

Report of: Head of Stronger Communities

Report to: Outer South Community Committee
Ardsley and Robin Hood, Morley North, Morley South and Rothwell

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To note

Outer South Community Committee – Update Report

Purpose of report

1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
2. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

Main issues

Updates by theme:

Children and Families: Councillor Wyn Kidger

3. The Children and families sub group met on 16th September 2019 which was a professionals meeting. Every other Children and Families sub group meeting takes place with Children and Young People in attendance and is co-chaired by a young person. Planning for the Youth Summit took place at this meeting as well as preliminary conversations about running an Outer South Fostering day.
4. The Outer South Youth Summit was held at Morley Town Hall on **Thursday 21st November 2019**. We are delighted that 17 schools from the area planned to attend the event. The day consisted of Democracy and Climate Control Workshop, Carousel

of Activities including: Question time Lord Mayor, Town Mayor Visit, Heritage Tour, Lunch and YAF Consultation Workshop.

Environment: Councillor Carmel Harrison

5. The planned climate control workshop was postponed as we received a request for more localised information. A planning meeting is being scheduled to relook at what will be delivered at the Outer South Climate Control workshop and dates will be circulated as soon as they are confirmed.
6. In January the Environmental Champion will be contacting all the schools in the Outer South to propose that school adopt a walk to school day every week and to promote planting programmes within schools and there local area.

Community Safety: Councillor Andrew Hutchison

7. Community Safety Forum

Following a conversation and planning meeting with the Outer South Community Safety Champion. The first Outer South Community Safety Forum happened in Drighlington on Monday 28th October at Drighlington Methodist Church on King Street. This was chaired by the Outer South Community Committee Safety Champion and involved key partners from the police, ASB team and a third sector organisation Life Experience that delivers workshops and advise on Knife crime. This was the first of a quarterly programme that we are going to delivery across the 4 wards of Outer South and is going to be themed around the communities need at the time of the meeting.

As the first one was in Drighlington and they had just had a number of knife crime incidents that had resulted in arrests addressed by the police and it was just before bonfire night. So our 2 main topics were a workshop and questions on knife crime and community safety over the bonfire period with questions and an open forum at the end that all partners agreed to. Over 30 residents attended including the family of the young person who had been stab. The forum was delivered it in a way that was proactive and said the incidents were addressed and that knife crime wasn't a big issue in the area or on the rise we just wanted to give practical advice and information on that and bonfire safety and the residents left commenting that the session had been really useful and that they felt reassured. The mother of the child that had been stabbed thanked us for the meeting and information and said that she felt reassured at what she had heard was going on as she had not received this information from her police contact.

8. Anti-Social Behaviour Update

Ardsley and Robin Hood

- Granted an extension to a Suspended Possession Order and received an undertaking at court regarding drug use and noise nuisance

Morley North

- Prosecution brought for breach of an injunction in place to protect council staff and contractors

Morley South

- Noise abatement notice served for loud music

Rothwell

- Possession case in court for drug dealing from a council property

OPENED / CLOSED July 2019

Organisation	Active	Closed	Grand Total	Outer South
LASBT East	167	72	239	
LASBT South	154	59	213	55
LASBT West	139	48	187	
Grand Total	460	179	639	

Ward	Active	Closed	Grand Total
Ardsley and Robin Hood	10	3	13
Morley North	9	3	12
Morley South	14	8	22
Rothwell	7	1	8
Outer South Total	40	15	55

OPENED / CLOSED August 2019

Organisation	Active	Closed	Grand Total	Outer South
LASBT East	168	60	228	
LASBT South	163	41	204	54
LASBT West	170	48	218	
Grand Total	501	149	650	

Ward	Active	Closed	Grand Total
Ardsley and Robin Hood	12	1	13
Morley North	6	6	12
Morley South	15	4	19
Rothwell	8	2	10
Outer South Total	41	13	54

OPENED / CLOSED September 2019

Organisation	Active	Closed	Grand Total	Outer South
LASBT East	176	41	217	
LASBT South	150	46	196	52
LASBT West	170	62	232	
Grand Total	496	149	645	

Ward	Active	Closed	Grand Total
Ardsley and Robin Hood	7	7	14
Morley North	6	2	8
Morley South	14	6	20
Rothwell	7	3	10
Outer South Total	34	18	52

9. Police Update

Serious acquisitive crime (SAC crime):

Robbery – 3.

1 x happened on 23/10/2019 at Thirlmere Drive, Tingley and 3 x suspects were arrested, the stolen vehicle recovered and there is forensic work ongoing. Evening offence.

Another at Moorland Avenue, Gildersome where a vehicle is stolen with keys and as the suspect drives away catches the victim with the car door. No serious injuries and enqs ongoing. Daytime on 23/10/19.

