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SW LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT REPORT

Crookes & Crosspool - Dore & Totley - Ecclesall - Fulwood

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This SW LAC consultation and engagement report includes information from the draft Community Plan that was presented at the online public event on 20th January 2022. It is also a record of the discussions, ideas and comments discussed with attendees in the workshops and written feedback received after the meeting up to 28th February 2022.

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Section 1

What are Local Area Committees (LACs)?



Local Area Committees (LACs) are a way for people to get involved in making a difference to their local communities. Some budgets have already been devolved to the LACs for them to be used on issues and priorities that residents and communities have told us are important to them.

LACs are a chance for people to influence decision making, share their opinion and contribute to positive changes in their community. They are an opportunity for people to say what they would like to see improved in their area.

Whilst LACs have some initial devolved powers, the devolution of further powers will continue to evolve.

Further details about LACs can be found here - www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/local-area-committees



Who are the Committee Members?

The South West Local Area Committee is made up of twelve elected Councillors, representing the four Council wards included within the South West LAC.

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- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/SouthWestLACs>
- Twitter – <https://twitter.com/SouthWestSheff>
- Next Door App here - <https://nextdoor.co.uk/agency-detail/england/south-yorkshire/sheffield-city-council/>

Section 2

About the South West Area



The South West is one of seven LACs - it consists of four Council wards, which are:

Crookes & Crosspool

includes the neighbourhoods Crookes, Crookesmoor, Crosspool, and Sandygate – the ward profile can be found here:

[Crookes and Crosspool.pdf \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](#)

Dore & Totley

includes the neighbourhoods Bradway, Dore, Totley, Whirlow, and Rural areas - the ward profile can be found here: **[Dore and Totley.pdf \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](#)**

Ecclesall

includes the neighbourhoods Bannercross, Bents Green, Carterknowle, Ecclesall, Greystones, and Millhouses - the ward profile can be found here:

[Ecclesall.pdf \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](#)

Fulwood

includes the neighbourhoods Endcliffe, Fulwood, Lodge Moor, Nether Green, Ranmoor, and Rural areas – the ward profile can be found here:

[Fulwood.pdf \(sheffield.gov.uk\)](#)

Please note the ward profiles are based on the 2011 Census and will be updated once the results of the 2021 are known, estimated to be the summer of 2022. The ward boundaries were changed prior to the 2016 election.

What we know about the area

- The South West area of the city has four of the most affluent wards of Sheffield. However, despite the affluence, there are pockets of deprivation in the area where people may be in a vulnerable group through such as being out of work, through disability and other ill health both physically and mentally, or by being part of a low income family such as providing unpaid care.
- There are 77,876 people living in the South West area of the city. The ethnicity of the population is predominantly white British, with small numbers of other ethnicities living across the wards. Within the population, there is a significantly high percentage of older people over the age of 65 living in the area. Whilst life expectancy is high in the South West, there are many issues with social isolation and loneliness among the older population – many of which have been exacerbated by the pandemic.
- The area has a diverse economic and cultural mix with domestic dwellings and several busy shopping areas and other businesses that provide services such as hospitality. Whilst home ownership is high within the area, there are also pockets of social housing and some vulnerable people in the area are asset rich (i.e. own their home) but are cash poor which contributes to the deprivation in the area. Affordability of housing in the area is low with the average house price being circa £365k.
- The four wards between them have six of the highest attaining secondary schools across the city, which are in high demand for children and young adults from all over Sheffield to achieve a high standard of education.
- There are lots of green spaces and parks across the main urban areas of the South West, but there are also a lot of rural areas that border and extend into the Peak District National Park.

The information on the next page gives a breakdown of some of the demographics for the South West.

What we know about the area continued.

This page will be updated further from the results of the 2021 Census once known later in the year.

