

North East Local Area Committee

Tuesday 22 March 2022 at 5.00 pm

**Southey Social Club, 170 Southey
Green Road, Sheffield, S5 7QQ**

The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend

Local Area
Committees

Membership Engage · Empower · Enable

Councillor Garry Weatherall (Chair)
Councillor Talib Hussain (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Fran Belbin
Councillor Mike Chaplin
Councillor Dawn Dale
Councillor Tony Damms
Councillor Jayne Dunn
Councillor Mark Jones
Councillor Abdul Khayum
Councillor Abtisam Mohamed
Councillor Peter Price
Councillor Safiya Saeed

PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING

Local Area Committees engage, enable, and empower communities across the city with increasing control over decision making, marking a major shift in power to communities. The Committees provide a geographical framework that, over time, will be used to prioritise and direct the local delivery of an increasing number of Council services and oversee the production of a co-produced annual Area Committee Plan which will reflect resident priorities.

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Local Area Committee executive decisions are effective six working days after the meeting has taken place, unless called-in for scrutiny by the relevant Scrutiny Committee or referred to the City Council meeting, in which case the matter is normally resolved within the monthly cycle of meetings.

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**NORTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE AGENDA
22 MARCH 2022**

Order of Business

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of Public and Press**
To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public.
- 4. Declarations of Interest** (Pages 5 - 8)
Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting.
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 9 - 14)
To approve the minutes of the Committee held on 23 September, 2021.
- 6. Transition to Committees**
Report of the Assistant Director of Governance.
- 7. Approval of the North East LAC Community Plan 2022-23** (Pages 15 - 62)
 - a) Presentation and Report by Lindsey Hill, North East Local Area Manager.
 - (b) Discussion and approval of the approved Plan by Members.
 - (c) Time for the public to attend roadshows and stalls on the themes and priorities of the approved Plan.
- 8. Public Questions and Petitions**
To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public.

NOTE: The next meeting of North East Local Area Committee will be held on a date to be agreed.

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ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS AT MEETINGS

If you are present at a meeting of the Council, of its executive or any committee of the executive, or of any committee, sub-committee, joint committee, or joint sub-committee of the authority, and you have a **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)** relating to any business that will be considered at the meeting, you must not:

- participate in any discussion of the business at the meeting, or if you become aware of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interest during the meeting, participate further in any discussion of the business, or
- participate in any vote or further vote taken on the matter at the meeting.

These prohibitions apply to any form of participation, including speaking as a member of the public.

You **must**:

- leave the room (in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct)
- make a verbal declaration of the existence and nature of any DPI at any meeting at which you are present at which an item of business which affects or relates to the subject matter of that interest is under consideration, at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.
- declare it to the meeting and notify the Council's Monitoring Officer within 28 days, if the DPI is not already registered.

If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your **disclosable pecuniary interests** under the new national rules. You have a pecuniary interest if you, or your spouse or civil partner, have a pecuniary interest.

- Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner undertakes.
- Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period* in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

*The relevant period is the 12 months ending on the day when you tell the Monitoring Officer about your disclosable pecuniary interests.

- Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority –
 - under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
 - which has not been fully discharged.

- Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.
- Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.
- Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –
 - the landlord is your council or authority; and
 - the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -
 - (a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and
 - (b) either -
 - the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
 - if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

If you attend a meeting at which any item of business is to be considered and you are aware that you have a **personal interest** in the matter which does not amount to a DPI, you must make verbal declaration of the existence and nature of that interest at or before the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes apparent. You should leave the room if your continued presence is incompatible with the 7 Principles of Public Life (selflessness; integrity; objectivity; accountability; openness; honesty; and leadership).

You have a personal interest where –

- a decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial standing (including interests in land and easements over land) of you or a member of your family or a person or an organisation with whom you have a close association to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the Council Tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the Authority's administrative area, or
- it relates to or is likely to affect any of the interests that are defined as DPIs but are in respect of a member of your family (other than a partner) or a person with whom you have a close association.

Guidance on declarations of interest, incorporating regulations published by the Government in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, has been circulated to you previously.

You should identify any potential interest you may have relating to business to be considered at the meeting. This will help you and anyone that you ask for advice to fully consider all the circumstances before deciding what action you should take.

In certain circumstances the Council may grant a **dispensation** to permit a Member to take part in the business of the Authority even if the member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest relating to that business.

To obtain a dispensation, you must write to the Monitoring Officer at least 48 hours before the meeting in question, explaining why a dispensation is sought and desirable, and specifying the period of time for which it is sought. The Monitoring Officer may consult with the Independent Person or the Council's Audit and Standards Committee in relation to a request for dispensation.

Further advice can be obtained from Gillian Duckworth, Director of Legal and Governance on 0114 2734018 or email gillian.duckworth@sheffield.gov.uk.

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SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

North East Local Area Committee

Meeting held 23 September 2021

PRESENT: Councillors Mike Chaplin, Dawn Dale, Jayne Dunn, Talib Hussain (Deputy Chair), Mark Jones, Abdul Khayum, Abtisam Mohamed, Peter Price, Safiya Saeed and Garry Weatherall (Chair)

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1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Tony Damms.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 No items were identified where resolutions may be moved to exclude the public and press.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 The minutes of meetings of the Committee held on 19th May and 7th July 2021 were approved as correct records.

5. AUTHORISATION OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER TO TAKE DECISIONS ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE

5.1 The Community Services Manager submitted a report setting out the mechanism for the Local Area Committee to enable decisions to be taken quickly and to respond to emerging issues by authorising the Community Services Manager to make decisions on expenditure between Committee meetings, subject to certain conditions.

5.2 **RESOLVED:** That the North East Local Area Committee authorises the Community Services Manager to make decisions on expenditure from any budgets allocated to the Local Area Committee provided that:

- The decision is taken in consultation with the Local Area Committee Chair
- Spending is in line with any specific purposes of the allocated

budget

- The decision may not approve expenditure of more than £5,000
- A report detailing the delegated spending decisions taken by the Community Services Manager is presented to the next Local Area Committee meeting.

5.3 **Reasons for Decision**

The proposal to authorise decisions on any budgets allocated to the Committee can be discharged, in part, by the Community Services Manager will ensure the Committees can respond quickly to emerging local issues.

5.4 **Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

All decisions relating to budgets allocated to the Local Area Committee could be decided at Formal Committee Meetings only. Whilst this approach would ensure the involvement of all members of the committee, it would mean that decisions to allocate spending for emerging and urgent local issues may not be made in a timely fashion.

5.5 **Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted**

None

5.6 **Reason for Exemption if Public/Press Excluded During Consideration**

None

5.7 **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director People Services

5.8 **Relevant Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee If Decision Called In**

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

6. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS**

6.1 The Committee received the following questions from members of the public who were in attendance to raise them: -

(a) Public Questioner 1:

Can regular, seasonal clearing of leaves from footpaths in the Firth Park area be funded via the North East Local Area Committee?

In response, the Chair stated that he was aware of 'hotspots' within the area and this issue would be addressed within newly established working groups. The working groups would give the opportunity to work collectively and collate information about issues of concern. The Chair also asked that members of the public continue to report incidents to their local Councillor who would liaise with Amey as appropriate.

Councillor Abtisam Mohamed added that she had been in discussions with Amey with the aim of forward planning for clearing of leaves.

(b) Public Questioner 2:

Can some of the North East Local Area Committee budget be used towards investing in rodent control in the Firth Park area?

The Chair noted that this was an issue that also affects other areas within the North East Area Committee. He advised the speaker that he had raised these concerns with Yorkshire Water and that ward councillors continued to flag incidents with the Council's Pest Control Service where necessary.

(c) Public Questioner 3:

A member of the public echoed concerns about rodent problems at a number of locations within the Firth Park ward.

The Chair noted these concerns and re-iterated that all issues raised would be considered within the new working groups.

