

INNER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 2019

PRESENT: Councillor J Akhtar in the Chair

Councillors K Brooks, A Garthwaite,
C Howley, C Knight, A Marshall-Katung,
J Pryor and N Walshaw

23 Late Items

There were no late items. A supplementary funding application for Hyde Park FC was submitted for consideration under Agenda Item 9, Inner North West Community Committee Finance Report.

24 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations.

25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Bentley.

26 Minutes - 26 September 2019

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 26 September be confirmed as a correct record.

27 Open Forum

In accordance with the Community Committee Procedure Rules, the Chair allowed a period of up to 10 minutes for members of the public to make representations or ask questions within the terms of reference of the Community Committee. The following was discussed:

Concern regarding activity on Cinder Moor. Heavy Plant Machinery had arrived and it was reported that the surface was to be scalped in preparation for the Valentine Fair. The work was being carried out by Parks and Countryside to solidify the surface and a full response would be sought from them.

Thanks were expressed to the Anti-Social Behaviour team for responding to problems on Ash Grove which resulted in the confiscation of sound equipment.

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting
to be held on Thursday, 12th March, 2020

Concern regarding promotional information from private landlords promoting student accommodation as being within 'party areas'. It was reported that there was ongoing discussion with landlords and good relationships were being developed particularly with Ward Members. It was suggested that landlords be invited to a future meeting.

28 Waste Management Services - Update on the Refuse Service Review and National Waste Strategy Implications for Leeds

The report of the Deputy Chief Officer, Communities and Environment provided an update to the Community Committee on progress with the review of the Refuse Service in Leeds.

The report also took the opportunity to provide a brief update on the development of a new National Resources and Waste Strategy and how that related to Leeds.

John Woolmer, Deputy Chief Officer, Environment and Communities presented the report.

Issues highlighted included the following:

- The review was more than just providing new routes, there was a need to build in efficiencies and future proofing of the service.
- There had been a fundamental review of routes which responded to changes across the city due to new developments and demographic changes. While it remained a city wide service, routes had been developed at a more local level.
- The introduction of a new chargehand role and use of in-cab technology which would help improve reporting and providing cover.
- New routes would be developed for garden waste collection and Ward Councillors would be consulted with regard to this.
- Residents would be informed of route changes in February 2020.
- Bespoke services for high density areas and those with transient populations.
- Renewal of the vehicle fleet – there was an aspiration to move to electric vehicles in the future.
- There would be a report to Executive Board in January 2020 with regards to Traffic Regulation Orders that were need to improve the service's efficiency.
- National Waste Strategy. There was a move to place more responsibility on producers and vendors with regard to packaging. Other issues included the re-use of glass products through reverse vending and food waste collection.
- Members were asked for areas that would benefit from glass and textile collection.

In response to comments and questions, the following was discussed:

- There would be procedures in place to carry out enforcement in relation to breach of traffic regulation orders.
- Due to resources it was unlikely that support would be provided to people who weren't able to access deposit/refund recycling facilities.
- Enforcement in relation to Public Space Protection Orders. Action could be taken against tenants and/or landlords. There had been concerns expressed at Leeds Beckett's Students Union that it should be the responsibility of landlords. It was agreed for further information to be brought to a future meeting of the Environmental Sub Group.
- There was a desire for the service to develop better relations and communications at a local level and progress reports would be made.

RESOLVED – That the report and discussion be noted.

29 Inner North West Community Committee - Finance Report

The report of the Head of Stronger Communities provided the Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy budget for 2019.

Jonny Russell, Localities Officer presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to the following:

- The remaining Wellbeing budget was £11,444.03.
- £2,200 had been returned to the pot as the approved project for Targeted Holiday Diversionary Activities had not taken place.
- A further £2,500 had been returned as the Law Group project had been revised.
- The following projects for consideration:
 - Period Products - £500 per ward was requested
 - Community Heroes Event – it was suggested that the proposed amount be increased from £1,500 to £2,000.
 - Trinity Network, Dewsbury Road Kitchen - £1,926 capital requested.
 - Hyde Park FC - £3,400. This was submitted as a late request. In response to Members' concerns and questions, it was agreed that a clause would be inserted into the funding agreement for Hyde Park FC to ensure that the project was inclusive of all genders and that girls in particular be encouraged to take part. In addition it was reported that the club would establish provision for girls football.
- Projects approved by delegated decision since the last meeting.
- Youth Activity Funds update.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That details of the Wellbeing Budget position be noted.
- (2) That monitoring information of funded projects be noted.
- (3) That details of the Youth Activities Fund be noted.
- (4) That details of the Small Grants & Skips Budget be noted.
- (5) That details of the Capital Budget be noted.
- (6) That details of the Community Infrastructure Levy be noted.
- (7) That the following projects be approved:
 - Period Products - £1,500
 - Community Heroes Event - £2,000
 - Trinity Network, Dewsbury Road Kitchen - £1,926 (capital)
 - Hyde Park FC - £3,400

30 Inner North West Community Committee - Update Report

The report of the Head of Stronger Communities brought Members' attention to an update of work which the Communities Team is engaged in based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

It also provided regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champion roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

Jonny Russel, Localities Officer presented the report.

Members' attention was brought to the following:

- The Youth Summit would be held on 3 March 2020.
- The next Environment Sub Group would be held on 21 January 2020.
- Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team service request figures.
- Social Media Update.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

31 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Thursday, 12 March 2020 at 7.00 p.m.