PetterilRickletonWashingtonNE 38 9EQ	Erection of conservatory to rear of property.	07/11/2014	02/01/2015	
14/02439/FUL	2 Eaton CloseWashingtonNE38 9DN	Loft conversion of house comprising the installation of 2 No. 'Dormer' windows and 2 No. 'Velux' style windows. Conversion of garage and storage space into habitable room with installation of 2 No. front facing windows to replace garage door (amended description)	07/11/2014	02/01/2015	
14/02312/PRI	24 Ingleborough CloseBlackfellWashingtonNE37 1RZ	Erection of a single storey rear extension. (Extends 3.68m from the original dwelling, 3.5m in height and 2.35m to the eaves)	03/10/2014	14/11/2014	
14/02240/FUL	23 Penyghent WayBlackfellWashingtonNE37 1SA	Installation of 2no. frosted glass windows to side of property.	13/10/2014	08/12/2014	
14/02373/FUL	25 Kellett CloseWashingtonNE37 1NN	Erection of two-storey extension to side of property and replacement of window and door to rear with folding doors.	16/10/2014	11/12/2014	

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Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision	
14/01849/FUL	19 Ingleborough CloseBlackfellWashingtonNE37 1RZ	Erection of a two storey side extension.	23/10/2014	18/12/2014	

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