Councillor Abtisam Mohamed added that Firth Park councillors are working collectively for constituents and wished to reassure the questioner that pest control was a key priority. She confirmed that she would be liaising with local TARA's to discuss options.

Lindsey Hill added that an enquiry sheet was available for all those present to put forward their issues and also fill in the survey which would be fed into the North East Local Area Committee Community Plan.

(d) Public Questioner 4:

Neglect and lack of regeneration is an issue in the Parson Cross area. What can be done to address this and to provide some positive outcomes for young people in the area? Local councillors had failed to respond to her concerns during 'lockdown'.

In response, the Chair noted that anti-social behaviour had become a concern in the area and advised that youth services had been stretched across the whole of Sheffield. He offered assurance that the new working groups would provide a forum to consider this issue. In particular, he expressed his wish to work with local schools and involve Councillor Jayne Dunn (Ward Councillor for Southey and Executive Member for Education, Children and Families) in considering priorities for young people. He also reminded those present of how to contact the North East Local Area Committee team to report concerns.

(e) Public Questioner 5:

Can prior notice be given of grass cutting on Council owned land? Litter pickers are often faced with broken bottles and tins, which is dangerous to pick.

The Chair expressed his thanks to local litter picking groups for their hard work and commitment and noted his disappointment in still seeing litter problems across the local area. He highlighted a number of options available to tackle such issues, including a recent initiative to identify flytipping 'hotspots', consideration of a 'bring out your rubbish day' and also ensuring contractual obligations for street cleaning are met within the local area.

(f) Public Questioner 6:

Can some of the North East Local Area Committee funding be used towards providing free 'grass roots' sessions for 14-18 year olds, rather than relying on funding from grants? The questioner had previously felt a disconnect with the Council and welcomed the opportunity to change that.

In response, the Chair agreed that it was important to engage with young people and consider options. Such issues would be discussed at working groups and considered for inclusion in the North East Local Area Committee Community Plan, due to be launched in early 2022.

(g) Public Questioner 7:

What can be done to tackle the damage to grass verges on Bowfield Road and other local roads caused by parked cars?

In response, the Chair reiterated the role of working groups in discussing and prioritising local issues.

(h) Public Questioner 8:

Can a multi-agency approach be used to tackle the issue of people who are congregating outside shops on Ellesmere Road? Practical action is needed to assist local businesses alongside supporting these vulnerable people.

The Chair noted that he was already aware of this issue and that a solution was being sought through different agencies, including health and social care teams and South Yorkshire Police.

(i) Public Questioner 9:

Why aren't committee changes taking place until next year as this needs action now, especially for those who aren't digitally included?

In response, the Chair advised that ward councillors continued to be available to pick up local issues of concern. These issues would be considered and would help to form the North East Local Area Committee Community Plan. Full contact details for North East Local Area Community team had been made available at the meeting.

Councillor Jayne Dunn noted that the views of all sectors of the local community were valuable, including those that weren't digitally included. She hoped to help rebuild communities by reaching out and listening to views from all sectors, including schools, retirement homes and disability groups.

Councillor Dawn Dale noted that this was a process for a long term plan and that ward councillors wished to understand all the issues and represent those in the North East Local Area Committee Community Plan.

The Chair summarised by stating that the North East Local Area Committee was an opportunity to make change. He noted his thanks to all those who attended and looked forward to working with the community and partner organisations.

(Note: At the conclusion of the formal business, there was an interactive session where members of the public were able to meet, liaise and discuss issues with Councillors, partner organisations and the North East Local Area Committee Team).

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Sheffield's new Committee System

2022-03

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What is changing about...

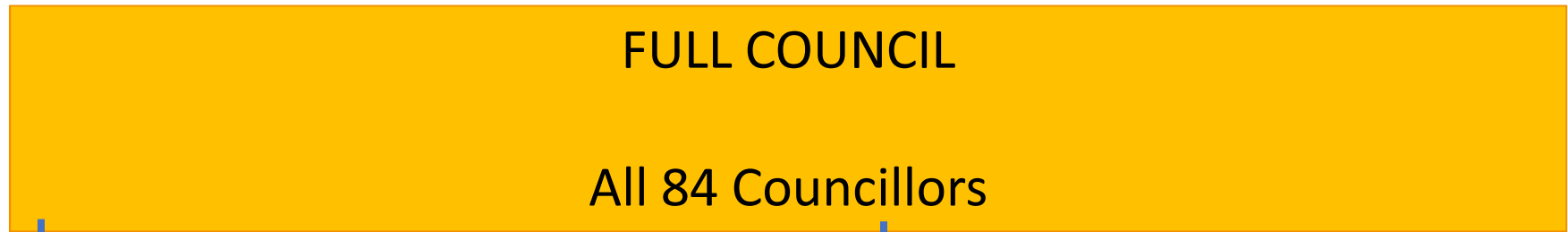
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- 2....how decisions will be made in Sheffield?



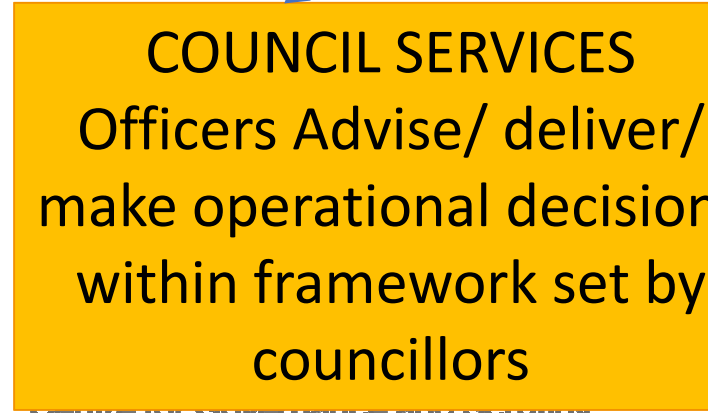
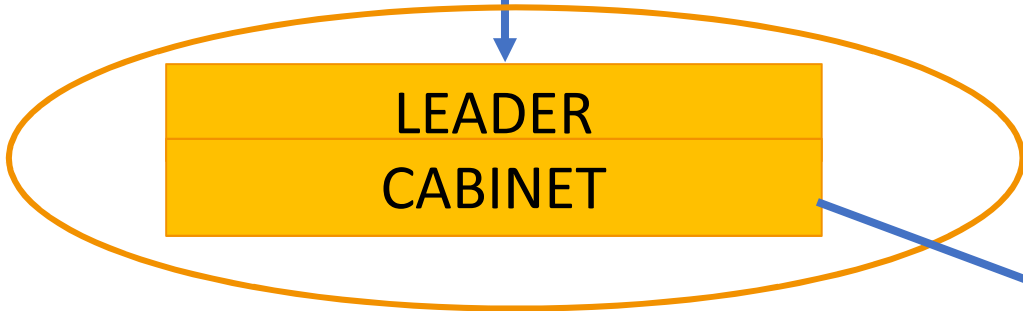
The context

- In May 2021 a **public referendum** voted to change the Council's governance structure to a committee system in May 2022.
- **Local Area Committees** created at that same moment
- A **public inquiry** has been held to gather evidence and design the new committee system
- It is all about putting the **voice of residents** at the heart of decisions about Sheffield
- The shape of the new committee system will keep changing long after May 2022
May 2022

We're moving from *this model*...



