

East Local Area Committee

Monday 20 March 2023 at 4.30 pm

Town Hall, Sheffield, S1 2HH

The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend



Local Area
Committees

Membership

Councillor Mary Lea
Councillor Mike Drabble
Councillor David Barker
Councillor Terry Fox
Councillor Dianne Hurst
Councillor Mazher Iqbal
Councillor Ben Miskell
Councillor Nabeela Mowlana
Councillor Zahira Naz
Councillor Sioned-Mair
Richards
Councillor Sophie Wilson
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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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**EAST LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE AGENDA
20 MARCH 2023**

Order of Business

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Exclusion of the Press and Public**
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 - 16)
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 25 January 2023
- 6. Appointment of Deputy Chair of the Committee**
To (a) appoint Councillor Mike Drabble as Deputy Chair of the Committee and (b) authorise the Deputy Chair's Special Responsibility Allowance to be paid from 25th January 2023, being the date from which he has been acting in that role

NOTE: The next meeting of East Local Area Committee will be held on a date and time 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 Policy Committees, 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 Standards Committee in relation to a request for dispensation.

Further advice can be obtained from David Hollis, Interim Director of Legal and Governance by emailing david.hollis@sheffield.gov.uk.

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East Local Area Committee

Meeting held 25 January 2023

PRESENT: Councillors Mary Lea (Chair), Mike Drabble, Dianne Hurst, Nabeela Mowlana, Zahira Naz and Sioned-Mair Richards

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Terry Fox, Ben Miskell and Sophie Wilson.

1.2 The Chair (Councillor Mary Lea) mentioned the unfortunate passing of Councillor Anne Murphy who was a Member of the East Local Area Committee.

All the attendees gave a moment of silence to pay their respects to Councillor Anne Murphy

Councillor Sioned-Mair Richards paid tribute to Councillor Anne Murphy. She said that Anne was loved by so many. She often met people, while undertaking Mayoral engagements, who spoke enthusiastically about having met Anne. Anne had strong opinions and always had a way of getting her way when getting things done. She added that Anne was a great friend, was always great company and she would be missed by all.

2. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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 RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 18th October 2022, were approved as a correct record.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 The Committee received the following question from a member of the public, in attendance at the meeting.

5.2 Public Questioner 1

Felt as though Tinsley ward had been left to one side and that it needed more attention. She asked if more funding could go into Tinsley.

The Chair explained that members of the public would hear, at a later stage of the meeting, how the funds were going to be distributed across all the wards. She highlighted some recent projects that had gone into Tinsley. These included the new school which was built and opened just a few years ago. The park had been regenerated before the school development. Councillors negotiated an annual grant from EON of around 25k per year for Tinsley dependent on energy generated at the EON biomass plant. There will also be a nature park developed on the old school site.

Councillor Zahira Naz also added that she had applied for some warm spaces, for the men of Tinsley and that they already had a women's group that was going well. Councillor Naz mentioned she had a recent meeting where she asked a question around community development workers for the Tinsley area and whether more CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) can be used in the area.

6. **EAST LAC SPEND 2022/23**

6.1 The Committee received a report of the Community Services Manager, Huda Ahmed which set out details of the spend in respect of this £100,000 that had been authorised by the Community Services Manager, in consultation with the LAC Chair and in accordance with the delegations granted in September 2021 and June 2022.

6.2 The Community Services Manager explained that he anticipated expenditure for the following themes were as follows: -

- £50,000 for Children, Young People and Families
- £20,000 for Environment
- £20,000 for Communities and Neighbourhoods

There was also £10,000 unallocated, to account for elements of spend not currently envisaged.

6.3 Each theme had identified areas of priority, and these were as follows: -

Children, Young People and Families

- Allocated £10,000 between the East LAC wards to fund

projects that supported children and young people - match funded from ward pots.

- Funding five Saturday clubs that have been set up across the East LAC wards to run free various activities targeting Children and young people, that promote health and wellbeing, total cost £20,000
- Allocated funding to projects that supported young people and organisations that deal with Anti-Social behaviour

Environment

- Awarded each East LAC ward £5,000 to deal with fly tipping and waste and other environmental projects

Communities and Neighbourhoods

- Awarded community organisations/agencies across all four wards that support residents and communities with costs of living, for example, run activities that help people across all ages deal with loneliness and isolation

- 6.4 A member of the public, asked if any funding could target children under the age of 10 years old.

The Community Services Manager mentioned that herself and the member of the public had a meeting scheduled for February therefore options for this this could be discussed then.

The Chair agreed that younger people did also need some provision although it was agreed to target young people over the age of 10 as it was believed that they would benefit from the funding more.

- 6.5 A member of the public, asked whether the Council could better enforce penalties to those who were fly-tipping in these wards. This would mean that the Environment theme would not have to allocate £20,000 for fly-tipping therefore that budget could be used for a different service.

The Chair mentioned that each LAC had approximately £57,000 allocated to them to tackle fly-tipping, graffiti and litter hotspots across all 4 wards. The £20,000 mentioned at the meeting was for £5,000 to be allocated to each ward to tackle environmental projects in their areas. The Chair added that it was a very difficult process to prosecute people who were fly-tipping.

