

REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

SHAW AND ROYTON AREA COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2003/2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To review the work of the Area Committee during 2003/4.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 This report attempts to summarise the work of the Area Committee under 4 headings: -

- Public Question Time
- Influencing Services / Promoting Community Cohesion
- Using Area Committee budgets to support the community and voluntary sector and other priorities
- Key Achievements

3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3.1 Appendix 1 summarises the main issues covered and the actions / outcomes.

3.2 All public questions raised were addressed and outcomes gained.

3.3 The majority of the issues raised were within the remit of the Environmental Services Department.

4.0 INFLUENCING SERVICES / PROMOTING COMMUNITY COHESION

4.1 Appendix 2 summarises the work of the Area Committee in relation to service provision and community cohesion.

4.2 The Committee has received a number of presentations during the year and has been invited to comment on several issues.

5.0 USING THE AREA COMMITTEE BUDGETS TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY / VOLUNTARY SECTOR AND OTHER PRIORITIES

5.1 Appendix 3 provides a summary of how the various budgets have been used.

6.0 KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- 6.1 Meetings were held at key venues in the area and accessible to members and residents.
- 6.2 All meeting agendas were manageable.
- 6.3 Successful sub groups were set up i.e. Youth Service – Teen Pregnancy Programme, Area Plan Development and Street Cleansing Development Plan sub groups.
- 6.4 Delegated budget meetings were managed effectively.
- 6.5 Quality consultation was undertaken on both Shaw and Royton Markets.
- 6.6 Involvement in developing Area Plan and initiating Action Plan development.
- 6.7 Attendance of the Police Township Inspector at Area Committee meetings.
- 6.8 Successful communication system established with Environmental Services Department. This has resulted in efficient response to public questions.
- 6.9 The majority of Area Committee members undertook Race and Cultural Awareness Training.
- 6.10 The Area Committee has been committed to the three priority areas – Youth Service, Crime and Disorder and Street Cleansing as can be clearly seen in Appendix 2 - Influencing Local Authority Services.

The RASCAL (Royton and Shaw Communities Against Litter) campaign was a particular achievement as it raised awareness of cleanliness issues and enforcement implications. There was substantial take up by primary schools; this has resulted in there being new eco-schools in the area. Civic pride and good community involvement were self-evident.

The partnership work undertaken to develop a Teen Pregnancy Programme for the area will enable the Youth Service to provide a service that is currently unavailable to the young people of the area.

- 6.11 Involvement in the URBED visioning process.

- 6.12 Provision of Christmas lights in both Shaw and Royton Town Centres.
- 6.13 All the community cohesion initiatives as highlighted in Appendix 2.
- 6.14 Introduction of a Royton Pub Watch Scheme.
- 6.15 Potential for lighting at the proposed skateboard park.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 To note the report

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APPENDIX 1

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME	
ISSUE	ACTION / OUTCOME
Shaw Road – Drainage	Satisfactorily concluded.
Traffic Calming Scheme – Beal Lane, Shaw	Completion date identified and corresponded.
Lewisham Close/Kingston Drive, Royton – hazardous road in winter	Suggestion made to apply to Area Committee for a delegated budget grant.
Broadway, Royton – speeding traffic	Police response received.
Royton Hall Park/ Royton Precinct – youths gathering	Police investigated issue.
Queensgate Drive, Royton – Parking issues	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Hillside Avenue, Shaw – traffic calming scheme requested	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Radcliffe Street, Royton – sewage problems	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Royton Assembly Hall – litter in grounds	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
On-Street drinking Ban, Royton	Pub watch scheme to be introduced.

Royton Swimming Pool – roof work	Information provided.
Police presence during Bonfire Night period Sale of Boundary Park Football ground	Additional Officers on duty during this period. Meeting arrange with new owners.
Crompton Hall, Shaw - tree preservation order	Planning Section provided response.
Proposed work to Royton Assembly Hall	Information provided.
Recycling bins on Royton Precinct car park	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Footpath from Oozewood Road to Tandle Hill Park.	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Replacement of seats and any enclosure proposals to the bus stops on West Street.	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Holden Fold/Cambrian Drive – Traffic Calming	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Elk Mill – roundabout	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Royton Precinct – pedestrian crossing	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Diseased trees	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Road to Crompton Bowling Club	Options being looked at.
Parked vehicles on Church Road, Shaw	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue

	raised.
Noise nuisance – Salmon Fields Employment Park	Environmental Services Department investigated and responded to issue raised.
Refurbishment of Royton Post Office	Response received from Post Office Limited
George Street Skateboard Park – signage for motorists	Request sent to Environmental Services Department
Road Safety - Royton	Request sent to Environmental Services Department

APPENDIX 2

INFLUENCING SERVICES / PROMOTING COMMUNITY COHESION	
SERVICE / ISSUE	ACTION / OUTCOME
Shaw and Royton Area Plan	Several presentations, meetings and consultation events held. Area Committee's and public comments incorporated into Plan. Action Plan being prepared.
Community Cohesion	<p>Two presentations given. Community cohesion a theme influencing all the Area Committee's work.</p> <p>The Area Committee produced a Community Cohesion Report on the way forward.</p> <p>A presentation to the Local Strategic Partnership, Community Cohesion Partnership, on the Area Committees contribution to Community Cohesion and future plans.</p> <p>Community Foundation Workshops arranged for voluntary and community groups. To enable them to gain advice on funding opportunities.</p> <p>Worked with Osram Bowling Club on a way forward for the club.</p> <p>The majority of Area Committee</p>