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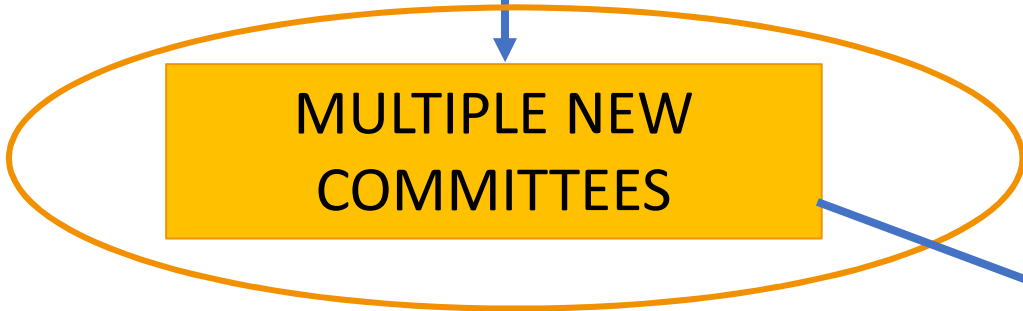


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All 84 Councillors



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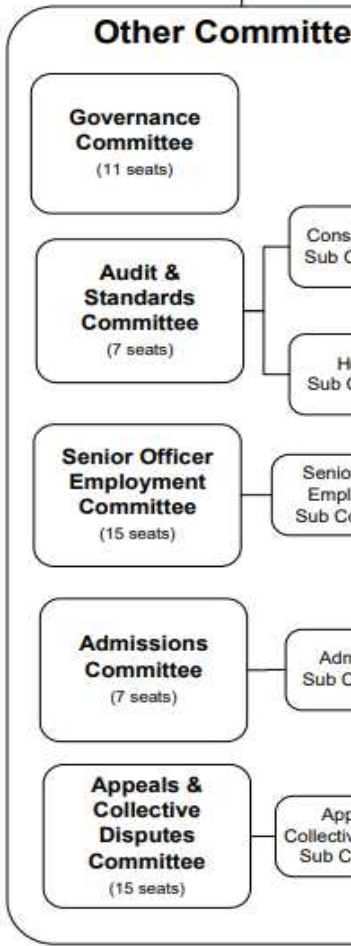
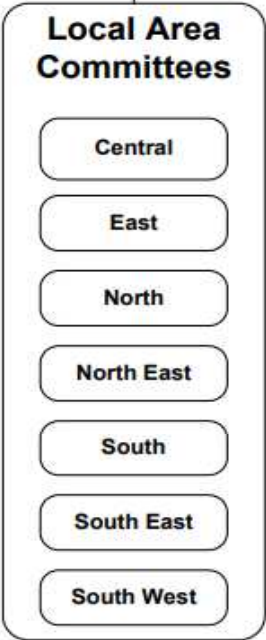
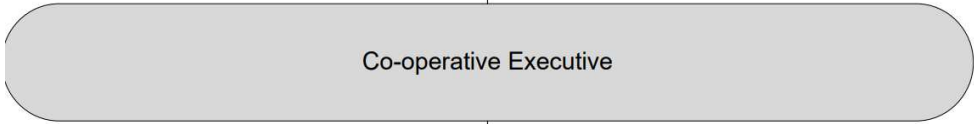


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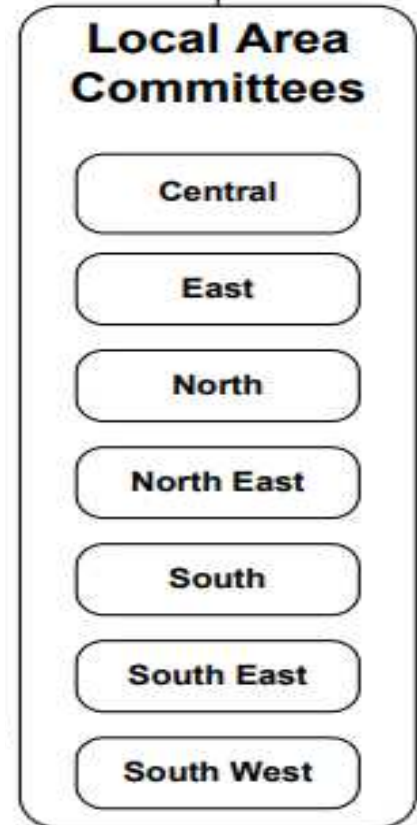
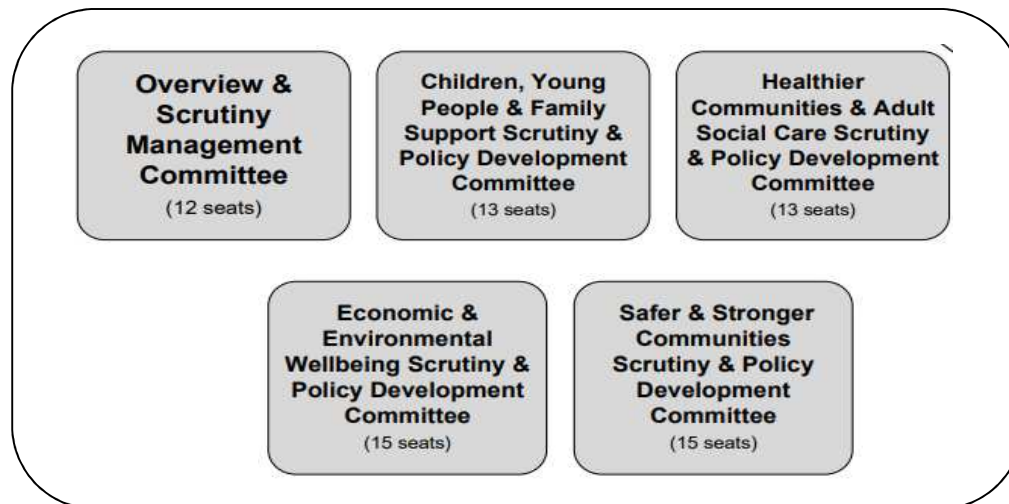
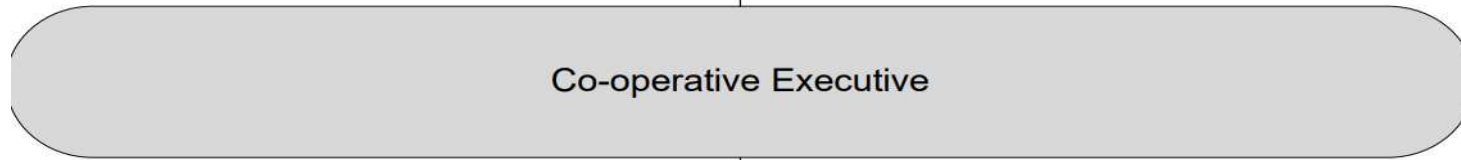


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within framework set by
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Who makes decisions now?

