

**REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
SHAW AND ROYTON AREA COMMITTEE  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2004/2005**

**PURPOSE**

To review the work of the Shaw and Royton Area Committee.

**BACKGROUND**

This report summarises the work of the Shaw and Royton Area Committee during the municipal year 2004-05 under 5 headings:

- Public Question Time
- Influencing Services
- Using Area Committee budgets to support the community and voluntary sector and other priorities.
- Key achievements.
- Key issues and further actions required

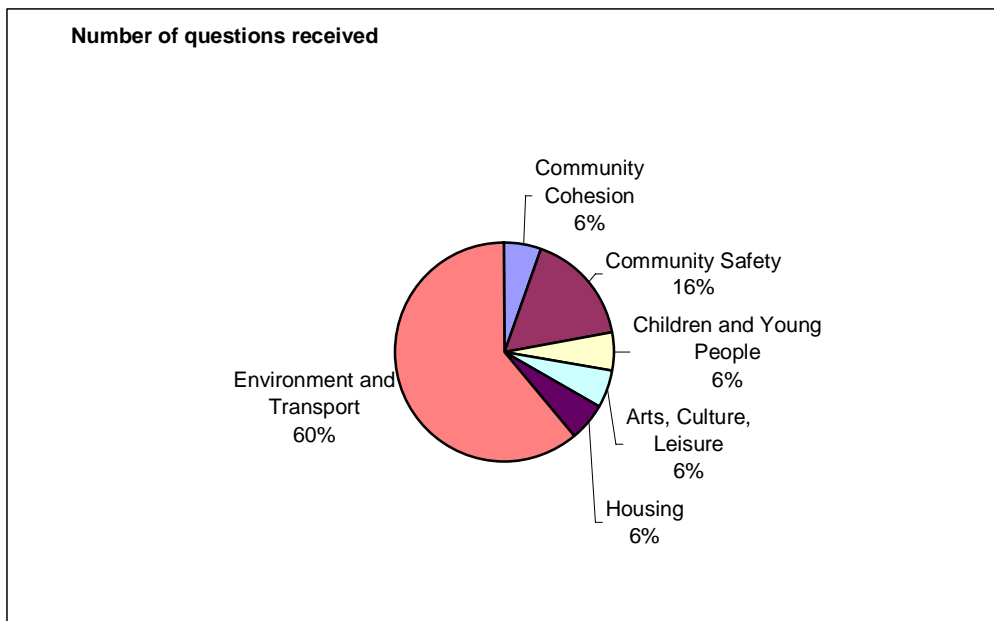
**1.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Public question time is the half hour allocated at Area Committee Meetings to receive general questions from the members of public. The following figures give an idea of the main concerns raised at the Area Committee. Some questions are received before the area Committee Meeting in writing or over the telephone.

The Chart below shows the number of public questions received broken down into the Community Strategy themes. The largest proportion (60%) of questions asked at the Area Committee related to Environment and Transport issues. These included issues such as road surfacing, signage and parking. A summary of public questions received can be seen at Appendix 1.

## Public Questions under Community Strategy Themes

| Community Strategy Theme  | Number of questions received |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Community Cohesion        | 1                            |
| Community Safety          | 3                            |
| Children and Young People | 1                            |
| Arts, Culture, Leisure    | 1                            |
| Housing                   | 1                            |
| Environment and Transport | 11                           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>18</b>                    |



## 2.0 INFLUENCING SERVICES

### 2.1 Commission

A Commission including the team of Area Managers and Area Chairs was set up to explore how the Area Committees could be improved. Five main issues were identified that required examination in order that recommendations could be made to improve the future role of the Area Committees. These issues were:

Issue 1: To decide on the extent of the delegation and the nature of decision making by Area Committees

Issue 2: To clarify the relationship with the Parish Councils which exist within two parts of the borough

Issue 3: To determine the role co-optees should play in the Area Committees?

Issue 4: To decide on the style of the Area Committee e.g. a local element of the LSP or Council Committee?

Issue 5: To consider the extent to which Area Committees should be strategically focused.

The following actions were carried out:

The Commission examined the arrangements by other Local Authorities in framing delegation arrangements to Area Committees or similar Local Assemblies were examined and the findings disseminated.

Consulted upon future proposals and included:

- The views of the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Commission were sought
- The corporate legal, financial and managerial implications of any delegation proposals were considered
- Public opinion in relation to the proposals was obtained through the co-optees
- The views and recommendations of the Oldham Partnership were also sought.

