

8 DECEMBER 2021

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

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

**1. Purpose of Report**

1.1 This report:

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

**2. Background**

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

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

- 3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:
- a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a neighbourhood level; and
  - b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's City Plan at a neighbourhood level and ensuring maximum impact where necessary, through utilising its own resources.
- 3.2 The Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans were approved at Cabinet in March 2020.
- 3.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their agreed priorities to support the delivery of the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Area Committee Delivery Plans have been developed to enable this to happen.
- 3.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board will be the working group for the Area Committee and the Board will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. All Committee members are invited to attend all Board meetings.
- 3.5 Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision-making body and the work and recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committee for final endorsement. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in June 2021.

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

- 4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of action and/or progress of the Board, up to December 2021, with greater detail set out in **Annex 1**, which informs the Area Activity Tracker to allow residents to monitor Area Committee's progress throughout the year.

Issue / Area Priority	Action / Update
Develop a plan for Green gyms – consider locations and equipment across the West	The Area Committee approved the funding for the Outdoor gym equipment. Outdoor Gym equipment has been installed in Barnes Park and Silksworth recreation park, the other 4 sites are being installed shortly.
Develop plans for a West wide in bloom delivery	The Neighbourhood and Community Board Launched a Call for Projects, Applications have been received for the Keep Sunderland West Tidy Programme. Applications were approved at September Area Committee and work has begun across the West.
To understand more about the Enforcement measures and opportunities to enhance in the West to encourage more to 'Love where you live'	At the September Area Committee the application for a West Enforcement project was agreed, recruitment is underway and the CCTV cameras have been ordered. The Neighbourhood and Community Board will receive regular updates on the progress made.
Invest in highways, pavements and street lighting	<p>A report on what proposed highways to include in the 2021 / 2022 Programme was considered by the Area Committee in March 2021 and agreed. Further updates have been received and Members have fed areas for consideration in the 2022-2023 programme. More details to be discussed at the February board and March Area Committee.</p> <p>Various Task and Finish groups have taken place and each ward is now confirming the priorities within their neighbourhoods. The Neighbourhood and Community Board are asking Area Committee to consider aligning £270,971 of the West Neighbourhood Capital Investment Fund.</p> <p>More details will be developed and the full applications will be submitted to a future Area Committee.</p>
<b>Support youth clubs and spaces for young people to be safe together</b>	Members received a presentation from Sunderland All Together Consortium, the group were invited to full application for 2 project proposals. Applications have been consulted upon and appraised and the Neighbourhood and Community Board are making a recommendation to approve Neighbourhood Fund for West Youth activities £213,480 and West Youth ASB £32,460. Details in Item 4 Annex 1

#### 5. Recommendation(s)

### 5.1 Members are requested to:

- i. Consider the progress and performance update with regard to West Sunderland Neighbourhood and Community Board Delivery Plan 2020-2023 and agree proposals for future delivery as contained within Annex 1.
- ii. Support the recommendation to approve the West Youth Activities
- iii. Support the recommendation to approve the West ASB youth activities
- iv. Support the recommendation to align the Highways Capital project

Annex 1 West Sunderland Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020-2023

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