

***EAST OLDHAM DISTRICT EXECUTIVE  
Agenda***

Date Tuesday 17 July 2018

Time 6.00 pm

Venue Crompton Suite, Civic Centre, Oldham, West Street, Oldham, OL1 1NL

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MEMBERSHIP OF THE EAST OLDHAM DISTRICT EXECUTIVE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Councillors Ahmad, G. Alexander, Ball, Chauhan, Cosgrove, Dean, Harrison, A Hussain, Mushtaq, Price, Qumer (Chair) and Salamat

Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

3 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.

4 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

5 Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 2)

The Minutes of the East Oldham District Executive held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 are attached for approval.

6 East Oldham Citizen's Advice Update (Pages 3 - 6)

7 Thriving Communities Programme Update (Pages 7 - 10)

8 East Oldham District Team and District Priorities Update (Pages 11 - 14)

9 East Oldham Budget Update (Pages 15 - 26)

10 Petitions (Pages 27 - 28)

This is a standing item regarding petitions received relating to the East Oldham area for consideration by the District Executive in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

There is one Petition to note.

11 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the East Oldham District Executive will be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 6.00 pm.

**Present:** Councillor Qumer (Chair)  
Councillors Ahmad, G. Alexander, Ball, Harrison, A Hussain,  
Mushtaq and Price

Also in Attendance:

Kaidy McCann	Constitutional Services
Zubair Seedat	Community Development Officer
Simon Shuttleworth	District Co-ordinator
David Tucker	District Case Worker

1           **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Dean be elected as Vice Chair of the East Oldham District Executive for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

2           **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Chauhan, Councillor Cosgrove and Councillor Dean.

3           **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

4           **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

5           **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

6           **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018 be approved as a correct record.

7           **APPOINTMENTS OF EAST OLDHAM DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Ball be appointed as a member of the East Oldham Children's Centre District Advisory Board.

8           **EAST OLDHAM DISTRICT TEAM - ROLES AND WORK**

Consideration was given to a report of the District Co-Ordinator which outlined the work that the district team undertake in the East Oldham area. Members were informed that the aim of the team is to support Ward Councillors and to join up with other services to ensure delivery meets the needs of the local area.

Members were informed that there are 3 main officer in the team, with two shared posts spilt with the Oldham West District Team. Members were given an outline of the work that the each member of the team undertakes, the key pieces of work for the previous municipal year and the key ongoing and upcoming work for 2018/19.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

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### **EAST OLDHAM BUDGET UPDATE**

The District Executive gave consideration to a report of the East Oldham District Co-ordinator, which provided Members with the current budget position and recommendations on funding allocations. Members were also provided with a summary of the budget allocated to the District Plan and the individual Councillor budgets.

Members were advised that funding for the CAB would be to extend the service for 2 months. Members noted that the service should be a central provision as those that use the service are not all from the East Oldham area. Members enquired if it was possible to bring a representative from the CAB to inform the District Executive of the work they do.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The updates on the budget be noted.
2. The District Executive agree to the following allocation:
  - a. CAB Provision - £1,050.
  - b. Derker Football - £2,880.
  - c. Mayfield Road - £255.
  - d. St James' Ward Community Activities - £3,000.

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### **PETITIONS**

There were no petitions received to be noted.

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### **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the next meeting of the East Oldham District Executive to be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 6.00pm be noted.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.59 pm

**Report to East Oldham District Executive**

## **East Oldham Citizen's Advice Update**

**Portfolio Holder:**

**Cllr A Shah, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods**

**Officer Contact: Helen Lockwood, Executive Director, Economy, Skills and Neighbourhoods**

**Report Author: Simon Shuttleworth, District Coordinator  
Ext. 4720**

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### **Reason for report**

This report sets out the activity delivered by the Citizen's Advice Bureau from NEON during 2017/18. Jonathan Yates, CEO of Pennine West CAB, will attend to present this item.