A report was produced for Cabinet with recommendations on the nature and extent of the delegation and decisions allocated to Area Committees. A brief summary of those recommendations include:

- To give the Area Committee constitutional powers to influence services at a local level
- To support the arrangement of a 'compact' between the Area Committees and Parish Councils
- To keep the current arrangements for co-optees but engage co-optees in sub-groups of the Area Committee
- To retain the Council Committee style of meeting but allow a more informal approach to the proceedings
- For the Area Committee to focus on the Area Action Plans.

The outcome of the Commission can be viewed in a more detailed report at [www.oldham.gov.uk/council/decision\\_recording](http://www.oldham.gov.uk/council/decision_recording)

## **2.2 Neighbourhood Solutions**

The second part of the Commissions work was to examine the 'New Localism' agenda and report on how problems could be resolved quickly and effectively at the neighbourhood level.

Neighbourhood Solutions is an approach which combines Reassurance Policing (successfully piloted in Failsworth and St. Mary's) and the work of the Community Safety Panels. The Area Managers Team will bring together a number of agencies to act as one team. There will be a neighbourhood problem solving team in each Area Committee area to be called 'Area Action Teams'. Each team will work at a neighbourhood level to seek solutions to local problems to ensure that there is a quick and co-ordinated response from all the relevant agencies.

Area Committees will be integral to this process and based on information they receive from local residents and agencies such as the Police will prioritise the work of the Area Action Teams. Under the 'scheme of delegation' the Area Committee would also be able to help solve issues by directing local services to the area of need or by buying in additional resources using their budgets.

## 2.3 Work with other partners

The Area Committees have worked with Council Departments and other Agencies to tackle issues raised both at their meetings:

- Community Safety Panels and Police to resolve crime issues in the area. The main focus has been on reducing the number of reports of youth nuisance.
- Regular work is carried out with Environmental Services.
- Education and Culture, specifically the Youth Service, in setting up youth sub groups across each Area Committee area
- Working in partnership with Regeneration Department.
- Oldham Partnership. Specifically the Community Cohesion Partnership where the Area Managers were requested to attend meetings of the partnership to report on activities in the areas.
- Greater Manchester Police Authority to support their role in consulting with members of public.
- Through the Reassurance Policing Pilot in the several wards a good working relationship has been established with the Police and Community Safety Unit which has led to the establishment of a solid problem solving approach

Key achievements developed with partners are listed in Section 4 of this report.

## 3.0 USING THE AREA COMMITTEE BUDGETS TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY SECTOR AND OTHER PRIORITIES

The information below is a summary of how the various budgets have been used. The summary confirms that most projects have a strong community cohesion theme. There are also clear links between the projects and the Area Committee priorities and Corporate Plan themes.

### SHAW AND ROYTON AREA COMMITTEE

#### ( DELEGATED AND MINOR GRANTS BUDGET 2004 / 05)

| <u>Delegated Budget</u>                             | <u>Delegated Budget</u><br>£ | <u>Minor Grants</u> | <u>Minor Grants</u><br>£ |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Budget for the Year 2003 / 04 (including 02/03 b/f) | 81,221                       |                     | 21,093                   |
| Actual Expenditure to 31st March 2004               | <b>-46,544</b>               |                     | <b>-20,022</b>           |
| Balance being underspending for the year c/f        | 34,677                       |                     | 1,071                    |
| <u>Add:</u>   |                              |                     |                          |
| Budget for the Year 2004 / 05                       | 23,497                       |                     | 5,375                    |
| <b>Total Funds Available 2004/05</b>                | <b>58,174</b>                |                     | <b>6,446</b>             |

| <u>Actual Expenditure:</u>                    | £      |                       |        |
|---|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| <u>From 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2005</u> |        | Friends of Firbank    | -1,000 |
| Osram Bowling Club (03/04)                    | -2,000 | Over 60's Monday Club | -200   |
| Street Cleansing (03/04)                      | -3,361 | Wibbly Wobbly Todler  |        |
| Oldham Youth Service (04/05)                  | -1,483 | Group                 | -100   |

