

Report of	Meeting	Date
Director (Policy and Governance)	Overview and Scrutiny Performance Panel	16 <sup>th</sup> June 2016

## PERFORMANCE FOCUS: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

- To provide contextual information and initial questions for focus to the Overview and Scrutiny performance panel in respect of community development delivery and future development.

### RECOMMENDATION(S)

- That the context and questions be discussed at the Overview and Scrutiny performance panel, with a view to understanding performance.

<b>Confidential report</b> Please bold as appropriate	Yes	<b>No</b>
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### CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Involving residents in improving their local area and equality of access for all		A strong local economy	
Clean, safe and healthy communities		An ambitious council that does more to meet the needs of residents and the local area	✓

### BACKGROUND

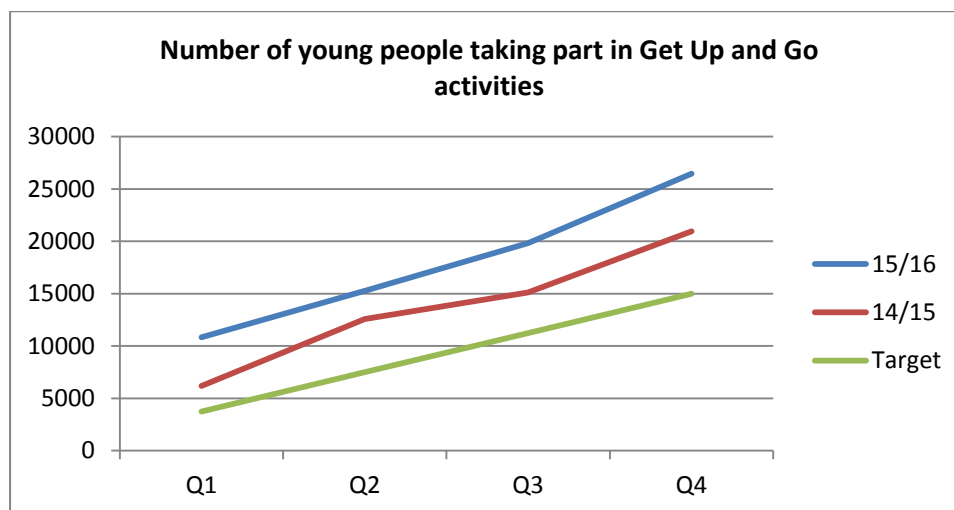
- In its terms of reference, the overview and scrutiny performance panel agreed that at each meeting, as well as considering performance reports, the panel have the opportunity to focus in on any specific area of service delivery. For the June meeting, the members of the panel have selected performance with regard to community development and future development of the service.
- This report provides contextual information and suggests some initial questions to initiate discussions. This will enable the panel and relevant officers and Members to prepare in advance of the meeting.

### PERFORMANCE CONTEXT

- The current community development model was established following a review of the Health, Environment and Neighbourhood Service in 2013/14. The resulting structure

aimed to consolidate sport and leisure and community development into a single team with a broader focus on delivering the council's priorities in relation to early intervention and prevention.

7. A generic team of community development support officers deliver a range of activity aimed at supporting communities and local groups to become more resilient. Key areas of work include: Get Up and Go sessions, community clean up days, working with schools, support for community groups and development of Chorley time credits. A summary of recent and future planned activity is provided at Appendix A for information.
8. The recent changes to the council's management structure have made some minor changes to the team, which is now called the Health and Wellbeing team, and has an additional Community Development Officer post.
9. Get Up and Go sessions continue to attract positive levels of participation with a total of 26,642 young people attending sessions in 2015/16, which is an increase of over 20% on 2014/15.



10. The team continue to support local clubs and groups with 155 groups supported in 2015/16 which vary from luncheon clubs through to larger organisations such as the Prince's Trust. The total number of groups supported is lower than the same time last year (200 in 14/15) which may reflect a more targeted approach and also additional support available from within the sector, for example from the VCFS Network.

#### Chorley Time Credits

11. Chorley Time Credits is a positive and proactive means of encouraging and growing volunteering effort, supporting and strengthening links between existing volunteering groups in Chorley as well as encouraging and providing opportunities for new groups to get established. This increased capacity in neighbourhoods will support communities to be more self-sustaining and generate benefits in terms of health and wellbeing.

12. The project continues to deliver positive results; 511 new volunteers were recruited in 2015/16 against a target of 200, an increase 24.6% compared to 410 new volunteers in 2014/15.



13. The number of groups engaged in time banking has reduced from 111 in 2014/15 to 77 in 2015/16 although this is likely to be because the majority of organisations in Chorley are now signed up to the Chorley Time Credits network. The number of volunteer hours earned continues to increase from 13,373 in 2014/15 to 18318 in 2015/16.
14. This is the final year of the 3 year contract with SPICE to deliver the Chorley Time Credits programme. The programme is considered to be well established and embedded within the borough; therefore the plan is for the ongoing management and administration to be transitioned into the Community Development Team through a phased process.