- South West has a population of 77,786.
- Age - 0-15 16.8%, Working Age 62.6%, Age 65+ 20.6%.
- Ethnicity - White British 87%, Black, Asian, Ethnic Minority 9.5%, White (Non - British) 3.5%, Multi – Ethnic Households 9.9%.
- 12,400 People are living in deprivation (measured on one or more of the indices of deprivation, as at 2011 Census, to be updated after 2021 Census results received).
- 10% of people have no qualifications (compared with 22% across England).
- 14% have a disability or limiting long-term illness. (compared with 18% across England).
- Gender - 49.3% Male, 50.7% Female (This information is as at 2011 Census, to be updated after 2021 Census results received).
- Main Employment Sectors - 1. Education, 2. Health & Social Work, 3. Retail.
- The average household income is £55,806 (Compared to England Average of £43,966).
- Tenure - 78.5% are Homeowners, 3.8% Rent from the council, 1.8% Rent from Housing Associations, 13.4% are Private Renting, 2.5% are other.

Section 3

How we engaged with the South West community



What engagement we did ...

- We held our first public meeting in September 2021 to launch the SW LAC.
- We created a contact database which includes Voluntary, Community and Faith Sector (VCFS) groups/organisations, partners and residents to either correspond with by email or by post. Updates also sent via the SW GovDelivery email distribution list to approx. 7,500 people.
- We published regular press releases on Sheff News [Home | SheffNews](#), and also in other local publications including: Bradway Bugle; Dore to Door; Totley Independent; Southside and Westside; Grapevine and S10 Magazine.
- We delivered a citywide newsletter to all residential properties to introduce LACs and provided members of the public with contact details for all LAC teams.
- Posted on our social media pages: Facebook, Twitter and Next Door. We will continue to publish items to promote activity and future public LAC meetings, as well as items of interest relating to LACs and other community events.
- Kept our webpages up to date – see: <https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/south-west-local-area-committee>
- Circulated/promoted a city-wide Citizen Space survey on relevant sites and sent to our contacts database, including GovDelivery list.
- Sent paper surveys to people who requested them. Delivered surveys to a variety of businesses, shops, cafes and all churches across the SW.
- Contacted all groups/organisations on our contact list for the team to attend meetings/events to discuss LACs and the survey.

Engagement will be a continuous part of the LAC's role – your comments, feedback and ideas are an integral part of our work in the SW area.

Section 4

What you said about the South West area and what we found through engagement



Number of completed surveys received, and the Council ward the South West respondents were from...

- We had 1,303 responses for the South West LAC area.
- 1,155 responses were online surveys.
- 148 were from paper surveys.
- 25% of respondents were from Crookes and Crosspool.
- 21% of respondents were from Dore and Totley.
- 37% of respondents were from Ecclesall.
- 17% of respondents were from Fulwood.

Who replied to our survey in the South West?

The information on this page shows some of the demographics of the 1303 people in the South West who responded to the survey and has been obtained from the equalities questions asked in the survey. This is different from the demographics information that is provided on page 10 which is provided for the whole population of 77,786 people living in the South West.

What tenure type did respondents have?

- 80.5% homeowners.
- 0.8% rent from the Council.
- 0.5% rent from other social landlords.
- 3.5% rent from a private landlord.
- 0.9% lived with family.
- 13.8% didn't say.

What were the ages of the respondents?

- 2% under the age of 20.
- 58% aged between 20-64.
- 40% aged 65 or over.

What were the genders of the respondents?

- 40% male.
- 57% female.
- 0.5% non-binary / other.
- 2.5% preferred not to say

Other information for the respondents

- 13% said they have a disability or a long term condition or illness that is limiting to their life.
- 15% said they are unpaid carer.
- 49% had no religion or belief, 45% followed a religion and 6% preferred not to say.
- 88% were white British, 4% were Black, Asian, Ethnic Minority and 2% said they were white Non-British – 6% of people preferred not to say.

It is important to note that whilst this page gives information on the respondents to the survey, the LAC will consider all demographic information available for South West population to inform any decisions that they will make on how budgets are spent on the priorities identified for the South West.

What respondents said.

