6th March 2017

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

1 Purpose of Report

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

2. Background

2.1 Earlier this year the priorities associated with People were referred to the North 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. Area Governance Arrangements

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

Ward	People Board Membership
Chair	Cllr R. Davison
Castle	Cllr. S. Foster
Redhill	Cllr P. Stewart
Southwick	Cllr M. Elliott
Fulwell	Cllr B. Francis
St. Peter's	Cllr B. Curran

4. Key Areas of Influence/Achievements up to 24th February 2017

4.1 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of influence / achievements of the North People Board up to 24th February 2017

Action Taken	Outcome	
Local priority: Health and Well Being		
	Roker Hub Bike Hire Scheme	
	 Members continue to receive reports on the delivery of the SIB funded Roker Hub Bike Hire Scheme. 	
	 The hub has been open on weekends and during the school holiday period. A positive number of people continue to hire from the extensive range of cycles with the cargo bikes 	

being extremely popular with families with small children. Families follow the route to Roker Park as a safe route to use additional play facilities. The electric bikes are popular particularly with older people and those who find it difficult to cycle uphill. The tandem and trikes have increased in popularity both in use and as a means of publicising the hub.

- The SIB funded project has a lifetime target of 1,000 people to access with 550 expected by end of June 2016. June figures submitted indicate 582 accessed, therefore project is exceeding targets.
- From start of project to date 843 people have accessed the project.
- During the summer holiday period the hub has also received a number of visitors who although did not hire cycles requested and received advice and guidance on cycling, safe and inclusive routes as well as general advice on fitness, non-weight bearing exercise and health and fitness centres in Sunderland.
- The current venue for the Hub will no longer be available from March 2017 therefore the project lead is considering alternative options for delivery.
- The project lead is currently in discussions with Sustrans in relation to the option to deliver the bike hire scheme from Sustrans Cycle Hub, which is located on the University Land, adjacent to the Glass Centre and on the Coast to Coast route, Sunderland City Council are installing an additional container at site which Roker Cycle Hub Project lead can use for storage of bikes. Discussions are continuing as to what the offer can be from this location from both Roker Cycle Hub and Sustrans.

Fulwell CA Refurbishment Project

- Members continue to receive updates on the SIB funded project to make improvements to Fulwell CA which includes the installation of disabled toilets provision.
- Works commenced July 2016, CA currently closed whilst works are on-going with the majority of groups finding alternative temporary accommodation.
- 5th September CA re-opened and works now complete.

South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Partnership

 November Board received a presentation on – The Path to Excellence – Transforming Services in South Tyneside and Sunderland with a full update provided in Item 3 Annex 1, Section 1.7.

Local priority: Activities for Young People

Youth Contracts

 Members continue to be offered opportunity to attend Youth Operations Group.

Re-Development of Downhill Wheeled Sports Park

- Members continue to receive updates on the SIB funded project to redevelop Downhill Wheeled Sports Park.
- The lighting installation at Downhill Wheeled Sports Park requires additional funding for completion due to connection works required which were not anticipated, July People

- Board agreed to recommend to October Area Committee additional £1,015 SIB funding be added to the existing project
- October Area Committee agreed additional £1,015 SIB Funding
- Graffiti Arts Update Cultural Spring advised initial contract with artist did not progress, however, Your Art funding is available for groups to apply to in order to deliver graffiti arts project, Cultural Spring are supporting SNCBC to identify a group of young people who have the potential to access the funding.

Easter and Summer Holiday Activities:

- Sports/beach school activities from NE Sports extremely well attended and popular with over 396 unique users and 941 online bookings.
- Roker URC delivery has included board games, arts & crafts, music & drama and activities in Roker Park well attended with an end of project event held on 24th August.
- SNCBC and partners delivered a wide range of services and activities across all wards/venues within the North with regular updates and promotion provided via VCS networks, schools and youth workers
- School Holiday activities now complete with projects compiling reports/feedback to be presented to future People Board
- Detailed feedback on school holiday activities included within Item 3 Annex 1 Section 2.4

School Holiday Activities 2017

- January's People Board agreed the development of a Call for Projects to be presented to March Area Committee to request £25,000 of SIB funding to provide Beach School and Sporting Activities during Summer Holidays 2017.
- February People Board agreed the Call for Projects Brief to be submitted to March Area Committee details of which are in the finance report (Item 6 Annex 2)

Sail Trainees Programme for North Young People

- Sail trainee opportunities promoted to North Youth providers and via the North VCS network
- Ambassadors in place from the North:
- One from Redhouse Academy
- One NEET young person who also volunteers with RNLI
- One young person from Revelstoke Road Childrens Home
- One young person in a wheelchair put forward by Grace House who has secured some sponsorship, however his costs will exceed this owing to specialist voyage requirements. This young person is also supported by his friend from the North who would also welcome being an Ambassador
- Tall Ships Project would welcome support from North Councillors for these young people to add to bursaries and corporate sponsorship either already in place or applied for.
- September People Board agreed to make a recommendation to October Area Committee for an allocation of SIB funding to support young people from the

North to access Ambassador and Trainee opportunities.