### **Recommendations**

1. That the District Executive note the information presented.

Citizens Advice Oldham

Holt Street service report April 2017 to March 2018

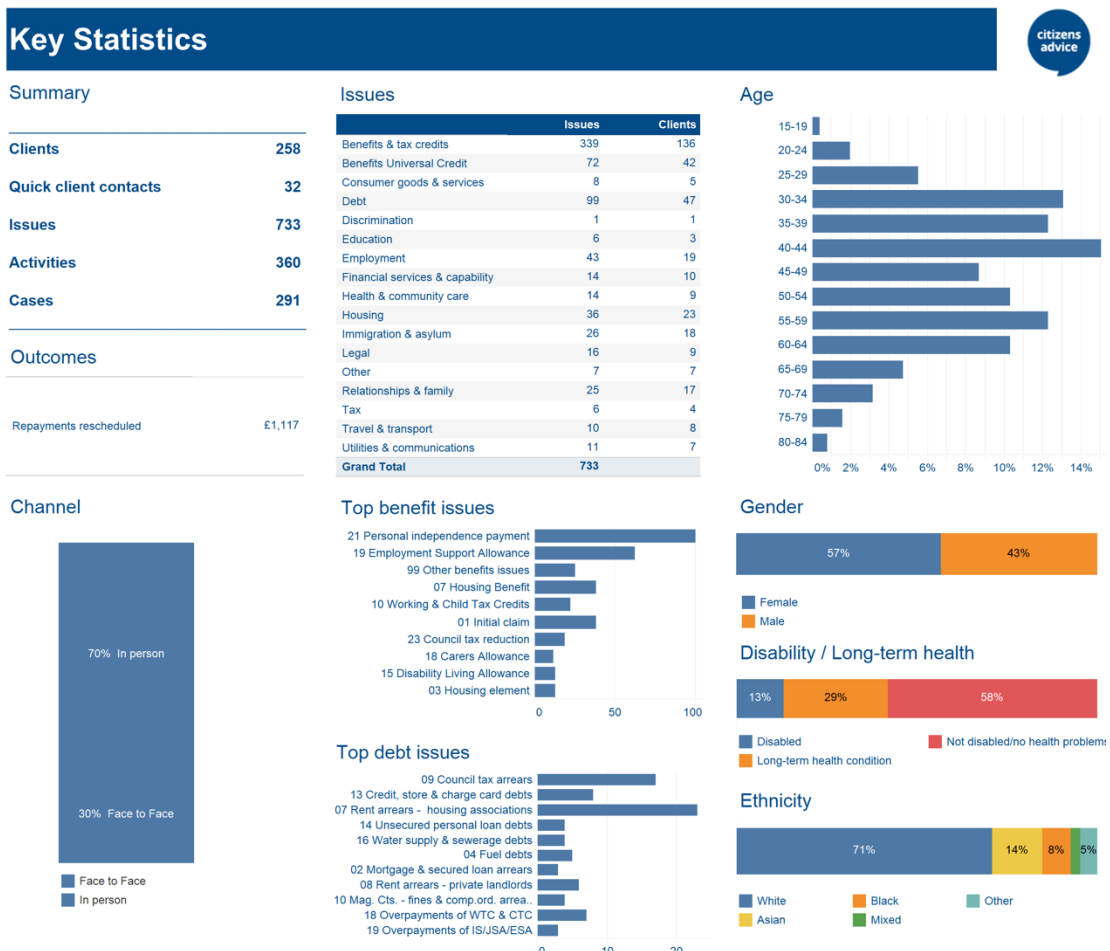
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1. Introduction

1.1. Citizens Advice Oldham, Oldham East District Executive and NEON have been working in partnership for a few years to deliver information and advice sessions from the Holt Street Centre since 2012. The main focus of the advice and support service is to help people with debt and welfare benefits problems, but we help people with any issue they may bring.

1.2. The service is available every Wednesday and offers a drop-in session in the morning and appointments for more complex work in the afternoon.

2. Key statistics



### 3. Clients

3.1. During the year we helped over 290 people, 258 of those with detailed advice and/or complex casework plus 32 with simple one-off issues. This figure represents unique individuals identified by name, address and DOB and does not indicate how many times we helped that person during the year. Over 50 % have used the service more than once with some regular callers coming a number of times with new issues. On average we have six new clients every session.

### 4. Issues

4.1. By far the largest issue is welfare benefits with Personal Independence Payments (PIP) and Universal Credit being the main ones of concern. Reassessments of PIP often need to be challenged and appealed as people have the income they rely on being drastically reduced or cut altogether unfairly. Approximately 80% of these appeals reinstate or improve the original status but the time involved has serious impact on claimants. Universal Credit full service was introduced last in April 2017 in Oldham causing a number of problems. Though the situation has improved due to changes in November 2017 it is still causing issues for people, particularly linked to forcing people in to debt and rent arrears.

4.2. Debt is the next largest advice area that people come to us for support. By far the largest and most concerning area of debt is rent arrears, mainly in social housing but increasingly with private landlords. The next two issues are Council Tax arrears and benefits over payments. These are all priority debts and can have serious consequences for families such as court action and homelessness.

### 5. Outcomes

5.1. Benefit gains. We have identified and secured an additional amount of £213,013 of eligible financial support during this period.

5.2. Debt written off or rescheduled. We have managed to negotiate a total of £251,069 to be written off or rescheduled in to more manageable repayments.

