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

Members of the Committee - Councillors

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A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)

The City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

(Members Code of Conduct - Part 4A of the Constitution)

To receive disclosures of interests from members and co-opted members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

Notes:

- (1) Members may remain in the meeting and take part fully in discussion and voting unless the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest or an interest which the Member feels would call into question their compliance with the wider principles set out in the Code of Conduct. Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.
- (2) Members in arrears of Council Tax by more than two months must not vote in decisions on, or which might affect, budget calculations, and must disclose at the meeting that this restriction applies to them. A failure to comply with these requirements is a criminal offence under section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (3) Members are also welcome to disclose interests which are not disclosable pecuniary interests but which they consider should be made in the interest of clarity.
- (4) Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.

3. MINUTES

Recommended -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2021, be approved as a correct record.

(Farzana Mughal – 07811 504164)

4. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

Reports and background papers for agenda items may be inspected by contacting the person shown after each agenda item. Certain reports and background papers may be restricted.

Any request to remove the restriction on a report or background paper should be made to the relevant Strategic Director or Assistant Director whose name is shown on the front page of the report.

If that request is refused, there is a right of appeal to this meeting.

Please contact the officer shown below in advance of the meeting if you wish to appeal.

(Farzana Mughal – 07811 504164)

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

(Access to Information Procedure Rules – Part 3B of the Constitution)

To hear questions from electors within the District on any matter this is the responsibility of the Committee.

Questions must be received in writing by the City Solicitor in Room 112, City Hall, Bradford, BD1 1HY, by mid-day on 22 February 2022.

(Farzana Mughal – 07811 504164)

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

6. BRADFORD EAST AREA-WIDE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

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The Strategic Director, Place will submit a report (**Document "I"**) which considers objections received to the recently advertised Bradford East Area-Wide Traffic Regulation Order.

Recommended:

- 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.

(Andrew Smith – 01274 434674)

The Strategic Director, Place will submit a report (**Document "J"**) which provides information on Capital Highway Maintenance funding and makes recommendations on the allocation for Non-Classified road resurfacing schemes and Surface Dressing sites.

Recommended -

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

(Louise Williams - 01274 431066)

8. PROTECTING VULNERABLE CHILDREN & ADULTS AT RISK OF EXPLOITATION

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The Chief Executive will submit a report (**Document "K"**) which gives 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 report also outlines the challenges presented to the partnership following the global pandemic – Covid 19.

Recommended -

- 1. The Bradford East Area Committee to note the report;
- 2. The Bradford East Area Committee commit to working closely with partners to continue to raise awareness of exploitation of both adult and children; and
- 3. A further report to be presented to the Committee in 12 months.

(Louise Williams – 01274 431066)

The Strategic Director, Place will submit a report (**Document "L"**) which gives an update of the minor operational changes to the Street Cleansing Service in the Bradford East Area Constituency and shows trends of the numbers of fly tipping and cleansing cases reported to the Council.

Recommended:

- 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; and
- 2. that officers draft work patterns similar to the example in Appendix 1 for all Wards in Bradford East.

(Louise Williams – 01274 431066)

10. CLIMATE ACTION FUND

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The Strategic Director, Place will submit a report (**Document "M")** which summarises the grants awarded from the Climate Action Fund for the benefit of communities within the Bradford East Constituency.

Recommended -

- 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; and
- 2. that the Grants Advisory Group is thanked for their work in providing guidance to the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator in the effective allocation of the Climate Action Fund.

(Louise Williams – 01274 431066)





Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 24 February 2022

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Subject:

BRADFORD EAST AREA-WIDE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER - OBJECTIONS

Summary statement:

This report considers objections received to the recently advertised Bradford East Area-Wide Traffic Regulation Order.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

It is expected that there would be no disproportionate impact from the measures recommended for implementation within this report.