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|--|--------|------------------------|--------|
| Area Committee Banners (03/04)               | -170   | Sai To Do Martial Arts | -1,670 |
| Royton Local History (02/03)                 | -200   |                        |        |
| Royton Park Veterans and Social Club (04/05) | -1,259 |                        |        |
| Friends of High Crompton (04/05)             | -590   |                        |        |
| Royton Town A.F.C.                           | -2,128 |                        |        |
| Barrier Planters                             | -3,818 |                        |        |
| Lighting - Skatepark in Shaw                 | -2,150 |                        |        |
| LAPTC  | -50    |                        |        |
| Royton Pub Watch                             | -500   |                        |        |
| Shaw F C                                     | -331   |                        |        |
| Floral Decorations (Holocaust)               | -90    |                        |        |
| Area Committee Expenses*                     | -477   | -18,606                |        |

### **Outstanding Commitments Not Yet Paid**

#### **2002 / 03**

|                           |      |      |
|---------------------------|------|------|
| Potential Skateboard Park | -500 | -500 |
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#### **2003 / 04**

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| Heyside Juniors Cricket Club                               | -5,500 |         |
| Street Cleansing Community Initiatives<br>(£11,120-£3,361) | -7,819 |         |
| Street lighting Wessex Park Close, Shaw                    | -7,110 | -20,429 |

#### **2004 / 05**

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| Street Lighting - Dunwood (to be paid 3 x £1550) | -4,650 |         |
| Co-optee training                                | -150   |         |
| War Memorial Hard Standing                       | -2,400 |         |
| Barrier Planters 05/06                           | -3,916 |         |
| Celebrating Diversity                            | -5,105 |         |
| Friends of High Crompton                         | -1,000 |         |
| Allocation towards meetings (£747.26 - 477.13)   | -270   |         |
| Lowerfields Residents                            | -1,000 | -18,491 |

### **Balance of available funds for 2004/05**

**148**

**3,476**

\* breakdown of Area Committee expenses

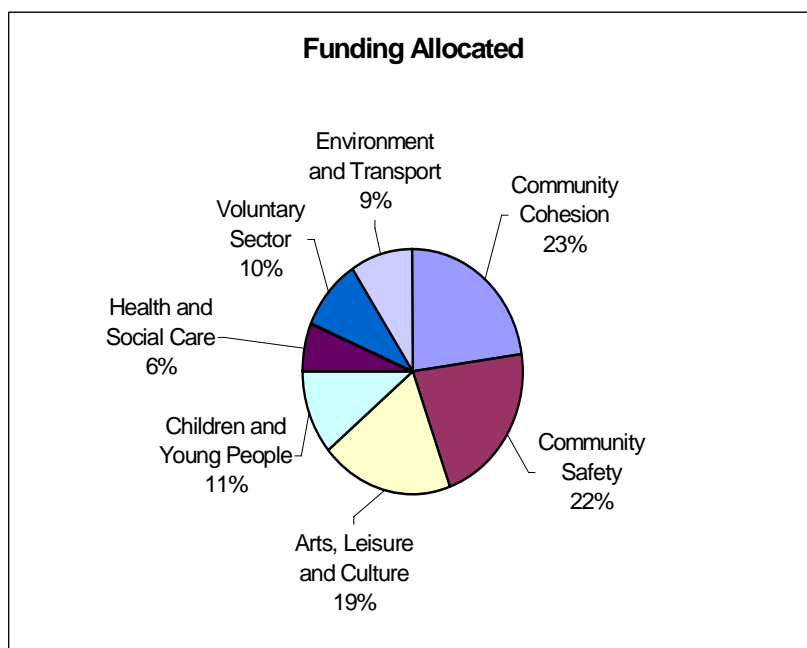
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| Catering  | 130.43        |
| Room Hire | 287           |
| Printing  | 43.7          |
| Other     | 16            |
|           | <b>477.13</b> |

The Area Committee has awarded grants throughout the year. A total of **18** grants were made, amounting to **£26,323**. The chart below shows the amount of money broken down by Community Strategy themes. Please note that though each grant has only been allocated to one theme, there are several that could be considered to fall into more than one theme. A breakdown of the grants awarded can be seen at Appendix 2.

As can be seen from the chart, the greatest proportion of money was spent under the headings of Community Cohesion (23%) and Community Safety (22%). This was largely due to funding allocated to barrier planters and lighting schemes respectively. The large allocation to Arts, Culture and Leisure is accounted for by funding given towards the Festival of Diversity events. It should be noted that this

funding could also be considered to be contributing to the Community Cohesion heading.