### 6. Clients per ward

## Client geogrphah by Office & Ward

Client geography group Office	Client geography Ward	Office group Pennine West (member)			
Client Geography (group)	Client Geography	Clients	% Clients	Cases	% Cases
Oldham Citizens Advice Bureau	Alexandra	21	8.3%	21	7.2%
	Chadderton Central	2	0.8%	2	0.7%
	Chadderton North	2	0.8%	2	0.7%
	Chadderton South	3	1.2%	4	1.4%
	Coldhurst	7	2.8%	8	2.7%
	Crompton	2	0.8%	3	1.0%
	Failsworth East	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Failsworth West	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Hollinwood	8	3.2%	8	2.7%
	Medlock Vale	8	3.2%	8	2.7%
	North Middleton	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Not recorded/not applicable	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Royton North	3	1.2%	4	1.4%
	Royton South	2	0.8%	2	0.7%
	Saddleworth North	11	4.3%	14	4.8%
	Saddleworth South	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Saddleworth West and Lees	13	5.1%	17	5.8%
	Shaw	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	Spotland and Falinge	1	0.4%	1	0.3%
	St James'	47	18.6%	52	17.9%
St Mary's	22	8.7%	26	8.9%	
Waterhead	91	36.0%	109	37.5%	
	Werneth	4	1.6%	4	1.4%
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>253</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



**Report to East Oldham District Executive**

## **Thriving Communities Programme Update**

**Portfolio Holder:**

**Cllr S Fielding, Cabinet Member for Economy and Enterprise**

**Officer Contact: Rebekah Sutcliffe, Strategic Director of Reform**

**Report Author: Vicky Sugars – Strategy, Partnerships and Policy  
Manager  
Ext. 3303**

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### **Reason for report**

The report gives an overview of the Thriving Communities programme. Vicky Sugars – Strategy, Partnerships and Policy manager – will attend to present this item.

### **Recommendations**

1. That the District Executive note the information presented.

# The Thriving Communities Programme

The Thriving Communities (TC) programme is part of the Oldham Cares programme (health and social care devolution) and is therefore primarily about moving the health and social care system into a place that both values and invests in early intervention and prevention, community based solutions and social action.

It will do this through developing and growing community capacity across the borough through effective collaboration and ways of working with communities and the Voluntary, Community, Social, Faith and Enterprise (VCSFE) sector.

***The overarching vision is for people and communities to have the power to be healthy, happy, able to make positive choices and both offer and access insightful and responsive support when needed.***

## **The objectives of Thriving Communities Programme are as follows;**

- To deliver direct improvement to the health and wellbeing of all people living in Oldham and in doing so help address health inequality.
- To adopt an asset based approach to commissioning that draws upon the strengths of individuals, families and communities and supports a thriving VCSFE across the borough.
- To work with the VCSFE to develop a sustainable approach to funding of the sector.
- To further connect and maximise the impact of the VCSFE and help align it to the needs of residents
- To maintain and grow community capacity across the borough.
- To engage people and communities in the design and delivery of services.
- To develop an approach to social prescribing that supports the whole of the Oldham Cares system and bridge dependencies with other elements of reform such as place based integration.
- To support early intervention and prevention.
- To support the building of the Oldham brand and attract investment to the borough.
- To ensure that the resources of the wider social care system are directed towards places and the people that need it most and enable positive demand management.

## Programme Overview

The diagram below and content below gives a summary of the main work areas.

Figure 1.1 - The Thriving Communities Programme Structure

## The Thriving Communities Programme



### Wider Engagement, Attracting Funding, System Learning

1. **Insight** - The insight workstream identifies and describes existing community assets, builds good practice, captures evidence of impact and change, conducts further research through innovative approaches and in doing so, establishes a detailed, rich and dynamic intelligence resource for the programme with a much wider relevance for other programmes and work streams.
2. **Leadership & workforce** – The leadership and workforce workstream will help reshape the way leadership and workforce development is undertaken across the borough to enable our staff and leaders to more consistently adopt an asset and place based approach and operate in a system that supports that. This will complement the wider GM Leaders work and establishment of the co-operative workforce aspired to in the Oldham Plan. The collective impact of such a workforce has the potential to drive design, innovation and change at a scale and pace not previously achieved.
3. **Social Action & Infrastructure** – The delivery workstream of Thriving Communities, this will create the conditions and opportunities for people to improve their lives through social prescribing supported by Asset Based Community Development work. The Social Action Fund<sup>1</sup> and Fast Grants will support, enable and inspire ideas and opportunities that make real and lasting change for people and their communities. This will be evidenced through how individuals interact with and are supported by formal, informal services and each other.

<sup>1</sup> The Social Action Fund is a working name which will be coproduced through engagement with stakeholders.