Wards:

5 Bowling & Barkerend 6 Bradford Moor

Jason Longhurst Strategic Director, Place

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Portfolio:

Regeneration, Planning and Transport

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Regeneration and

Environment

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report considers objections received to the recently advertised Bradford East Area-Wide Traffic Regulation Order.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the meeting on 14 July 2021 the Bradford East Area Committee approved, as part of its Safer Roads schemes programme, the advertisement of an area-wide Traffic Regulation Order for 14 sites throughout Bradford East.
- 2.2 The Order has been promoted to address a number of requests for small areas of existing waiting restrictions to be amended or new parking restrictions to be introduced. The requests have been raised by local residents and businesses to resolve safety and access issues.
- 2.3 The Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was advertised between 23 December 2021 and 14 January 2022. At the same time consultation letters and plans were delivered to residents and businesses directly affected by the proposals. This has resulted in objections to the proposals at 2 sites Folkestone Street, Bradford Moor and Hendford Drive, Bowling & Barkerend. Plans of the proposals that have received objections are attached as Appendices 1 and 2.
- 2.4 A summary of the valid points of objection and corresponding officer comments is tabulated below:

Objectors concerns	Officer comments
Folkestone Street , Bradford Moor (Ward 6) Dwg No. HS/TRSS/104758/CON-6A Number of objectors 1 Objector – Alleges that one of the residents does not have a car and it will be used by other family members visiting the property and that the other does not have a car and is mobile/independent. The objector also points to the difficulties finding parking spaces within the area before any such formal BBPP's.	Folkestone Street There are existing informal Blue Badge Parking Places (BBPP's) at both the subject locations on Folkestone Street; these were both promoted and installed in accordance with the Council's approved process. Following concerns about the abuse of both the spaces by non-blue badge holders, requests to formalise these bays have been received. This would result in a minor change from the existing layout, with the individual spaces being increased in length by 1.6m each. The spaces would then be enforceable by the Council's wardens.
Hendford Drive, Bowling & Barkerend (Ward 5) Dwg No. HS/TRSS/104733/CON-10A Number of objectors 2 Objector 1-The objector states double yellow lines are to be placed outside his driveway and wishes them to be removed.	Hendford Drive The double yellow lines are proposed to address continued issues resulting from parking in the turning head at the end of Hendford Drive and blocking of the access gates to the Greenway.

Objector 2-The objector states parking is at a premium in this area and that he parks there only because there is nowhere else to park. He suggests creating an alternative entrance nearer to Carlton Bowling school and that he often suffers abuse from Council workers who beep their horns as early as 7am and swear at residents!!

The proposed restrictions are the minimum required to maintain safe access to the Greenway for maintenance vehicles and, potentially, the emergency services. The proposed yellow lines also extend into the purpose-built turning head at this location to negate the need for vehicles to undertake unsafe lengthy reversing manoeuvres.

3.0 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Local ward members and the emergency services have been consulted on the advertised sites. No objections have been received.

4.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 A budget of £13,000 has been allocated as part of the 2021/22 Safer Roads schemes programme. The estimated cost of the proposals is within this budget.

5.0 RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- 5.1 A failure to provide an appropriate level of waiting restrictions on Hendford Drive would lead to ongoing access issues and the potential unsafe reversing manoeuvres due to the turning head being blocked.
- 5.2 If the current BBPP's on Folkestone Street are not formalised with a Traffic Regulation Order the residents here will continue to face access issues.

6.0 LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 The proposals contained in this report are within the Councils powers as Highway Authority.

7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no sustainability implications arising from this report.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There is no impact on the Council's own and the wider District's carbon footprint and emissions from other greenhouse gasses arising from this report.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

The introduction of some of the waiting restrictions in the Order will be beneficial in terms of road safety.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no implications on the Human Rights Act.