| <b>Community Strategy Themes</b> | <b>Number of Grants</b> | <b>Funding Allocated</b> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Community Cohesion</b>        | <b>4</b>                | <b>£6,006</b>            |
| <b>Community Safety</b>          | <b>3</b>                | <b>£5,670</b>            |
| <b>Arts, Leisure and Culture</b> | <b>1</b>                | <b>£5,105</b>            |
| <b>Children and Young People</b> | <b>4</b>                | <b>£2,963</b>            |
| <b>Health and Social Care</b>    | <b>1</b>                | <b>£1,670</b>            |
| <b>Housing</b>                   | <b>0</b>                | <b>£0</b>                |
| <b>Voluntary Sector</b>          | <b>4</b>                | <b>£2,509</b>            |
| <b>Environment and Transport</b> | <b>1</b>                | <b>£2,400</b>            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>18</b>               | <b>£26,323</b>           |



## 4.0 KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

### Co-optee Training

Area Committee co-optee/new elected members induction took place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October. The events proved to be relatively successful with 36 out of 62 co-optees attending.

Following on from the success of the co-optee training in October, another session was held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. A total of 34 co-optees and 4 newly elected Councillors attended this session and found the training to be interesting and beneficial.

The training consisted of an overview of the Council's organisational structure and an introduction to all departments. This was followed by a detailed description of the Environmental Services Department and an overview of the Regeneration Department.

Feedback from the session has generally been good, showing an average satisfaction rating of 8 out of 10 for the programme as a whole.



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|                           | VS1           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Delegated Budget support for local groups and community initiatives (see budget statement)</b></li> </ul>   |
|                           | CC9           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Laying of wreaths on Holocaust Memorial Day</b></li> </ul> <p>Two memorial services one in Shaw and one in Royton were held on 27<sup>th</sup> January to observe Holocaust Memorial Day.</p>   |
|                           | CC7           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RASCAL (Royton and Shaw Communities Against Litter) Campaign</b></li> </ul> <p>A successful second RASCAL campaign has taken place with local statutory, voluntary, faith and community organisations supporting the programme of events.</p> |
|                           | CC9           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Community Views</b></li> </ul> <p>Successful market consultation on both Shaw and Royton Markets.</p>   |
|                           | CC1           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Ward Representation</b></li> </ul> <p>Newly elected Co-optees provide representation in each Area Committee ward.</p>   |
| Learning                  | L1/CC7        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RASCAL Campaign</b></li> </ul> <p>Primary and Secondary School involvement in Campaign.</p>   |
|                           | CC7           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Use of Royton Youth Centre and Shaw Lifelong Learning Centre</b></li> </ul> <p>On going community support received from both the Youth Service and Lifelong Learning Service.</p>   |
| Children and Young People | CYP1/CC6 /CS1 | <b>Youth Buzz success in High Crompton</b>  |

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|  | <p>HSC1</p> <p>CS1</p> <p>CC2</p> <p>CYP4/CC6 /CS1</p> <p>CYP4/CC6 /CC1</p> <p>CC2/CYP2</p> <p>CS6/CC6</p> | <p>In September 2004 the Youth Buzz came to High Crompton Park. The project was very successful engaging hard to reach groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Teenage Pregnancy Project</b></li> </ul> <p>A year long Teenage Pregnancy Project was launched on 20<sup>th</sup> September at Royton Youth Centre.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Youth Summer Programme</b></li> </ul> <p>Area Committee funding enabled the young people of Shaw and Royton to have a successful summer programme of events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Young people involvement</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee has committed to the involvement of young people in the decision making process at Sub Group meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>George Street Skate Park</b></li> </ul> <p>New provision completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Royton Park Skate/BMX Park</b></li> </ul> <p>Initial meetings held with young people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Youth Sub Group</b></li> </ul> <p>The first young people lead Sub Group has taken place during April 2005. All the secondary schools in the area will be represented, together with Youth Service, Oldham 6<sup>th</sup> Form and Oldham College representation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Area Action Team</b></li> </ul> <p>The Youth Service is integral to the Area Action Team.</p> |
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| Housing          | CC7        | <p><b>Housing Allocation Sub Group</b></p> <p>Consultation took place with the Area Committee on the Review and Amendment of OMBC Housing Allocation Policy.</p>  |
| Community Safety | CS6/CC6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Area Action Team</b></li> </ul> <p>Both First Choice Homes Oldham (FCHO) and Northern Counties are integral to the Area Action Team.</p>  |
|                  | H1/CS7/CC7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RASCAL</b></li> </ul> <p>Worked in partnership with FCHO, residents, tenants and community members in the clean up of Oozewood Estate, Royton, as part of the RASCAL Campaign.</p>                        |
|                  | H1/CS7/CC7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Estate Walkabout</b></li> </ul> <p>Members from the Area Committee attend FCHO estate walkabouts.</p>   |
|                  | CS5/CC6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Royton Pub Watch - Update</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee funded the set up costs for the Royton Pub Watch.</p> <p>There were:</p> <p>16 members at July 2004</p> <p>21 members at April 2005</p>    |
|                  | CS6/CC6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Area Action Team</b></li> </ul> <p>Greater Manchester Police, the Community Safety Unit including the Crime Reduction Officer and Anti Social Behaviour Officer are integral to the Area Action Team.</p> |
|                  | CS7/CC6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>The lighting of pathway at Wessex Park Close, Shaw</b></li> </ul>   |
|                  | CS7/CC6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Improved lighting between the railway bridge at Small brook Road and Bridge Street, Shaw</b></li> </ul>   |

