

Theme 5 Community Engagement, Cohesion and Resilience

MSG Programme Period 3 (Apr-Jun 2016) Performance Report

Theme 5 – Community Engagement, Cohesion and Resilience:

This theme focuses on seeking key outcomes including:

- Identifiable increase in numbers of local residents taking on key leadership and representational roles within the community
- Increase in number of people who feel they are getting on better with others in their communities, as identified from annual community surveys
- Increased opportunities for communities to work together on local improvement projects, cultural celebration and exchange

April – June 2016 summary:

The 11 projects funded under this stream provide activities aimed at supporting and nurturing and promoting cohesion and also build the capacity of participants to create, lead and deliver projects on behalf of their communities. Projects are expected to improve the engagement of diverse groups and include an activity that brings people of different backgrounds together to develop strong and positive relationships through positive interactions. Projects funded include those that tackle local priorities and concerns whilst involving residents in local interventions, those that celebrate local life and share cultures through relevant events and others that develop community organising and community leadership skills. Many of the projects incorporate all of these areas of work.

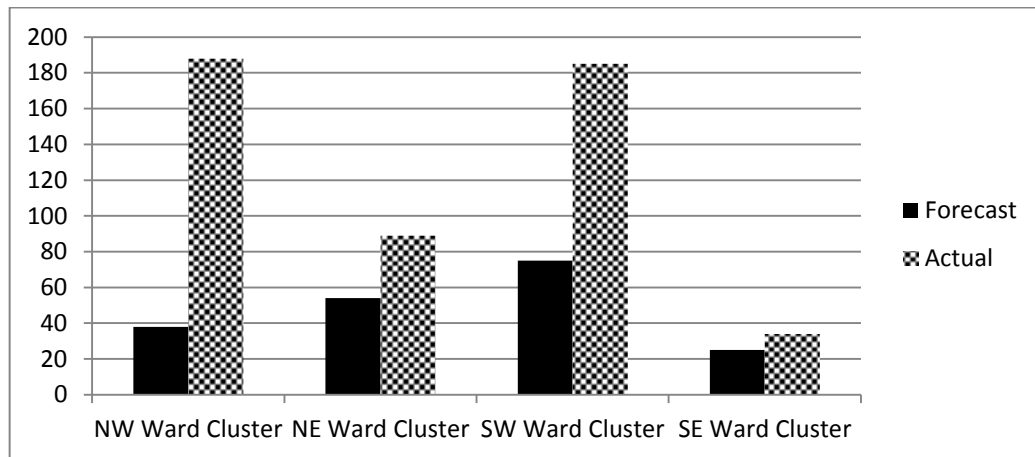
All mainstream grant funded projects identify outcomes for participants and implement outcome measurement that is included in their grant agreements. Outcome reporting is provided to officers through reports, case studies and project evaluations. All projects funded by this theme have demonstrated achievement in movement of participants towards



agreed outcomes. Those reported include demonstration of increased understanding of issues concerning local communities, enhanced aspirations to become community leaders and increased knowledge and understanding of others. The funding can also demonstrate positive outcomes for the local community in terms of resolution of local issues. Additionally, local area improvement has been worked towards. Social action campaigns undertaken have encouraged local young people to vote and increased knowledge of an environmental issue.

Geographical Breakdown

The table below shows the number of beneficiaries supported during the period April to June 2016 by Ward Cluster:



NW Ward Cluster	NE Ward Cluster	SW Ward Cluster	SE Ward Cluster
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bethnal Green • Spitalfields & Banglatown • St Peter's • Weavers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bow East • Bow West • Bromley North • Bromley South • Mile End 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shadwell • St Dunstons • St Katherine's & Wapping • Stepney Green • Whitechapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blackwall & Cubitt Town • Canary Wharf • Island Gardens • Lansbury • Limehouse • Poplar

Project Portfolio – LPG

No. of live projects – Apr-Jun 16	No. of projects classed as GREEN	No. of projects classed as AMBER	No. of projects classed as RED
11	10	0	1

Ten out of the eleven funded projects are classified as 'Green' and all report they are meeting expected outputs. Where appropriate projects have demonstrated activities aimed an inclusion of participants from different communities, targeting those that are not accessing their project. Many have shown continuous improvement in the quality of projects resulting in improved outcomes for participants.

Somali Parents and Children's Play Association - Somali Women Engagement Forum is classed as Red.

There have been delivery issues from the beginning and the project has been classed as Amber for the previous two periods while support was provided to help the project get back on track.

A detailed delivery schedule was developed to help address these issues including when sessions were taking place. However, an unannounced visit to one of the sessions found there was no activity happening. The project has now been classed as Red and the organisation has been informed.