7.5 TRADE UNION

None

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Ward Members have been consulted on the proposed Traffic Regulation Order. One of the Bradford Moor ward members has expressed support for the Folkestone Street BBPP's

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

None

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

None

8.0 NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None

9.0 OPTIONS

- 9.1 That the objections be overruled and the Traffic Regulation Order be implemented as advertised.
- 9.2 That the objections be upheld in whole or in part and the proposals be abandoned or amended to address the objectors concerns.
- 9.3 Members may propose an alternative course of action; in which case they will receive appropriate guidance from officers.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

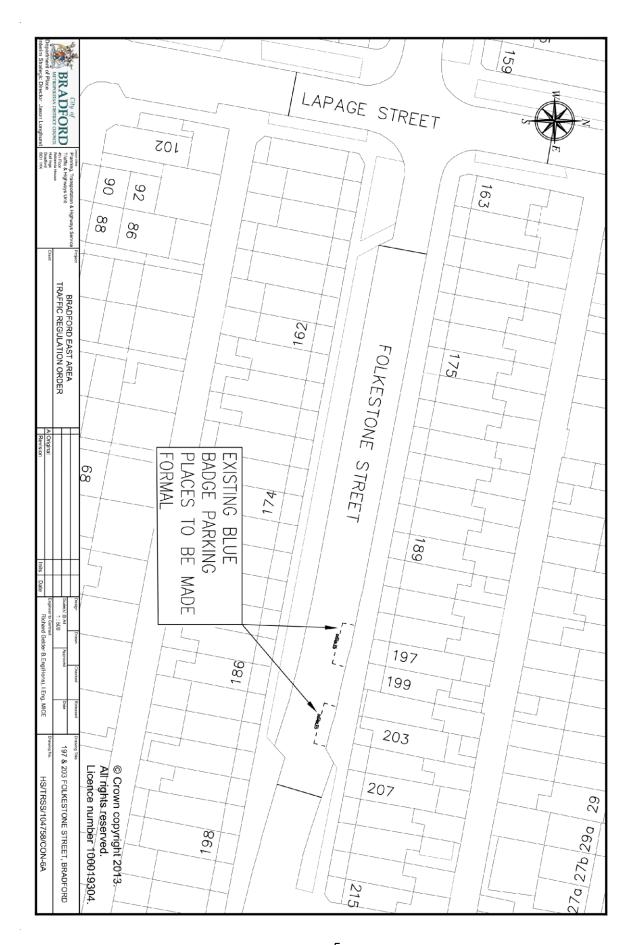
- 10.1 That the objections in respect of Folkestone Street & Hendford Drive be overruled and the Bradford East Various Sites Order 2021/22 be sealed and implemented as advertised.
- 10.2 That the objectors be informed accordingly.

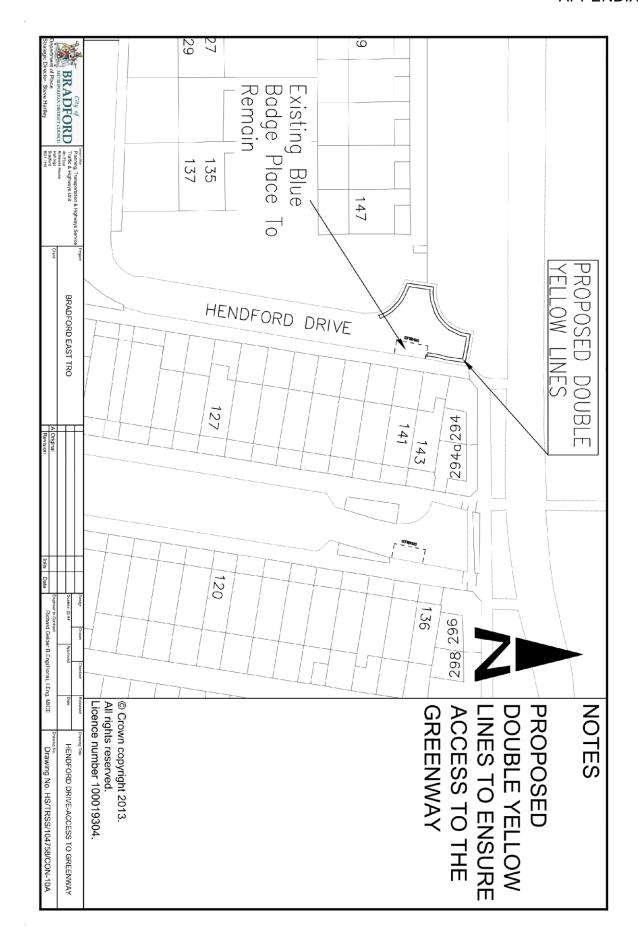
11.0 APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1 Drawing No. HS/TRSS/104758/CON-6A
- 11.2 Appendix 2 Drawing No. HS/TRSS/104758/CON-10A.

