

Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford South Area Committee held on Thursday 23 January 2014 at City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 1700
Concluded 1855

PRESENT – Councillors

LABOUR	QUEENSBURY INDEPENDENTS	INDEPENDENT
A Thornton	L Cromie	Robinson
Dodds		
Ferriby		
Jabar		
Johnson		
Wainwright		
Warburton		

Councillor Johnson in the Chair

60. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The following disclosures of interest were received:

- (i) Councillor L Cromie disclosed a pecuniary interest in the item relating to Ward Budget Allocation (Minute 69) as 36 High Street, Queensbury is owned by Councillors Paul and Lynda Cromie who lease the building, on a 25 year lease, to Queensbury Community Programme Ltd.

Councillor Paul Cromie is also a Member of the Board of Directors of Queensbury Community Programme Ltd, the organisation which had requested funding and therefore she left the meeting during consideration of that item.

- (ii) In the interest of clarity Councillor Wainwright declared an interest in the item relating to Community Chest Grants (Minute 70) as his wife was the treasurer of the Friends of Black Carr Woods, one of the organisations recommended to receive funding.
- (iii) In the interest of clarity Councillors Robinson and Ferriby declared an interest in the item relating to the Appleton Academy Traffic Regulation Order (Minute 65) as they were both serving Governors at Appleton Academy.



- (iv) In the interest of clarity Councillor Johnson declared an interest in the item relating to Ward Budget Allocation (Minute 69) as he was a serving Governor at Knowleswood Primary, one of the organisations recommended to receive funding.
- (v) In the interest of clarity Councillors Warburton and Wainwright declared an interest in the item relating to Cemetery Road (Minute 65) as they had been Members of the Regulatory and Appeals Committee when they considered the substantive planning application relating to the Asda development.

ACTION: *City Solicitor*

61. **INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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

62. **MINUTES**

Resolved –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2013 be signed as a correct record.

63. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions submitted by the public.

64. **PETITION REGARDING PARKING AND ACCESS ISSUES ON Tong STEAD ROAD, TOFTSHAW LANE AND THORVERTON DRIVE**

The Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture submitted a report (**Document “AP”**) which set out a petition of 43 signatures which had been received requesting that consideration be given to developing parking and access restrictions on Stead Road, Toftshaw Lane and Thorverton Drive, Tong. The Strategic Director urged that the petition should be accepted and that officers develop a scheme to mitigate the problems during the next financial year. He added that an access only road could only be enforced by the Police and would therefore not be a viable option; however the manager of the depot was keen to resolve issues with residents.

The lead petitioner was present at the meeting and highlighted the noise, parking problems and obstruction caused by the depot, he also voiced concerns on health and safety grounds due to articulated Lorries reversing up Stead Road. He urged that a closure of the Toftshaw Lane entrance would solve the problems.

A Member of the Committee and Ward Councillor for the area expressed his sympathies with the petitioners and suggested that negotiations with the depot would resolve the problems together with signs encouraging sensible parking.

A Member echoed the above sentiments, adding that the Wardens should also look at the parking problems in the vicinity of the depot; however the situation did not meet the residents permit parking criteria.

The Chair acknowledged that there been issues for a number of years and that a solution could take some time to develop and it was therefore:

Resolved -

- (1) That the submitted petition be accepted.**
- (2) That further investigations into the matters raised be undertaken in the 2014 financial year (commencing April 2014) when funding is available.**

ACTION: Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture

(Environment & Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee)

**65. OBJECTION RELATING TO APPLETON ACADEMY
TRAFFIC REGUALTION ORDER**

Wyke

The Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture submitted a report (**Document “AQ”**) which set out one objection to the recently re-advertised permit parking zone on High Fernley Road and High Fernley Court, Wyke.

The Strategic Director reminded Members that the original TRO was implemented to protect residents from anti social parking and as the Academy would be used for a variety of purposes it was agreed that the parking permit would operate at all times. Following the introduction of the Order an amendment to the Order was processed to pick up any anomalies, and an objection had been received on the grounds that the severity of the restrictions were excessive and that it prevented visitors from parking, as only 1 visitor permit was allowed per household.

The objector was present at the meeting and stated that most residents had welcomed the parking restrictions when the Academy opened, however a blanket 24/7 restriction including Christmas day was unnecessary as parking restrictions outside of school hours and during holidays were onerous on residents.

In response the Strategic Director explained the rationale behind the proposals in that any relaxation of the parking would only cause problems to residents, as the school had events outside of school time and there were plans to extend these activities which would have a consequential impact on parking.

During the discussion Members expressed sympathy with the objector; however they felt that the parking restrictions were necessary but that the situation should be reviewed again in 12 months time in consultation with residents.

