



Outer West Community Committee

Covering Calverley & Farsley, Farnley & Wortley and Pudsey wards

About your Community Committee

The Outer West Community Committee is attended by councillors and local residents from Calverley & Farsley, Farnley & Wortley and Pudsey wards.

The role of the Committee is to improve local service delivery and ensure resident voices are heard.

They also invest their 'Wellbeing' funding and Youth Activities Fund monies in community projects across the three wards.

In this update we'll look at progress and achievements since the last issue and highlight some of the fantastic community projects supported by the Committee.

In the past year, the Outer West Committee has looked at Social Isolation, Business, Employment & Skills, Neighbourhood Planning and an engagement event with young people.

Please remember that local residents are welcome to attend the meetings, please see the Community Committee dates on the back of this newsletter for more information.



The Last Community Committee Meeting

The last Community Committee meeting was held on Wednesday 15th June at Pudsey Town Hall.

A Housing Manager from Lettings and Tenancy Management attended the meeting to update the Committee about the Housing Lettings Policy. The Committee were advised that that policies on Introductory Tenancy and Secure Tenancy were due to be reviewed in respect to changes in the Housing and Planning Act, however the Lettings Policy would still include:

- Preference to tenants with a good tenancy record
- Conducting home visits to prospective applicants before offering them a property
- Introducing pre-tenancy training for some applicants
- Using a good neighbour criteria in some areas

The Chief Officer from Welfare and Benefits attended to update the Committee about the Welfare Reform. The Committee noted the impact for people and the work that is ongoing to support people to make and manage a Universal Credit claim.

The Last Community Committee Meeting Continued...

An update was also provided from Adult Social Care. There are 13 Neighbourhood Teams across the city which are lead by a Community Matron together with G.Ps, Adult Social Care, District Nurses, Intermediate Care Services, Social Worker and other organisations. The Committee was told how there was to be a new locality based approach to discuss cases and to support patients, family, friends and carers.



At the last Community Committee the Committee

Approved:

Five New Youth Activity Fund Projects:

Yarn Bomb Summer School at Sunny Bank - £2,500

Children were able to attend the Summer school for free during the Summer holidays. They learnt how to finger knit, make Pom-poms and then decorated a weaving shed with their creations.

AIM Higher Youth Club - £450

Young people were able to attend the youth club which provided help with their homework, arts and crafts, gaming fun as well as trained staff to offer advice on sexual health.

Champions Rugby Fun Day - £349

Provided young people the opportunity to take part in outdoor games based around rugby skills with a qualified rugby union coach.

Love Pudsey Youth Café -£2,080

To provide a Youth Café where young people meet up with friends and relax.

Scrap Tinker Lab -£2950

The Tinker Lab at Sunnybank Mills is a space for children to let their imaginations fly whilst playing, creating and learning new skills with real tools and mountains of scrap materials



Yarn Bomb Summer School



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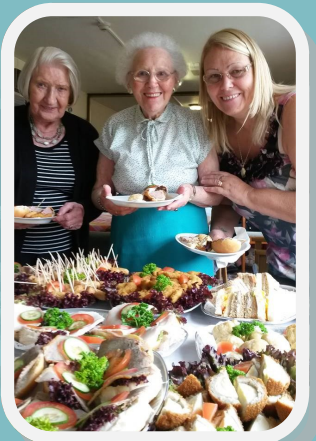
Recent Events

Pudsey Park Paws

The Outer West Environment Sub Group organised a Do Show and Fun day event on Sunday 31st July at Pudsey Park. The event was to launch a campaign to try and tackle the issue of dog fouling by working with the community to try and highlight the issue. The event catered for up to 800 people and the 12 stalls including the dog show raised a staggering £3200 for various dog charities. The campaign has involved local school children from the area who designed posters which will be made into lamppost signs in hotspot areas. Dogs and their owners form a huge part of the community and it is only the minority that cause the dog fouling issue. The event was reported by many to be the busiest and best dog shows Pudsey has seen.



The Big Lunches



One of the Priorities for the Outer West Community Committee is Making Leeds the Best City to Grow Old, the Committee supported four Big Lunch events to promote Health and Wellbeing for older people.

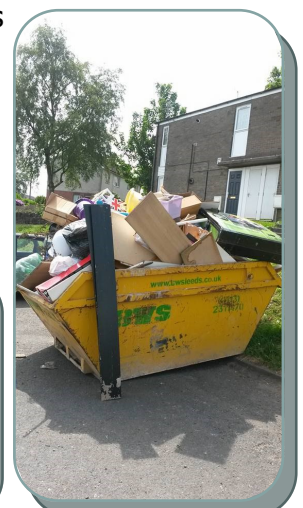
Residents from other local Sheltered Supported Housing were invited and attended the events. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and buffet were provided and friends sat down and enjoyed a cup of tea, food and entertainment whilst enjoying catch up with each other. Local performers attended the events and many people enjoyed dancing and singing along to the performances.



Action Days on the Bawns and Heights



The Committee supported two action days, one the Bawns Estate and one on the Heights Estate. A variety of departments and organisations took part in the action days these included Housing Leeds, West Yorkshire Police, Youth Service, Barca and Waste Management. They were both very successful with skips being filled on the Bawns and free fruit pots and career advice being provided on the Heights.



Your Community Committee

The ten Community Committees in Leeds link local residents to Councillors and other decision makers to focus on topics that matter to our communities.

Our Priorities for Outer West for 2016/17

- Making Leeds the best city to grow old
- Business Employment & Skills—Delivering actions which support business enterprise and the local economy and deliver quality learning, training and employment opportunities
- Working to bring everyone together to make Leeds and the Outer West a child friendly city

Community Committee Dates:

28 September 2016

13 January 2017

Please do check with us for venue details.

Email west.north.west@leeds.gov.uk or call 0113 3367856 for further information or to be added to our mailing lists.

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Farnley and Wortley Ward



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Cllr David Blackburn



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Pudsey Ward



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