- October Area Committee agreed SIB funding
- Update report to all 5 Area Committees in March.

Local priority: Job Prospects and Skills

Introduction to Youth Work Course Pilot

- The course was anticipated to start in September 2016 however Sunderland College identified the possibility of an earlier start date and as 12 young people were ready to start the course commenced in April and completed at the end of July:
 - 12 applied for the course
 - 10 attended the introduction day
 - 2 withdrew
 - 1 withdrew for personal reasons during the course
- Of the 12 young people identified to commence the course 7 have successfully completed the full course, these young people have met with the tutors of the College, local Youth Providers and representatives of Sunderland City Council and asked for a celebration event to be held where they will be presented with their Introduction to Youth Work Certificates by the Deputy Mayor Councillor Doris MacKnight this event was held on 24th August, 5.00pm at the Marine Activity Centre with all North Councillors invited to attend
- Four young people, a Sunderland College lecturer and representatives of SNCBC and SNYP attended the November Board to feed back on their experience of the Youth Work Course. Members were additionally advised that a level 2 Youth Work Course is planned to run from January 2017, which will be free of charge provided the minimum number of young people are recruited to the course.
- Course commenced 11th January 2017 with 12 attendees and a further 3 expected to join the course from 18th January 2017.

Community Led Local Development

- An overview of CLLD was provided to the July People Board when Elected Members helped to inform the development of the CLLD Local Development Strategy. This formed part of an extensive engagement and consultation programme with local partners and communities, which included the North Area VCS Network.
- Sunderland's Local Development Strategy was submitted in August 2016 and received government approval on 28th October 2016.
- The LAG is now required to submit a full application and, subject to approval, a funding agreement will be issued in February/March 2017. See full update Item 3 Annex 1 Section 3.3.
- CLLD Update to January People Board
- Members agreed to be kept up to date as the CLLD develops and be advised as call for projects are developed

	 in order for the Board to consider the potential of SIB allocation as match fund At the February Board meeting members agreed to identify and develop local projects that could support the delivery of both North Area Priorities and CLLD Objectives. As project's requesting funding from the CLLD programme will require a 50% match from other non-European funding sources, the Board agreed to submit a request to March Area Committee to align £96k of SIB to support the development and implementation of those projects. Details of which are in the finance report (Item 6 Section 2.10) 	
Local priority: VCS Capacity Building		
	Raising Aspirations and Making Positive Changes	
	 A Working group was set up including elected member representative from each ward and the Area Chairs to discuss the development of a project which enhances the elected members community leadership role and bring communities together to solve local challenges. October Area Committee agreed the alignment of funds and the draft Call for Projects, subject to further information being sought to support the development of the project. During November information on key issues/challenges and opportunities to resolve them was gathered from elected members, at a ward level, and local partners including the North Area VCS Network, Gentoo, TWFR, Police, Sunderland City Council Youth and ASB Teams. The November People Board discussed the information received to date. The board agreed that the Elected Member Working Group should meet in December 2016 to discuss and consider the next steps. Those next steps were discussed at the February People Board where it was agreed that the Raising Aspirations and Making Positive Changes Project should be split into 5 separate ward based projects and to ask the March Area Committee to approve this approach. Details of which are included in Annex 1 Section 4.1 	
Influencing Role		
Sport & Leisure – Joint Venture	 September People Board received an update on the Everyone Active partnership. February People Board received an update on the Everyone Active Partnership 	
NHS/CCG	November People Board received presentation included within Health & Wellbeing Priority update above	
Community Led Local Development (CLLD)	 An overview of CLLD was provided to the July People Board when Elected Members helped to inform the development of the CLLD Local Development Strategy, included within Job Prospects and Skills Priority update above. January People Board was provided with an update on CLLD as included within the Job Prospects and Skills Update above. 	

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Members are requested to consider the progress and performance update with regards to the North People Board Work Plan for 2016/2017 as detailed in **Annex 1**
- 5.2 Members are asked to consider the request to split the Raising Aspirations and Making Positive Changes Project into 5 ward based projects as detailed in **Annex 1 Section 4.1.**

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