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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

DISTRICT COMMITTEE - KIRKLEES RURAL

Thursday 21st July 2016

Present: Councillor Michael Watson (Chair)
Councillors B Armer, D Bellamy, D Firth, C Greaves, C Iredale,
T Lyons, A Marchington, N Patrick, H Richards, Smith, G Turner,
N Turner and R Walker

Apologies: E Holroyd-Doveton, J Dodds and K Sims

In attendance: Approximately 40 members of public

1 Welcomes and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone and members of the committee introduced themselves.

2 Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 24 March 2016 be approved as a correct record.

3 Interests

Councillor Greaves declared an Other Interest in agenda item 10 Committee budget report, grant application by Honley Cricket Club, and remained in the meeting.

4 Admission of the public

Agreed that all items be considered in public session.

5 Deputations / Petitions

None were received.

6 Update on Crime and Community Safety

Inspector Mark Trueman and Sergeant Hayley Marsland gave an update on crime and community safety in the Kirklees Rural area. The culture of Policing had changed to being available 24/7 and community beat officers took ownership of problems from start to resolving them.

There had been an overall reduction in crime across the Kirklees Rural area since 1st June 2016 and anti social behaviour was the lowest in Kirklees. Burglaries and theft from out buildings was down by 26%, there had been 5 thefts from motor vehicles.

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In Colne Valley 2 burglars from Greater Manchester had been arrested. In Golcar anti social behaviour was being monitored and dealt with via the anti social behaviour unit. Crime prevention work was taking place with 2 cricket clubs which had suffered damage. In Meltham work was taking place to identify those involved in graffiti.

In Holmfirth there was a multi agency approach to issues with taxis and licensing and follow up work with local establishments. An issue with 4 by 4 vehicles on Holme Moss is being tackled.

In Kirkburton there was a slight increase in homes burgled and crime prevention work would be taking place over the next few weeks.

In the Dearne Valley the Police video van was being deployed to tackle issues with youth gangs at weekends. The problem of people parking on pavements in Highburton and Kirkburton would be addressed by the Police.

More officers were being trained to use a speed gun, there were restrictions on its use so the best places need to be found for it.

Multi agency work to tackle issues on the Ale Trail included Public Space Protection Order zones in Slaithwaite and Marsden (public consultation on Kirklees Website). Concern was expressed that organisations making a profit out of the Ale Trail should do more to help prevent and tackle anti social behaviour.

New Police recruits would start to be deployed across the rural area from September. The force would be recruiting 16 cohorts, with 70 officers in each one, over the next few years.

An alternative way of contacting the Kirklees Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team was to click on the "contact us" icon at the top right of the website.

RESOLVED – That Inspector Trueman and Sergeant Marsland be thanked for the update.

7 **Healthy Child Programme**

The Committee received an overview from Alan Turner (Healthy Child Programme Manager), Melonie Williams (Head of Aspire Trust) and Paul Greenough (Head of Honley High School) of the aims of the Healthy Child Programme and involvement of the schools in the programme.

The aim of the programme was to bring together organisations, people and services to develop a shared approach so that every child has the best start in life and all children, young people and adults maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives. The move to commissioning of children's public health services by local authorities was an opportunity to take a fresh look at a whole family approach.

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One contract was being commissioned from 1st April 2017 to deliver the following:

- Health visiting and family nurse partnership (0-5 year old public health resource)
- School nursing (5-19 year old public health resource)
- Children and adolescent mental health service (CAMHS) tiers 2 and 3
- Learning from the pilot Single Point of Access in the CAMHS Transformation Plan
- Children's Weight Management Service
- Healthy Vitamin Scheme
- Services supporting vulnerable families with a child under 5 years

A key part of the programme was early intervention and prevention. The design of the current system is disabling access to services by communities. The importance of preventative and supportive community services for families and young people such as the youth service in the Colne Valley was noted.

There was a stigma in schools about mental health issues and seeking help. Work was being done to utilise and give school staff the skills to deal with issues as they arise rather than referring families to services. The major providers were being encouraged to work with smaller community organisations to formalise the collaboration that is in place.

The programme would be needs led and services will be co- produced with local communities. The programme would also link with the proposed early help hubs. One example that had made a difference so far was having one person in school co-ordinating and dealing with school nursing issues.

RESOLVED – That Alan Turner, Melonie Williams and Paul Greenough be thanked for the update.

8 **Community Projects - feedback**

The Committee received a presentation from the young people's skate park group in Marsden on their fundraising activity and community work.

Updates were also received on projects from Honley Cricket Club, Linthwaite Christmas Lights group, Friends of Marsden Park and Linthwaite Community Garden.

RESOLVED – That community representatives be thanked for providing feedback.

9 **District Committee Arrangements 2016 - 2017**

The Committee considered the working arrangements for the Committee in the 2016-2017 municipal year.

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the criteria for the District Committee Grant Scheme 2016-2017 be approved.

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- (ii) That the following parish/ town council representatives and co-opted members be nominated to full Council for appointment to the district committee in 2016-2017:-

Denby Dale Parish Council – Richard Brook and Maggie Blanshard
Holme Valley Parish Council – Charles Kaye and Judith Roberts
Meltham Town Council – Richard Noon and Paul White
Kirkburton Parish Council – Raymond Franks and Raymond Bray
Colne Valley Ward Co-optees – Callum Gibson, John Shone, Jean Margetts
Golcar Ward Co-optees – Karen Armitage and Michael Moores

10 Committee Budget Report

(Councillor Greaves declared an Other Interest in agenda item 10 Committee budget report, grant application by Honley Cricket Club, and remained in the meeting.)

The Committee considered a number of applications for funding.

RESOLVED:-

- (1) That funding be approved as follows:-
 - (a) £600 revenue to move Milnsbridge Library art work (Golcar Ward).
 - (b) £1,000 revenue grant to Honley Business Association towards Honley Feast event (Holme Valley North Ward).
 - (c) £1,162 capital grant to Leymoor Cricket Club towards repair and enhancement of the club pavilion (Golcar Ward).
 - (d) £1,240 revenue for a replacement public bench in Birdsedge (Denby Dale Ward).
 - (e) £4,000 capital grant to Wooldale Community Association towards upgrade of the car park for the centre, subject to completion of the asset transfer (Holme Valley South Ward).
 - (f) £10,000 New Homes Bonus grant to Honley Cricket Club towards new changing rooms at the pavilion, subject to completion of the GAP registration process and funding to be released once the total amount of funding is agreed and in place (Holme Valley North Ward).
 - (g) £2,000 revenue for community safety activities to be managed by Golcar and Colne Valley NMG.
- (2) That a grant application from Milnsbridge Enhancement Group to repair steps on the riverside walk be refused.
- (3) That the returns to Committee budgets and Discretionary Grants be noted, as set out in the report.

11 Nominations to Outside Bodies

The Committee considered nominations to the George Beaumont Foundation and the Thurstonland School with Ludlum and Horsfall Foundation.

RESOLVED - That Council nominations to Outside Bodies be as follows: -

George Beaumont Foundation – Councillor John Taylor 3 year term with effect from 21st July 2016.

Thurstonland School with Ludlum and Horsfall Foundation – Mr M Greetham 4 year term with effect from 21st July 2016.

12 Public Question Time

There were no public questions.

13 Dates of Future Meetings 2016-2017

The dates and times as below:

7pm - Thursday 24th November 2016 (Holme Valley North)

10am - Saturday 25th February 2017 (Golcar)

7pm - Thursday 23rd March 2017 (Holme Valley South)