

AREA COMMITTEE: **BARNFIELD, ICKNIELD, LIMBURY & SAINTS**

DATE: **TUESDAY 20TH JANUARY 2004**

SUBJECT: **AREA REPORT**

REPORT BY: **HEAD OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY**

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL	COMMUNITY SAFETY
EQUALITIES	ENVIRONMENT
FINANCIAL	CONSULTATIONS
STAFFING	OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: **BARNFIELD, ICKNIELD, LIMBURY & SAINTS**

PURPOSE

1. To bring before the committee an update on the issues that were raised following the last Area Committee held on the 29th October 2003.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. **Barnfield, Icknield, Limbury and Saints Area Committee is recommended to note the report and make recommendations on further action where required.**

BACKGROUND

3. This is the ninth report to the Area Committee since the implementation of the process in October 2001.

The issues, which have been raised, are encompassed within the overall ' Action Plan ' for both the Area Committees and Area Board and have been pursued through the respective service area or relevant agency.

REPORT

4. The issues for this area committee, which has been mentioned in paragraph 3 have been collated and are outlined in the attached plan shown as **Appendix A** of this report.
5. Members of the public who appear on the current database were informed of this meeting by post on the 6th January 2004 and publicity for this cycle of meetings appeared in the Luton News, Herald & Post and Luton on Sunday, during weeks commencing 15th December 2003 and the 5th January 2004 respectively.
6. Additionally, posters were also dispatched to every General Practitioner, Dental Practice, Chiropodists, Chiropractors, Educational establishment, Library, Sports Centre, Community & Youth Centre, Day Centre, Places of Worship and Sheltered Housing provision, across the borough. The information gave dates for every Area Committee and was then followed up with specific information about the Area Committee, relevant to that area.
7. The Area Committee web site is regularly updated and can be accessed on www.luton.gov.uk/areacommittees

AREA PROJECTS

8. There were no applications under the Area Projects Scheme since the last meeting of this area committee.

BUDGET UPDATE

9. Please see **(Appendix B)**

AREA TOURS

10. All members were informed of the area tours for 2003/2004 on the 29th July 2003 and the dates set down following this meeting are as follows:-

Barnfield, ickniel, Limbury & Saints Wards		
Ward	Date	Time
Barnfield & Ickniel	28th January 2004	09.30 Hrs
Limbury	25th February 2004	09.30 Hrs
Saints	5th April 2004	09.30 Hrs

PROPOSAL/OPTION

11. It is proposed that Members of the Barnfield, Icknield, Limbury and Saints Area Committee note the report.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

12. Much of the work conducted by the Area Committee will have an impact on Council services and will address issues such as accessibility, local participation and the general quality of life within the Borough.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

13. A large amount of the work being pursued and undertaken by service areas and other outside agencies will make a major contribution to community safety and need to be considered alongside other schemes which may be under consideration or being implemented.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. Any contribution made by the Area Committee will be met from existing budgets.

ENVIRONMENT IMPLICATIONS

15. The implications of the work being undertaken will address and improve the environment, create safer communities and address the quality of life for local people.

APPENDIX

16. Appendix A – Updates on issues
Appendix B – Budget update.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D**

17. There are no background papers relating to this report.