1 x also happened at Springhead Park at Rothwell Park where a 9 year old male victim was hit as youths tried to steal his scooter, but an adult intervened and they made off empty handed. There are two 13 year old suspects named which police are seeking.

Burglary Dwellings – 38.

They break down as follows:-

Ward 25 – Drighlington, Gildersome and Churwell – 12. A mixture of MOs and all times of day. No trends.

Ward 26 – Morley – 12. These are mainly centred on the Bird Estate, Glen Estate and Wide Lane. They are mostly Day time offences and we have seen a sharp increase since the Darker nights started. The main common MO is to smash a window in a patio door, or less commonly, insert a jemmy into a window. The main items that are taken are jewellery and other items that can be carried on foot easily. On some occasions victims have burglar alarms which they have not set. Or they have left items on view near to patio/conservatory windows and doors and so are easily accessible to thieves.

Ward 3 – Tingley/Ardsley/Thorpe/Lofthouse – 8. Mostly overnight, but a couple in the day time. Lock snapping is the most common MO overnight. One of these burglaries was a sneak in where the door was left unlocked and could have been prevented with a bit of care.

Ward 29 – Rothwell, Woodlesford and Oulton – 5. Mostly in Rothwell, with only 2 in Woodlesford and none in Oulton. The Rothwell ones are mainly daytime offences. 1 of those was a shed. A mix of MOs of forced panels in doors, attack door lock.

Following a burglary in Morley an 18 year old male and 16 year old male have been arrested and charged with this offence. The 18 year old has been remanded into custody awaiting trial.

Vehicle Crime – 46 Thefts from Motor Vehicles and 11 Thefts of Motor Vehicles.

This would appear to be the most prevalent crime type at the moment. Most offences are focused in the Morley and Churwell and Tingley/Ardsley areas and are

mostly in the early hours after 1am. This is often when the NPTs have gone off duty and Response teams are focused on managing critical calls.

Actions by Neighbourhood Policing Team:-

- 1) Darker Nights patrols. NPT Officers working over into the early hours for no pay (time back only) to stop check anyone in the area at that time and to attend SAC calls where they can.
- 2) Facebook updates to give CPA to communities.
- 3) Darker nights stalls for CPA and the opportunity to speak directly with an NPT member in local supermarkets and the White Rose Centre. Contact points also being used for this process.
- 4) The arrest of 2 x suspects one a Juvenile and one an adult male for burglaries in the Morley Bird Estate area. Both have been charged. One has pleaded guilty and been found guilty and has been given a youth order. The co-accused has pleaded not guilty to the offence and is awaiting a trial. They are currently on remand awaiting that trial.
- 5) Enhanced H2H and CCTV enqs in response to Burglaries and Robberies. This prompt response to assist our DCT and Patrol colleagues has seen us able to identify and arrest a male for a knife point robbery in Morley earlier this autumn and the suspects for the burglaries at the Bird Estate Morley.
- 6) Targeted patrols and stop checks and searches based on intelligence received.
- 7) There have been Proactive operations to tackle ASB in the Tingley/Ardsley areas through the deployment of Speed gun and officers. Some tickets were given for speeding and other low level traffic offences.
- 8) We as an NPT are conducting in depth research to try and identify who is out of prison, as often at this time of year many inmates are released from prison. Burglars are often lazy offenders who will offend in areas they either know well or where they have offended before. We are trying to marry up previous MOs of offenders and where they are living to where SAC crime is occurring so that we can appropriately target intelligence gathering and disruption of those who we know are not engaging with the offender management process, which is designed to rehabilitate those individuals and reduce or halt their offending. We will take prompt initial actions to disrupt, deter or capture those individuals where we have evidence to do so. We are always looking for ways to make areas less attractive to offend in whether through target hardening, increased patrols in affected areas and crime prevention advice.

Other Safety issues.

There was a potential issue arising with knives being carried by youths in the Drighlington area. Focused and targeted patrols have been conducted which have seen several arrests and convictions for carrying knives have taken place. Those youths are still being targeted for stop search on a regular basis until we are satisfied they are no longer carrying knives. There is an ongoing case of a female youth who was stabbed in the leg in the Drighlington area. The 17 year old suspect is still under investigation and we hope that a charge for GBH will ensue once the enquiries are complete.

In addition to this there has been work ongoing in the local high schools and Drighlington Primary with officers giving inputs on knife crime.

There are future operations planned using knife arches, which we are guarding the details of at this time to protect our tactics and hopefully allow them to be more effective.

There have been shift deviations to officers' shifts over the Bonfire period to have as many officers working as possible during the most demanding periods.

This work is all in addition to the management of some quite complex POPIs and individuals associated with them and the challenging issues they present.