12.0 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council File Ref: HS/TRSS/104758.







Report of the Strategic Director, Place to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 24 February 2022

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Subject:

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

Summary statement:

This report provides information on Capital Highway Maintenance funding and makes recommendations on the allocation for Non-Classified road resurfacing schemes and Surface Dressing sites.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

It is expected that there will be no disproportionate impact on Equality & Diversity from the project recommended for implementation within this report.

Jason Longhurst Strategic Director, Place

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Portfolio:

Regeneration, Planning & Transport

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Regeneration and Environment

1.0. SUMMARY

1.1. This report details the allocation of the capital highway maintenance budget to the Non-Classified road network and Surface Dressing sites for 2022/23 in Bradford East.

2.0. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. The capital highway maintenance element of the Local Transport Plan for all classification of road for Bradford in 2022/23 is anticipated to be £4,286,000.
- 2.2. It is essential that local highway maintenance continues to be prioritised, reflecting the economic and social importance to communities and the need to safeguard the largest single local public asset. As such the allocation is to be prioritised on those roads in most need of maintenance.
- 2.3. The varying types and classifications of roads are routinely monitored by standardised survey equipment. The sites chosen for inclusion are those that have been shown to be in the most need of repair on the most recent survey. This is supplemented by those roads that are known to have suffered increased deterioration due to the ageing process and recent winter weather.
- 2.4. An initial recommended selection of Non-Classified and Surface Dressing sites is included in Appendices 1 and 2 (respectively) attached.
- 2.5. The list of Non-Classified resurfacing sites (Appendix 1) shows an initially recommended priority programme, based on overall condition to the value of £300,000. This is anticipated to be the budget available for Bradford East. A reserve list is also presented within Appendix 1. Members may seek to substitute schemes from the recommended programme for those on the reserve list as is deemed necessary to meet local highway maintenance concerns. Also, if it transpires that it is not feasible to progress any of the originally selected schemes, these will be substituted with alternatives from the reserve lists.
- 2.6. The suggested programme of Surface Dressing sites, totalling 74,260m2 (approx. £259,910) is attached as Appendix 2.
- 2.7. In order that programme delivery can be achieved within the appropriate financial year it is imperative that the committee approves a works programme at this stage.

3.0. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1. None.

4.0. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1. The total value of schemes on the Appendix 1 list exceeds the likely allocated spend on Non-Classified roads for this financial year. This is in the region of £1.5 million for the whole of the Bradford Metropolitan District, which would equate to around £300,000 for Bradford East.
- 4.2. Indicative funding has been identified for each scheme but the actual cost will be determined through the scheme development process. The identification of a reserve list of works is necessary in order to offset schemes that inevitably will be delayed as a consequence of unforeseen circumstances such as work by statutory bodies and conflicts with other major schemes etc. There may also need to be further adjustment to the programme following the more detailed costing process. Any sites that are deferred for whatever reason will roll over to the following years list.
- 4.3. The total value of the schemes identified in Appendix 2 does not exceed the capital allocation for Surface Dressing, consequently it is the intention that work will be completed on all of those sites listed, however it is possible that some of the schemes may need to be deferred, again likely due to conflicts with works by other bodies, statutory undertakers etc. Any schemes that are deferred for whatever reason will roll over to the following years programme.

5.0. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1. A failure to prioritise highway maintenance schemes based upon condition and safety survey data will result in an increased requirement for reactive maintenance and lead to a reduction in road safety conditions and an associated increase in successful insurance claims against the Council.

6.0. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1. There are no specific issues arising from this report. The course of action proposed is in accordance with the Councils power as Highway Authority.

7.0. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1. SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

7.2. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There is no impact on the Council's own and the wider District's carbon footprint and emissions from other greenhouse gases arising from this report.