- 6.6 **RESOLVED:** That the East Local Area Committee notes the expenditure against the £100,000 budget to address local priorities

in the East LAC in 2022/3, as detailed in the report

7. EAST LAC COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE

7.1 The Community Services Manager gave a presentation to the Local Area Committee.

7.2 It was explained that there was 7 Local Area Committees (LAC) in Sheffield and that each LAC covered 4 different ward areas. The wards for the East LAC were as follows: -

- Park & Arbourthorne
- Darnall
- Manor Castle
- Richmond

7.3 The Community Services Manager mentioned that when the LACs first launched, a survey was undertaken to ask members of the public what they wanted the LAC to focus on. Following that survey, 6 key themes were identified. These were as follows: -

- Environment
- Community Safety & Crime
- Community & Neighbourhoods
- Children & Young People
- Transport & Highways
- Health & Wellbeing

Under each theme, priorities were identified which were shared to the attendees as part of the presentation.

7.4 A member of the public raised concerns around the lack of projects and funding mentioned for the Tinsley area.

The Community Services Manager explained that application forms were sent out to all the community groups for this LAC and that Tinsley were a part of this. The application form was for communities to request funding for their areas. It was added that although this process had already passed, it did not mean that the LAC could not look at Tinsley again and identify anything that area needed.

7.5 A member of the public raised concerns around vehicles turning right on St Lawrence/Sheffield Road.

The Chair explained that she had met with Clive Betts and Transport & Highways Officers to look at possible solutions and were optimistic that an engineering solution had been found to the St Lawrence/Sheffield Road turning.

8. PRESENTATION & HARASSMENT VIDEO

- 8.1 The Youth Voice and Influence Manager, Sarah Stevens gave a presentation to the Local Area Committee. The presentation focused on violence against women and girls and what the Council were doing to tackle this issue.
- 8.2 The Youth Voice and Influence Manager explained that this was a huge issue in the City and violence against women and girls can be either emotional, physical, sexual or financial.
- 8.3 It was mentioned that White Ribbon was a global campaign that encourages men and boys to individually and collectively take action and change their behaviours towards women and girls. It was added that this was about educating men and boys to avoid violence in the future.
- 8.4 Some of the actions already taken by Sheffield City Council were as follows: -
- The launch of our first women and girls' night-time safety character
 - Development of resources for Sheffield against sexual harassment, including the promotion of the 'Ask for Angela' scheme in venues, bars and other premises.
 - Support for the City's violence against women and girls forum.
- 8.5 Attendees were informed that youth voice and influence was about listening to young people and valuing what they say. The Youth Service empowered and supported young people to be involved in decision-making.
- 8.6 It was stated that Sheffield had a South Yorkshire Police Young People's Advisory Group and a Sheffield Youth Cabinet. These 2 groups worked together to create a video on the violence against women and girls' issue. This video was then shared to the Local Area Committee.
- 8.7 Following the video, it was mentioned that BBC Radio and Breakfast Show, Hallam FM News, Radio 5 Live and ITV had all taken interest in the issue.
- 8.8 The presentation identified how more information on this issue could be accessed.
- 8.9 Councillor Sioned-Mair Richards spoke out about how she had been "flashed" between the ages of 9 and 64. Over 50 years of it!

Enough was enough and more needed to be done to educate young men and boys.

- 8.10 A member of the public asked how long the 'Ask Angela' scheme had been implemented into venues in Sheffield.

It was mentioned that the scheme had been in place for around 6 years in Sheffield.

9. WORKSHOPS

- 9.1 Following the presentation, Members of the Committee broke out into breakout groups with Officers and members of the public. They were asked to consider the following 3 questions.

1. Do you feel this is an issue in your area / community?
2. What are your thoughts on addressing the issues raised
3. How do we raise more awareness amongst boys and men?

- 9.2 Following the breakout session, one person from each group was asked to feedback their groups thoughts. A summary of all the feedback presented were as follows: -

- 9.3
- Different design of buildings can put women at risk
 - Younger people were worried about talking about it to boys and men
 - There was an online portal by South Yorkshire Police that people can put their experiences on
 - More schools should play the video to their students
 - Should invest in children, under the age of 10, and educate them in this issue
 - Upload similar videos on social media
 - Include other sporting teams in the City to spread the awareness
 - Apply these messages into kids book to targeting young people
 - Use school champions in each school
 - Look at business policies and tender processes. Have they got a policy in place on this issue
 - Need a safe place to discuss these concerns without judgement
 - Send letters to the parents of students in schools, informing them of these messages to help educate young people
 - This video should be shared through religious/faith groups
 - Can a video be done from a male perspective
 - Make sure 'Ask Angela' scheme is in as many venues as

possible

- 9.4 The Youth Voice and Influence Manager asked all the attendees to make an individual pledge to themselves to take responsibility in leading change in either their communities, their area, their school, their family or their workplace.
- 9.5 The Chair passed on her thanks to all the young people involved in making the video.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1 It was noted that Councillor Mike Drabble be appointed as Deputy Chair of the East Local Area Committee at the next meeting of the Local Area Committee.

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