4. **Thriving Communities Hub<sup>2</sup>** - Leaving a legacy of system change which transforms the way the VSCFE and public services interact and commission. Drawing in the best in academic research to attract funding to the borough and drive innovation and transformation in how we deliver care across the health care system with an emphasis on moving to earlier community support models. The Thriving Communities Hub is an opportunity to firmly establish a meaningful centre of excellence and delivery for social change built on evidence, practice and impact.
5. **Funding** - The funding work stream will seek to multiply the programme allocation through match-funding and other investment opportunities. The aim is to use the core budget required for the delivery of the base programme to develop its reach and attract funding into Oldham Cares in order to do more.
6. **Wider Engagement** – This workstream looks at ensuring stakeholders are committed to and strategically aligned to the direction of Thriving Communities programme and the new asset and place based way of working and thinking. This will be achieved by working locally, regionally and nationally.

#### **Key summary of achievements so far;**

- The formation of a collaborative and effective multi-organisation partnership which is embodied through Thriving Communities Delivery Group.
- The Working Together Event in Oldham was a success – 200+ attendees, positive feedback on the ambition and approach received along with development points identified for the Thriving Communities Hub (working name) concept and positioning.
- Asset mapping prototype complete in Oldham West with 60+ assets engaged and more expected to be engaged in the future.
- Social prescribing now active in 3 GP surgeries and also within the Integrated Multi-Disciplinary Team, referral pathways being developed across Oldham West and will build upon the positive work from partners such as Mind and Early Help in their role
- The Thriving Communities index has undergone multi-agency consultation with positive responses and now entering Proof of Concept build stage.
- GM People and Communities team visit was held successfully – positive feedback on the work to date, approach and engagement with partners and we continue to collaborate effectively with this team.
- Working with North West Employers to deliver a comprehensive assessment of Oldham partner's leadership and workforce in terms of asset and place based capacity and capability.
- Created a workforce development approach through the Place Based Integration site in Holts and Lees.
- Innovation fund entering final stage of planning
- Fast Grants are now in action and are helping the communities such as the Plastic Band group and the Community Café.
- Thriving Communities Hub concept developed and undergoing consultation with the VCSFE and other partners.
- An initial Place Based Integration site up and running in Holts and Lees and other sites in Limehurst, Focus Care and next Oldham West now in development.
- Place based learning group and system learning group established to explore and challenge system constraints
- The team consistently supports bids to draw in additional funding - reading friends bid successfully won to a value of £10k

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<sup>2</sup> Formerly known as the School of Thriving Communities – name change driven through VCSFE co-production



**Report to East Oldham District Executive**

## **East Oldham District Team and District Priorities Update**

**Portfolio Holder:**

**Cllr A Shah, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods**

**Officer Contact: Helen Lockwood, Executive Director, Economy, Skills and Neighbourhoods**

**Report Author: Simon Shuttleworth, District Coordinator  
Ext. 4720**

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**17<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

### **Reason for report**

To update the District Executive on the work of District Team, and agree overarching priorities for the district going forward.

### **Recommendations**

That the District Executive notes the information presented and, discusses and agrees key priorities to plan against.

## **East Oldham District Team and District Priorities Update**

### **1.0 Background**

- 1.1 Items 2.0 – 5.0 updates the East Oldham District Executive on key pieces of work the District Team is currently involved in. It focusses on new or developing activity since the last meeting.
- 1.2 Oldham has agreed key strategic plans that set out the vision and ambition for the Borough – The Oldham Plan, the Corporate Plan – which provide the framework for priorities and how we aim to meet them.
- 1.3 Each District Executive is required to agree a District Plan, which provides a framework to align actions and budgets against priorities at a local level. Item 6.0 sets out proposed overarching priorities for the district, the agreement of which will allow for a more specific action plan to be formulated.

### **2.0 Holiday Activities and food programme**

- 2.1 In May, the District team were involved in writing a bid for funding to the Department for Education, to support delivery of activities within the Borough over the Summer holidays. The key aim of the funding was to provide enriching activity for families and young people, along with healthy food, thus helping relieve the burden on overstretched families of providing food during this period.
- 2.2 This bid was unsuccessful. However, working with the Policy Team, we have been able to obtain agreement for funding from the Growing Oldham Feeding Ambition partnership, and the Oldham Education Partnership to pilot activity. This funding totals £18,500.
- 2.3 The funding will be used to enhance activity already planned at a number of locations (some in other parts of the Borough), either by paying for additional days or by providing food where only activities were previously planned. Where possible, this has included co-ordinating new activity around activity already arranged, to try and provide greater coverage across the week. Part of the programme also involves piloting having food produced at the new catering kitchen at Oldham Foodbank, and delivered to activities elsewhere in the Borough. This means that food can still be provided at venues with no kitchen, or where activities are taking place in outdoor locations.
- 2.4 Within East Oldham, mapped activity includes:

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**Sholver** – four days a week, comprising of two days at St Thomas’ School and two days at Sholver Community Centre.