Employment, Skills & Welfare: Councillor Neil Dawson

10. Benefits Claimants Data

Leeds moved onto the full Universal Credit (UC) digital claiming platform on 10th October 2018. This means that new claims by all those who would previously have claimed Jobseeker Allowance (JSA) or Employment Support Allowance (ESA), are now for UC. The Government has now begun a process of transition and migration to complete the roll out of UC for existing claimants, and is expected to take until 2022 to complete.

11. The table below shows the number of people age 16-64 from the Community Committee area claiming benefits:

	JSA Claimants Mar 2019	ESA Claimants Aug 2018	UC Claimants (Not in Employment) Mar 2019
South East	1,785	10,765	3,386
Outer South	330	3,080	749
Ardsley & Robin Hood	70	790	188
Morley North	75	765	179
Morley South	100	880	225
Rothwell	85	645	157

Accessing Services

The table below shows that number of people from the Community Committee area being supported by the Employment and Skills Service:

	Accessing Services Apr – Sep 2019	Into Jobs Apr – Sep 2019	Improved Skills Apr – Sep 2019
South East	3,124	966	1,389
Outer South	456	128	249
Ardsley & Robin Hood	85	18	44
Morley North	107	25	61
Morley South	155	52	88
Rothwell	109	33	56

12. Employment Hub

The Employment Hub is a new ESIF funded three year programme that will provide tailored and comprehensive support into employment or education to all unemployed Leeds residents. A team of over 20 Employment Advisors will deliver the programme providing one to one support for eligible residents. A total of 49 people from the Community Committee area are being supported by this programme, 8 people from the Community Committee area were supported into work.

For further information please visit: <https://leedsemploymenthub.co.uk>

13. Adult Learning

The new academic year for Adult Learning started in September 2019. Courses can develop new skills and build confidence and can lead to a qualification or help people back to work. There are more than 1,200 courses available at around 200 venues with places for over 6,000 adults aged 19 years and above.

All courses are advertised on the Leeds Adult Learning Course Finder:

www.leedsadultlearning.co.uk

14. Young Person's IAG Charter

Leeds Careers Charter aims to raise the bar on careers education, information, advice and guidance (CEIAG) for all young people in the city and bridge the gap between education and employment to support sustained positive outcomes.

Supported by businesses, schools and colleges, the Charter sets out 8 commitments of practical support, which will be offered to inspire young people. This will help them make informed choices and plan their future careers. The recently launched Start in Leeds supports the delivery of the Charter. This online and interactive careers guidance platform provides young people and families with up to-date information about local study and career options and opportunities. The platform also allows young people to build their own digital profile and CV and to search and apply for post-16 full-time education and apprenticeship opportunities.

For further information please visit Leeds Careers Charter:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUkO6jOZTqY> or www.startinleeds.com

15. Leeds Apprenticeship Seminars

Week commencing Monday 4th November 2019, six industry led Apprenticeship Seminars, Financial and Professional Services and Law; Health and Care; IT, Digital and Media; Construction and Infrastructure; Public Sector (including uniformed services), Manufacturing and Engineering will be delivered at Leeds Beckett University. The seminars will raise the profile of Apprenticeships within the city to young people and their parents / carers.

For further information please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/apprenticeship-industry-led-seminars-tickets-63040137749>

16. Recovery College

The Recovery College was launched in Leeds in September. One of over 85 recovery colleges in the UK and even more worldwide, it takes an educational approach to improving mental health and offers information based workshops and training courses that focus on living mentally and physically well. The first prospectus details a range of courses for people to learn about mental health, work out what keeps them well, and find ways to live better. Courses are open to all adults who live, work or study in the city including carers, family, friends and health and care staff too.

Typically, courses are free to attend and provide useful information and tips to make a difference to a person's life, work or study. The uniqueness of the Recovery College is that the offer is completely co designed and delivered by people with lived experience of mental ill health.

The college has a Steering Group and an Operational group to help shape, deliver and monitor the development of the offer and the Service is represented at both these to ensure that the provision is aligned within the city's offer as a whole that we share best practice, experience and knowledge about reaching communities in some of our most disadvantaged communities the college benefits from the existing partnerships that exist within the city and which could support the development of this new provision

For further information please visit: <https://www.leedsandYorkpft.nhs.uk/advice-support/leeds-recovery-college/.nhs.uk/leeds>

Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Councillor Judith Elliott

17. The Outer South Older Person's Sub Group met on Monday 25th November 2019.

18. The 4 International Day of Older Persons Events went really well. Friday 4th October 2019 at Blackburn Hall in Rothwell, and Friday 18th October 2019 at Lofthouse Methodist Church, Rothwell live at home scheme hosted an intergenerational indoor sports day with refreshment. Wednesday 23rd October 2019 at Morley Town Hall, Morley Elderly Action hosted an afternoon tea dance event with a school choir from

Morley Primary, a DJ and bingo and Wednesday 30th October at Ardsley and Tingley Library Morley Elderly Action hosted an information session with refreshments.

