

**Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford East Area Committee held on Thursday 24 February 2022 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford**

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Commenced 6.00 pm  
Concluded 7.18 pm

**Present – Councillors**

LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND INDEPENDENT GROUP
H Khan Humphreys Iqbal	R Ahmed Knox Reid Stubbs

Apologies: Councillors Cunningham, J Sunderland and R Sunderland

**Councillor H Khan in the Chair**

**23. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There was no disclosure of interest.

**24. MINUTES**

**Resolved –**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021, be signed as a correct record.**

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

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

**26. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no questions submitted by the public.

## **27. BRADFORD EAST AREA-WIDE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER**

The Strategic Director, Place submitted a report (**Document “I”**) outlining the objections received to the Traffic Regulation Order in the Bradford East Area.

Members noted that on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022, the Bradford East Area Committee gave approval for a list of sites for inclusion in the Bradford East Various Sites Traffic Regulation Order 2021-2022 and that any valid objections to the advertised Traffic Regulation Order be submitted to the Committee for consideration.

The Principal Engineer informed the Committee that in total 14 objections had been received and that two objections were from the sites listed, raising concern to the use of the Blue Badge Parking Places (BBPP's) by non-blue badge holders and one objecting to the double yellow lines outside the driveway.

**Resolved –**

**(1) That the objections in respect of Folkestone Street and Hendford Drive be overruled and the Bradford East Various Sites Order 2021/22 be sealed and implemented as advertised; and**

**(2) That the objectors be informed accordingly.**

## **28. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE NON-CLASSIFIED ROADS AND SURFACE DRESSING ALLOCATION FOR BRADFORD EAST - 2022/23**

The Strategic Director, Place submitted a report (**Document “J”**) outlining the details of the Capital Highway Maintenance funding to the Non-Classified Road Network and Surface Dressing Allocation for 2022/23 in the Bradford East Area.

Members were drawn to Appendixes 1 and 2 of the report showing the Highway Maintenance proposed Capital Programme for Non-PRN (Non-classified roads) and the proposed programme for Surface Dressing.

In response to Member's question, The Principal Engineer Highway Maintenance clarified that the surface defect on Bowling Back Lane was not caused by the developers on the site and had been worn away.

The Committee was advised that the surface on Kings Road in Bolton and Undercliffe was in disrepair and urgent attention were also required to Back Lane and Green Lane in idle, Moor Side Road and Harrogate Road in Eccleshill.

**Resolved –**

**That the Bradford East Area Committee approves the proposed programme of works as shown in Appendix 1 and 2.**

## 29. PROTECTING VULNERABLE CHILDREN & ADULTS AT RISK OF EXPLOITATION

The Strategic Director, Place submitted a report (**Document “K”**) which provided an update on the contemporary strategic response to all forms of exploitation of children and adults at risk of exploitation and how partners from The Bradford Partnership Working together to safeguard children and the Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board work to drive continuous improvement and to hold agencies to account for their work.

The Manager of Bradford Safeguarding Business Unit outlined the challenges faced around exploitation and referred to the success of the work during the past 12 months.

During the discussion the following points were highlighted:

- Whilst it was strategically important for safeguarding to be considered, safeguarding was about young people having a local permanent centre to go to;
- It was important that partners needed to take collective responsibility to put safeguarding actions into practice;
- Members were keen to identify children at risk and sought to understand the data and narrative provided;
- The Committee recognised that there was a duty to conduct transition from children to adult where there was a likely need for support after the child in question turned 18 and a transition assessment would be of significant benefit;
- Identifying children at risk and taking action quickly was important in protecting children and young people of exploitation.

Members were informed that the West Yorkshire Police Partnership Intelligence Portal was available for Members to contact.

The Committee agreed to receive updated data set with narrative of exploitation of both adult and children every six months and a further report to be provided in 12 months.

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the Bradford East Area Committee to note the report;**
- (2) That the Bradford East Area Committee commit to working closely with partners to continue to raise awareness of exploitation of both adult and children;**
- (3) That the Bradford East Area Committee receives updated data set with narrative of exploitation of both adult and children every six months; and**
- (4) That a further report to be presented to the Committee in 12 months.**

### 30. STREET CLEANSING SERVICES

The Strategic Director, Place submitted a report (**Document “L”**) which provided an update of the minor operational charges to the Street Cleansing Service in Bradford East area.

The Committee was asked to consider and recommend the new model that was proposed to move the ward teams on to a prescribed daily pattern of work allowing gateways to be cleaned first thing in the morning and then a clear pattern of work on a daily basis.

With prescriptive working, there was greater transparency around what was expected of staff and this increased understanding by staff and Managers and had the following advantages:

- A prescribed day of working would allow programmed days of action for residents to move cars to allow more effective litter clearance, mechanical sweeping and gully cleaning;
- In addition to ensure that they were not in an area so as to disrupt other departments' operations e.g. allow closer working relationships with Wardens and to target environmental enforcement issues;
- More effective mechanism to performance manage teams in terms of all work undertaken;
- More efficient use of resources targeting areas of need, eliminating down time in terms of reacting to complaints travelling from one end of a ward to another.

The proposed scheme would give the public a clear understanding as to how often and when their area or street would be cleaned. If a complaint was received by the contact centre the operator would be able to inform the public of their next scheduled clean, rather than generate a complaint or service request for the team to react to unless it was an emergency.

The scheme had been piloted in Bradford Moor area and had been successful. The proposed model would hopefully reduce the number of complaints in the long term and eliminate the need for paper generated complaints.

In response to Members' question, the Area Co-ordinator informed the Committee that resources would be allocated based on priorities.

The Committee acknowledged the excellent work by the community groups and volunteers and expressed their thanks for all the help to keep neighbourhoods tidy across the Bradford East constituency.

#### **Resolved –**

- (1) That the Bradford East Area Committee select option 1 as the preferred cleansing delivery model. and that officers to work up detailed maps and work patterns in each ward;**

- (2) That officers draft work patterns similar to the example in Appendix 1 for all Wards in Bradford East; and**
- (3) A further report to be presented to the Committee in 12 months.**

### **31. CLIMATE ACTION FUND**

The Strategic Director, Place submitted a report (**Document “M”**) summarising the grants awarded from the Climate Action Fund for the benefit of communities within the Bradford East Constituency.

#### **Resolved –**

- (1) That the wide range of groups, organisations and individuals across the Bradford East area which have benefited from receiving a Climate Action Fund be noted and welcomed;**
- (2) That the Grants Advisory Group is thanked for their work in providing guidance to the Bradford East Area Coordinator in the effective allocation of the Climate Action Fund; and**
- (3) That the Bradford East Area Coordinator provides an update on the implementation to the Committee in 12 months.**

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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