

Report to: Sefton East Parishes Area Committee **Date of Meeting:** 14th March 2013

Subject: Area Management Update

Report of: Director of Corporate Commissioning

Wards Affected: Molyneux,
Sudell, Park

Is this a Key Decision? No

Is it included in the Forward Plan? No

Exempt/Confidential

No

Purpose/Summary

To update the Area Committee on area management activities that have taken place in the wards of Sefton East Parishes since the last meeting.

Recommendation(s)

That the Area Committee:

- (i) Note the contents of this report.
- (ii) Members or residents contact Corporate Commissioning and Neighbourhood Co-ordination Division with any further area issues.

How does the decision contribute to the Council's Corporate Objectives?

	<u>Corporate Objective</u>	<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Jobs and Prosperity		✓	
3	Environmental Sustainability	✓		
4	Health and Well-Being	✓		
5	Children and Young People	✓		
6	Creating Safe Communities	✓		
7	Creating Inclusive Communities	✓		
8	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening Local Democracy	✓		

Reasons for the Recommendation:

This report is to inform Members of progress of area management activities in their areas.

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs – Any actions requiring Council resources are agreed within existing budgets such as the Area Committee Budgets (details contained within the budget monitoring report). Actions requiring resources from partners are agreed in advance of works being carried out.

(B) Capital Costs N/A

Implications:

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

Legal	
Human Resources There are no implications	
Equality	
1. No Equality Implication	<input type="text" value="None"/>
2. Equality Implications identified and mitigated	<input type="text"/>
3. Equality Implication identified and risk remains	<input type="text"/>

Impact on Service Delivery:

All actions detailed within this report have come from issues raised by local residents, elected members or officers. These actions are specifically aimed at improving the delivery of services within the local area.

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Head of Corporate Finance and ICT (FD2173/13-----) has been consulted and has no comments to make on this report / and their comments have been incorporated into this report.

The Head of Corporate Legal Services has been consulted (LD 1489/13) and has no comments on the report / and their comments have been incorporated into this.

Are there any other options available for consideration?

No. The approach of area coordination via the Corporate Commissioning and Neighbourhood Co-ordination Division is aimed at improving local services, and thereby improving customer satisfaction with how these services are delivered. If these actions

were not dealt with, this would not happen. In terms of specific items, each issue is considered fully in conjunction with all relevant partners before action is taken.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Committee.

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Background Papers:

Area Management Report from 6th February 2013.

1. Introduction/Background

The Corporate Commissioning and Neighbourhood Co-ordination Division provides a coordination role for dealing with area issues. Queries are forwarded to the Division in a number of ways, via a number of different sources. In order for members to be aware of progress made on these issues an area management report has been compiled. After consultation with other Council Departments and external agencies, a partner update will be included in the near future.

If there are any queries about the information provided in the report you can contact the lead officer in the Corporate Commissioning and Neighbourhood Co-ordination Division for this area (contact details on front page of report.)

Ongoing Area Management Issues Reported at SEPAC Meeting on 6th February 2013

Ref	Query	Ward	Origin of Query	Summary of Action	Dept/Org	Status
Mol - 31 - 2012/13	Overhanging trees at Cheltenham Close, Aintree	Molyneux	Councillor	Inspectors from the Canal and River Trust have visited the resident and inspected the site. Trees have now been cut back.	CCNC / Canal and River Trust	Completed
Mol - 35 - 2012/13	Grass verge parking – Lincoln Drive Denstone Avenue	Molyneux	Councillor	Three grass verges in Denstone Avenue and Lincoln Drive were repaired on 6 th February 2013. Tarmac was used to repair grass verges.	CCNC / Highways	Completed
Mol – 36 – 2012/13	Cleansing of Sandown Park Road area	Molyneux	Councillor	Information regarding cleansing was passed on to ward councillor as requested week commencing 18 th February 2013.	CCNC / Cleansing / Capita	Completed
Park-05 2012/13	Footpaths, Cleansing and motorbikes on land adjoining Cheshire Lines, Maghull	Park	Residents Volunteers Councillors	Two chicane barriers have now been installed on Cheshire Lines to reduce motorcycle activity in area.	CCNC / Environment / Merseyside Police	Completed
Park - 26 - 2012/13	Replacement of missing “No Crossing” sign on Bells Lane, Lydiate.	Park	Councillor	Sign has been installed, with funding coming from Capita Symonds maintenance budget.	CCNC / Capita	Completed
Sud-06 2012/13	Issue with vehicles parking on pavement and grass verge in Dennet Close at school start and finish.	Sudell	Councillor	Meeting with St Georges Catholic Primary School on 19 th December 2012 confirmed that school is now pursuing a “drop off zone” for parents on Old Hall Road, to help reduce the need for parents to park in Dennet Close. St Georges Catholic Primary School have already contacted a company to survey the area, and make plans for a drop off zone. Any construction would be subject to planning application approval, and therefore the intention is to submit a pre-planning application.	CCNC / Highways / Residents	Ongoing
Sud-09 2012/13	Complaint of dead hedge (in part) near properties on Dodds Lane, Maghull.	Sudell	Councillor	Works have been completed, and hedge has been planted on site	CCNC / Capita	Completed