These are some of the things people said they liked about the south west:

- Countryside, Parks, Green spaces and lots of trees.
- Close to the City and Peak District.
- Not far from local shops and amenities.
- Friendly neighbours, community and good atmosphere.
- Good schools.
- Responsive Councillors.
- Quiet and safe.
- Good buses.

These are some of the things people said needed improving in the south west:

- More frequent buses.
- Stop speeding vehicles.
- Improve recycling options to include more plastic etc.
- Improve street and footpath maintenance.
- Don't over develop existing housing sites and keep control of housing density.
- Increase police presence and patrols.
- Reduce anti-social behaviour (ASB) and crime.

What respondents said continued.

Respondents were asked how happy they felt with their local area where they live?

- 495 people said they were very happy.
- 632 people said they were happy.
- 138 people said they were neither unhappy or happy.
- 28 people said they were unhappy.
- 10 people said they were not happy at all.

Respondents were also asked how easy it is for them to find out about news in their local area, such as events and activities?

106 people said it was very hard.

259 people said it was hard.

495 people said it was neither easy or hard.

340 people said it was easy.

103 people said it was very easy.

Key themes.

This page shows the number of respondents who said what they like about the area which are linked to key themes.

- 1246 people like their community and neighbourhoods.
- 1154 people like their parks and open spaces.
- 299 people like the transport and highways.
- 133 people like the environment.
- 123 like the provision for children, young people and families.
- 121 felt community safety and crime were low in the area.
- 108 people felt that the variety of businesses in the area and opportunities for employment and improving their skills were good.
- 23 people said facilities and services for their health and wellbeing were good.

This page shows the number of respondents who said what things needed to be improved which are linked to key themes.

- 1232 people said the transport and highways issues needed to be improved.
- 542 people said the environment needed improving.
- 186 people said the community and neighbourhoods needed improving.
- 183 people said community safety and crime needed to be improved.
- 164 people said parks and open spaces needed to be improved.
- 120 people said the variety of businesses in the area and opportunities for employment and improving their skills needed improving.
- 53 people said the provision for children, young people and families needed improving.
- 43 people said facilities and services for their health and wellbeing needed to be improved.

Section 5

The suggested community priorities and themes identified through engagement and consultation



Priorities.

The three priority themes that the survey identified are:

- Transport & Highways.
- Local Environment.
- Community & Neighbourhoods.

Transport & Highways.

Under this theme, these are the areas that people said needed to be improved and a priority to address. They were grouped into three key areas – 1) issues caused by transport; 2) general issues with transport; 3) public transport and active travel, which have been split down further to show the responses in the 3 categories.

Under the theme issues caused by transport:

- 233 people said problem parking needed addressing.
- 196 people said speeding needed addressing.
- 38 people said traffic calming and low traffic neighbourhoods needed addressing.
- 5 people said heavy goods vehicles routing needed addressing.

Under the theme of public transport and active travel:

- 329 people said they wanted improvements making to public transport.
- 91 people said they wanted to see more safer routes including more crossings.
- 72 people said they wanted to see more cycle routes.
- 15 people said they wanted active travel to be improved.

Under the theme of general issues with transport:

- 96 people said traffic volume needed addressing.
- 84 people said more parking was required.
- 33 people said general highways improvements were needed.
- 21 people said there were specific local improvements needed.
- 12 people said more electric parking was needed.
- 7 people said they wanted to see fewer motoring restrictions.

Local Environment.

Under this theme, respondents raised concerns in respect of insufficient clearance of autumn leaves, leading to slippery footpaths, in particular. They also raised concerns about potential flood risk issues due to reductions in the frequency of gulley cleaning. Respondents were also keen to encourage greater recycling options, including the ability to recycle more plastics and other recyclable materials. Tackling fly-tipping and graffiti were also highlighted.