**Derker** – four days a week, comprising of two days at Stoneleigh Park and two days at East Oldham Methodist Church.

**Clarksfield** – four days a week, delivered from St Barnabas Church.

**Hathershaw** – five days a week, comprising of one day at Broadfield School pitch and four days at Belgrave Mill.

2.5 Activity is also planned in Royton, Shaw, Chadderton, Fitton Hill and Hollinwood. All activities will be promoted locally, and via schools.

2.6 The intention is to use information gathered from these activities to provide an evidence base for a further, large-scale bid for 2019.

### **3.0 Sholver Youth Engagement**

3.1 The District Team has supported the Sholver and Moorside Community Team (SMCT) in accessing Kerching funding of £5,000, to allow for delivery of youth engagement work in the area. This will pay for activities to be delivered by Oldham Boxing and Personal Development Centre, and aimed at young people who do not access currently available provision.

3.2 SMCT have also partnered with Full Circle CIC to bring in funding that will allow them to provide a junior youth club for 12 months, and this activity has recently started.

### **4.0 Clarksfield / Roundthorn Engagement Work**

4.1 Work is now beginning on a phase of more intensive community engagement work in this area, based on building trust in the area, and developing a network of individuals within the community to work with in future. This work will be carried out with a number of partners, but particularly the District Team, Police and Emerging Communities Team.

### **5.0 Update on Park Road Petition**

5.1 The St Mary’s Ward Members recently met with Highways representatives, to discuss the petition submitted requesting re-surfacing of the alleyway running behind Park Road and Brompton Street. There is currently no provision within the Highways capital programme to address issues here. However, Highways will carry out extensive pothole patching in order to deal with the worst stretches. In the meantime, Members will explore the potential for a longer term solution.

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## 6.0 **District Plan Priorities**

- 6.1 Oldham has agreed key strategic plans that set out the vision and ambition for the Borough – The Oldham Plan, the Corporate Plan – which provide the framework for priorities and how we aim to meet them.
- 6.2 Each District Executive has agreed a District Plan, which provides a framework to align actions and budgets against priorities at a local level.
- 6.3 The current East Oldham District priorities, agreed for a two year period in June 2016, are as follows:
1. **Improving the Environment** - Support communities to improve, enhance, and maintain the local environment
  2. **Anti-poverty and Supporting People in Need** - Support local hubs and services that people can easily access
  3. **Improving health and well-being** - Support local people to adopt healthy lifestyles
  4. **Community Engagement and Activities** - Encourage co-operative activity and build community capacity
  5. **Open Space, Community and Recreational Facilities** - Improve and develop high quality open spaces for the local community, and support the development of local centres for community activity
  6. **People feeling safe in their local area** - Work with partners and communities to foster safer neighbourhoods
- 6.4 Members are asked to consider whether they wish to retain the same priorities for 2018/19

## 7.0 **Recommendations**

- 7.1 That the District Executive notes the information presented, and discusses and agrees key priorities to plan against.





**Report to East Oldham District Executive**

## **East Oldham Budget Update**

**Portfolio Holder:**

**Cllr A Shah, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods**

**Officer Contact: Helen Lockwood, Executive Director, Economy, Skills and Neighbourhoods**

**Report Author: Simon Shuttleworth, District Coordinator  
Ext. 4720**

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### **Reason for report**

This report sets out the current budget position, and makes recommendations on funding allocations.

### **Recommendations**

1. That the District Executive note the updates on the budget
2. That the District Executive agree to the following allocations:
  - a. C.A.B provision – to be discussed
  - b. Counselling provision – to be discussed
  - c. Clarksfield Community group - £2,076

## East Oldham Budget Update

### 1 Background

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### 2. District Executive Budgets 2018/19

Budgets	
Revenue:	£40,000
Councillors (Revenue):	£60,000 (£5,000 per Councillor)
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>£100,000</b>
Capital budget:	<b>£40,000</b>

### 3 Funding Recommendations

#### 3.1 Citizen's Advice Bureau provision

Following on from the earlier agenda item on the Citizen's Advice Bureau, Members are asked to consider whether they would wish to extend the Citizen's Advice Bureau provision at NEON and, if so, how this would be apportioned between budgets. A further ten months of activity would cost **£7,000**.

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### 3.2 Off The Record Counselling Service

The District Executive has funded provision of counselling services for young people for a number of years. This activity is delivered from NEON.

Attached at Appendix 1 is the latest monitoring report provided by Off The Record.

Members are asked to consider whether they would wish to extend the counselling provision at NEON and, if so, how this would be apportioned between budgets.