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Sud – 16 – 2012/13	Parking issues around Northway Primary School, Maghull	Sudell	Councillor	Meeting with Highways have confirmed that yellow zig-zag lines and H Brackets have already been installed outside school, and near to neighbouring residential properties. It has been confirmed that H Brackets cannot be extended, as the purpose of these is to prevent obstruction to driveways, not to prevent legitimate parking on the highway.	CCNC / Highways	Completed
Park - 36- 2012/13	Dangerous Tree on Coronation Road, Maghull	Park	Councillor	Tree was inspected by Landscape Services and feel tree should be removed (though no imminent threat to health and safety is posed). Landscape Services plan to remove tree in April 2013. Removal is still to be confirmed as residents do not want this to be removed, with queries raised by Landscape Services as to whether tree does in fact need removing.	CCNC / Landscape Services	Ongoing
Park - 37- 2012/13	Request for cutting back of overgrown land, Sandy Lane / Lambshear Lane	Park	Councillor	Land is not under the ownership of Sefton MBC. Estates have requested a land registry check to determine ownership, with a view of compelling the owner to clear the land.	CCNC / Capita	Ongoing
Park - 38- 2012/13	Dog Fouling on Cheshire Lines	Park	Councillor	Following complaints of dog fouling on Cheshire Lines, Park Ward Members approved £850 of Area Committee Funding (from Park Ward allocation) to fund Operation Collar around Maghull (to include Cheshire Lines, Maghull High School, Meadway). Confirmation from Environmental Protection has confirmed that Operation Collar will commence in the new financial year, and therefore Area Committee funding will go forward as a committed spend for 2013/14.	CCNC / Environment Protection	Ongoing
Sud - 18- 2012/12	Replacement sign for Moorhey, Maghull	Sudell	Capita	It has been confirmed that sign has been ordered and is with contractor. Sign will be installed shortly.	CCNC / Capita	Ongoing
Sud - 19- 2012/13	Replacement sign at Chilton Close, Maghull	Sudell	Capita	It has been confirmed that sign has been ordered and is with contractor. Sign will be installed shortly.	CCNC / Capita	Ongoing
Sud - 21- 2012/13	Issue of standing water on School Lane, Maghull	Park	Councillor	Site visit between Capita Symonds and Ward Councillors took place on 22 nd February. It was agreed that an interim measure to help stop flooding would be introduced this financial year.	CCNC / Capita	Ongoing

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Sud - 20-2012/13	Tree Planting on Deyes Lane and Eastway	Sudell	Councillor	<p>Highways have provided quotes for all grass verges on Eastway, and meetings have already taken place with Landscape Service to identify potential locations for tree planting.</p> <p>Site visit with highways on 27th February 2013 has identified 4 grass verges which are priority for tarmac replacement, and next step will be to inform members of these locations in order to consult with local residents.</p> <p>There is also a need to consider alternative options i.e. installation of trees, which may act as a natural barrier to prevent grass verge parking</p>	CCNC / Highways / Capita	Ongoing