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|                           | <p>CS1/CC6/<br/>CYP4</p> <p>CS7/CC6</p> | <p>Both schemes were funded by the Area Committee to meet the local residents community safety needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Provision and lighting of George Street Skate Park</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee secured funding for the lighting of the new skate park. In addition, the Committee funded the 5 year revenue costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RASCAL</b></li> </ul> <p>Addresses the communities 'quality of life' issues.</p>                                   |
| Health and Social Care    | <p>HSC 3</p> <p>CC 7</p>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Health Improvement Plan</b></li> </ul> <p>The new Skate Parks in the area assist in addressing the concern regarding the issue of obesity amongst young people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Oldham Partnership Representation</b></li> </ul> <p>Co-optee representation on Health and Social Care Partnership.</p>   |
| Environment and Transport | <p>ET3</p> <p>ET4</p>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Neighbourhood Renewal Fund (NRF) Environmental Projects</b></li> </ul> <p>Four area projects identified and funded:</p> <p>Improvements to access road at Crompton Moor and Pingot Quarry.</p> <p>Development of Dunwood Park, Shaw.</p> <p>Development of access to Royton Park.</p> <p>Development of play area at Broadway Park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>New Opportunities Fund (NOF) Schemes</b></li> </ul> <p>There will be three projects implemented;</p> |

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|  | ET9         | <p>Dunwood Park</p> <p>George Street Skate Park</p> <p>High Crompton Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Metrolink</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee supported the 'Get our Metrolink Back on Track' initiative.</p>  |
|  | ET10        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Development of communication systems with Environmental Services Department</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee has successfully worked in partnership with Environmental Services on the development of communication systems:</p> <p>Project development reporting system with Parks Design</p> <p>Review of Petitions Reporting Process</p> |
|  | ET3         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Area Barrier Planters supported</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee has financed the continuation of provision of barrier planters for the summer at Royton Junction, Royton Town Hall, Shaw Road End Junction and around the Memorial in Shaw.</p>  |
|  | CS6/CC6     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Area Action Team</b></li> </ul> <p>Environmental Services are integral to the Area Action Team.</p>   |
|  | ET3/CS7/CC7 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>RASCAL</b></li> </ul> <p>The RASCAL Campaign contributes to Local Environmental Quality Plan.</p>   |
|  | ET5         | <p><b>Market Provision</b></p>  |

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|                        |   | <p>The Area Committee has worked closely with the Markets Manager on the review of market provision in Shaw and Royton.</p>  |
| Economy and Employment | <p>EE2</p> <p>CC7</p> <p>EE1/CS7/<br/>CC7</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Oldham Beyond</b></li> </ul> <p>Consultation took place with the Area Committee on the Oldham Beyond Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Use of Royton and Shaw Markets</b></li> </ul> <p>On going community support received from Markets team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Partnership work with businesses</b></li> </ul> <p>The Area Committee was the first to launch 'Food on the Go' with takeaway business in the area.</p>  |
| Voluntary Sector       | <p>VS1</p> <p>CC9</p>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Delegated Budget support for local groups and community initiatives (see budget statement)</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Building Good Relations in Shaw and Crompton Workshops</b></p> <p>Two projects resulted from the workshops:</p> <p><b>SCAMP 'Shaw and Crompton Activities for More People'</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Access to a wider range of facilities within the community</li> <li>▪ Breaking down barriers between the many different groups of people throughout the community</li> <li>▪ Finding ways to make Shaw and Crompton a more inclusive community</li> </ul> <p><b>Inclusion and Community Cohesion in Shaw and Crompton – 'A Community Coming together in Partnership'</b></p> |



### **5.7 Royton Park Skate Park**

To continue to work with the young people on the design and implementation of the skate park.

