WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE

Item 3

15th December 2016

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PEOPLE BOARD

People Board Progress Report

1 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report provides an update of the 2016/17 Work Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the beginning of each financial/municipal year Washington Area Committee agrees its Local Area Plan priorities associated with People and refers the priorities to the Washington People Board to action on behalf of the Area Committee.
- 2.2 The People Board has presented interim reports to each Area Committee meeting to update on action taken on those priorities and highlighted key areas of influence/ achievements during that period.
- 2.3 This report provides an update to the work plan for the year 2016/17.

3. Update of 2016/17 People Board Work Plan

- 3.1 The 2016/17 Work Plan is attached as Item 3 Annex 1
- 3.2 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the Washington People Board up to 30th November 2016.

Action Taken	Outcome
Local priority: Health and Well Being	
Develop a strategic approach to health and well-being through a partnership approach	Following the last Area Committee meeting, officers were requested to discuss with partners options to deliver a VCS led Healthy Communities proposal which was included in the People Board Progress Report October 2016. A detailed proposal was presented to the last People Board along with evidence of need for a project to address health inequalities in Washington's most deprived neighbourhoods. This proposal will address the Area Committee's Health and Well Being priority and in particular deliver support and services for over 50's and embed joint working to address the health needs of the aging population. It proposes delivering a community led personalised approach to encourage people to live healthier lifestyles – working with local groups, GPs, health checks and health plans, interventions, engagement, referrals, and self-help.
	The Board also requested that a targeted approach with regards to the application be implemented.
	The Board proposes a budget of £100,000, £50,000 per year for 2 years, with a mid-term/interim evaluation implemented to identify best practice and inform a Forward Strategy to sustain the work. The proposal, together with a drafted Project Brief for a Call for Projects will be determined under Item 5 Finance Report
Local priority: Community Inclusion and support for VCS	
VCS Network	The Network has now held a number of meetings with regards to progressing the priorities recently identified re agreed Washington Community Plan:
	 A meeting of key leads meet to agree how best to embed effective collaboration. Active partners who are willing to work together to take forward both shared priorities of the sector and

	 the Area Committee priorities are the Washington Trust, Washington Millennium Centre, MIND, SNCBC, Sunderland Carers, Foundation of Light and VCAS. A further scoping meeting will be to map out key priorities to focus on, areas of work organisations wish to progress, what opportunities are there, which partner would do what. It is anticipated the results of this exercise will be included in the Network's Annual Report which will be presented to the March Area Committee The Washington Community Plan will focus on 3 of the Area Committee's key priorities – health, community and place. Potential Partnerships and collaboration will be mapped. An example of that proposed collaboration is evidenced in proposals being considered for the VCS Healthy Communities Project – see above and Item 5
CVDO	The CVDO report was presented to the last People Board. It detailed:
	 Active support to 18 local groups in Quarter 4 (Year 2). This includes securing external funding of almost £30,000 from a range of national and regional funders Supported groups to develop internal safeguarding policies and associated procedures. Worked with 89 individual volunteers this quarter. In line with the VCS Network priorities, this project will also lead on the development of a volunteer plan for Washington – as part of the developing the Washington Community Plan. An invitation has already gone out to those organisations operating in the area, to facilitate a partner group to progress this element of the plan.
Young People	 The Board recommended all successful Can do applicants be invited to 'showcase' their projects at this Area Committee. Some of the following projects are in attendance and all have included photographs and information is on the display boards: Washington School – Activity Club Wasps (Pitstop) – Activities for young people with disabilities Biddick School Khorus Dance Group ODYPP – Study Programme
	 Members are requested to note the successes of this project and recognise the positive experiences being gained by our young people Members are asked to note that Round 5 will be released in January 2017 following the Christmas holiday period and will be focused on a specific outcome such as helping older people and encouraging inter-generational work.

4. Recommendations

Members are requested to:-

a. Consider the Washington Area People Board's Work Plan for 2016/17 and update detailed in Paragraph 3.2 and attached as **Item 3 Annex 1**.

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Annex 1: People Board work plan 2016/17