

Inner West Community Committee

Covering Armley, Bramley & Stanningley and Kirkstall wards
June 2017

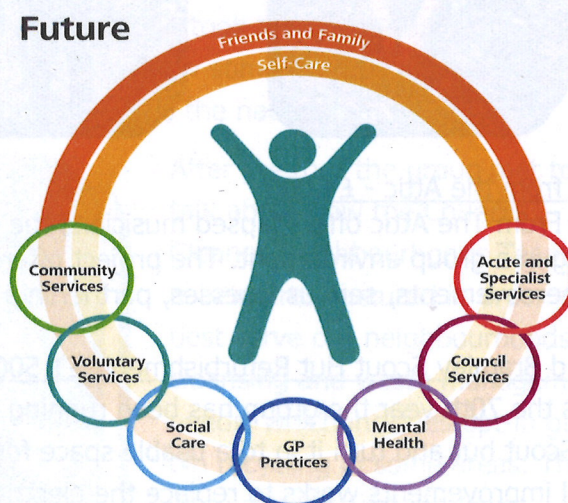
Leeds Health and Care Plan

The report on the Leeds Health and Care Plan provided the Community Committee with an overview of the emerging Leeds Plan and the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Sustainability Transformation Plans (STP).

The Committee were informed of significant challenges and changes ahead and there is a need for more engagement with Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG's), voluntary services and other health partners to be able to carry out their priorities at a local level.

Phil Corrigan, Chief Executive - NHS Leeds West CCG, Paul Bollom, Interim Lead - Leeds Health and Care Plan and Dr Sixsmith from Thornton Medical Centre gave the Community Committee a presentation and the following points were highlighted:

- The Plan had been produced through wide consultation with the Health and Wellbeing Board, and informed and long term ambition to improve healthcare in Leeds.
- There is a need for the broader engagement with local people
- The Leeds Plan and how it will inform the STP
- How to tackle the following gaps:
 - Health and Wellbeing
 - Care and Quality



- Finance and Efficiency

- Health Statistics for Inner West
- Preparing for the future - new housing

Supporting Community Projects

At the March Community Committee, Councillors agreed to spend over £134,000 on community and youth projects for 2017-2018. Below is just a snap shot of what was approved:



Smart Energy- Bramley Baths - £4,000

The Councillors are supporting Bramley Baths to replace all of the lighting in the building to 100% LED energy efficient. The aim is to reduce the electricity usage at the centre by 20% over the next 12 months.

Bosom Buddies Training - £1,567

Bosom Buddies are mums who have breastfed their babies and have then pursued volunteering to support other new mums who may be struggling with breastfeeding. Bosom Buddies offer an after hours service of moral support, a shoulder to cry on and will signpost mums to local services if needed. The project will provide an opportunity for 10 women to be trained as Bosom Buddies for the community.

Hollybush for Enduring Wellbeing - £5,244

The funding will continue the popular project which the Community Committees funded in 2016/2017. Attendees to the Wood Squad sessions construct wooden goods to sell to the public e.g. bird boxes, compost bins and assists with small scale running repairs to the Hollybush building. Last Year the project was a great a great success.

During a monitoring visit last year, we met one lady who weighed 32 stone, was unable to walk or work and had not been in contact with her father for 30 years. With the support of the project she has lost 16 stone and has regained contact with their father, who has also began volunteering at the centre. Both have gained confidence and made friends all through the support and skills the project has provided.



Music from the Attic - £4,000

Music From The Attic offers lapsed musicians the opportunity to dust off their instruments again and start playing in a group environment. The project offers a therapeutic value which has helped many attendees get over bereavements, serious illnesses, partnership break-ups, mental health issues and more.

Second Bramley Scout Hut Refurbishment- £1,500

This is the 70th year the group has been running so to celebrate, the group applied for funding to refurbish their Scout hut and turn it in to a usable space for the community to use. The funding will be used to support capital improvements works to replace the electric heating and hot water system, insulation, replace the flooring, new kitchen facilities and toilets.

Are you involved in a community project? You can apply for a small grant of up to £350, email west.north.west@leeds.gov.uk for more information.



Some of the key things you can do to protect yourself from nuisance callers, rogue traders, bogus callers, cold callers and scammers.

- Remember you can say 'no' to telephone or doorstep callers.
- Register for free with the Telephone Preference Service on 0345 070 0707.
- If someone knocks on your door from a company such as your water provider, ask for ID and call the number stated on your bill or your phonebook to check the identity—don't call the number they give you!
- If a tradesperson turns up unannounced remember—don't pay any money upfront; pay for trade work only once it's been completed and you're satisfied with the job and obtain 3 quotes for any works before choosing a trader.
- Check other doors and windows are locked before answering the door so no one can sneak in.
- Be careful who you give your contact details to, don't give your banking information or PIN to anyone, not even the bank will ask for this.
- Buy a Call Blocking Device from a high street stores (not online to avoid fake devices) these attach to your landline phone to block nuisance calls.

If in doubt, keep them out!

Where to report!

SCAMS

Citizens Advice 0345 404 0506

Action Fraud 0207 291 3310

BOGUS CALLERS & ROGUE TRADERS

At the door? Police 999

After incident? Non-Emergency Police 101

PROBLEMS WITH A COMPANY?

Trading standards via Citizens Advice
0345 404 0506

PROBLEMS WITH A CHARITY?

Charity Commission 0300 066 9197

Inner West Environment Sub Group

The Environment Sub group recently undertook a visit to the Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility for Leeds. Here is an update on their visit and current work:

The Environment Sub Group met on 21 April 2017. Members of the group undertook a visit to the Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility (RERF) just outside of Leeds City Centre. They saw how some of the city's black bin waste is incinerated in order to generate electricity which is then put back in to the national grid.



After the tour the group met to talk about how the Councils Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team is being restructured in order to best serve our neighbourhoods cleansing and waste management needs, which includes opt-in green bin recycling in some areas. There were also discussions about funding to promote the Northwest Leeds Country Park & Green Gateways trail.

Your Community Committee

Neighbourhood meetings

The ten Community Committees in Leeds link local residents to Councillors and other decision makers to focus on topics that matter to our communities. In the past year, the Inner West Committee has looked at primary school attainment, mental health and domestic violence. The meetings are held four times a year and usually focus on a particular theme or topic. Any local resident can come along and raise an issue at the open forum at the beginning of the meeting. Our meetings are open to all and you'll be most welcome.

Community Committee dates and themes:

Wednesday 21st June 2017 at 6pm—This will be a business meeting where Members will be appointed to outside bodies.

Wednesday 11th October 2017 at 6pm—Topic to be approved

Wednesday 29th November 2017 at 6pm —Topic to be approved

Wednesday 21st March 2018 at 6pm —Topic to be approved

Forum dates and themes:

We also hold public meetings every three months across Inner West Leeds. They are also free to attend and we use local venues. These forums give you an opportunity to talk to us and other agencies working in your area about local issues and we welcome suggestions for future agenda items. If you live in any of the following neighbourhoods, we have a forum for you! Armley, New Wortley, Wythers, Bramley, Stanningley, Kirkstall and Hawksworth Wood. The next cycle of forums will start in June so please sign up for notifications on our Facebook events page, give us a call or email us.

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Bramley & Stanningley Ward



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