**5.8 Capacity building** – Oldham Council, in conjunction with Salford City Council, are introducing an ambitious programme to develop comprehensive neighbourhood management. Both authorities have recognised that one of the keys to the delivery of services that respond to the needs of citizens (as expressed at a local level), is recognising the impact it has on all aspects of the way the Council operates.

‘Partners in Change’ will provide a programme, running in three phases:

- Phase 1 Shared learning events for managers with specific responsibility for local areas and managers with specific responsibility for service delivery in local areas
- Phase 2 Skill building for local Elected Members to develop community leadership
- Phase 3 Designing a programme that can be delivered in each Local Authority area for middle and senior managers and managers from partner organisations which will create a short feedback loop from the emerging practice in the new area arrangements and develop the skills and knowledge base of managers in all services

It is expected that 100 Council managers, up to 50 managers from partner agencies and 50 Elected Members will participate in the programme commencing delivery in July 2005, with cohorts of participants undertaking learning until September 2006.

### **5.8 Co-optee Development**

It will be important to further develop Co-opted Members through training programmes so that they have the capacity to play an active role on the Committee. They will need the skills to contribute to the increasing role the Committee will play in local decision making. A number of suggestions for further training are being considered. Examples include Neighbourhood Solutions and the Work of the Local Strategic Partnership.

### **5.9 Marketing of the Area Committees**

Although the Area Committees now feature on the Council’s website there is a need to further improve the way Area Committee meetings and their work is promoted.



Appendix 1

| Date raised / Contact Status  | Contact       | How raised         | Question   | Date of reply | Outcome   | Community Strategy Theme  |
|---|---------------|--------------------|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| 04/05/2004<br><b>Resolved</b>   | Mrs J Higgins | At AC              | Are there any plans for the refurbishment of Royton Post Office?   | 18/06/2004    | At present there are no immediate plans to renovate or refurbish either the inside or outside of the post office. However, the Post Office has addressed the issues raised with the Area Manager in charge of counter services that includes Royton Post Office.  | Community Cohesion        |
| 04/05/2004<br><b>Partly Resolved</b>  | Mr P Bennett  | At AC              | Had consideration been given to the provision of road signs warning motorists of the potential presence of children in the vicinity of the proposed George Street Skateboard Park?   |               | The Traffic Section of Environmental Services was requested to consider placing warning signs on the A663 Milnrow Road, Shaw. These signs are to be put in place.   | Environment and Transport |
| 14/07/2004<br><b>Resolved</b><br><br><b>Resolved</b><br><br><b>Resolved</b> | Alan Reeves   | At AC and by Email | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Watermill Clough – why has this site been left in a poor state by the developers?</li> <li>2. Thorp Farm Footways – these footpaths are in a poor state of repair.</li> <li>3. Glenn View, Royton – Trees are overhanging the footpath, causing a</li> </ol> | 27/07/2004    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Watermill Clough - The Council to raise this issue with the developers</li> <li>2. Thorp Farm Footways – The micro-asphalt surfacing was completed in December.</li> <li>3. Glenn View, Royton - after inspection, it was deemed that emergency work was not necessary. The trees in question will be included in the routine maintenance programme.</li> </ol> | Environment and Transport |

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|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       | slipping hazard.  |            | 4. Radcliffe Street car park - the Council's recycling officer has contacted the operators regarding the removal of the over-turned textile bank.  |                           |
|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       | 4. Radcliffe St car park – Recycling bins have been left here, and are constantly being overturned.                     |            | 5. Royton Assembly Hall - The Local Planning Authority will consider the colour scheme. It will be the responsibility of the owner of the premises to deal with any graffiti.  |                           |
|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       | 5. Royton Assembly Hall – Do the new owners intend painting the walls, and who will deal with any graffiti that occurs? |            |  |                           |
| 20/07/2004 | Mrs Peters      | At AC | Why had the play equipment on Thorp Road been removed and will it be replaced?  | 27/07/2004 | The play area was removed due to damage which presented a health and safety risk. There are currently no plans to replace this equipment, although there are proposals to refurbish several other local play areas. A ' Play Strategy' for Oldham is currently being drawn up to assess play needs across the borough. | Children and Young People |
|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       |   |            |  |                           |
| 20/07/2004 | Anne Madeley    | At AC | Question relating to the re-erection of a headstone.  | 30/07/2004 | A full response was made by Environmental Services, explaining that they would be willing to carry out the work at no cost.  | Environment and Transport |
|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       |   |            |  |                           |
| 20/07/2004 | Mr Shannon      | At AC | Request for a filter on Middleton Rd  | 29/07/2004 | A full response was given by the Traffic and Transportation Department, explaining why this was not feasible. The Greater Manchester Urban Traffic Control Unit have been monitoring this junction and has concluded that it would not be possible to incorporate such a filter into the timing of the lights.         | Environment and Transport |
|            | <b>Resolved</b> |       |   |            |  |                           |

