

Minutes of a meeting of the Keighley Area Committee held on Thursday, 6 April 2017 at Council Chamber - Keighley Town Hall

Commenced 6.00 pm
Concluded 6.10 pm

Present – Councillors

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR	THE INDEPENDENTS	INDEPENDENT
Ali Brown Mallinson BM Smith	M Slater Bacon Farley	Hawkesworth	Morris

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Councillor Ali in the Chair

65. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

No disclosures of interest in matters under consideration were received.

66. MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2016 be signed as a correct record.

67. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

68. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions submitted by the public.

69. KEIGHLEY AREA WARD PLANS 2016-17 UPDATE



The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “AH”**) outlined the work of the Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office in the period October 2016 to March 2017 to support Ward priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17.

Members were reminded that a full progress update had been emailed to them previously.

The Keighley Area Co-ordinator and his officers were congratulated on the production of an excellent report and the work they had undertaken in the Keighley constituency.

Resolved –

That the work of the Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office in the period October 2016 to March 2017 to support ward priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17 be noted.

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Action: Strategic Director, Place**

70. KEIGHLEY AREA WARD PLAN 2017/18

The Strategic Director, Place, presented a report (**Document “AI”**) which presented six new Ward Plans for 2017/18 for consideration and adoption by Keighley Area Committee.

It was explained that in addition to the information contained in previous years’ reports Document “AI” included information to clarify how the actions contained in the Ward Plans linked to the Bradford Council Plan and District Plans 2016 – 2020.

A Member suggested amendments to the report format for ease of reference and it was agreed his suggestion would be considered for future documents.

Ward Officers were congratulated for their work in the constituency.

Resolved –

- 1. That the six Ward Plans for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix A to Document “AI” be approved and adopted.**
- 2. That the Keighley Area Co-ordinator be requested to submit progress reports on a six monthly basis outlining the progress made in addressing the priorities contained in the Ward Plans 2017/18.**

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71. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES OCTOBER 2016 - MARCH 2017



The report of the Strategic Director, Place, (**Document “AJ”**) provided information about community engagement activities undertaken by Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office during October 2016 – March 2017.

It was explained that Document AJ provided a summary of the breadth of the community engagement activities that had been undertaken by Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office (KACO) during the period October 2016 - March 2017. The activities included ‘traditional’ Neighbourhood Forums, public meetings organised by KACO staff open to all but run on a different format to a Neighbourhood Forums, meetings targeted at particular ‘people groups’ (e.g. young people), attendance at meetings and other events organised by partner agencies or community groups, door-knocking and ‘street consultations’.

Document “AJ” revealed that the variety of approaches had proved much more effective at reaching a wider and more diverse range of the general public than normally attended Neighbourhood Forums and the Area Co-ordinators Office would continue to identify ways of making Neighbourhood Forums, and other forms of consultation and community engagement relevant to the interest and character of each particular neighbourhood and work with elected Members on ways of increasing public attendance and engagement.

The importance of the use of the internet and Social Media (e.g. Facebook and Twitter) as a means of communication and consultation had been recognised and officers regularly used digital media as a means of engagement alongside meetings, events and activities. To date the Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office had 618 followers on Twitter and 178 members of its new Facebook group since it was created on 5 October 2016.

Resolved –

That the constructive engagement with a wide range of the public undertaken through community engagement activities by the Keighley Area Co-ordinator’s Office in the period October 2016 – March 2017 be noted.

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Chair

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

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