### **Future development of the Community Development Team**

15. The Transformation Strategy for 2016 provides a framework to support the organisation in the change that will be required to respond to the challenges facing the Council over the coming years. The strategy sets out a number of key principles for future service design and refers specifically to the need to shape a different relationship with communities that empowers them to do more for themselves with less reliance on public services. These principles are:

#### **Encouraging community action and coproduction**

1. Everyone involved in delivering public services in Chorley should recognise people as assets.
2. Every service should provide opportunities for people to contribute and add value in their lives and local area.
3. Public services in Chorley should invest in building social networks and community capability
4. Services being reformed or redesigned should be designed with coproduction and community action as a central aim

## QUESTIONS:

### 16. Operational delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Team

The Health and Wellbeing Team operates at the frontline of the council, interacting directly with customers and delivering a diverse range of activity.

- a) How has the work of the team changed since the restructure in 2013?
- b) How are the priorities of the team identified and decided?
- c) What intelligence is used to inform the targeting of resources, specifically the programme of sessions?

### 17. Ensuring the continued and further development of Chorley Time Credits

The Time Credits programme has delivered successful outcomes in terms of increased volunteering and benefits for communities.

- a) What are the arrangements for the transition of time credits into the Health and Wellbeing Team and how will the team ensure that the success of this programme is maintained in future?

### 18. Future development of the Health and Wellbeing Team

The Health and Wellbeing Team has a significant role to play in driving forward the delivery of new ways of working within our communities.

- a) How will the team respond to the principles set out in the Transformation Strategy
- b) How will their day to day work reflect the principles of community action and coproduction?

## IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

19. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance		Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal		Integrated Impact Assessment required?	
No significant implications in this area	✓	Policy and Communications	

## COMMENTS OF THE STATUTORY FINANCE OFFICER

20. No comments

## COMMENTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

21. No comments

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There are no background papers to this report.

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## Appendix A – summary of community team activity

### Young People

- GUAG Easter Holiday programme – 35 sessions / 500+ attendances
- GUAG May half term holiday – 15 sessions / 200+ attendances
- Weekly Evening delivery – Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday – 6 sessions per week – approx. 100 plus young people each week age 11- 18. (Buttermere/Tatton/Clayton/Coppull/Lord St)
- Reach Up and Go Programme – dedicated activity for children with disabilities – weekly session approx. 14 each week also holiday programme
- Primary School programme – 30 schools involved – 19 events/in-school engagement activities taking place
- School delivery – raising the standard of PE and school sport – 5 schools across curriculum and after school delivery
- Comprehensive summer programme planned launched July to run throughout August
- Large Scale events – Playday and Playtime in the Park – raising the importance of play
- School Nurses – child weight management - Reception and Year 6 – bespoke programmes
- Brain injury/concussion in sport YP – Spotlight, Wigan Warriors, Headway - awareness and prevention
- Children’s University – learning destination

### Adults

- Wheels for All – adapted cycling sessions every Friday at Tatton
- Health Walks – 8 walks taking place across the borough each week – 650+ monthly attendances
- Couch to 5K – 3 programme a year – approx. 120 people on each programme (3 sessions per week x 9 weeks – 27 sessions)
- Informal running groups – progression after C25K – trained volunteer leaders – approx. 50 adults regular running weekly
- Xplorer – orienteering themed activity engaging adults and children 2-11yrs. Based across Astley/Tatton/Rangleys/Coppull/yarrow/coronation rec – working with Children’s Centres targeting families
- Cycling – Sky Ride Local programme in place – rides scheduled throughout summer
- Cycling – informal rides promotion through Breeze rides(women only) and Ride Social
- Walking Football and Walking Netball – weekly sessions developed and now sustained within community

### Clean up activity

- 11<sup>th</sup> July Adlington 1.9 tne
- 18<sup>th</sup> July Croston 1.86 tn
- 25<sup>th</sup> July Queen Str (CTE) 1.94 tne
- 22<sup>nd</sup> August Buckshaw 3.6 tne
- 25<sup>th</sup> August Eaves Lane /Colynton rd 1 tne
- 12<sup>th</sup> Sept Bannister st/Knowles str/ Lupton Str 2 tne
- 19<sup>th</sup> Sept Eccleston 5.84 tne
- 17<sup>th</sup> Oct Heath Charnock 7.5 tne
- 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> Oct Clayton Brook 2 tne plus P4P provided skip

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Chorley Moor 5.48 tne
- 17<sup>th</sup> Feb Astley Village ( Hallgate & Great Meadow)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Mar Whittle le woods
- 8th April Wright Str 4.5 tonnes in partnership with CCH &
- 8th April Highfield Rd Litterpick Chorley Healey Scouts
- 9th April Delamere Place 8.5 tonnes
- 7th May Bretherton 2.5 tonnes
- 21st May Whittle Le woods 5 tonnes
- June TBC Eaves Green
- 25th June Mawdesley