

Briefing Paper to the East Area Committee

29th July 2025

**Wards: Drypool,
Holderness, Ings, Longhill
& Bilton Grange, Marfleet,
Southcoates and Sutton**

East Area Plan Update and Next Steps

Briefing Paper of the of Corporate Director for Legal Services and Partnerships

1. Purpose of the Paper and Summary

To provide the committee with the information collated at the Workshop of the 3rd July 2025 titled *East Area Partnership – Young Peoples Futures in East Hull*, to agree a set of objectives for the next 12 months in order to progress Ambition 1.

To provide a set of suggested objectives for Ambition 2 and 3, from the discussion at the Area Committee meeting of 13th May 2025.

2. Background

The committee held 2 workshops on 3rd July at the Freedom Centre, inviting key stakeholders in East Hull, to facilitate a joint collaborative discussion, to identify a set of objectives that the partnership will aim to deliver together in the next 12 months. Workshop 1 focused on young people under 16 years, and workshop 2 focused on young people over 16 years.

Appendix 1 provides a transcript for workshop 1. Listing the challenges, opportunities and commitments made by the organisations in attendance, for under 16 years.

Appendix 2 provides a similar list showing the challenges, opportunities and commitments made by organisations present, for over 16 years.

3. Issues for Consideration

Common themes from Workshop 1 – focusing on under 16 years are listed below

Challenges

- Lack of community buildings, youth only centres in the area
- Gap in provision for 7 – 11-year-olds
- Travel to attend groups and activities.
- Capacity of the VCSE and voluntary sector to offer mentoring, more 1 to 1 support.
- Finance and affordability for families
- Buy in from parents to attend activities
- Transition from primary to senior schools
- Increasing number of neurodiverse young people
- Young people's mindset, what others think, peer pressure, fear of authority

Opportunities

- Can the schools provide more community space, free
- The schools to become the hub for providing information to families, a space for networking, discussions re local actions
- More to be done with our open spaces
- The partnership to share more knowledge
- More opportunities to listen and act upon young people's voice and influence
- Make cultural activities more accessible
- Resources for more targeted MH support
- More regular networking across the partnership
- Take the library service into different locations
- Don't use face book, look at other social media opportunities.

The common themes from Workshop 2 are listed below.

Challenges

- Engagement is challenging
- Once last day of school is gone there is a gap in transition to work or education.
- The mindset of semi-skilled work
- Ability for young people to pass Maths
- Preparation for interview
- NEETs – high proportion are LGBTQ+ or have special educational needs.
- Limited support for those with no qualifications
- Apprentice income affects family benefit entitlement.
- Mental health, confidence
- Lack of funding for more targeted support, mentoring

Opportunities

- To use the school pathway for better engagement
- More practical subjects at school from 14 years

- Connect local businesses with schools – talks etc
- Local groups willing to point young people in the right direction
- Local groups willing to act as a mentor, buddy with adequate funding
- Use local role models, figure heads
- More year 10/11 work placements
- Consider Year 10/11 4 days education 1 day per week in a placement
- Use social media Tik Tok
- Multi agency support for the most vulnerable, and to support the whole family

4. Next steps

For the committee to debate and agree a set of key objectives for Ambition 1, for the next 12 months. To use the information provided from the workshops and consider the commitments made by local businesses and other organisations, listed in Appendices 1 and 2.

For the committee to note the suggested objectives for Ambition 2 and 3 and provide and further comments. These have been provided in Appendix 3.

Relevant officers and partners will be assigned to the objectives once agreed.

For the committee to confirm how progress of the area plan objectives are to be delivered to future meetings.

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Officer Interests: None

Background Documents: -

Appendix 1 – Transcript notes of Workshop 1

Appendix 2 – Transcript notes for Workshop 2

Appendix 3 – Draft of East Hull Area Plan 2025.