12 months of provision would cost £6,762

An alternative option of 18 months provision has also been provided, at a lower per session cost, total charge of £9,375

Adding room hire for NEON results in costs of:

12 months – **£7,662**

or

18 months - **£10,725**

### 3.3 Clarksfield Community Group – Unadopted Highway Works

Local people have expressed concerns about the condition of the unadopted road at Dawson Street. Costs have been sought for simple works to improve this area, and local Members have agreed to grant funding to the Clarksfield Community group, to allow this to take place.

It is recommended that the District Executive agree an allocation of **£2,076**, to come from the capital budget apportioned to the Waterhead Ward.

## 4. Financial Statement

### District Budgets

Project	Priority	Alexandra		St James		St Mary's		Waterhead	
		Revenue	Capital	Revenue	Capital	Revenue	Capital	Revenue	Capital
CAB (Alex £350 allocated from 17/18 C/F. In total £1050 allocated to extend the service for 2 months)				350		350		350	
Derker football provision Latics (Sept 18 - Aug 19)				2880					
Reinstatement & protection of grass verge - Mayfield Rd				255					
Community activities in Derker, Sholver & Moorside				3000					
1- Improving the Environment	Total	0	0	6485	0	350	0	350	0
2 - Anti-poverty and supporting people in need									
3 - Improving health and wellbeing	<b>Total budget</b>	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
4 - Community engagement and Activities									
5 - Open space, community and recreational facilities	<b>Remaining</b>	10000	10000	3515	10000	9650	10000	9650	10000
6 - People feeling safe in their local area									

### Councillor budgets

Alexandra	Chauhan	Mushtaq	Harrison	Total
<b>Project</b>	<b>£ 5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>Total</b>
Chill Out Zone - Me and Myselfie Project - Honeywell Centre	£ 166.00	£ 167.00	£ 167.00	£ 500.00
Total Approved	£ 166.00	£ 167.00	£ 167.00	£ 500.00
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>£ 4,834.00</b>	<b>£4,833.00</b>	<b>£4,833.00</b>	<b>£14,500.00</b>

St James	Ball	Cosgrove	Alexander	Total
<b>Project</b>	<b>£ 5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>Total</b>
Week of creative drama - 30th July - Methodist Church	£ 266.00	£ 267.00	£ 267.00	£ 800.00
Refurbishment of Handbells - St Thomas Church	£ 166.00	£ 167.00	£ 167.00	£ 500.00
Litterpick and refreshments - St Thomas Church Scouts			£ 120.00	£ 120.00
Kissing gate conversion - Stoneleigh Park	£ 128.00	£ 129.00	£ 128.00	£ 385.00
Road marking on Jowett Street & Stoneleigh park		£ 100.00		£ 100.00
Total Approved	£ 560.00	£ 663.00	£ 682.00	£ 1,905.00
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>£ 4,440.00</b>	<b>£4,337.00</b>	<b>£4,318.00</b>	<b>£13,095.00</b>

### St Mary's – no allocations yet made

Waterhead	Price	Ahmad	Dean	Total
<b>Project</b>	<b>£ 5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>£5,000.00</b>	<b>Total</b>
Community Forum Waterhead Venue Hire	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	£ 150.00
Total Approved	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	£ 150.00
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>£ 4,950.00</b>	<b>£4,950.00</b>	<b>£4,950.00</b>	<b>£14,850.00</b>

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## 5 Recommendations

1. That the District Executive note the updates on the budget
2. That the District Executive agree to the following allocations:
  - a. C.A.B provision – to be discussed
  - b. Counselling provision – to be discussed
  - c. Clarksfield Community group - £2,076

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## Appendix 1 – report from Off The Record

### The Neon Project – Jan 2017 Dec 2017

1. Introduction.
2. Trends Analysis and key issues identified.
3. Case studies
4. Client feedback
5. Stats/Outcomes.
6. Draft – project budgets.

#### **1. Introduction**

This project has continued to go from strength to strength. The project is currently meeting its target's in terms of sessions delivered – 146 sessions over the year. However, again we have not seen as many young people as we were expecting to see over the year – a total of 15 young people. The young people presenting at this project continue to present very challenging issues and are in 'on going' crisis and they have greatly exceeded their allocated 6 sessions. The average for this year has been 8 sessions per young person. We would expect to see an average of between 4.6 to 5 sessions as an average for a project like this. 7 young people have had 12 or more sessions each, with one young person having 18 sessions.

The project has excellent attendance with on 7 DNAs/cancellations recorded over the year, which is amazing. This demonstrates the commitment shown by the young people attending this project.

There are currently 19 young people on the waiting list for this project, which is a clear indicator of the demand for this type of project.

Although the project is relatively small, delivering 3/4 sessions a week, we would argue that it has made a significant impact on a large number of very vulnerable young people and delivers excellent value for money. (Please see case studies).