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| 20/07/2004                           | B.Deaville  | At AC               | Footpath 65 – when will the works be completed and when will the footpath be re-opened?      | 27/07/2004 | A written response was sent to summarise the verbal response given at the previous Area Committee. It was explained that the footpath would be unlikely to be re-opened for around seven months due to outstanding legal issues involving third parties, as well as the tender period and time taken to carry out the works. Information has since been received, to indicate that works may now not begin until October of 2005. This is because of ecological reasons relating to the disturbance of nearby ponds. Once commenced, works are expected to take around 10 weeks, weather permitting. | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Partly Resolved – In progress</b> |             |                     |  |            |  |                           |
| 20/07/2004                           | David Shaw  | At AC and by letter | Request for resurfacing of various roads, footpaths and car parks.                           | 30/07/2004 | There were 9 identified locations. Orders to carry out work were given for 7 of them. The remaining 2 locations were deemed to be in a safe and serviceable condition.   | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |             |                     |  |            |  |                           |
| 20/07/2004                           | B.Deaville  | At AC               | Litter at Our Lady's   | 31/08/2004 | A number of individuals have been issued with fixed penalty notices. Owners of adjacent private land have been encouraged to clean up their property   | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |             |                     |  |            |  |                           |
| 22/07/2004                           | Alan Reeves | Email               | Toilets at Radcliffe St Car Park - could these be manned, as they are not open all the time? | 05/10/2004 | One of the toilets was not in use because of vandalism. This has now been corrected, and the toilets are open again. However, due to problems of misuse, it has been necessary to restrict opening times to 8am - 4pm.   | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |             |                     |  |            |  |                           |
| 22/07/2004                           | Alan Reeves | Email               | Traffic - Harewood Drive, Royton, exceeding 20mph limit. No speed-restriction humps, etc.    | 01/09/2004 | The Traffic Section agreed to implement speed restriction markings and ramps.  | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |             |                     |  |            |  |                           |

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| 02/09/2004                           | Alan Reeves      | Email | Retaining Wall, junction Middleton Rd - request to have repaired.   | 14/09/2004          | The Environmental Services Department stated that they would need to establish ownership of the area, and would either effect repairs if applicable, or ask the landowner to do so. This has since been found to be in the ownership of Oldham Community Leisure, and they have been asked to have the wall repaired. | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Partly Resolved – In progress</b> |                  |       |   |                     |   |                           |
| 07/09/2004                           | Reverend Collins | At AC | Question on proposals by First Choice Homes for housing development in the Lancaster Square area of Royton, seeking assurances on residents consultation both prior and during the development. | 07/09/04<br>At AC   | No decision had been made on the proposed development and a commitment was given that residents would be fully consulted.   | Housing                   |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |                  |       |   |                     |   |                           |
| 22/03/2005                           | Mr Nield         | At AC | What is being done about reinstating the sauna at Royton baths?   | 22/03/2005<br>At AC | A verbal response was given, indicating that OCLL had concerns about under-use of the facility, and that revenue generated by it had been low. The Area Committee agreed to write in support of the reinstatement of the sauna.   | Arts, Culture, Leisure    |
| <b>Resolved</b>                      |                  |       |   |                     |   |                           |
| 22/03/2005                           | Mr Hadfield      | At AC | Mr Hadfield wanted to know what could be done about off-road bikers on Gravelhole.  | 22/03/2005<br>At AC | Inspector Gloster replied that he would look into the matter. The Greater Manchester Police Motorcycle Unit have been alerted, and will look at the area. The Inspector reports that there are difficulties controlling access to the land, as it is privately owned.   | Community Safety          |
| <b>Partly Resolved – In progress</b> |                  |       |   |                     |   |                           |