19. The Dementia Information Roadshow was at Morley Town Hall from 10am –12.30pm on Friday 29th November 2019. This was an opportunity for people to learn about dementia, how to seek diagnosis and find support to live with dementia. People with lived experience, health professionals, and services in your local area all talked at the roadshow.

Winter Wellbeing

20. Winter Friends

In preparation for the 2019/20 winter and to build on the existing network of Winter Friends in Leeds, we would encourage organisations (staff and volunteers) to become a Winter Friend.

The Winter Friend network has been steadily growing over the past 4 years ensuring that vulnerable residents who are most susceptible to cold weather can increase their resilience.

Winter Friends will understand which evidence based interventions or programmes enable vulnerable people to get the support they may need to increase their winter resilience.

A Winter Friend briefing is now available electronically by visiting the public health resource centre website and searching the “public health priority based training” section the presentation takes around 15 minutes to watch and supporting resources are available to prompt positive conversations

You can also contact the Public Health Resource Centre at phrc@leeds.gov.uk or call 0113 378 6200 to collect resources to support you and vulnerable residents in Leeds this winter.

21. The national Influenza Immunisation Programme 2019/20

Influenza immunisation aims to provide direct protection to those who are at higher risk of influenza associated morbidity and mortality. Vaccination is provided via your GP or participating pharmacies. Please note that the vaccine will be delivered to GPs and pharmacies in phases so please check availability at your preferred immunisation site. In 2019/20, influenza vaccinations will be offered under the NHS programme to the following groups:

- All those aged two and three on 31 August 2019 (date of birth on or after 1 September 2015 and on or before 31 August 2017), in general practice
- Health and Social care workers including hospice workers
- All primary school-aged children (date of birth on or after 1 September 2008 and on or before 31 August 2015), in the school-based programme
- Six months to less than 65 years of age, clinicians should offer immunisation, based on individual assessment, to clinically vulnerable individuals such as those with:

- chronic (long-term) respiratory disease, such as severe asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or bronchitis
- chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
- chronic kidney disease at stage three, four or five
- chronic liver disease
- chronic neurological disease, such as Parkinson's disease or motor neurone disease, or learning disability
- diabetes
- splenic dysfunction or asplenia
- a weakened immune system due to disease (such as HIV/AIDS) or treatment (such as cancer treatment)
- morbidly obese (defined as BMI of 40 and above)
- pregnant women (including those women who become pregnant during the flu season)
- 65 years or over (including those becoming age 65 years by 31 March 2020)
- People living in long-stay residential care homes or other long-stay care facilities where rapid spread is likely to follow introduction of infection and cause high morbidity and mortality. This does not include, for instance, prisons, young Offender institutions, university halls of residence, or boarding schools (except if children in boarding school are of primary school age)
- Those who are in receipt of a carer's allowance, or who are the main carer of an older or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill
- Household contacts of immunocompromised individuals, specifically individuals who expect to share living accommodation on most days over the winter and, therefore, for whom continuing close contact is unavoidable.

22. The list above is not exhaustive, and the healthcare professional should apply clinical judgement to take into account the risk of influenza exacerbating any underlying disease that a patient may have, as well as the risk of serious illness from influenza itself. Influenza vaccine should be offered in such cases, and will be reimbursed, even if the individual is not in the clinical risk groups specified above.

GPs must actively invite 100% of eligible individuals (e.g. by letter, email, phone call, text) and ensure uptake is as high as possible.

23. **'Stay Well This Winter' Small Grants scheme**

Public Health commissions Leeds Community Foundation to deliver the "Stay Well This Winter" Grants (previously Winter Wellbeing Community Grants). This is the 7th consecutive year the scheme will take place. The grants will support a range of community-based projects in Leeds.

Projects must target vulnerable people who are the most susceptible to the adverse effects of cold and severe weather. These are roughly in line with target groups for vaccinations as described earlier. Projects will take place during the winter of 2019-2020. Successful applicants will be announced early November 2019.

24. Smoke Free Side Lines

The local Football Association have been leading on a smoke free side lines initiative across all West Yorkshire Authorities. Junior Leagues have been informed about the initiative and all have endorsed the approach. The initiative was soft launched in September, at the beginning of the season, with emphasis being put on clubs to inform parents and spectators about the no smoking or vaping policy on the side lines.

Work is ongoing within the Council to look at changing hire agreements for Council facilities to include a no smoking policy thus supporting the initiative.