Under this theme:

- 158 people wanted to see improvements for waste, rubbish and bins.
- 157 people wanted to see improvements to the street and environmental cleaning and maintenance.
- 138 people wanted to see improvements to the parks, green and open spaces.
- 58 people wanted to see improvements for dealing with trees and leaves in the area.
- 44 people wanted to see improvements to the streetscene, footpaths and lighting etc.
- 35 people wanted to see improvements to the climate, clear air and carbon footprint.
- 30 people wanted to see improvements to other elements of the local environment,
- 25 people wanted to see improvements to dog fouling in the area.
- 18 people wanted noise pollution to be addressed.
- 15 people wanted to see improvements to play grounds and play areas.
- 11 people wanted to see graffiti reduced and addressed.
- 6 people wanted to see fly tipping reduced and addressed.

Community and Neighbourhoods.

Frequent responses made reference to friendly neighbours, a 'good atmosphere' and community spirit. Loneliness and isolation was seen as a key issue experienced by many older people living in the area. Local shops and amenities were seen as key community assets; however, respondents felt that in some areas they needed improvement as they are key to neighbourhood vitality – providing services and employment opportunities at a local level. The closure of post offices and banks was a cause for concern.

A desire to see a reduction in crime was a common theme, as well as requests to see an increased police presence in the local area to tackle issues such as burglaries and anti-social behaviour in local parks, and in the wider area, including drug dealing. Young adults congregating in gangs was often felt to be intimidating.

Under this theme:

- 87 people wanted a reduction in housebuilding and a review of the planning process.
- 71 people wanted to see an increase in police patrols.
- 69 people wanted to see a reduction in crime.
- 43 people wanted to see a reduction in anti-social behaviour, including drug use, alcohol abuse and youth gangs etc.
- 36 people wanted to see an increase in the community feel with more voluntary groups and activities in the area.
- 31 people wanted to see an increase in community libraries, buildings and other community assets.
- 16 people wanted to see a reduction in student accommodation and houses of multiple occupancy.
- 16 people wanted to see an improvement in local amenities like shops, post offices etc.

Transport & Highways

These are some of the ideas and potential solutions suggested by the SW LAC and by the community through various engagement methods to address the priorities identified.

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Road Safety	Implementation of 20mph zones in appropriate areas.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Installation of new Vehicle Activated Signs in all wards.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Review where new crossings may be required.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Explore setting up community speed watch groups supported by SY Safer Roads Partnership.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Could all city be on 20mph as a default rather than specific neighbourhoods?	There are strict criteria that must be met for 20 mph zones, therefore are unable to be applied to all categories of roads in the city.
	Install more speed bumps.	These are often very expensive and unaffordable in schemes; but we will look at particular cases, such as new developments.
	Need to make it easier for highways requests to be considered – could the LAC be the area this happens?	To be updated once the new Governance arrangements are in place for the new committee system.
Cycling and Active Travel	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Identify safe cycling routes and safe parking for cycles.	To consider at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree transport priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Transport and Highways Committee.
	Identify/remove barriers in order to improve active travel.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Encourage people to use cars less and design cycle routes in accordance with current standards to separate pedestrians and cyclists where required.	To consider at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree transport priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Transport and Highways Committee.

Transport & Highways continued...

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Traffic and Parking	Explore restrictions to reduce inappropriate parking.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Explore resident parking schemes.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Encourage enforcement activity to prevent inappropriate parking.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Raise awareness for all residents on how they report local traffic related issues.	To consider at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree transport priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Transport Committee.
	Raise awareness about inconsiderate parking and impact on emergency vehicles passing etc.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Increase the number of resident parking schemes.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Encourage more car sharing.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	The car park in Endcliffe park is often used by commuters not people visiting the park – how can this be stopped?	There is already a pay and display in the car park which reduces this.
	School parking a big concern – especially when people park with idling engines.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Better signage for disabled parking bays to stop them being abused.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Work with SYP to explore introducing a scheme to tackle inappropriate parking / offences further.	Added to SW LAC community plan.

Transport & Highways continued ...