#### **2. Trends Analysis and key issues identified.**

The trends analysis has identified a wide range of issues presented by young people over the past 12 months. They have included:

DA/Family relationships
Anxiety
DA/Anger
Anger
Struggling with relationships at school
Struggling at school with work and making friends
Family issues/DA
Stress exams/Confidence
Bullying/Self esteem
DA/ Issues around fostering
Family breakdown/DA
Stress/Anxiety
Low self-esteem/ depression
Bereavement

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It is always difficult to attribute any particular trend to a small project. The main issue that Maggie has had to deal with has been the numbers of young people presenting with significant emotional/mental health issues. Within those issues, two themes have emerged, firstly the impact anxiety. Secondly, the number of young people suffering as a result of family issues and domestic abuse.

### **Anxiety**

Maggie has reported that three young people have presented their primary issue as anxiety, with many others have issues related to or exacerbated by 'anxiety' and suffering with, for example panic attacks. Maggie has pointed out the number of young people she has seen who find it difficult to accept they have issues related directly to their anxiety. Their first instinct appears to be that they want to run away from it, rather than work out why they feel anxious in the first place. Only when they focus on the causes can they can start to look at the many ways of coping and understanding themselves. Maggie has continued to use the WTF!Affirmations, an MP3 recording, developed by Off The Record, to help them cope with the anxiety. Anecdotally, Maggie reports that a significant number of young people accessing with anxiety and other related issues are also self-harming. We need to do more work in this area to identify trends and look at working with partners to manage this issue.

### **Domestic Abuse/Family Issues**

4 of the young people reported 'family issues' and 'domestic abuse'. They all asked the same questions about themselves, such as, 'why me?' and 'what is wrong with me?' They all suffered from mental and emotional issues related to the domestic abuse. The counsellor noted that 3 of the young had highlighted the fact that they had also suffered from bullying at school and they had all self-harmed.

This feedback from the project reflects OTR's wider experience of working with the victims and survivors of domestic abuse. Many of the young people who access counselling feel that they're to blame for their parent's separating or they have feelings of guilt related to self-harming etc. Many of the young people seen over the last few years have had to deal with very serious family issues and they have often been left with the feeling that 'they should have kept quiet' and 'not caused any trouble'.

Maggie identified one young person whose foster parents provide her with adequate physical and practical care, but there is little or no emotional support. The counsellor has described this as 'like living in an emotional desert'. This is a young person who has been the victim of domestic abuse in the past and has many emotional needs and is desperate to feel 'loved' and 'wanted'. Maggie worked with this young person to help build her self-esteem and confidence.

## **3. Case Studies (Anonymised)**

### **Maggie Case Studies**

#### Case Study 1

Name: TT    Age: 19

Gender : female

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## **First Session**

In the first session TT revealed that she had been the victim of an alleged sexual assault by a health professional. TT was very distressed and suffering with panic attacks and high levels of anxiety. TT was struggling to maintain her employment following the alleged assault.

## **Sessions 2 to 5**

Maggie worked with TT to wrestle back her life. TT had been given court dates and was extremely anxious about the potential outcome of the trial. Maggie agreed to attend court with TT to offer support.

Maggie worked with TT to develop coping strategies, particularly for her anxiety. TT started using the WTF!Affirmations, a self-help tool (an MP£ download).

TT was suffering, particularly from 'flashbacks', reliving the experience of being allegedly trapped in the health professional's office for two hours. The flashbacks were having a particularly bad impact on her and her employers, who at first had been very understanding, had started to question the quality of her work. Similarly, TT was failing to maintain her flat. Her Housing Association had started to send threatening letters.

Maggie worked with TT on relaxation techniques in a hope that she would be able to gain control of her life again.

## **Court Appearance.**

Maggie attended the two day court sessions with TT. TT found the whole experience very traumatic and Maggie helped TT to manage her anxiety. The health professional was found not guilty by the court. This was a devastating outcome for TT and her life went into a further downward spiral. Maggie was concerned that TT's mood was so low that may have tried to harm herself.

## **Sessions 6 to 12**

TT suffered more issues as it became clear that she would not be able to remain in her own flat as she was not managing to maintain it properly. Maggie worked with TT's mother and TT moved back to the family home. Work fortunately gave TT some space and working with Maggie she was able to maintain her employment.

## **Session 13 +**

TT is still working with Maggie. Her anxiety is much more under control and she has started to come to terms with the trial outcome. Living at home is difficult for TT, but again she has been managing the situation.

Maggie is still currently seeing TT. Maggie is clear that TT would have lost job as well as her flat if she had not been receiving counselling. Maggie believes that TT could have seriously harmed herself, but counselling support and the fact she was able to move back into the family home may have stopped this happening. Maggie is confident that TT will be able to restore her life and get her anxiety fully under control.



