

South East Local Area Committee

Thursday 6 October 2022 at 6.30 pm

Shortbrook Primary School,
Westfield Northway, Sheffield S20
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Local Area
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Membership

Councillor Karen McGowan
Councillor Denise Fox
Councillor Kurtis Crossland
Councillor Tony Downing
Councillor Bryan Lodge
Councillor Bob McCann
Councillor Kevin Oxley
Councillor Mick Rooney
Councillor Jackie Satur
Councillor Gail Smith
Councillor Paul Wood
Councillor Ann Woolhouse

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**SOUTH EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE AGENDA
6 OCTOBER 2022**

Order of Business

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of the Press and Public**
To identify 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. Good Parking Scheme**
The live webcast to be paused to allow presentation of certificates to participating schools.
- 6. Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 9 - 14)
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 29 June, 2022.
- 7. Public Questions and Petitions**
To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public.
- 8. Cost of Living Crisis**
Verbal update from officers of Sheffield City Council.
- 9. South East Local Area Committee Community Plan 2022-23**
Verbal update of the Community Service Manager, Jayne Foulds, and members of the South East Local Area Committee.

Council services and partner stands

At the close of the formal meeting, there will be stands open for a public interaction session.

NOTE: The next meeting of South East Local Area Committee will be held on Wednesday 11 January 2023 at 6.30 pm

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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.

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You have a personal interest where –

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- 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.

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South East Local Area Committee

Meeting held 29 June 2022

PRESENT: Councillors Karen McGowan (Chair), Denise Fox (Deputy Chair), Kurtis Crossland, Tony Downing, Bob McCann, Mick Rooney, Gail Smith and Ann Woolhouse

1. WELCOME AND HOUSEKEEPING ARRANGEMENTS

1.1 Councillor Karen McGowan introduced herself, welcomed attendees and thanked Councillor Tony Downing (the previous South East LAC Chair) for his work setting up the South East LAC. Councillors and Officers introduced themselves.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.1 Apologies were received from Councillor Paul Wood, Councillor Bryan Lodge, Councillor Kevin Loxley, and Councillor Jackie Satur.

3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

3.1 There were no items which required the exclusion of the press or public.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

4.1 No declarations of interest were given.

5. GOOD PARKING SCHEME

5.1 Jamie Dean, Senior Sustainable Communities Officer, was in attendance and gave a presentation on the Sustainable Communities Team. He gave an overview of the role and activities of the Sustainable Communities Team.

5.2 Jamie Dean discussed Problematic Parking Patrols involving local school children, which involved creating advice tickets which praised good parking and gave feedback on parking which could be improved.

5.3 Jamie Dean outlined the findings of the project, which involved increased interactions and a more productive response from drivers.

5.4 He shared some feedback from parents regarding this and invited attendees to ask questions should they have any. Jamie Dean gave certificates to students at Brook House Junior School to acknowledge their participation in the scheme.

5.5 Councillor Downing asked that Councillors be made aware of work taking place in schools in order to allow them to participate.

6. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6.1 The minutes of the two previous LAC meetings, on the 8th of March 2022 and the 18th of May 2022, were approved as a correct record.

7. LOCAL AREA COMMUNITY PLAN

7.1 Jayne Foulds, Local Area Committee Manager, outlined the Report of South East LAC Proposed Spending 2022-23 report. She stated the key priorities highlighted in the plan were:

- Transport and Highways
- Local Environment
- Crime and Community Safety

7.2 Jayne Foulds read through the different elements of each priority.

7.3 Councillor Kurtis Crossland stated he was happy to hear money was being spent on speeding in the area. Councillor Mick Rooney confirmed this was the case.

7.4 Councillor Crossland asked if ongoing feedback from the public could be provided. Councillor McGowan confirmed that this would be possible. Councillor Rooney stated that a contingency fund was in place to allow responses to feedback received in LACs.

7.5 **RESOLVED:** That the South East LAC approve the recommendations outlined in the report.

7.6 Jayne Foulds gave a presentation on the progress to date on the priorities for the South East LAC. On the theme of transport, she outlined the Speeding Review, which was due to take place, based on feedback received previously. She stated that the team had asked for accident information to be reported back.

7.7 On the theme of environment, Jayne Foulds stated faulty street lights, fly tipping and dog fouling were being addressed through posters and working with the Environmental team. She stated that off-road biking issues were being addressed through working with South Yorkshire Police.

7.8 On the theme of Crime and Community Safety, Jayne Foulds stated work had begun with Youth Services and the Sheffield Youth Cabinet. She said that consultation work was taking place, including work with an off-site Youth Club in the Crystal Peaks area. She stated that a member of the Youth Cabinet would give a presentation within the meeting.

7.9 Councillor McGowan invited members of the public to share thoughts and suggestions on the Local Community Plan.

7.10 A member of the public suggested that Bring Out Your Rubbish Days be reintroduced. Nik Hamilton stated that the cost was prohibitive, as items such as tires and gas canisters could be discarded and were particularly expensive to

remove. He estimated that a typical Bring Out Your Rubbish Day could cost around £6,000.

8. INTRODUCTION OF YOUTH CABINET

- 8.1 Emma Hinchliffe (Young People's Involvement Lead) was in attendance to give an overview of the Sheffield Youth Cabinet, which consisted of Elected Youth Councillors and UK Youth Parliament Members. She outlined some of the key priorities for the Sheffield Youth Cabinet, which included health and wellbeing, lowering the voting age, and reforming the curriculum.
- 8.2 Councillor McGowan thanked Emma for attending and asked that they continue to work with the South East LAC.
- 8.3 A member of the Sheffield Youth Cabinet, Becca, stated she had a number of ideas and joined the Sheffield Youth Cabinet to feedback the views of her peers. She mentioned that there was only one foodbank in the area, and that many people were struggling due to the cost-of-living crisis.
- 8.4 A member of the Sheffield Youth Cabinet, Zac, stated he was passionate about politics and was particularly interested in improving outdoor recreation areas for young people, improving public transport conditions and fundraising for youth homelessness.

9. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

- 9.1 Cath Davis said there used to be a group available for children who would struggle in school, but she said that this group no longer ran. She said she felt groups such as these improved the confidence of children, and she expressed her disappointment that the group no longer met. Cath Davis asked if the leaflets available for reporting crime would be paper or electronic. Jayne Foulds stated both forms would be available. Councillor Smith responded to the first statement made by Cath Davis and said she would support reintroducing the group.
- 9.2 Mike Peet stated he was part of Sheffield Fifty Plus, and he stated their membership had significantly reduced. He said he felt the reduction in toilets in the City Centre was a factor, and he added that there was a lack of signage for toilets which were available. Councillor Mick Rooney stated that he believed there might not be as many public toilets available. Jamie Dean stated that there had previously been a process wherein shops were encouraged to open their toilets to members of the public; however, he stated he was not sure if this was still the case. Councillor Smith stated she felt this would be a good idea.
- 9.3 Dawn Sear stated she was the local group co-ordinator for Sheffield Green Peace. She said she was also part of the Sheffield Litter Pickers Society. She asked what could be done to grow more food in the area, and she stated there was a food crisis occurring. She mentioned that many allotments were not being used, and in some cases had overgrown during COVID-19. She asked if an incentive could be given by the Council to encourage individuals to take over a plot and should they clear the area within a 12-month timeframe they could be given the area for free. Jayne

Foulds stated that an Environmental Champions group was laid out in the Community Plan, and she stated that it was the Council's intention to set this up. She invited Dawn Sear to be part of this group. She stated she would welcome the opportunity to be part of the Environmental Champions group. Councillor Smith asked if information around this could be put up on the website to encourage others to engage. Jayne Foulds confirmed that this would be possible. Rowan Longhurst from Sheffield City Council was in attendance, regarding allotments she stated that the interest in food growing had risen. She said that interest in allotments had increased substantially during the pandemic and added that the waiting list was now in the thousands. She said she welcomed ideas from members of the public. Councillor Rooney asked whether the South East Countryside Management meeting still took place. Rowan Longhurst stated she thought the meeting no longer took place. Councillor Rooney suggested that those interested in rewilding feedback to the consultation for the Local Plan.

9.4 Cath Davis stated that there was an overgrown garden with a number of young trees which she was aware of, and she stated this would be open to anybody who wished to take it over.

9.5 Claire Baker and Sandra Smith presented a portfolio on the Owlthorpe fields. They stated the area was now a natural habitat, and they asked that the area not be built upon. Claire stated she found a Pyramid Orchid, which she stated was only one of two located in Sheffield; however, she stated the grass was mowed soon after she discovered it. Councillor McCann thanked Claire and Sandra for their work to date. He said he felt that when they had attended the Planning Meeting their work had not been given adequate attention. He asked that this issue be given priority for the South East LAC. Councillor Woolhouse stated that the area was an attractive place. Councillor Crossland stated he had been unable to meet with Claire Barker and Sandra Smith previously due to contracting COVID-19; however, he said he would reschedule this meeting. Councillor McGowan suggested that this item go to the relevant Policy Committee. Councillor Smith concurred with this. Councillor McCann stated he was on the Planning Committee; however, he said he felt Members influence had decreased over a number of years. He expressed his disappointment and frustration.

9.6 Alan McCain stated he was a member of the Woodhouse group, and he stated one of their key priorities was crime prevention. He stated that he was aware that 16 cameras had been introduced in S16; however, he questioned whether the cameras were working as he stated crime appeared to be continuing to occur. Councillor Rooney responded, and he stated that the Council had not appointed a Project Manager. He stated that there had also been a number of issues.

10. DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT PUBLIC MEETING AND UPDATE ON COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS

10.1 Laurie Brennan was in attendance to give a brief overview of the Cost-of-Living Crisis. He referenced the challenges of the rise in cost of food and energy whilst salaries were stagnant. He stated that the Council was trying to support people as much as possible. He outlined some of the things being done to try and help people in the area, including signposting the support available, improving their website and

providing hardship grants as simply as possible. He added that planning had begun to support people through winter.

- 10.2 Laurie Brenan invited attendees to provide advice on how to support the local area. He stated the Council was working to coordinate their response across the LACs.
- 10.3 Councillor McGowan suggested that the cost-of-living crisis be discussed at the next LAC with a specific South-East LAC focus. Dawn Sear mentioned food poverty and food waste as significant issues. She asked whether food could be placed in fridges and used by those who were most in need. Laurie Brenan stated he could discuss this with a Public Health Officer. Councillor Crossland suggested the LAC look at the Local Plan. It was suggested that there be a section for local community groups to network and discuss goals.
- 10.4 Councillor Rooney asked whether mapping of food banks had been done in the past. Laurie Brenan stated that this was correct, and he said that this work was part of the Food Access Plan. Laurie Brenan said that there was some concern that foodbanks could be overstretched, particularly as people donated less as their own money was limited.

11. FEEDBACK FROM JUBILEE EVENTS

- 11.1 Councillor McGowan gave some updates on funding given for Jubilee Events and directed people to the message boards in the area.

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