

Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford East Area Committee held on Thursday 15 October 2015 at City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 1800
Concluded 1915

PRESENT – Councillors

LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	BRADFORD INDEPENDENT GROUP
Iqbal	R Sunderland (Chair)	F Khan
Jamil	Griffiths (Deputy Chair)	
H U Khan	Fear	
	N Pollard	
	Stelling	

Apologies: Councillor J Sunderland

Councillor R Sunderland in the Chair

22. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The following disclosures of interest were received in the interests of clarity:

- (1) Councillor Griffiths who was a GP and officially a member of the Clinical Commissioning Group in relation to minute 27.
- (2) Councillor Jamil who was a trustee of the Women Zone Community Centre in relation to minutes 26 and 27.
- (3) Councillor G Reid who was Chair of Board of Trustees Eccleshill Community Association Limited and a member of the Eccleshill Village Steering Group in relation to minute 28.
- (4) Councillor Fear who was a member of NHS England in relation to minute 27.
- (5) Councillor N Pollard who was Chair of Eccleshill Village Steering Group in relation to minute 28.

23. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

24. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no questions submitted by the public.



25. LOCAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE – DEVOLUTION UPDATE & FUNCTION OVERVIEW

All Wards

The report of the Strategic Director of Regeneration (**Document “J”**) detailed how the service currently manages the Local Highway Maintenance (LHM) function and allocates resources.

It also updated the Committee with regard to current operations being undertaken on the network and the indicative costs of works undertaken in the current financial year.

Members made the following comments:

- Was appendix 6 to Document “J” in order of priority?
- Was there any danger of the work coming over cost?
- Was it always the case that there were differences in the budget?

The Engineer responded to members and made the following points:

- Appendix 6 was in order of priority.
- There could be problems in the budget and some of the work could be carried out in the new year rather than this year.
- There have been cuts in the budget in Bradford.

Resolved –

- (1) **That the current operational methods adopted for Local Highway Maintenance be noted.**
- (2) **That the indicative costs to date for the current financial year be noted.**
- (3) **That the list of current and proposed CAT3/4 works as shown in Appendices 5 and 6 to Document “J” be approved.**

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

26. ALLOCATION OF YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES FUNDING GRANTS All Wards

The report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Sport (**Document “K”**) asked members to consider the decisions made by the Grants Advisory Group and a Young People’s Panel for the allocation of Youth Opportunities Funding. Grants of up to £1,000 are available to support youth activities across Bradford East with a budget of £10,000.

Members made the following comments:

- Some of the applications were rejected, were they not youth-led?
- The young people read all the applications and did a lot of work.
- The advisory group only made minor changes to the recommendations from the young people.
- The rejected projects were good projects but they did not meet the criteria.
- Did the applicants whose applications were rejected get feedback?



The Ward Officer responded to Members comments and made the following points:

- Some of the rejected applications did not meet the criteria.
- A lot of thought and planning went into the applications.
- Yes, the advisory group does give feedback.

Resolved –

- (1) **That the Grants Advisory Group and the Young People’s Panel be thanked for their work.**
- (2) **That the decisions reached by the Grants Advisory Group and the Young People’s Panel as outlined in Appendix A to Document “K” be endorsed.**

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Children’s Services

ACTION: Strategic Director, Environment and Sport

27. PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP All Wards

The report of the Strategic Director of Environment and Sport (**Document “L”**) provided an overview of the work of Public Health and the Clinical Commissioning Group in the Bradford East Area and requested views and comments of members.

Members made the following comments:

- It was a helpful report in particular the reduction in teenage pregnancy.
- Thank you for the detailed report and information on child obesity rates.
- In conclusion seeing some figures of positive trends good positive work was taking place.
- There were good projects in three of the wards.
- The figures for obesity and diabetes were a ticking time bomb.
- Have there been any improvements since you came under the local authority?
- I was happy with return of public health to local authorities.
- In respect of sexual services was the baseline data okay?
- The fuel poverty strategy was damaged by national changes since the election.
- It would be a lot harder to work with various programmes such as flu vaccination as people became harder to reach.
- Little Horton had a large number of children who were obese.
- Surprisingly the figures for coronary heart disease for Little Horton and Idle and Thackley were not as stark.
- For mental health there was a 15% benefit rate and there should be real parity between mental and physical health. The 15% target should be greater.
- Mental and physical health should be treated the same.

