

Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford East Area Committee held on 22 January 2015 at City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 1801
Concluded 1855

PRESENT – Councillors

LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT
Billheimer	Fear
H Khan	Griffiths
I Khan	Reid
Jamil	J Sunderland

Apologies: Councillors Khaliq, S Khan and Middleton
Observer: Councillor Wallace

Councillor I Khan in the Chair

48. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

No disclosures of interest in matters under consideration were received.

49. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

There were no appeals submitted by the public to review decisions to restrict documents.

50. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no questions submitted by the public.

51. PETITION – YOUTH SESSIONS AT THE Bowling&Barkerend/ All wards KARMAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

The report of the Strategic Director Environment and Sport (**Document “AA”**) responded to a petition from young people who use the Karmand Community Centre requesting that the decision to reduce youth sessions at the Centre from two to one per week be reviewed.

Following an introduction of the report, a question and answer session ensued:



- What day of the week was the session held and what was the number of attendees?
 - Sessions were held on Mondays and around 20 young people attended on a regular basis. At this point it was also mentioned that a significant amount of work was undertaken during sessions which amongst many tasks involved focus work on specific areas, training young people in various skills and making them understand how to accept responsibility.
- How much time had passed since reducing to one session?
 - One session a week started in November 2014;
- There were concerns to whether Karmand Community Centre was in a position to make decisions to the number of sessions it could hold on a weekly basis?
 - Sessions involved young people and therefore it was paramount that they be consulted directly; and,
- A significant time had not passed since the number of sessions had been reduced and whether it was worth waiting for at least 6 months to see the overall impact of one session a week before this be considered?
 - It was explained that young people had made a number of complaints and a petition had been submitted.

A representative of the Karmand Community Centre was in attendance and commented that following the reduced number of sessions, more work had been invested into the community in order to get more young people involved in youth sessions.

The Deputy Chair suggested that Members visit the Karmand Community Centre so that they are able to engage directly with young people in order to understand their needs and therefore:

Resolved –

- (1) **That the petition from young people at the Karmand Community Centre be noted.**
- (2) **That the Deputy Chair of the Bradford East Area Committee arranges a meeting with relevant ward Councillors and the Advanced Practitioner from the Youth Service to meet with the young people that use the Karmand Community Centre for youth activities in order to gain a direct knowledge as to the reasons why youth sessions should be increased.**
- (3) **That a review of Youth Provision in the Bowling and Barkerend Ward be approved and the results be presented to this Committee in 6 months time.**

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: *Environment and Waste Management*
ACTION: *Strategic Director, Environment and Sport*

52. NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOLUTION PANELS

All wards

The report of the Strategic Director Environment and Sport (**Document “AB”**) provided an update on the progress that had been made in the setting up and use of Neighbourhood Resolution Panels (NRP) in the Bradford district over the past 12 months.

The Safer Communities Delivery Co-ordinator gave a detailed insight into Neighbourhood Resolution Panels and then followed questions by the Committee to which it was responded that since the project began in May 2012, 140 referrals had been made. The referrals had

primarily come from the Police but also housing organisations, including Accent Housing, Manningham Housing and Yorkshire Housing. The intention was to expand this project and leaflets had been produced and circulated for this purpose. The breakdown of the background details of volunteers was not available at present however a recruitment exercise was undertaken in September to November 2014 and a further 14 new volunteers had been recruited. Volunteers also included the Chair of a Mosque and the Police. Neighbourly disputes were also focused on and one of the aims of this project was to identify conflicts of same young ages and then to also involve schools.

The Committee commended the success rate of the project.

Resolved –

That the progress made over the past 12 months in developing Neighbourhood Resolution Panels in Bradford district as set out in this report be noted.

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Corporate
LEAD: Strategic Director, Environment and Sport**

**53. NOMINATION TO LIST LAND AS AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE –
PARKWAY GREENLAND, PARKSIDE, WEST BOWLING Little Horton**

The Council had received a nomination to list land The Parkway Greenland, West Bowling as an Asset of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011. The report of the Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture (**Document “AC”**) considered whether the nomination and nominated asset met the Asset of Community Value Criteria set out in the Localism Act and contained a recommendation as to whether or not the nomination should be approved.

The Estates Surveyor was in attendance and gave a synopsis of the report.

Asset Management were under on-going pressure to attain capital receipts. It was thought that there may be a misconception that the listing of land as an Asset of Community Value may stop the land being built upon in the future. If land was to be sold the listing of an asset would give the community a right to bid but any offer would be assessed alongside commercial bids.

Resolved –

That in accordance with Option 1 the nomination of land and property known as The Parkway Greenland, West Bowling as an Asset of Community Value be approved.

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Corporate
ACTION: Strategic Director, Regeneration and Culture**

**54. ALLOCATION OF YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES FUNDING AND CHILDREN AND
YOUNG PEOPLE’S COMMUNITY CHEST FUNDING All wards**

The report of the Strategic Director Environment and Sport (**Document “AD”**) provided an update on the allocation of Youth Opportunities Funding (YOF) and Children and Young People’s Community Chest Funding.

Young people who had participated in projects funded through YOF were present and

presented a detailed evaluation on a visit of Hate Crime and Stop Search workshops. They also circulated to the Committee at the outset a paper that gave key information they wished for the Committee to note during their presentation.

The presentation included:

- General feedback about the Hate Crime and Stop and Search project;
- Adjustments made to the project;
- Outcomes hoped for; and,
- Group Evaluation.

The Chair commended the young people for their dedication and hard work through the YOF and their detailed presentation. The Committee echoed the sentiments of the Chair.

Resolved –

- (1) **That the decisions of the Youth Opportunities Fund Area Panel and the Grants Advisory Group in consultation with the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator be noted.**
- (2) **That the Youth Opportunities Fund Area Panel be thanked for all its work in assessing the applications.**

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: *Children's Services*

LEAD: *Strategic Director, Children's Services*

Chair

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