Financial Inclusion

25. Debt Forum Joint Annual Meeting

On Thursday 10th October the Lord Mayor opened the Leeds Debt Forums' Joint Annual Meeting at St George's Centre, Great George Street. The theme of this year's meeting was 'Protecting the financially vulnerable'. The meeting was organised in close partnership with the LCC Financial Inclusion Team.

Speakers from Leeds City Council presented the current picture of financial inclusion and financial resilience in Leeds, using findings of research commissioned by LCC from 2004 to 2018 and other information. A speaker from Citizens Advice Leeds reported on the problems of people asking for advice on money and debt. Other debt advice organisations also updated on problems they encounter. Cllr Alice Smart gave an update on the Leeds City Council's approach to tackling Financial Vulnerability.

People in Leeds can access a good range of advice services and projects to help those struggling. A key part of the work of the Debt Forum partners is to signpost these services – to get the word onto the street – and the programme looked at how this can be done more effectively. There were also updates from the Money Buddy Project, the Holiday Hunger programme and the Moneyhacks in Schools project. Discussion groups looked at promotion of Credit Unions for savings and affordable credit, at ways of tackling Food Poverty, Problem Gambling and Poverty and Homelessness.

26. Money Buddies Book

The Money Buddies Story was written by Sylvia Simpson, the Chief Executive of Money Buddies. Dewsbury Road Community Hub, under the umbrella of financial inclusion applied for £5k funding from Stop Loan Sharks UK Proceeds of Crime fund to turn the story into a fully illustrated children's story book. The application was built on the need to educate children from an early age on the importance of looking after their money and also from a financial safeguarding stand point of the dangers of Loan Sharks. The book has been extremely well received and copies will be made available across all Leeds Libraries and also be distributed to Leeds Primary schools at nil cost.

27. SWIFt Service (Supporting Wellbeing and Independence for Frailty)

The SWIFt service will support older people who are living with frailty with complex issues who are often (though not always) socially isolated to improve their wellbeing and independence. The SWIFt service has been running for two years as part of Time to Shine managed by Leeds Older Peoples Forum and funded by Big Lottery to tackle loneliness and isolation. To date the model included a citywide service and four locality based services, the existing delivery partners will continue to deliver in their localities with an additional 6 new local care partnership areas (Seacroft, Chapeltown, Burmantofts and Richmond Hill, Armley, Beeston and Garforth/Kippax/Rothwell) defined by having the greatest need in terms of moderate and severe frailty and deprivation. Delivered by the third sector and funded through IBCF/Public health, the service will offer;

- Targeted support to older people living with frailty (as per target audiences identified in above section)
- A holistic assessment of what matters to the person living with frailty, which encompasses identifying the individual's strengths and resilience factors. Key to this, is the SWIFt Worker having time to listen to people's stories and to understand their motivations and aspirations.
- A person centred approach which involves working together with the individual to identify ways to address what matters to them and how to build on their strengths. This will result in developing an agreed plan with the individual and supporting them to implement it.
- Practical support to enable the individual to engage with opportunities to improve their health and wellbeing.
- Solutions that will aim to build on the individual's strengths and assets and improve their confidence, self-esteem and resilience.
- Support to ensure that individuals are accessing the support services they require.

28. Period Poverty Briefing Note

Work on developing a sustainable, city wide scheme to tackle period poverty in Leeds has been undertaken over the past 12 months. As a result Executive Board agreed an approach to tackling period poverty in Leeds in December 2018. This work has been developed underneath the city's child poverty work. Period poverty is one area of poverty led social exclusion which has had raised national attention over the last two years Community Committee Chairs have previously discussed this issue in September 2018 as initial discussions on the approach to tackling period poverty were taking place where they indicated financial support for this scheme.

A joint approach between Communities and Environments and Children and Families has been developed that encompasses both supplying products and tackling the stigma around period poverty in schools and community settings. This approach has been developed with children, young people and adults in the city, and shaped by good practice from a range of organisations and will ensure there is one joined up approach across the city. Work to date has included identifying and working with a product supplier for 'Leeds' branded product which could include helplines, websites, information (foodbanks) on packaging

A competition is currently underway to find a winning design for the period products. There is also ongoing discussion with a company that is interested in working in partnership to develop an app. This app will pin point the location of products and help indicate when products are running low. The Leeds specific products will be launched in early 2020, until then Children's and Families have ordered products in plain packaging to be used in schools from September- January and have identified funding to provide these plain products for this period. The intention is that period products that have a Leeds specific design will be available from January 2020. Children's and Families have identified internal funding and secured funding from partners to enable the roll out of the scheme from September 2019.

Also the Government have announced that they are planning to run a 'Period Products' scheme, which will be launched early 2020. This scheme will commission one national provider and fund them to provide sanitary products to all schools and 16- 19 settings. At this stage there is no further information available on how many products will be provided, guidance on how many times a year it will be restocked or details on how long the funding will be available for this scheme. This scheme will not provide period products in community settings. The council scheme will overlap with this national scheme.