Area Management Issues Reported Post SEPAC Meeting on 6th February 2013

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Mol - 37 - 2012/13	Complaints of fly-tipping (dumped carpet) on Giddygate Lane, Melling.	Molyneux	Parish Council	Melling Parish Council reported that a carpet had been dumped on Giddygate Lane, Melling, and was causing an obstruction to the highway. Carpet was subsequently removed by Sefton MBCs Rapid Response Team.	CCNC / Cleansing	Completed
Mol - 38 - 2012/13	Complaints of fly-tipping (dumped mattress) on Satinwood Crescent, Melling.	Molyneux	Parish Council	Melling Parish Council reported that a mattress had been dumped near to the entrance of Satinwood Crescent. The mattress was subsequently removed by Sefton MBCs Rapid Response Team.	CCNC / Cleansing	Completed
Mol - 39 - 2012/13	Complaints of loose / noisy manhole covers on Prescott Road, Melling.	Molyneux	Parish Council	Loose manhole cover has been repaired by United Utilities. The fault has resulted from bedding material for the manhole cover, which has subsequently been replaced.	CCNC / Capita / United Utilities	Completed
Park - 40 - 2012/13	Complaints of fly-tipping (dumped mattress) on Bridges Lane, Sefton Parish.	Park	Parish Council	Sefton Parish Council reported the dumping of a mattress on Bridges Lane, in Sefton Parish. The mattress was subsequently removed by Sefton MBCs Rapid Response Team.	CCNC / Cleansing	Completed
Park - 41 - 2012/13	Complaints of poor condition barriers on Leeds-Liverpool Canal near Maghull.	Park	Councillor	Officers from Canal and River Trust have been contacted, and an onsite meeting to inspect barriers and determine what replacements are appropriate is planned for week commencing 4 th March 2013.	CCNC / Canal & River Trust.	Ongoing
Park - 42 - 2012/13	SEPAC funding application for SEPAC-Wide Smartwater Kits.	Park	SEPAC	Corporate Commissioning and Neighbourhood Coordination received invoice for SmartWater Kits on 26 th February 2013. Invoice has been sent to accounts payable for processing. SEPAC agreed to fund purchase, with following contributions from each ward allocation: Molyneux - £503.00 Park - £503.00 Sudell - £504.00	CCNC / Merseyside Police	Completed

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Park - 43 - 2012/13	Complaint of street lighting column which has been removed and requires replacement, Turnbridge Road, Maghull.	Park	Councillor	Councillor has reported that a street lighting column outside property on Turnbridge Road, Maghull has been removed, but has not been replaced. Capita Symonds contacted to determine whether this will be replaced. Awaiting response back from Capita on this issue.	CCNC / Capita Symonds	Ongoing
Park - 44 - 2012/13	Request to have copy of electoral roll for Sefton Parish Council	Park	Parish Council	Sefton Parish Council has requested a copy of Sefton Parish Electoral Roll. Subsequently sent to Clerk of Parish Council.	CCNC	Completed
Park - 45 - 2012/13	Street lighting column on Hall Lane, Lydiate in need of remedial works.	Park	Councillor	Ward Councillor reported that street lighting column was leaning to one side and was in need of repair. Subsequent inspection confirmed that street lighting column was beyond repair and required replacement. Column has been removed, and new street light will be installed as soon as possible.	CCNC / Capita Symonds	Ongoing
Park - 46 - 2012/13	Request to clarify double yellow line installation on Moss Lane, Lydiate.	Park	Councillor	Confirmation from highways that double yellow lines were removed from location as per SEPAC report of 19 th May 2005. Information sent to Councillor who raised issued.	CCNC / Highways	Completed
Park - 47 - 2012/13	Request to clarify "H Bracket" installation on Lamshear Lane, Lydiate.	Park	Councillor	Confirmation from highways that it is not possible to extend H Brackets beyond driveway, as purpose of line marking is to prevent obstruction to driveway, not prevent legitimate parking on highway.	CCNC / Highways	Completed
Sud - 23 - 2012/12	Request to have street lighting column outside residential property removed on Sankey Road, Maghull.	Sudell	Councillor	Capita Symonds contacted to determine if it is possible for lighting column to be replaced. Confirmation that responsibility for replacement rests with utilities company, not Sefton MBC. Normal process is for resident to apply for carriage crossing application, but significant costs involved in replacement. Same information passed to Councillor who raised issue.	CCNC / Capita Symonds	Ongoing
Sud - 24 - 2012/13	Request to have dropped kerbs installed near Swan Walk, Maghull in order to improved resident access.	Sudell	Councillor	Highway officer has met with resident of Swan Walk, Maghull to identify a number of locations where dropped kerbs should be installed in order to make access for local amenities easier. Initial meeting identified four kerbs needed to be installed, and ward members have already agreed to fund through Area Committee funding.		Ongoing

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