

## Minutes of a meeting of the Shipley Area Committee held on Wednesday 2 December 2015 at Bolton Woods Community Centre

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Commenced 1800  
Concluded 2032

### PRESENT – Councillors

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	GREEN
Barker	Greenwood	Love
Davies	Ross-Shaw	
Ellis		
Heseltine		
Shaw		
Townend		

### Councillor Heseltine in the Chair

#### 45. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

During consideration of the ‘People Can Make a Difference’ report (Minute 55) Councillor Heseltine declared, in the interest of transparency, that he attended the Friends of Prince of Wales Park group as a volunteer.

**ACTION:** *Interim City Solicitor*

#### 46. MINUTES

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 28 October 2015 be signed as a correct record.**

#### 47. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

#### 48. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no questions submitted by the public.



49. **SHIPLEY AREA COMMITTEE AND SHIPLEY  
CONSTITUENCY AREA PARTNERS' ADVISORY  
GROUP (SCAPAG) ISSUES**

The Area Co-ordinator informed the Committee that no SCAPAG issues had been received for this meeting.

**No resolution was passed on this item.**

***NO ACTION***

50. **SCAPAG MEETING NOTES – 28 OCTOBER 2015**

The Area Co-ordinator presented the notes (**Document “U”**) of SCAPAG contributions made at the meeting with the Area Committee held on 28 October 2015.

**Resolved –**

**That the notes be received.**

***NO ACTION***

51. **PUBLIC HEALTH FUNCTION IN BRADFORD  
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

The Director of Public Health submitted **Document “V”** which informed the Committee about the work of the Public Health Department, and in particular how the work contributed to the Health and Wellbeing of the population of the Shipley Area.

The Health Protection Senior Manager gave a detailed overview of the report and welcomed any impact Members could have with increasing the delivery of Sexual Health programmes within schools.

With reference to paragraph 2.6.3 of the report, a Member stated that the first sentence referred to the Shipley Ward, not the Shipley Constituency. He asked for comparison information on how all the six Shipley Constituency Wards ranked in terms of obesity rates. It was agreed that this information would be provided after the meeting.

Members were informed that there had been a lot of work ongoing to decrease the incidence of Tuberculosis (TB) as the district had a higher rate compared to national and regional averages. Recent data showed there had been a decrease in TB cases; there were fewer than 20 cases per 100,000 population. A report on this matter was due to be presented to the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 December 2015.

The Chair welcomed the Cook and Eat Programmes and highlighted that this type of work had previously been delivered via the Area Committee. He also welcomed the work being undertaken through the fluoride varnish programme to reduce tooth decay in children.

In response to Members' questions, it was reported that:

- Patients with TB were at risk of becoming drug resistant if they had a poor adherence to treatment. Sometimes Direct Observed Therapy was used, where nurses supported compliance with treatment for TB patients who found it difficult to maintain taking the treatment over a long period of time.
- There were isolated cases of drug resistant TB in the district.
- A person could carry TB and not be symptomatic for years. Work was being carried out in this area to focus on reducing the risk of TB before infection occurred.
- Some children centres, nurseries and primary schools had taken up initiatives to show children how to brush their teeth. Members were asked to encourage primary schools that they were Governors of to take up this initiative if they had not already done so.
- Further information would be sought and provided to Members on the reasons for poor oral hygiene of children.
- The flu vaccination was commissioned by NHS England and had been rolled out through pharmacies to increase access.
- Nationally there were approximately 14 TB cases per 100,000 population. Bradford had the highest number of cases regionally.
- In relation to latent TB, work was ongoing with the CCGs to understand the latent population and apply for national funding to help tackle this issue.
- There were programmes of work being delivered to encourage healthy eating and making better food choices by changing behaviour, however, specific information on underweight children was not available.
- Since 2005 school children were no longer routinely immunised against TB in the UK.

A Member requested that Cook and Eat sessions be held at The Link in Baildon and stated that there was a lack of communication from a GP practice in Baildon about the availability of the flu vaccination at pharmacies. It was suggested that, if this was due to financial pressures, email/text alerts could be used instead of sending letters.

A Member asked for statistics to support the information in the report e.g. how many adults had been helped to give up smoking or reach a target weight and the impact of work to reduce childhood obesity. The Health Protection Senior Manager agreed to provide further information on the impact of the work undertaken.

A Member commented that the report was lacking financial information relating to how much money was being spent on preventative work. It was reported that budget cuts were an ongoing pressure with reductions anticipated and planned for year upon year. Public Health were still rationalising where to make cuts in services and were using an evidence-based approach to decide which services to commission.

#### **Resolved –**

- (1) That the report and additional information on activities both across the district and particularly within the Shipley Constituency be welcomed.**
- (2) That Members highlight programmes to local schools around sexual health and oral hygiene.**
- (3) That a further report be presented to the Committee in 12 months.**

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Health & Social Care  
ACTION: Director of Public Health**

## 52. BRADFORD DISTRICT'S CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP (CCG)

The Strategic Director of Environment and Sport submitted **Document "W"** which provided an update on progress to date on achieving the six key strategic objectives set out in the CCG's two-year operational plans.

A representative of Bradford District's CCG provided a summary of the report and informed Members that:

- Westcliffe Community Anticoagulation Service had won an award for its innovative and modernised approach to helping patients.
- The one stop substance misuse maternity service had been decommissioned and the service was now jointly managed by the midwifery service and substance misuse service.
- New guidelines had been received around managing children's cancer and reviewing symptoms within 48 hours for faster diagnosis.
- The CCGs had agreed to recurrently fund integrated services to improve support for transition of young people aged 14-25.
- The First Response Service had received a national award.
- Life expectancy in the district was well below the national average but there had been a reduction in the number of deaths from breast cancer.
- The CCG was in its third year of operation and was gaining clear messages about how good/bad services were through patient engagement.