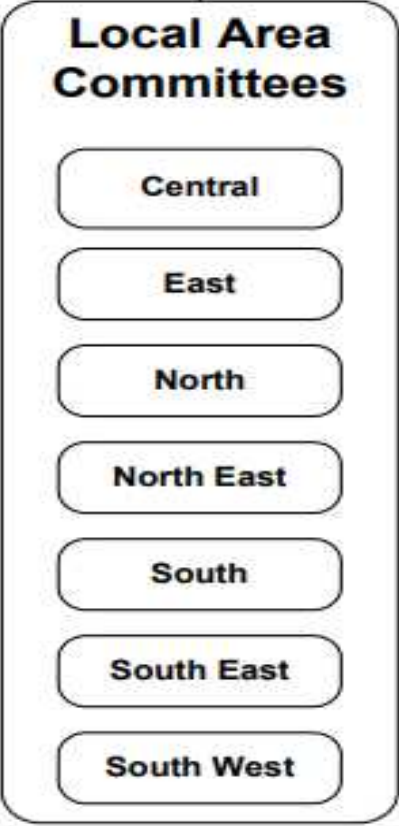
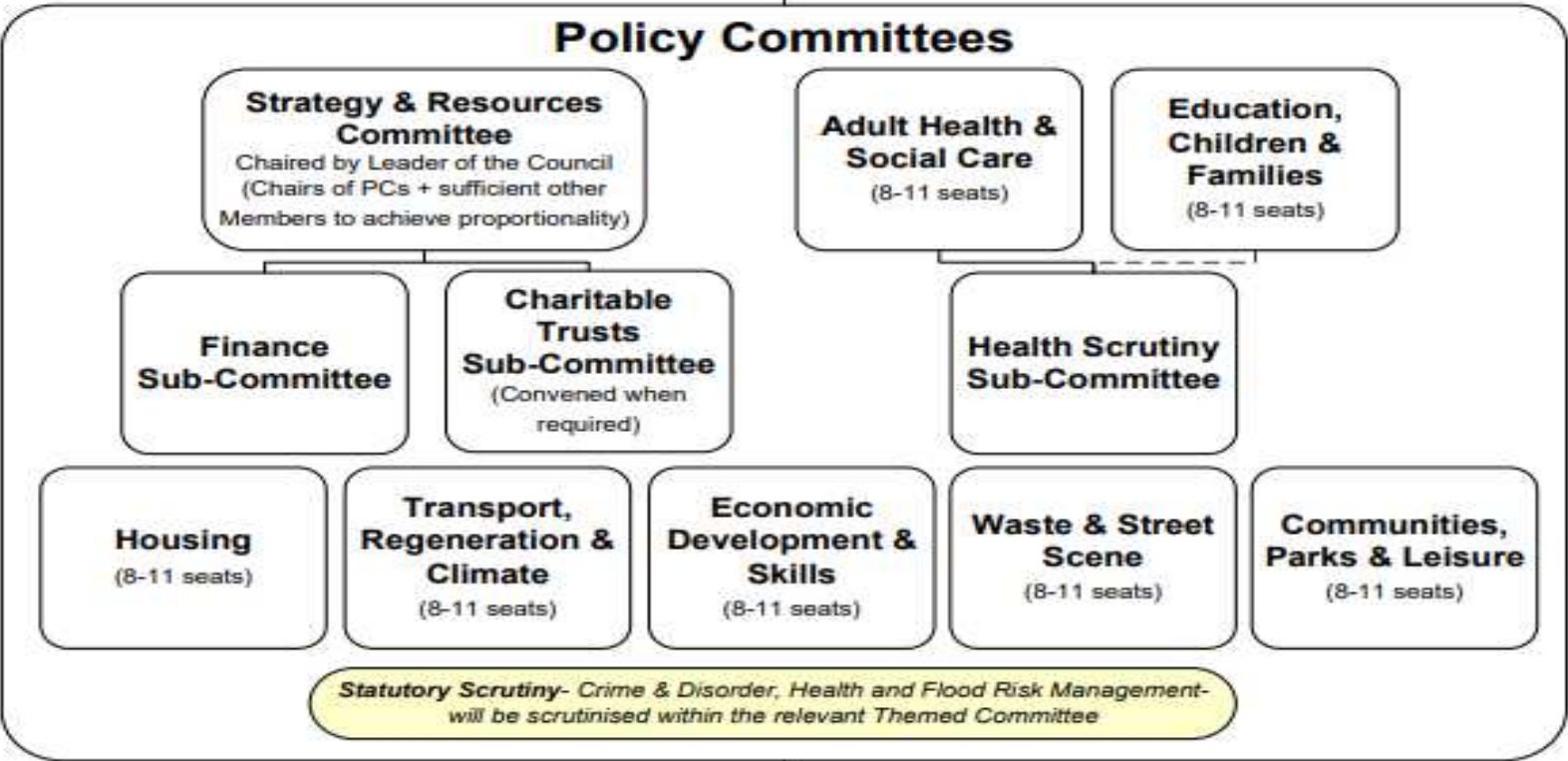


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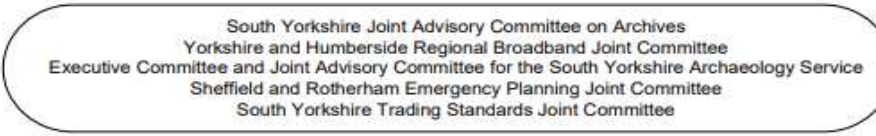
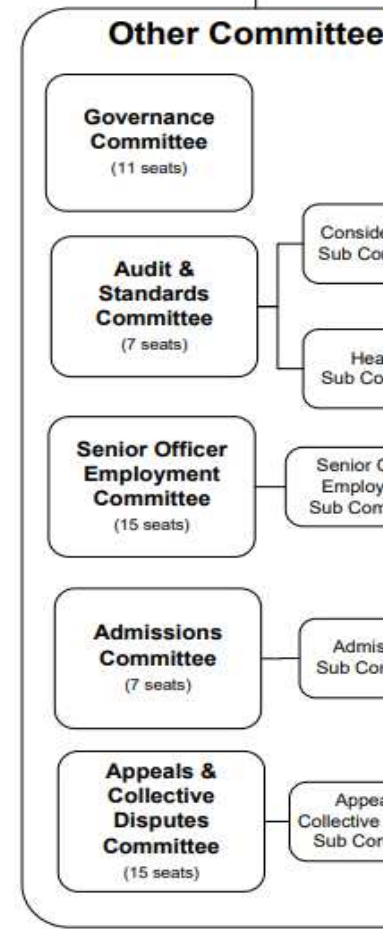
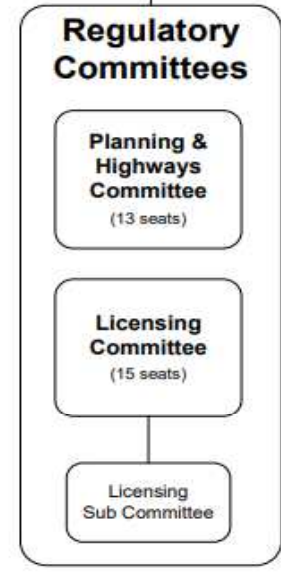
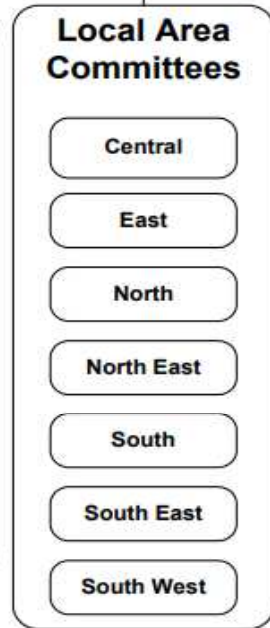
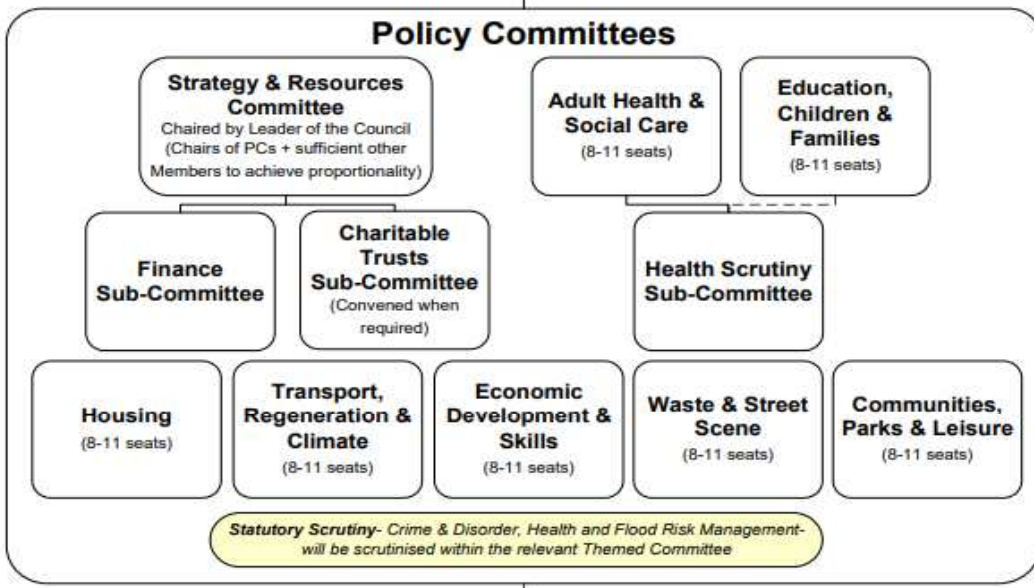
Who will make decisions?