	<p>members undertook Race and Cultural Awareness Training.</p> <p>The Area Committee built a positive relationship with the new owners of Oldham Athletic Football Club. Consultation mechanism in place for future development of the Club. Community development work supported through Delegated Budget.</p> <p>Christmas lights supported in both Shaw and Royton Centres.</p> <p>Area Committee represented on the Oldham Good Relations Project, facilitated by Mediation Northern Ireland.</p>
Community Safety	<p>Regular attendance of Police to provide community safety update.</p> <p>Potential provision of lighting in skateboard parks.</p> <p>Representation of Area Committee on Community Safety Panel.</p> <p>Crime Prevention Budget of £7,500 allocated to Shaw and Royton.</p> <p>Introduction of Royton Pub Watch.</p>
Street Cleansing	<p>Presentations by Street Cleansing Manager. Area Committee and public views discussed and taken on board.</p> <p>Street Cleansing Sub Group established. Cleanliness Plan developed and funding allocated.</p> <p>Royton and Shaw Communities Against Litter (RASCAL) Spring Clean campaign successfully completed.</p>

<p>Youth Service</p>	<p>Presentation on the present and future Youth Service provision by Area Youth Worker and young people.</p> <p>Youth Service Sub Group established.</p> <p>Partnership work to develop a Teen Pregnancy Programme for the area.</p> <p>Presentation by Royton and Crompton School's, Young People's Voice on issues of importance to them.</p> <p>Representative on the Shaw and Royton Youth Alliance.</p>
<p>Oldham Vision</p>	<p>Presentation by URBED. Area Committee and public views discussed and taken on board. Final documents now prepared.</p> <p>Localised venues for consultation arranged.</p>
<p>Unitary Development Plan (UDP)</p>	<p>Presentation by Strategic Planning Section. Area Committee and public views discussed and taken on board. Public Inquiry awaited.</p>
<p>Primary Care Trust LIFT programme</p>	<p>Presentation by PCT Officers. Area Committee and public views discussed and taken on board. Two new health centres proposed for Shaw and Royton.</p>
<p>British – Telecom Payphones</p>	<p>Consultation on removal of payphones</p>
<p>New Opportunities Fund Fair Share: 'Transforming Your Space' Programme</p>	<p>Several presentations made. Funding confirmed. Delivery Plan drawn up. Projects to be implemented during 2004/5/6.</p>
<p>Parks</p>	<p>Presentations from Friends of Dunwood Park and Friends of High Crompton Park.</p>

Cemeteries	Memorial inspections – Update
Markets	Consultation on additional Saturday market in Shaw.
First Choice Homes	Updates on developments as part of Area Manager’s Report.
Grants	Notification of new and existing grant opportunities presentation via Area Manager’s Report.
Research facilities	Awareness raising of Forum for Oldham (FOR) research database as part of Area Manager’s Report.

SHAW AND ROYTON AREA COMMITTEEDELEGATED AND MINOR GRANTS BUDGET 2003 / 04

<u>Delegated Budget</u>	<i>Delegated Budget</i> £	<u>Minor Grants</u>	<i>Minor Grants</i> £
Budget for the Year 2002 / 03 (including 01/02 b/f)	44,868		21,500
<u>Less:</u>			
Actual Expenditure to 31st March 2003	<u>-18,147</u>		<u>-4,385</u>
Balance being underspending for the year carried forward	26,721		17,115
<u>Add:</u>			
Budget for the Year 2003 / 04	54,500		3,978
Total Funds Available 2003/04	<u>81,221</u>		<u>21,093</u>

Actual Expenditure from 1st April 2003 to 31st March 2004

St.Annes A.R.L.F.Club	-3,000	Shaw Youth Band	-7,000
Environment Services Recharge re 02/03 Christmas lights	-6,471	Shore Edge Methodist Church Pre School Play Group	-3,000
Senior Citizens Over 60's Club	-150	Dog Hill scout and Community Camp Site	-2,260
Fantastic Dyspraxia	-484	Heyside Allotment Society	-762
Heyside Juniors Under 10 Club	-601	Holy Trinity Shaw Parochial Church Council	-7,000
Heyside Juniors Cricket Club	-595		
Oldham Metropolitan Brass Bands Assoc.	-180		
Jubilee Trees (2002/03)	-2,033		
Life for Life	-458		
Royton Cricket Club	-2,500		
Shaw Christmas Lights	-5,957		
Oldham St.Annes ARLF Club	-1,769		
Royton Bowling Club	-2,000		
Royton Park Junior Bowls Club	-914		
All Saints Close	-12,000		
Street Cleansing Comm.Init.(signage)	-1,000		
Royton Christmas Lights	<u>-6,432</u>		
	-46,544		

Outstanding Commitments Not Yet Paid2002 / 03

Potential Skateboard Park	-500		0
Royton Local History	<u>-300</u>	<u>-800</u>	

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Heyside Juniors Under 10 (Football £1,200-£601)	-599		
Royton Town A.F.C.	-2,500		
Heyside Juniors Cricket Club (£5,500-£595)	-4,905		
Area Committee Banners	-170		
Street Cleansing Community Initiatives (£11,120-£1,000)	-10,120		
Street lighting Wessex Park Close, Shaw	-6,650		
Barrier Planters	-4,400		
Osram Bowling Club	-2,000	-31,344	
Balance of unspent funds c/f to 2004/05		2,533	1,071