Children's and Families have put in an order for unbranded products for the period September to December 2019. The costs of these are: - £0.55 per pack which will supply enough towels for 21,000 packs. So a total order value of £11,550 ex VAT. There are 14 products in each pack. At this stage an order has been made for sanitary pads only as there is a higher cost implication for repackaging the tampons and the lead time for these is slightly more. However, tampons will be available for the branded products. During October to January work will be undertaken to assess the impact of the scheme in community settings including analysis of take up and demand to determine future funding and provision for the roll out of the branded products.

It is proposed that each ward is requested to provide £500 from their Well Being Budgets as a contribution to provide period products with plain packaging from half term in October 2019 to January 2020 for unbranded products and from January 2020 onwards for branded products in community settings.

Community Centres Sub Group: Councillor Bob Gettings

29. The next community centre sub group meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 7th January 2020.

Community Engagement: Social Media and Newsletter

30. The Outer South Community Committee Newsletter will be produced twice a year and the communities' team will circulate the newsletter to their contacts and on social media
31. **Appendix 1**, provides information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Outer South Community Committee Facebook page.

32. As the Outer South newsletter was circulated at the last community committee the next newsletter will be produced for the next community committee in March 2020.

Updates from Key Services

Community Hubs and Libraries Update August to November 2019

33. Rothwell Community Hub and Library

- Baby Week (November) - creative duplo session for under 5s. All tickets were taken (10). They played with the parachute, sang nursery rhymes and played with the duplo then finished the session with a story.
- Lego (September) – always well attended sessions on Saturday's have up to 35 people.
- Witches Tale (October) – ran by the group Wrongsemble very well attended 38 children and 22 adults.
- Spooky Storytime (November) – (also at East Ardsley) very well attended again children engaged in a spooky story time telling and also followed with a craft event afterwards making ghosts etc.
- Jelly Fish Display (November) – Woodlesford Primary Schools Golden Art Group (for children with behavioural difficulties in school) have produced some amazing 3D Jelly Fish which we have been asked to display in the Hub. The children have also written up fun facts about the Jelly Fish to go along with the display.

34. East Ardsley Library

International day of older people- Morley Elderly Action attended EA in October and ran an information event for international day of older people. Morley elderly where letting people know what resources/services are available for older people in the area.

35. Morley Community Hub and Library

- A treasure hunt for the children during the October school holidays which involved children hunting for dragons which had been hidden around the library area. All the completed dragon hunt sheets will be added to a drawer and an overall winner was chosen at random.
- Special themed story time about the space to tie in with the 50 years anniversary of the moon landing. We also had a surprise visit from an alien from another planet who came to listen to the stories.
- Golden Days- Guest speaker Matthew Bellwood came to deliver a talk who is a story teller. He got everyone involved by making figures from plasticine that will be showcased at the end of his tour.
- Meeting arranged with DWP to discuss ways of working together – being able to use our children's library as a place for advisors to meet clients there who are due to come off of income support and start on UC so they are more prepared. This would give the opportunity for children to play and join the library and for the parents to find out about what services they can use here at the hub as well.

- In September Morley Arts Festival was launched at Cine World at the White Rose centre. As a hub we will be selling the tickets for the MAF and also holding 3 events here at the hub as below:-
- Treasures on Tours was an event held at the hub for the Morley Arts Festival – this was very attended and had 15 come along to hear about all the information from books relating to pirates and the sea that dated back to the 17th Century.
- The Mysterious Tale of George Elliot was another Morley Arts Festival event that took place at Morley hub where the performance unmask the woman behind the name George Elliot. 27 people attended this event.
- Paul Nicholl's children's author was yet another really successful Morley Arts Festival event that took place at the hub. Children were invited to come and learn how to develop their creative writing skills by the author.
- We held a Macmillan coffee morning in September which we tied in with our Golden Days group which staff all brought or baked goods for a donation to the charity. We raised a grand total of £109 which we were very proud and a good day was had by all.
- October saw the Launch of our Crafty Café which our Librarian has organised. This was a huge success with over 20 attendees. Cath our Librarian secured a funding bid to buy the materials for the Crafty Café which helps people come out to meet other members of the community and help to prevent social isolation. In addition to this it get the minds working and helps people to release their more creative sides. Cath organised for mosaic coasters to be created which were themed on Morley. So the idea was that the mosaic coasters represented something that Morley means to them. So it could be from the Town Hall to the Morrison's supermarket. Once all the coasters are completed the plan is to collect them all together and have them framed and hopefully displayed in a prominent place in the Community Hub for everyone to enjoy.
- Customer Service Excellence Assessment Day – Morley Hub welcomed Susan and Nigel for our first assessment day in our new hub. Management showcased the newly refurbished Hub to our external assessor. Morley Community Hub and Library was the first stop for a busy day for our Senior Managers to show the service we provide across Leeds. Our partner Pathways spoke to the assessor as part of the assessment process. Overall we gained a very successful CSE assessment with some further compliance plus areas.
- Josh Flint came to discuss the importance of Yorkshire Battles from the 7th to the 20th-centuries and how they are represented in the Leeds Libraries collection.
- Luke from Through the Maze came to Morley hub and set up a table with information of how provides information and signposting for adults in Leeds with learning disabilities, family carers and professionals.
- A Witches Tale event was performed at Morley hub in the children's library by Wrongsemble to over a whopping 40 children who attended and really enjoyed taking part in the interactive event.