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| 22/03/2005<br><br><b>Resolved</b>                              | Mr Hadfield    | At AC | Mr Hadfield complained about speeding vehicles, including buses, around the summit area of Rochdale Road. | 22/03/2005<br>At AC | Inspector Gloster agreed to look into this issue. His initial response is as follows:<br>Analysis shows that there are no accident statistics that would support a speed camera at this location. The Traffic Network Section has been informed of the complaint and they will look at it with a view to some enforcement, however as the issue is only perceived at this time and there is no evidence it will not be a priority. The OMBC Traffic Section will not be contacted at this stage as this is not supported by killed or seriously injured (KSI) figures. | Community<br>Safety |
| 22/03/2005<br><br><b>Partly<br/>Resolved – In<br/>progress</b> | Miss Whitehead | At AC | Miss Whitehead was concerned about youths congregating near her home, drinking and using drugs.           | 22/03/2005<br>At AC | Inspector Gloster has put in a request for consideration of an alley-gating scheme in this area. The Inspector has asked the local Police Community Support Officers and Community Beat Officers to maintain close surveillance on the area.<br><br>The Community Safety Unit have confirmed that consultation with residents has shown that they are in favour of an alleygating scheme. Quotes are now being obtained for the work, and funding will then be sought.   | Community<br>Safety |

## Shaw and Royton Area Committee - Breakdown of grants for 2004-5

| Date Considered at AC   | Organisation                                 | Request for  | Amount Awarded | Community Strategy Theme  |
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| <b>Delegated Budget</b> |  |  |                |                           |
| 04/05/2004              | Oldham Youth Service (04/05)                 | Summer programme for young people  | £1,482.64      | Children and Young People |
| 04/05/2004              | Friends of High Crompton (04/05)             | Towards the costs of the annual fair   | £590.00        | Community Cohesion        |
| 20/07/2004              | Wessex Park Close Lighting - additional sum  | To meet additional costs for street lighting on unadopted passageway/footpath – Wessex Park Close, Shaw                            | £520.00        | Community Safety          |
| 20/07/2004              | Royton Park Veterans and Social Club (04/05) | Purchase of new clubhouse furniture  | £1,259.30      | Voluntary Sector          |
| 02/11/2004              | Dunwood Park Lighting                        | Towards street lighting at Dunwood Park Shaw, over the railway line at Bridge Street and Smallbrook Road - to be paid over 3 years | £4,650.00      | Community Safety          |
| 02/11/2004              | Bone Armore Skate Park Committee             | Funding of 'street art' of skate park  | £500.00        | Community Cohesion        |
| 02/11/2004              | Royton Pub Watch                             | Setting up costs   | £500.00        | Community Safety          |
| 25/01/2005              | Lowerfields Residents Association            | Local environmental improvements   | £1,000.00      | Voluntary Sector          |
| 25/01/2005              | FC Shaw                                      | For the purchase of a new football kit   | £380.00        | Children and Young People |
| 22/03/2005              | Celebrating Diversity 2005                   | Towards the celebrating diversity events for 2005  | £5,105.00      | Arts, Culture and Leisure |
| 22/03/2005              | Friends of High Crompton (grant 2)           | Towards the costs of the annual fair   | £1,000.00      | Community Cohesion        |

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| 22/03/2005          | Barrier Planters 2005                              | Barrier Planters 2005 - Continuation of funding of the barrier planters for the summer at Royton Junction, Royton Town Hall, Shaw Road End Junction and around the War Memorial in Shaw | £3,916.00         | Community Cohesion        |
| 22/03/2005          | Hard standing - Royton Park                        | Hard standing to complement the memorial in Royton Park   | £2,400.00         | Environment and Transport |
| <b>Minor Grants</b> |  |   |                   |                           |
| 22/03/2005          | Lancashire Association of Parish and Town Councils | Towards costs for annual residential conference   | £50.00            | Voluntary Sector          |
| 20/07/2004          | Friends of Firbank                                 | Towards the improvement of an outdoor play area   | £1,000.00         | Children and Young People |
| 20/07/2004          | Over 60's Monday Club                              | Purchase of bookcase and CD unit for community room   | £200.00           | Voluntary Sector          |
| 02/11/2004          | Wibbly Wobbly Todler Group                         | Safety mat and climbing frame   | £100.00           | Children and Young People |
| 22/03/2005          | Sai To Do Martial Arts                             | Safety equipment  | £1,670.00         | Health and Social Care    |
| <b>TOTALS</b>       |  | Minor grant total   | <b>£2,970.00</b>  |                           |
|                     |  | Delegated budget grant total  | <b>£23,352.94</b> |                           |
|                     |  | Total grants given  | <b>£26,322.94</b> |                           |