Full Council



All the committees...

Full Council



What is changing about how will decisions be made?

In Local Area Committees:

- continue to develop as currently – the new committee system doesn't change the plans for ways of working locally
- LACs can refer issues to any and all policy committees (previously referred to cabinet)

In the new Policy Committees:

- Cross-party, politically proportionate setting, whole committee accountable
- All political groups involved in policy development
- Use of a new 'toolkit' of public engagement options
- More plans to improve the way the whole council involves the public, partners, stakeholders, communities in policy development and decisions

Public Engagement 'toolkit'

1. A toolkit for each committee to use when considering its 'menu of options' for ensuring the voice of the public has been central to their policy development work.
 1. Public Questions and petitions – more access to decision-makers
 2. Public calls for evidence
 3. Issue-focused workshops with attendees from multiple backgrounds (sometimes known as 'hackathons') led by committees
 4. Creative use of online engagement channels
 5. Working with VCF networks (eg including the Sheffield Equality Partnership) to seek views of communities
 6. Co-design events on specific challenges or to support policy development
 7. Citizens assembly style activities
 8. Stakeholder reference groups (standing or one-off)
 9. Committee / small group visits to services
 10. Formal and informal discussion groups
 11. Facilitated communities of interest around each committee (eg a mailing list of self-identified stakeholders and interested parties with regular information about forthcoming decisions and requests for contributions or volunteers for temporary co-option)
 12. Facility for medium-term or issue-by-issue co-option from outside the Council onto Committees or Task and Finish Groups. Co-optees of this sort at Policy Committees would be non-voting.

Looking further ahead – public engagement plan

- **Purpose** – have a clear purpose for engaging Sheffields. Be honest about the rationale for engagement, and what influence Sheffields can expect to have on the outcome
- **Who engages** – actively support Sheffield’s diverse communities to engage, particularly those who are underrepresented, underserved or who are facing disadvantages; and engage with the VCS prior to commencing engagement activities to better understand the context, what is needed and to reach underrepresented groups
- **How** – match the approach(es) to your audiences, using a diversity of methods and don’t just focus on information extraction (ie. Co-design, co-creation etc)
- **Embed engagement in all we do** – with clear, shared principles, creative approaches and at all levels in the city (neighbourhood and city level)
- **Ensure there is demonstrable impact** – involving people before decisions are made and evidence how participation has impacted on a decision
- **Support and resource** – support under-resourced and (less accessible) communities to take part and contribute to decisions and invest in training and development (Members, officers).
- **Foster collaboration** – develop a culture where Sheffields, public services and community organisations collaborate on local issues

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Author/Lead Officer of Report:

Lindsey Hill, North East LAC Community Services Manager

Tel: 0114 20 37902

Report of: Community Services Manager

Report to: North East Local Area Committee

Date of Decision: 22 March 2022

Subject: Approval of the North East LAC Community Plan 2022-23

Is this a Key Decision? If Yes, reason Key Decision:-	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Expenditure and/or savings over £500,000		<input type="checkbox"/>		
- Affects 2 or more Wards		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Which Executive Member Portfolio does this relate to? Community Engagement and Governance				
Which Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee does this relate to? Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee				
Has an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) been undertaken in respect of this decision?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If YES, what EIA reference number has it been given? (Insert reference number)				
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If YES, give details as to whether the exemption applies to the full report / part of the report and/or appendices and complete below:-				
<i>"The (report/appendix) is not for publication because it contains exempt information under Paragraph (insert relevant paragraph number) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)."</i>				

Purpose of Report:

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Through public consultation, the North East LAC has developed a draft Community Plan that seeks to identify the key issues within the area and develop a series of priorities that will inform the direction of the LAC, and direct the spending of delegated budgets, where the LAC has authority to do so.

This Report recommends the approval of the draft North East Community Plan, attached as an Appendix to this report.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the North East Local Area Committee:

Approves the North East Community Plan as a statement of the priorities of the area, subject to any amendments being agreed by Members at the meeting on 22nd March 2022;

Authorises the Community Services Manager to produce a final version of the Community Plan document, incorporating any amendments approved by the LAC at its meeting of 22nd March 2022, and to publish it on the webpages of the North East Local Area Committee; and

Notes that future LAC decisions relating to funding should fit with the priorities set out in the Community Plan and following engagement with the community

Background Papers:

(Insert details of any background papers used in the compilation of the report.)

Lead Officer to complete:-		
1	I have consulted the relevant departments in respect of any relevant implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist, and comments have been incorporated / additional forms completed / EIA completed, where required.	Finance: Kayleigh Inman
		Legal: Andrea Simpson
		Equalities: Adele Robinson
<i>Legal, financial/commercial and equalities implications must be included within the report and the name of the officer consulted must be included above.</i>		
2	Head of Service who approved submission:	Jason Siddall
3	LAC Chair consulted:	Cllr Garry Weatherall
4	I confirm that all necessary approval has been obtained in respect of the implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist and that the report has been approved for submission to the Decision Maker by the Head of Service indicated at 2. In addition, any additional forms have been completed and signed off as required at 1.	
	Lead Officer Name: Lindsey Hill	Job Title: North East LAC Community Services Manager
	Date: 22 nd March 2022	

1. PROPOSAL

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Individual members of the LAC have played an active role in developing the content of the Plan, but the LAC must make a decision to approve the Plan as a whole as a statement of the priorities of the North East area.

This Report recommends the approval of the draft North East Community Plan, attached as an Appendix to this report.

The Community Plan seeks to identify specific priorities and develop a series of actions, whereby the LAC can work with residents; businesses; community organisations; Council departments and other statutory organisations to effect change.

The Community Plan is intended to be realistic in terms of what can be achieved within the timescales, having regard to financial, legal and logistical implications. It is principally a one-year plan, but some items may be carried forward into 23/24 depending on available resources going forward.

2. HOW DOES THIS DECISION CONTRIBUTE?

Local Area Committees directly support the Communities and Neighbourhoods and Our Council commitments in the 'Our Sheffield: One Year Plan' but to be effective they need to have the capability to respond quickly to emerging local issues.

3. HAS THERE BEEN ANY CONSULTATION?

- 3.1 The Community Plan has been developed through community consultation that has comprised of an online survey through the Council's Citizenspace platform; a paper-based survey for those less digitally enabled; engagement activity with representative organisations and online meetings.

Partner organisations and Council departments that have been identified as offering potential solutions to some of the issues identified have also been consulted, to establish whether suggestions can be realistically implemented.

4. RISK ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

4.1 Equality of Opportunity Implications

Decisions need to consider the requirements of the Public Sector Equality Duty contained in Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

This is the duty to have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

The Equality Act 2010 identifies the following groups as a protected characteristic: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex and sexual orientation.

- 4.1.1 The overall impact of this decision is likely to be positive and not disproportionate from an equality, diversity, and inclusion perspective. In developing a Community Plan, local communities have been given the opportunity for a greater say in local decision making for services which impact their daily lives.

The devolution of responsibilities will improve inclusion for local people and the work of the Sheffield Equality Partnership will support and enhance the approach from a citywide and underserved communities' perspective.

However, in order to ensure this approach takes into account people who share protected characteristics under the Public Sector Duties the Local Area Committee Community Plan will be supported by appropriate equality monitoring of budget.

An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA 916) was previously carried out in respect of the establishment of Local Area Committees.

4.2 Financial and Commercial Implications

4.2.1 There are no additional financial implications. This report relates to the initial decision to approve the Community Plan. The decision to allocate specific budgets to the Local Area Committees has already been made.

Procurement of supplies and/or services will be carried out in line with Standing Orders.