Housing Leeds

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36. TARA activities:

The OS Tenant Engagement Officer (TEO) attended 17 meetings or activities to support TARAs / Community Groups covering public meetings, seeking funding for projects, bid writing or other support including local environmental activities in August, Sept and October. 7 were in Ardsley & Robin Hood (including one AGM and one Annual Support Review - ASR), 6 were in Rothwell (including one AGM and one ASR) 4 were in Morley south and 0 in Morley north wards. Most TARAs do not have public meetings in August.

The TEO continues to work to set up a new TARA in Lofthouse (Ardsley and Robin Hood). Another new TARA is being investigated in Morley north – the initial consultation is yet to be agreed as the geographical area of interest for this potential, new TARA is being considered

37. HAP activities:

At the OS HAP meeting on 24th September 2019 the OS HAP budget was £34,711.91. The Area Housing Manager, the Morley Housing Manager and the Team Leader in Rothwell (in the absence of an appointed Housing Manager) provided up to date information about rent collection, voids, Annual Home Visits performance and environmental activities like clean-ups and walkabouts so panel members are clear about what is happening in their area. They also support all the OS HAP bid processes. The panel were very happy with the performance reports provided.

The TEO is working on 25 bids so far this year. 7 have been funded in full, 2 are in consultation, 8 have been cancelled or projects funded from other budgets (saving the HAP a lot of money – one of these project alone cost nearly £12,000), 8 projects are in the concept stage. Three new bid writing projects are planned and these bids will go onto the OS HAP Tracker if they fulfil the funding criteria.

At the September OS HAP meeting the 5 bids presented totalled £11,521.76 with match funding in place of £107,325.00

These bids were:

OS_02_1920: Improvements to the children's playground at Hembrigg Park (Morley south). A contribution of £5,000 was requested from Parks & Countryside (with £105,000.00 match funding in place) towards a £110,000.00 project to improve the children's play area in line with H&S requirements. The panel funded the bid in full. P& C will carry out any LEDA checks needed and organised the consultations required and share these details with the panel once available.

OS_11_1920: Midland House Cinema Club (Rothwell). This Health and Wellbeing bid was for a contribution of £338.96 towards the costs of a 55" TV/ DVD player, a sound bar, wall brackets and DVDs for a film library. The bid was funded for the full amount requested with £200.00 MICE money in place. This project will support Retirement Life flats and dispersed schemes/ bungalows across Rothwell and also Methy

OS_17_1920: New bench at Church Avenue, (Morley north). This Health and Wellbeing bid requested a contribution of £325.00 towards the cost of a new black, metal powder coated bench in a hilly area of Gildersome where many elderly residents live. This bid was funded in full, with match funding of £325.00 being in place.

OS_19_1920: Digital Inclusion 2019/20 (all 4 wards). This Employment and Skills bid (which could easily cover other OS HAP funding properties too) is for four new digital access points – one in each ward. A 25% contribution towards the costs of the project (£4,657.80) was funded in full with another 25% towards the costs being in place from Wellbeing Fund. Unfortunately, funding for the remaining 50% (£9,305.66) from the Lowell Fund was unsuccessful. The panel wanted more details from Get Technology Together (GTT) about why the 50% match funding wasn't approved and the impact of a reduced funding pot on the project e.g. a flexible approach to organising this digital project with fewer venues for the digital access points / fewer sessions over less time or a combination of these approaches. GTT members will attend the next OS HAP meeting on 26th Nov. 2019

OS_23_1920: Two new benches at Temple Lawn (Rothwell). This Health and Wellbeing bid was for a new bench in the garden at Temple Lawn Retirement Life Community Centre to support residents of all ages to enjoy the outdoor garden space and the encourage outdoor interaction, especially to address social isolation. The panel funded this bid for the full £1,000 requested. Unfortunately the other £1,000.00 was not available due to other projects having precedence from the Housing Office's environmental budget

OS HAP budget at the end of the 24th Sept. OS HAP meeting was: £23,190.15

Collaborative working with the Community Committee continues to be an important objective for the OS HAP. This partnership works well in practice, ensuring tenants and residents benefit from this approach whilst making best use of available funds. The OS HAP and Community Committee look for best value for money as using money wisely remains important to benefit all OS communities.