Priority	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20 th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
Public Transport	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Use our influence to improve bus services.	Comments from this consultation will be fed into the review that the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority is carrying out as the Governing body, as well as being considered at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree transport priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Transport and Highways Committee.
	Improving bus shelters and information by liaising with appropriate organisations.	
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	More affordable buses/trams needed.	Comments from this consultation will be fed into the review that the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority is carrying out as the Governing body, as well as being considered at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree transport priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Transport and Highways Committee.
	Can an oyster card system be introduced?	
	Certain areas need a better provision, which is reliable and has information re bus times etc.	
Explore potential to extend Supertram for Abbeydale Road corridor.		
LAC to lobby SCC and City Region to develop Dore and Totley Station.	The Hope Valley Capacity Scheme is underway to improve the station / lines available for use. Further details can be found here The Hope Valley Railway Upgrade - Network Rail .	

Local Environment

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Waste, rubbish and bins	Explore options to increase recycling.	To consider at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree recycling priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Environment Committee as a citywide strategy.
	Explore options for more communal bins/notices, particularly in parks for dog fouling.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Develop a smart scheme for recycling to stop large items being disposed of. Explore having food waste bins, particularly for such as schools and takeaways.	To consider at a forthcoming LAC meeting to agree recycling priorities for the SW and recommendations to make to the Environment Committee as a citywide strategy.
	Produce guidance for communities on what can be recycled and where in the area.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Plastic is a big issue – LACs talking to businesses on reducing single use plastic.	Added to SW LAC community plan to include as part of business networks/forums to be set up.
	Improved messaging needed for communal/public bins such as in blocks of flats. – i.e. not for overspill of household waste.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	More public bins needed in parks / on highways – but can they be split so that people can still re-cycle whilst out.	Added to SW LAC community plan to review bin locations etc and consult further with communities.

Local Environment continued ...

Priority	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20 th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
Waste, rubbish and bins	Can we have more red dog waste bins?	Dog bins are no longer separate as can be put in normal bins, but will review information/signage re dog fouling for public areas.
	Can we identify a local area to trial a campaign for recycling more, then roll out across all area.	Added to SW LAC community plan to explore with volunteers to take forward.
Trees and leaves	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Better leaf clearance in late autumn. Better maintenance of street trees.	Citywide issue, to be considered by the Streetscene Committee.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Can we have an 'Adopt a tree' scheme in the parks?	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Need to understand who is responsible for clearing leaves and the cycle they are cleared. Is leaf waste compostable?	Citywide issue, to be considered by the Streetscene Committee.
Parks, green and open spaces	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Supporting Friends of Parks Groups.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Updating and renewal of play and fitness activities for all age ranges.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Encourage wild flower planting.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Lack of toilets in parks affect all users.	Added to SW LAC community plan.

Local Environment continued ...

Priority	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20 th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
Parks, green and open spaces	Need better transport links to parks across the city and better signage/information so people know what parks we have in the city and their history.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Need to plant more wild flowers to help with climate change and which are useful pollinators to help insects recover.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Need for better assistance regarding biodiversity enhancement in parks and open spaces.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Leave parts of parks and open spaces to grow wild and only cut them once a year so wildflower meadows can be established.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Increased emphasis on the importance of the preservation and protection of the existing Sheffield Green Belt to prevent over development.	This falls within the remit of planning and The Local Plan, so has been referred to planning to respond.
Fly tipping and graffiti	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Identify hot spots to work on.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Address issues at local Bring Sites and assess demand for them in other areas.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
Work with young residents to produce street art.	Added to SW LAC community plan.	
Streetscene footpaths, lighting etc.	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Footpaths to be kept clear of encroaching plants/hedges etc.	Citywide issue, to be considered by the Streetscene Committee.
	Explore ability to dim street lights in specific areas.	
Review gritting routes and grit bin locations.		

Local Environment continued...