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Client TT - Feedback

**Any Other Comments?** (E.g. Has counselling helped you or the person you are supporting?)

(Please use the back of the sheet if required?)

I love it here and it really help  
me to get rid of stress and anxiety

**Case Study 2**

Name: BB Age: 15

Gender : Male

**Session 1**

BB is a young white male. BB presented at his first counselling session with issues related to anger. He told Maggie that he was likely to get excluded from school. BB's angry outbursts in school had resulted in him being suspended on a number of occasions. BB told Maggie that he frequently 'lost control' in school and this resulted in him getting into fights with other students and being verbally abusive to teachers and other staff.

**Session 2 and 3**

Maggie's main focus was to identify BB's 'anger triggers' and sense when he was becoming angry. Maggie also went through relaxation techniques and to give BB the confidence to step away from potentially violent situations and confrontations.

Maggie agreed with BB and his parents that she would attend a meeting at school to try to prevent BB from being permanently excluded.

**School Exclusion Meeting**

Maggie initially liaised with the school and then attended the exclusion meeting with BB and his parents. Maggie confirmed that BB was attending his counselling regularly, he was engaging in the counselling process and making genuine progress. Maggie believes that this helped to keep BB in school and stopped him from being permanently excluded.

**Sessions 4 to 7.**

BB attended every session and Maggie was genuinely impressed in how well BB was able to address many of the issues related to his behaviour and his anger. He had faced several challenging situations in school and had managed to walk away. Feedback from school was also very positive and BB had managed to get his schooling back on track. BB is still in school and is currently completing his exams.

**4. Client Feedback – Examples.**

**Any Other Comments?** (E.g. Has counselling helped you or the person you are supporting?)

(Please use the back of the sheet if required?)

Counselling has helped me so much! Being able to talk about it and have someone understand helped.

**Any Other Comments?** (E.g. Has counselling helped you or the person you are supporting?) ✓

(Please use the back of the sheet if required?)

Yes, I feel that counselling has helped me have a better understanding of my issues.

**Any Other Comments?** (E.g. Has counselling helped you or the person you are supporting?)

(Please use the back of the sheet if required?)

lovely helpful.

**5. Summary of Stats/ Outcomes January 2017 to December 2017**

**Neon Hub - Off The Record**

Jan 17 - Dec 17

Cl. No.	Sex	Age	Presenting Issue	Outcome	Sessions
487	F	13	DA/Family relationships	Better communication with family	12
490	F	20	Anxiety	Better coping strategies	9
493	F	16	DA/Anger	Didn't want to continue	1
494	M	16	Anger	Better self-control	7
497	M	13	Struggling with relationships at school Struggling at school with work and	Improved relationships	16
498	F	13	making friends	More confident, building relationships	13
503	F	15	Anxiety	Better coping strategies, anxiety lifted	18
509	F	16	Family issues/DA	Better relationship with mum More confident, better coping	9
513	F	16	Stress exams/Confidence	strategies	11
523	M	13	Bullying/Self esteem	Bullying resolved, better self esteem	15
526	F	17	Issues around her adoption	Better relationships and understanding	7
527	F	14	Family breakdown/DA	Better communication with family	4
528	F	16	Stress/Anxiety	Ongoing	13

529 F 18 Low self-esteem/ depression  
 530 M 16 Bereavement

Ongoing 7  
 Ongoing 4

## 6. Draft - Future Budget Proposals

### 18 Months

Activity	Breakdown	Cost
Cost per hour (3 hours)	3 hours per week @ £37.50* per hour for 78 weeks.	£8775
Clinical Supervision	£60 per month	In kind
Travel		£100
Management	£250	In kind
Administration	£350	£200
Promotion		£100
Insurance		£200
Monitoring and evaluation	£150	In kind
Venue		0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£9375</b>

\* at the lower rate as more sessions have been booked.

### 12 Months

Activity	Breakdown	Cost
Cost per hour (3 hours)	3 hours per week @ £39.50 per hour for 52 weeks.	£6162
Clinical Supervision	£60 per month	In kind
Travel		£100
Management	£250	In kind
Administration	£350	£200
Promotion		£100

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Insurance		£200
Monitoring and evaluation	£150	In kind
Venue		0
	<b>Total</b>	£6762.00



## Report to East Oldham District Executive

### **Petitions**

**Portfolio Holder:**

Various

**Officer Contact:** Director of Legal Services

**Report Author:** Kaidy McCann, Constitutional Services

**Ext.** 4714

**17<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

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#### **Reason for Decision**

The District Executive is requested to note the petition received.

#### **Petition Received**

Reference 2018-09: Rear of Park Road/Brompton Street Road Surface (St Marys Ward) received on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 with 124 signatures

#### **Recommendations**

The District Executive is recommended to note the petition received.

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