38. Community Payback Update: Analysis of costs to date

It is good to report that several venues have been identified for Community Payback teams to have breaks when they carry out referrals in outer south communities. More are being sought.

HAP	Number of referrals	Open	Complete	Started	Cancelled	Total contribution to date:	Total number of team days	Overall Return on Investment	% RoI	entitled days	Outstanding
Inner East	41	28	11	1	1	£ 10,369.25	28.5	£9,216.90	88.9%	32	4
Inner North East	42	25	12	2	1	£ 6,836.57	24	£7,761.60	113.5%	21	-3
Inner North West	13	8	4	0	0	£ 9,489.20	11.5	£3,719.10	39.2%	29	18
Inner South	45	26	12	4	0	£ 9,822.26	27.5	£8,893.50	90.5%	30	3
Inner West	37	25	9	2	0	£ 9,058.09	39.5	£12,774.30	141.0%	28	-11
Outer East	52	30	14	1	1	£ 8,016.65	29	£9,378.60	117.0%	25	-4
Outer North East	28	21	5	1	0	£ 6,250.76	14	£4,527.60	72.4%	19	5
Outer North West	12	2	6	1	0	£ 7,313.34	8	£2,587.20	35.4%	23	15
Outer South	21	12	8	0	0	£ 7,791.79	12	£3,880.80	49.8%	24	12
Outer South East	20	15	4	1	0	£ 8,852.68	10	£3,234.00	36.5%	27	17
Outer West	5	5	0	0	0	£ 8,450.31	0	£0.00	0.0%	26	26
Total:	316	197	85	13	3	£ 92,250.90	204	£65,973.60	71.5%	285	81.3
Minimum target						£ 148,440.60	459		44.4%		

19/20 ROI costs based on minimum wage £7.70 (21 - 24 year olds) with an average of 7 team members working 6 hr days (=£323.40 per day)

Community Payback update: part 2: Ward Analysis of Referrals

Ward	HAP	Number of referrals	Open	Complete	Started	Cancelled	Days' Work
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	IE	10	6	2	1	1	7
Gipton & Harehills	IE	27	19	8	0	0	18.5
Chapel Allerton	INE	15	12	2	0	0	3
Moortown	INE	18	8	7	1	1	14.5
Roundhay	INE	9	6	2	1	0	5.5
Headingley & Hyde Park	INW	2	0	0	0	0	0
Little London & Woodhouse	INW	3	2	0	0	0	0
Weetwood	INW	7	5	1	0	0	2
Beeston & Holbeck	IS	7	4	3	0	0	5.5
Middleton Park	IS	19	13	2	2	0	13
Riverside & Hunslet	IS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armley	IW	6	4	2	0	0	15
Bramley & Stanningley	IW	10	3	5	1	0	13.5
Kirkstall	IW	22	18	3	1	0	12
Killingbeck & Seacroft	OE	54	32	14	1	1	29
Alwoodley	ONE	16	11	4	1	0	13.5
Harewood	ONE	2	1	0	0	0	0
Wetherby	ONE	9	8	1	0	0	0.5
Adel & Wharfedale	ONW	5	0	0	1	0	6
Guiseley & Rawdon	ONW	3	1	2	0	0	1
Horsforth	ONW	1	0	0	0	0	0
Otley & Yeadon	ONW	3	1	2	0	0	1
Ardsley & Robin Hood	OS	4	2	1	0	0	2
Morley North	OS	3	3	0	0	0	0
Morley South	OS	8	4	3	0	0	4.5

Rothwell	OS	5	2	3	0	0	4.5
Crossgates & Whinmoor	OSE	3	1	2	0	0	6
Garforth & Swillington	OSE	8	7	1	0	0	2
Kippax & Methley	OSE	6	4	2	0	0	3
Temple Newsam	OSE	5	4	0	1	0	0
Calverley & Farsley	OW	1	1	0	0	0	0
Farnley & Wortley	OW	3	3	0	0	0	0
Pudsey	OW	1	1	0	0	0	0
Totals		295	186	72	11	3	182.5

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

39. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information detailed within the report.

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

40. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

Council Policies and City Priorities

41. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

1. Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
2. Best City Plan
3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
4. Children and Young People's Plan
5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

Resources and Value for Money

42. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

43. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

Risk Management

44. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all projects and wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

Conclusions

45. The report provides up to date information on key areas of work for the Community Committee.

Recommendations

46. The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and comment as appropriate.

Background documents¹

47. None.

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.