4.3 Legal Implications

4.3.1 The LAC must operate in accordance with its Terms of Reference, approved as a change to Council's Constitution by Full Council at its meeting on 18th March 2021. The Terms of Reference provide that each LAC must agree a Community Plan setting priorities for the area of the committee, monitor delivery of that plan and keep it under review, and that the decisions it makes in relation to funding should fit with the priorities set out in the Community Plan and following engagement with the community.

4.4 Other Implications

4.4.1 None

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

5.1 None. A key element in establishing LACs is the principle that each LAC will develop a Community Plan.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 The proposal to approve the North East LAC Community Plan is recommended on the basis that the Plan provides a clear framework in how the LAC will direct its resources to address key issues identified through community consultation.

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Our North East Community Plan

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What are Local Area Committees (LACs)?

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Local Area Committees (LACs) are a way for people to make a difference in their area and communities. The LACs are an opportunity for people to get involved, say what is great about their area, what improvements they would like to see and what matters to them and their community.

LACs are a chance for people to influence decision making, share their opinion and contribute to positive changes in their community.

The North East LAC has a budget of £100k to develop and deliver the priorities that have been outlined by the community in recent consultation.

LACs will work together with partners and stakeholders to link services and operate effectively in line with the needs of the community to deliver the priorities.

Further details of the LACs roles and responsibilities can be found on the Sheffield City Council website;
<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/local-area-committees>

A video is available about LACs
[BSL - Local Area Committees - YouTube](#)

Other funding available for 2022/23;

Ward Pots is available to support voluntary, community and faith sector groups and organisations for individual ward led priorities.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is available to undertake specific ward projects that meet the priorities of the individual wards.

Fly-tipping and graffiti fund is available to undertake projects to address fly-tipping and graffiti across the area and focus on hot spots identified as a priority.



Who is the committee?

The Local Area Committee consists of twelve elected members for the four wards in North East Sheffield. This includes a Chair and a Vice Chair who are elected by the LAC. Our Chair for the North East is Councillor Garry Weatherall and our Vice Chair is Councillor Talib Hussain.



Who else is involved?

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The LAC is supported by a small team of officers that consists of a Manager Lindsey Hill, Communities Services Officers Dan Whittaker and Katie Townend, Project Support Officer Ameer Hussain, Community Development Workers Michelle Dwaine and Hasan Iqbal, a Secretary and various other supporting staff. Officers are not formally part of the LAC memberships

Further details and contact information can be found on our website.

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/north-east-local-area-committee>



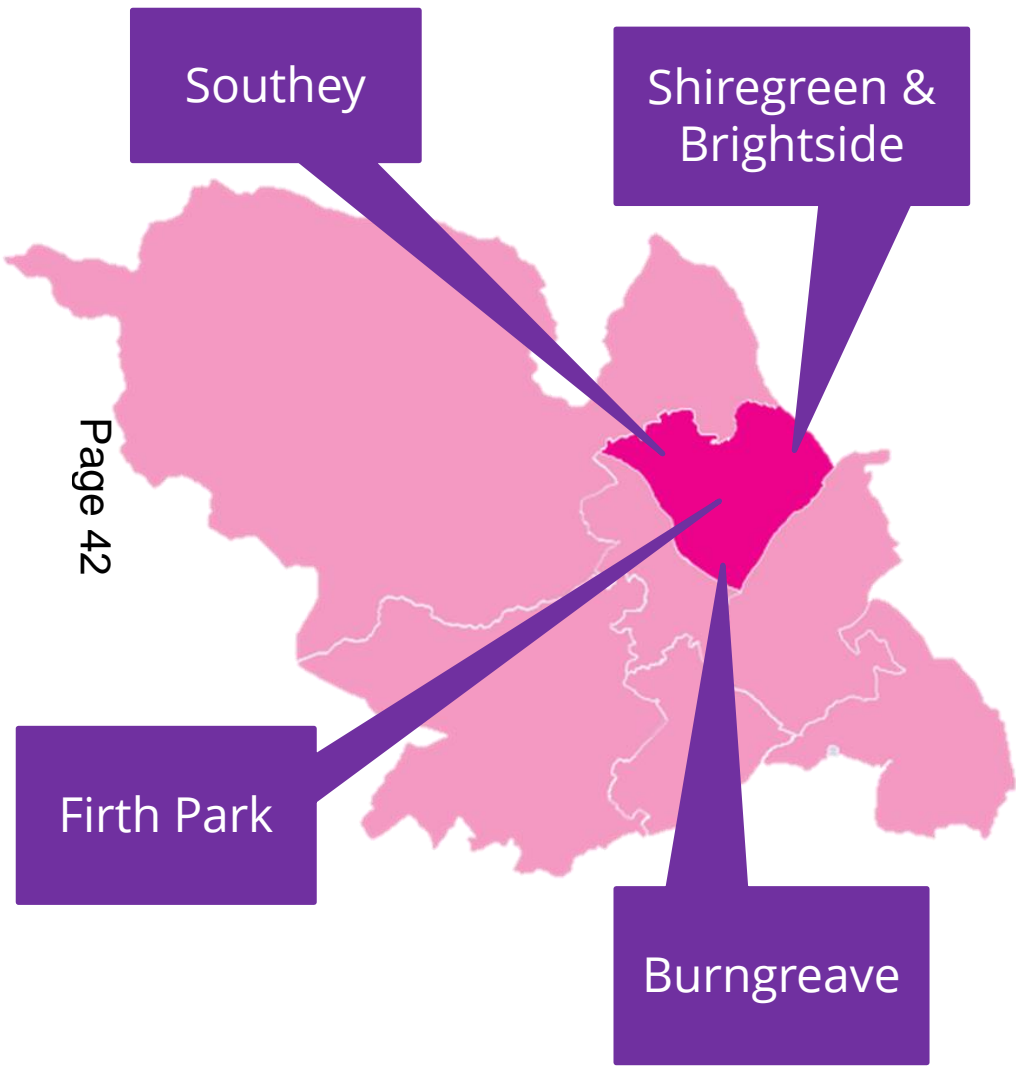
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About the North East

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The North East is one of seven Local Area Committees in Sheffield and consists of four wards, as shown on the map.

Unsure which ward you're in?

Find out by using the map on:

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/north-east-local-area-committee>



The North East has a population of **93,749**. The area has a diverse population of people with different cultural backgrounds, languages, ethnicities, and religions.

We have some amazing parks such as Firth Park, Concord, Longley, Parson Cross, Parkwood Springs and Abbeyfield, some of which have historical features and green and open spaces.

The area has some thriving local shopping centres like Firth Park, Spital Hill and Kilner Way with lots of residents choosing to shop locally in their neighbourhoods.

Just under **50%** of people in the North East own their homes, around **10%** rent from private landlords and the remainder live social housing. Over **71%** of people who responded to our survey had lived in the area for over 10 years with generations of families living in the area.

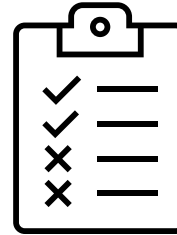
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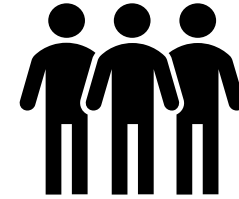




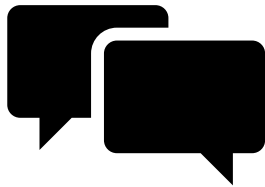
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Survey responses include 437 online and 210 paper surveys



Meetings and walkabouts with key community partners and groups.



Visits, Pop ups and drop in's at local places.



Campaign targeting young residents to hear their voice.

Engagement

We have worked to engage with our diverse communities to inform and shape our Community Plan. This has included conversations with both individuals and voluntary, community and faith sector organisations who work with those who are less likely to have their voice heard. Some citywide engagement work was also undertaken by Sheffield Equality Partnership.

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As specific projects and areas of work within our Community Plan are progressed, we will carry out further community engagement, monitoring and evaluation as required. We will undertake proportionate Equality Impact Assessments to inform the development of projects and areas of work, to ensure we proactively respond to the council's duty to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations. Where appropriate, this will include targeted work with specific groups of people with shared characteristics, for example age, ethnicity or sexual orientation (defined as "protected characteristics" in the Equality Act 2010) to help us understand both needs and impact.