Resolved -

- (1) That the permit parking scheme remains unchanged in line with Option 9.1 set out in Document “AQ”, however the scheme be reviewed in 12 months time and that residents be consulted prior to this review.**
- (2) That the objector be informed of the decision.**

ACTION: Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture

(Environment & Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee)

66. YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES FUNDING (YOF) 2013/14

The Strategic Director Children's Services submitted a report (**Document "AO"**) which informed the Area Committee of the applications for Youth Opportunities Fund for the area and the recommendations of the Area Youth Opportunities Fund Panel.

A young member of the Area Youth Opportunities Fund Panel was present at the meeting and gave an overview of the applications and the recommendations of the Panel which were detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

Members commended the work of the Panel and the diligent manner in which applications had been dealt with and what a worthwhile process it had been.

Resolved -

- (1) That the recommendations of the YOF Area Panel as set out in Appendix 2 to Document "AO" be accepted.**
- (2) That the Bradford South YOF Area Panel be thanked for assessing the applications and making their recommendations.**
- (3) That the Youth Work Team continues to work with the YOF Panel to monitor the development and implementation of the YOF projects.**
- (4) That the Youth Work Manager presents reports to future meetings of the Bradford South Area Committee on the implementation of projects who receive YOF.**

ACTION: Strategic Director Children's Services

(Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee)

67. CEMETERY ROAD

Great Horton

The Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture submitted a report (**Document "AR"**) which set out a variation to the original planning approval and introduce information which would encourage drivers to consider an alternative route, reducing the delays created by the right turning vehicles queuing on Cemetery Road, and maintain the manoeuvres ahead on to Becks Road and left on to Legrams Lane.

Members welcomed the proposals and indicated that it was reasonable and workable solution to the issue of queuing traffic on Cemetery Road.

Resolved -

- (1) That the advisory route signing be approved in line with Option 9.1 set out in Document "AR".**
- (2) That the Regulatory and Appeals Committee be informed of the decision.**

ACTION: Strategic Director Regeneration and Culture

(Environment & Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee)

68. **BIG LOCAL – SCHOLEMOOR AND LIDGET GREEN**

The Strategic Director Environment and Sport submitted a report (**Document “AS”**) which informed the Area Committee on progress to develop the Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green Programme.

The Area Coordinator explained that the progress of the Big Local had been slow despite the efforts of officers to advise the Big Local Board on accelerating its activities.

During the discussion Members expressed their reservations on the lack of progress, particularly in relation to spend on projects and advised that officers continue their engagement with Big Local representatives in order to achieve tangible outcomes for the area.

Resolved -

- (1) That the establishment of the Community Partnership Board and the development of the Community Plan be noted and that the support from Bradford CVS, Cnet and the Neighbourhoods and Customer Service in establishing this Programme be recognised.**
- (2) That Bradford South Area Co-ordinator’s Office continues to engage with the Big Local representative, the Community Partnership Board, local organisations to influence engagement with the local community to support development and implementation of the Greenmoor Big Local Programme covering Scholemoor and Lidget Green.**
- (3) That the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator presents reports to future meetings of Bradford South Area Committee on future development and implementation.**

ACTION: Area Coordinator

(Corporate Improvement Committee)

69. **2013/14 WARD BUDGET ALLOCATIONS**

The Strategic Director Environment and Sport submitted a report (**Document “AT”**) which outlined proposed projects in Great Horton, Queensbury and Tong Wards and requested decisions on funding.

The Area Coordinator in outlining the Queensbury Community Programme grant bid explained that Councillors Lynda and Paul Cromie owned the building and that Councillor P Cromie along with Councillor Walls were also members of the Board of Directors.

Given the nature of these interests, the Area Coordinator stressed that both his officers and officers in legal services had diligently checked the paperwork that had been submitted with the grant application.

Resolved -

- (1) That the proposed projects outlined in Appendices 1, 2 and 3 to Document “AT” be approved.**
- (2) That the Area Co-ordinator presents a report to a future meeting of Bradford South Area Committee on progress made on the development of this project.**

ACTION: Area Coordinator

(Corporate Improvement Committee)

70. 201/14 COMMUNITY CHEST GRANTS

The Strategic Director Environment and Sport submitted a report (**Document “AU”**) which detailed the Community Chest Grants awarded from applications received prior to the 31 August and 31 October 2013 deadlines for the benefit of communities within Bradford South.

Resolved -

- (1) That the wide range of applications from groups, organisations and individuals across Bradford South be noted and welcomed.**
- (2) That the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator’s Office continue to ensure the effective allocation of the Community Chest budget by providing appropriate advice and support to applicants.**

ACTION: Area Coordinator

(Corporate Improvement Committee)

Chair

Note: These minutes are subject to approval as a correct record at the next meeting of the Bradford South Area Committee.