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Street/ environmental cleaning and maintenance	Support for voluntary litter picking groups.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	More signage/work needed to prevent idling engines on school runs. Enforcement would be a big help here.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Pavements need to be accessible and not blocked by cars.	Added to SW LAC list community plan.
Other ideas / priorities	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Can we review planning policies to protect green areas? Include swift bricks in new developments/renovations. Influence planning applications for new builds/extensions to be net zero.	These points are covered by the SCC consultation for the new Local Plan and will be fed into any upcoming neighbourhood plans.
	Can we have a renewable energy project?	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Where can batteries be recycled?	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	What about 'Renew shops' like Greater Manchester has? <u>Renew Shops - Recycle for Greater Manchester : Recycle for Greater Manchester</u>	Citywide issue, to be considered by the Waste Management Committee.
	Support for continued monitoring of air quality and exploring ways to improve it, linked to the SCC Air Quality Action Plan (2025).	Citywide issue, to be considered by the Environment Committee

Community & Neighbourhoods

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Encourage community involvement	Provide support to establish new community groups where a need is identified.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Continue to work with the People Keeping Well team to support/identify isolated individuals.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Raise awareness of volunteering opportunities for all.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Improve facilities for young children on Westminster estate.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Isolation isn't just for older residents, many young residents have experienced it through Covid – need to find a way to reduce isolation for all groups.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	LACs to publicise what community groups do/offer etc and encourage collaboration between groups and sharing best practice.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Work with all groups across the area to share information etc, potential to develop community hubs.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Encourage all age groups to get involved in community activities and consider the different ways to communicate with different groups of people.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Review the community groups in the area and share details with a view to the community network expanding, more people getting involved and encouraging best practice	Added to SW LAC community plan.

Community & Neighbourhoods continued ...

Priority	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
Support in increasing the use of community assets, such as libraries and community buildings.	Use the Council's assets to promote and increase community use.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Encourage the use of libraries as community hubs.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Need to identify more community buildings for use by community groups.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Community Libraries to be developed as community hubs.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	LACs should identify and publicise existing community assets, and work to establish a common and affordable pricing policy.	The Council is unable to set prices for privately owned community buildings. However, for Council buildings, this is to be reviewed corporately on a city wide basis.
Reduce crime and address the perception and fear of crime.	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Work with South Yorkshire Police to raise awareness on prevention of crime and anti-social behaviour.	Added to SW LAC community plan
	Support communities to set up / maintain Neighbourhood Watch Groups.	Added to SW LAC community plan
	Work with the University to support students to reduce crime in their communities.	Added to SW LAC community plan
	Learning from best practice for high quality public spaces that design out crime	Added to SW LAC community plan
	Strong desire to see more police on patrol.	It is a priority for the PCC to increase numbers and a national recruitment is underway.

Community & Neighbourhoods

Priority	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20 th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
Reduce crime and address the perception and fear of crime.	Have pop up police stations in appropriate places and publicise them well.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Increase awareness of police alerts and how to subscribe to them. Consider if they could be improved.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Need for an improvement in response times when reporting ASB and closer liaison needed with police/social housing groups.	Added to SW LAC list to create low level crime stakeholder groups.
	Raise awareness on violence against women and girls.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
Reduce ASB, youth gangs and nuisance.	Initial SW LAC ideas	Action
	Work with young adults to help meet their aspirations in the local area and develop a scheme of activities.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Explore through Sustainable Community Officers to map hotspots to target resources where appropriate.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Ideas suggested at public workshop on 20th January 2022 / via other feedback	Response to ideas suggested at public workshop / other feedback
	Work with young residents to encourage them to get involved in community groups/volunteering etc.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Work with schools to get more young residents involved in community work/youth council and local issues.	Added to SW LAC community plan.
	Increase youth provision and facilities in the area to help engage with young residents.	Added to SW LAC community plan.

What next?

The South West LAC will:-

- Continue to work with all LACs across the City to determine which further powers and budgets can be devolved to LACs.
- Hold four public meetings per year and provide an update on the progress of the Community Plan.
- Hold single issue meetings on topics of local interest where and when appropriate.
- Continue to engage and consult with communities to review priorities for the area.
- Provide an annual report on the Community Plan and progress against it to Full Council every year.
- Represent the interest of its communities with the Council and with other bodies / organisations as appropriate to achieve the objectives of the Community Plan.

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