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The 8 Themes

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**Business,
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**Health &
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Business, Employment & Skills



What you said:

- ❑ Improve local shops, surrounding areas and security of businesses
- ❑ Provide opportunities to hold local markets and encourage more independent shops – not take aways
- ❑ Vacant commercial properties or in poor standard – investment and regeneration
- ❑ Increase Hospitality businesses with more pubs and restaurants
- ❑ Continue to support and provide advice for businesses
- ❑ Provide support and encourage new businesses – start up
- ❑ Create opportunities to develop business forums
- ❑ More post offices and non-charging cash machines
- ❑ Create more opportunities for people living in the area for employment
- ❑ Support local people with skills and development – increasing community learning



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Improve local shopping areas and amenities

We will:

- Help work together to tackle commercial properties that are of poor standard or vacant
- Explore options to increase the variety of businesses particularly independent pubs and hospitality
- Work together to help hold local markets and events in the area

Increase people's access to post offices and non-charging cash machines

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Priority 2 - Help and support retain existing businesses and encourage new ones

We will:

- Help people who want to start a new business by promoting and providing support and information
- Join up services to help support new and existing businesses to be successful
- Create and support business forums for networking and support
- Provide more support and advice to people to help make their businesses more secure



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Work together to help support people to be more digitally aware and included

We will:

- Help people be more digitally included and develop their digital skills
- Work together to increase the access people have to digital technology ensuring they are inclusive to all
- Work with partners to improve the connectivity and provision in the area

Priority 4 – Support and improve skills for employment

We will

- Work together to prevent and support people from becoming NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training)
- Help and encourage local businesses to employ local people
- Deliver and increase access to more internship and apprenticeships for people
- Promote and hold job and skills fairs in the local area



Health & Wellbeing

What you said:

- Difficult to access services, particularly GP surgeries
- Better leisure and sports facilities that are accessible and open to everyone and more classes and activities in the evenings locally
- Improve and invest in leisure facilities and more outdoor sports facilities
- Consider the impact of loneliness and isolation increasing support and activities
- Support vulnerable people to remain and live independently and help them take more responsibility of their own health
- Do more prevention and intervention work to support people in crisis and help people improve their mental health
- Providing more joined up support for frail and elderly people, increasing help with basic household tasks like gardening and DIY
- Reduce the gap in health inequality and poverty and help people in fuel poverty
- Provide support and help for people with drug and bad money management
- Support and provide facilities/services for people who are neurodivergent raising awareness
- Install more defibrillators across the area
- More support and help for unpaid carers





Our Priorities

Priority 1 - Help and support people to live a independent, fulfilled and happy life

We will:

- Carry out a campaign to help raise awareness and reduce loneliness and isolation
- Explore ways to help people live independently and reduce hospital admissions, improve access to GP's and adapt people's homes
- Provide more defibrillators across the area to help reduce the risk of people dying from heart attacks
- Work together to help improve people's mental health and break down the stigma and raise awareness

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Priority 2 – Encourage and work together to help improve access to health services for all

We will

- Help provide services that are joined up and work around the person to deliver the best outcomes
- Promote and communicate services and help available to people
- Work with local GP surgeries to increase the accessibility to appointments and referrals
- Identify people who are not accessing medical services and encourage them to do so



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Improve leisure and sports facilities meeting the needs of all and are inclusive

We will:

- Help deliver the sports and leisure review following consultation
- Promote and communicate activities across the area
- Work together to encourage people to live healthy lifestyles and increase wellbeing through creating initiatives
- Help people with disabilities access or volunteer to take part in sports and activities

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Priority 4 – Work together providing more joined up support for vulnerable people

We will

- Work together to become dementia friendly supporting carers and families of people living with dementia and training for awareness
- Provide more support for carers especially those who are unpaid
- Deliver more prevention and intervention work to support people who are most vulnerable and help them access services
- Work together to tackle housing issues causing health and wellbeing issues



Environment



What you said:

- ❑ Promote more responsible dog ownership and increase the number of dog bins
- ❑ Education on litter and recycling and ensure an efficient bin collection service
- ❑ Improve the street scene with better lighting, grass cutting, drainage, repairs, accessibility dropped kerbs, cut/maintain street trees, sweep roads
- ❑ Communicate when street maintenance takes place
- ❑ Deal with public and environmental health issues – pests (rats' infestation), pigeons, etc.
- ❑ Do more for the climate emergency, better air quality and reduce our carbon footprint and pollution
- ❑ Increase street electric vehicle charging points
- ❑ Provide more bins for use across the area
- ❑ Tackle and reduce fly tipping and promote responsible disposal of waste



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Maintain a clean local environment

We will:

- Deliver the fly-tipping and graffiti project, targeting hot spot areas and promote its successes
- Provide more support to litter pickers and volunteers working in the area to tackle litter
- Carry out a campaign working with schools and partners to educate on litter, recycling and its impact on the environment
- Promote more responsible dog ownership and review the number of dog bins and locations across the area
- Raise awareness of how people can report street maintenance and highways issues

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Priority 2 – Work together to promote responsible waste disposal and recycling

We will

- Raise awareness of how to dispose of waste safely and responsibly
- Explore options for a 'bring out your rubbish day' and solutions to help reduce waste
- Potential to increase the recycling and tips facilities in the area
- Promote and communicate recycling and weekly bin collection service



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Help people be more environmentally friendly and sustainable

We will:

- Carry out a campaign on climate change and the impact on the environment
- Promote ways people can be more environmentally friendly in their day to day lives
- Work with developers and housing providers to ensure homes are sustainable and of a high quality
- Explore options for increasing and promoting street electrical vehicle charging points across the area

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Priority 4 – Tackle the environmental health issues across the area

We will

- Continue the work to tackle issues with pests and hot spot areas that cause destruction and nuisance in the area
- Explore options and work together to help improve people's health and standard of the environment they live in
- Carry out a campaign working with partners to educate people on environmental issues and improve their standard of living



Children, Younger Residents & Families

What you said:

- Continue to provide and increase youth activities and provision
- Promote and share community activities for families and younger residents
- Increase the offer of activities for whole families and younger residents, that are affordable
- Balance the number of affordable groups for parents and earlier years in the daytime, across the city
- Help to keep younger residents stay safe, including from bullying and cyber-bullying
- Better use of facilities such as schools and libraries for children, young residents and families
- Provide basic household skills classes for parents, like cooking, DIY, etc.
- Support families and who are in crisis, this has been impacted by the reduction of family centres and sure starts
- Improve school admissions and attainment levels
- Help work with schools to tackle and prevent exclusions and tackle the causes
- Help low-income families





Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Improve activities and provision for children, families, and younger residents

We will:

- Map the activities and facilities available to children and families in the area to identify gaps
- Promote activities and provision creating a directory of what is going on
- Work together to increase the activities available to children and families and the affordability of them in the area
- Provide family events and fun days out that are inclusive to all in the local area

Priority 2 – Help younger residents with their aspirations, education & skills

We will

- Work with schools to help improve younger residents' aspirations and promote successful people and role models
- Carry out a review of school admissions and where children live and look at future predicted capacity of schools
- Support schools to identify the causes and help prevent children being excluded



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Improve and increase the youth provision across the area

We will:

- Work together to deliver the Youth Service Review and increase the youth work and youth outreach support
- Consult and talk to younger residents about the provision they would like and ideas they have
- Map youth provision in the area to identify gaps and need
- Provide youth outreach services and ensure they are accessible

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Priority 4 – Support families to ensure that children have a happy and healthy life

We will

- Provide more basic household skills training to parents, such as cooking and DIY
- Work together to ensure families get the support and prevention they need especially in the child's early years
- Promote family and children centres in the area and what they deliver
- Provide and support children that are looked after to be more included and help reduce the number of children in care