The Chair congratulated the CCG for the national recognition it had gained for areas of its work and encouraged the roll out of best practice to improve services.

In response to Members' questions, it was reported that:

- A person was classed as an adult at the age of 19 unless they had a statement of educational needs in which case it was 25 years of age.
- The Intensive Lifestyle Change Programme (ILCP) had been locally developed in Bradford and had been taken up by 58 GP Practices in the district.
- Services for leg ulcer treatment were commissioned by Airedale General Hospital. Information on the way in which appointments were made would be sought and fed back through the Shipley Area Co-ordinator.

### **Resolved –**

- (1) **That the information contained in the report be welcomed.**
- (2) **That the recent successes achieved on a national level be congratulated.**
- (3) **That the Bradford District's CCG be requested to investigate how best practice can be embedded into the mindset of all GP Practices.**
- (4) **That a further report be presented to the Committee in 12 months.**

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Health & Social Care**  
**ACTION: Bradford District's Clinical Commissioning Group**

## 53. POLICING ACROSS BRADFORD DISTRICT

The Strategic Director of Environment and Sport submitted **Document “X”** which informed Members of new policing arrangements for the Bradford District. Members were invited to consider how the Area Committee could work with the police and partners to improve community safety for neighbourhoods and communities.

The Police Chief Inspector explained the new policing arrangements as set out in the report. He stated that Bradford was the only district in West Yorkshire where satisfaction with policing had improved despite having less dedicated resources and emphasised that one of the primary objectives of the Police Ward Officers and PCSO Problem Solvers would be to tackle anti-social behaviour.

In response to Members’ questions, it was reported that:

- The Police Ward Officers listed on page 10 of the report were already in place but the PCSO Problem Solvers were not as yet.
- It was forecasted that, under the new arrangements which gave sergeants increased responsibility, their ability to attend meetings in the local community would reduce, however, the PCSO Problem Solver would be the officer undertaking that type of engagement role in future.
- If any problems were experienced with the new PCSO Problem Solver, Members were asked to feed them back to the Police Ward Officers.
- The demand on the Police service had soared over the last 20 years.
- There had been a gradual erosion of neighbourhood policing over the last 12 months as officers in that field were called on to support response officers.
- Maximising police visibility had been high on the Police agenda a few years ago. It saw the deployment of officers in key locations where there was high footfall and whilst this made the public feel safer, in reality it did not reduce crime.

The issue of Councillors not being able to attend Ward Officer Team meetings was discussed. The Chief Inspector explained that this was due to the legalities in relation to sharing information relating to individuals with Councillors or voluntary agencies at those meetings but he assured Members that this decision was being challenged.

It was agreed that the details of all officers serving the Shipley Constituency under the new arrangements would be circulated to all Shipley Constituency Members.

**Resolved –**

**That the report be noted and Members consider how the Area Committee in its deliberations can work with the police and partners to improve ward based problem solving activity to improve community safety outcomes.**

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

54. **ARRANGEMENTS BY THE COUNCIL AND ITS PARTNERS  
TO TACKLE CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION**

Previous reference: Minute 66, Executive (2014/15)

The Assistant Director of Children's Services submitted **Document "Y"** which provided an update to the report presented to the Executive on 13 January 2015 and subsequently to the District's Area Committees regarding the issue of child sexual exploitation (CSE). It set out the arrangements that had been put in place, and which continued to develop, to safeguard children from CSE.

**Resolved –**

**That consideration of Document "Y" be deferred to a future meeting of the Area Committee.**

**ACTION: Shipley Area Co-ordinator**

55. **'PEOPLE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE': CAMPAIGN TO  
PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE STRONG AND ACTIVE COMMUNITIES**

The Strategic Director of Environment and Sport submitted **Document "Z"** which outlined a year long 'People Can Make a Difference' campaign that the Area Committee was being asked to actively contribute to. The 'People Can' campaign aims to highlight the contributions of communities within the Bradford District and build on these strengths, as part of the New Deal. The Area Committee was requested to lead the campaign during the month of September 2016.

The Ward Officer provided a summary of the information contained in the report.

A Member welcomed the campaign and spoke of the community library in Windhill and Wrose which, thanks to volunteers, was now open for longer hours and was used by 240 children from local schools on a weekly basis as well as community groups in the evenings. She praised the work of the volunteers running the library.

A Member stated that he had volunteered to be a snow warden but had not been contacted. The Area Co-ordinator agreed to follow this up.

In response to a Member's question, it was stated that the Bradford District Community Fund had been delivered through the Leeds Community Fund. It would be launched in Bradford in February 2016. One of the ways money was raised for this fund was through donations. It was agreed that further information would be provided to Members on where £1 million funds had been distributed throughout the Bradford district so far.

With reference to the walking and cycling groups in paragraph 3.4 of the report, a Member commented that there were many public footpaths with overgrown trees or hedges overhanging them and a lack of funding to cut them back. A suggestion was made that Community Payback could be used to tackle this issue via the Area Co-ordinator's Office.

The Ward Officer agreed to follow up with the Police a Member's concern in relation to a Baildon resident being unable to continue his neighbourhood watch role due to a lack of IT facilities.

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the Area Committee supports the People Can Make a Difference campaign.**
- (2) That the Area Committee, with the support of the Area Co-ordinator, develops a good offer during their designated month and where appropriate makes a contribution to other months.**
- (3) That the Area Committee Members encourage all elected Members to get involved in the campaign.**

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

Chair

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

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