The Senior Health Improvement Specialist responded to members and made the following comments:

- We would look at all sexual diseases infections and do more selective targeting.
- There was a lot of input and we are very much involved at a strategic level.
- We work closely with Better Start Bradford.
- Up to date information can be provided.
- Work was going on at schools with healthy weight and nutrition courses.
- There would be more community focus with outreach work with young people in developing positive relationships.



- There would be a more community development approach.
- The substance misuse approach has been passed to Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee to look at the legal highs which were causing all sorts of medical conditions.
- The service came across from public health and we work closely with other services as our work affects all areas of our lives.
- With the sexual health data it was necessary to look at the demographical target population not using the services.
- The fuel poverty strategy was written in September, we are facing challenging times.
- Little Horton had the largest number of children who were obese.

The Infection Prevention Control Manager responded that in relation to the flu vaccination programme it was a national programme to be delivered not just through G.P's but also through pharmacists. There were increased numbers of people needing vaccination.

The Director of Strategy, Bradford Districts CCG confirmed that the 15% mental health target was set by NHS England. It was 15% of the cohort for early intervention. We would struggle to meet this target. The physical and psychological checks should be looked at separately. People don't want to access mental health services as there was a stigma to this. We should commission a new cohort, self-care, including mental health. The mental health intensive support team were invited to critic our work. It was proposed to introduce a single point of access and signpost people to the service. There would be good early intervention in schools. Mental health was a big deal for us.

The Director of Strategy, Bradford Districts CCG reported that Bradford had one of the worst death rates from heart disease in England. That was why one of Bradford Districts Clinical Commissioning Group's main priorities was to reduce the number of deaths caused by heart attack and stroke. Bradford's Healthy Hearts aimed to ensure that the best possible care and treatment are available if you have, or are at risk of, coronary heart disease or stroke.

£1m from NHS England was received for a fantastic programme which retargeted communities to find impact of diabetes.

Resolved –

That the report be welcomed and there be an update report in 12 months time.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Health and Social Care
ACTION: Strategic Director, Environment and Sport

28. BRADFORD EAST WARD PLANS PROGRESS REPORT

All Wards

The report of the Assistant Director of Neighbourhood and Customer Services (**Document "M"**) invited members to consider progress made on the delivery of actions contained within Bradford East Ward Plans 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016, covering the period between April 2015 and September 2015, in response to priorities identified through the Ward Assessment process.

Members made the following comments:

- Was there a meeting where these plans were drawn up and were ward members involved?
- Are the ward plans reviewed every year?
- Consultation methods in each ward vary.
- Members can meet with ward officers to discuss any necessary issues.
- There should be clarity about the entire process.



The Ward Officer responded to members and made the following points:

- The ward plans are reviewed annually.
- We recognise that we need to be flexible.

The Bradford East Area Co-ordinator responded to members and made the following points:

- Consultation events took place in all wards to develop this year's ward plans.
- Ward Officers are keen for councillors to be involved in the development of the ward plans.

Resolved –

- (1) **That the work undertaken to deliver on the priorities in the April 2015 to March 2016 Ward Plans for the period between April and September 2015 be noted and welcomed.**
- (2) **That the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator brings a further report to the Committee on the progress in addressing the priorities contained in the Ward Plans 2015 – 2016 for the period October 2015 and March 2016.**
- (3) **That the process for developing Ward Plans in Bradford East begins with a meeting in November 2015 between Ward Officers and Ward Councillors and they agree the consultation that is to be undertaken. That the Ward Plans be signed off by Ward Councillors before they are considered at the Committee in March 2016.**

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Environment and Waste Management
ACTION: Assistant Director, Neighbourhood and Customer Services

Chair

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

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