Community Safety & Crime



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What you said:

- ❑ More visible policing, seeing and being more aware of Police and Community Safety activity in the local community
- ❑ Reduce anti-social behaviour and supporting young residents by providing activities and focusing on support and prevention
- ❑ Focus on places of concern with higher crime issues and disruptive behaviour
- ❑ Improve communication about what has been done successfully to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour
- ❑ Provide support for and take action to prevent people from becoming repeat victims of crime, including people who suffer domestic abuse
- ❑ Recognise the link between alcohol misuse and community safety issues, including domestic abuse
- ❑ Help make people feel safer on the streets and in the community
- ❑ Help introduce Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and support them
- ❑ Tackle and deal with off-road bikes
- ❑ Reduce anti-social behaviour on dark nights and fireworks providing increased youth activities to help with this



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Make the Police and partners more visible in communities

We will:

- Carry out a targeted community safety campaign, making people more aware of police and community safety activity in the area
- Work with together with the Community Safety Team to ensure the North East Neighbourhood Action Group works as affectively as possible
- Increase engagement with the community and partners to address and identify anti-social behaviour and community safety concerns
- Communicate successes of the police and community safety and promote positivity and build trust with Police

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Priority 2 – Work together to keep crime at a low level and change perceptions

We will:

- Align the Community Safety Plan and the Community Plan priorities for the area and work together to deliver them
- Create an area profile using data and intelligence to identify priorities and hot spot areas
- Work together in partnership to tackle and prevent crimes relating to substance and alcohol abuse
- Explore solutions to reduce and deter organised crime across the area



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Support vulnerable and repeat victims of crime and anti-social behaviour

We will:

- Promote and work together to action online safety and online safeguarding
- Carry out a campaign on domestic abuse to raise awareness
- Work with housing providers to address low-level anti-social behaviour and tenancy issues
- Take action to safeguard vulnerable or younger people who are a high risk of being exploited

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Priority 4 – Tackle anti social behaviour

We will

- Identify repeat criminal and anti-social behaviour and provide early intervention
- Work together to carry out intervention and prevention measures of ASB and increase the use of powers to tackle this
- Carry out a campaign to encourage people to report crime and ASB and give them confidence to do this
- Create a partnership youth action plan to deliver activities for dark nights and target problem areas



Transport & Highways



What you said:

- ❑ Poor parking and parking on pavements making it difficult for people with mobility issues and people using pushchairs
- ❑ Improve road safety and reduce speeding vehicles, especially around schools and busy areas like shopping centres
- ❑ Promote the benefits of active travel – everyday walking and cycling in support of healthy lifestyles
- ❑ Needing more frequent and timely public transport services and improve transport connectivity, ensuring it is affordable for all
- ❑ Better cycling provision and routes into the city centre
- ❑ Improve parking both on streets and car parks in the local community to make them safer
- ❑ Continue to recognise and improve safer junctions and pedestrian crossing helping reduce congestion – increasing speed bumps and speed limits
- ❑ Look at whether closed roads can be reopened for access and traffic flow



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Tackle speeding vehicles and improve roads to make them safer for all

We will:

- Carry out a speed watch and safer roads campaign
- Identify 6 locations within each ward to install Vehicle Activation Sign (VAS) and rotate them around the ward as required
- Use data available from the Police and VAS located around the area to carry out a speeding review
- Increase enforcement of speeding in the area and promote successful penalties and convictions to deter speeding and dangerous driving

Priority 2 – Promote active travel, healthy lifestyles and improve cycling routes

We will:

- Work together to identify and remove barriers to improve active travel
- Promote and communicate the benefits of active travel and everyday walking and cycling
- Explore options to improve cycling provision, safety and routes into the city



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Work with partners to improve public transport and connectivity links

We will:

- Work together with external partners to identify ways to improve transport links and connectivity across the area
- Explore options to improve affordability of public transport especially for people on lower incomes
- Identify gaps and issues with public transport services being delivered in the local area

Priority 4 – Enforce and tackle poor and dangerous parking

We will

- Increase enforcement action on dangerous and illegal parking, targeting schools and local shops
- Explore options to make pavements more accessible to people with mobility issues and pushchairs
- Identify hot spot areas and look at the potential to introduce parking restrictions
- Work together with schools to encourage parents and carers to be more responsible parking and use other healthier ways to travel



Parks & Open Spaces

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What you said:

- Look for ways of improving and promoting open and green spaces and parks amenities and leisure facilities
- Safer parks and open spaces improving the upkeep and maintenance of the parks in the local community
- Protect wildlife habitats
- Help create more community gardens
- Support Friends of Groups in parks
- Places for younger residents in parks 'Hang outs'
- More activities in parks and outdoor gyms
- Healthy walks around parks and open spaces
- Promote the history of the area and its features
- Make better use of spaces and parks and review parks land across the area for better use as some have been neglected
- Plant more trees



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Protect the natural habitat and promote heritage and history

We will:

- Work with communities, landowners and local groups to protect landscape, wildlife and heritage
- Work together to promote green and open spaces and encourage people to use them
- Promote the heritage of open spaces and parks and their wildlife
- Carry out more regeneration work in open spaces, plant more trees and urban wildflower meadows

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Priority 2 – Improve the facilities in parks keeping them maintained and safe

We will:

- Work together to increase and improve facilities in parks and reduce the gap of the standard with other parks across the city
- Promote and encourage more activities and businesses in parks and open spaces
- Increase the number and locations of bins and dog bins
- Create more 'hang out' areas and facilities for younger residents in local parks



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Support more community gardens, friends of groups and allotments

We will:

- Help and support groups and volunteers to set up more community gardens
- Promote allotments and explore options for further allotment sites in the area
- Increase the number of friends of groups and further support existing friends of groups

Priority 4 – Promote healthy lifestyles through use of parks and open spaces

We will:

- Carry out a campaign on healthy walks and routes through our parks and promote walking groups
- Explore options to increase the number of park gyms and activities in parks to improve health
- Work together to make better use of parks and increase family activities



Our Community & Your Home

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What you said:

- Increase the need for more affordable housing
- Maintain community and public buildings and ensure better use of them
- Provide suitable accommodation for older people with support services
- Continue to support voluntary and community groups who are providing services
- Promote groups and ways people can meet up and network, help with the creation of community forums
- Housing tenancy checks and ensure people look after their homes, housing repairs, standard of property and overcrowding
- Better services in libraries, use of the buildings and expanded opening times
- Make it easier for people to report problems to the Council
- Doing more to bring empty houses back into use and working with landlords
- Promote and support a variety of community activities and events working in partnership to create a directory of activity
- Ensure new developments consider the community infrastructure and transport links
- Look for funding opportunities and support voluntary and faith groups
- Improve local amenities and infrastructure



Our Priorities

Priority 1 – Make better use of community buildings and services available

We will:

- Promote community buildings and the activities they deliver
- Deliver the libraries review following consultation with communities
- Work together to improve the maintenance and accessibility of community buildings
- Help and support people running community buildings to help them be successful and increase their use

Priority 2 – Help people to shape their local community

We will:

- Promote the area in a positive way and help change perception
- Carry out a campaign to promote togetherness and that people love where they live
- Help and encourage people to become more involved in our community and the ways in which they can do this



Our Priorities

Priority 3 – Provide a good mix of decent housing that is affordable across all tenures

We will:

- Work with housing providers and private landlords to ensure people are looking after their homes
- Promote and improve housing for older people and support services
- Work with developments to ensure they consider the local community and infrastructure
- Explore options for better or alternative use of hard to let or long-term vacant properties in the area

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Priority 4 – Work together to promote and help groups working in the local community

We will:

- Help groups to work together and create community forums and networks
- Map local community groups, activities and events to help promote them and create a directory
- Promote funding opportunities available to groups and help them access it
- Provide support for groups to deliver community events and festivals in the area

This document can be supplied in alternative formats, please contact The team to request a copy.

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