7.3. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Effective maintenance of the highway network is essential to ensure the safe passage of pedestrians and road users alike.

7.4. HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

In formatting the proposals, due regard has been given to the Human Rights Act and there are no implications which have been identified.

7.5. TRADE UNION

None.

7.6. WARD IMPLICATIONS

The suggested programmes have been determined on the basis of condition surveys, hence the proposed level of funding may differ from ward to ward for the programme year. However, it is considered that over a number of years, monies expended on maintenance works within each Area Committee will even out (proportionate to the length, nature and condition of highways).

7.7. AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The development and implementation of schemes included in this report support priorities within the Bradford East Area Committee Ward Plans.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

None.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT None.

8.0. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1. None.

9.0. OPTIONS

- 9.1. That the Bradford East Area Committee adopts the recommended schemes detailed in Appendix 1 and 2.
- 9.2. That the Bradford East Area Committee adopts the recommended schemes detailed in Appendix 1 and 2, with any substitutions (to a similar value) from the reserve list in Appendix 1.

10.0. RECOMMENDATIONS

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

11.0. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1 Highway Maintenance Proposed Capital Programme for Non–PRN (Non-classified roads).
- 11.2 Appendix 2 Proposed Programme for Surface Dressing.

12.0. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1. None.

Appendix 1 - Highway Maintenance Proposed Capital Programme for Non-PRN (Non-classified roads)

Road Name	Ward	From	То	Length	Budget
Priority Sites					
Spring Wood Gardens, West Bowling	Little Horton	Full Length		230	£35,000
Bowling Back Lane	Bowling & Barkerend	Access to Roundabout	Deep Patches	100	£10,000
Bradford Road, Idle	Eccleshill	Javelin Close Roundabout	Rowantree Drive	290	£75,000
Parkside Road, West Bowling	Little Horton	Manchester Road	No 91	280	£50,000
Rillington Mead, Greengates	Eccleshill	Full Length		240	£37,000
Romanby Shaw, Greengates	Eccleshill	Full Length		210	£33,000
Ashbourne Road	Bolton & Undercliffe	Full Length		420	£60,000
				Total	£300,000
Reserve Sites					
Ashbourne Avenue	Bolton & Undercliffe	Full Length		330	£45,000
Back Folkestone Street	Bradford Moor	Amberley Street	Lapage Street	150	£14,000
Back Gladstone Street, Bfd Moor	Bradford Moor	No 1	No 27	80	£7,000
Back Gladstone Street, Bfd Moor	Bradford Moor	No 78	No 148	160	£14,000
Back Horton Park Avenue	Little Horton	S/o 12/14 Louis Ave		90	£8,000
Caythorne Walk, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	Full Length	(M)	50	£2,000
Dudley Hill Road	Bolton & Undercliffe	Wellington Road	Undercliffe Road	270	£55,000
Fenby Avenue, Dudley Hill	Bowling & Barkerend	Wakefield Road	Lower Lane	60	£7,500
Hawley Terrace, Greengates	Eccleshill	Full Length	(M)	50	£2,000
Idlethorp Way, Idle	Eccleshill	Full Length		720	£90,000
Little Horton Lane Access Road	Little Horton	S/O 386 Little Horton Lane		60	£5,000
Moorcroft Avenue, Thornbury	Bradford Moor	Full Length	(M)	50	£2,000
Moorfield Avenue, Thornbury	Bradford Moor	Full Length	(M)	50	£2,000
New Cross Street, West Bowling	Bowling & Barkerend	j/o Avenue Road	Mini Roundabout area	100	£23,000
Orchard Grove, Idle	Idle & Thackley	Full Length		500	£78,000

Otley Road	Bowling & Barkerend	Barkerend Road	New Otley Road	300	£70,000
Park Close, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	Full Length	(M)	70	£3,000
Peel Park Terrace	Bolton & Undercliffe	Full length	(M)	90	£4,500
Redcar Road, Greengates	Eccleshill	Full Length		530	£100,000
Rowlestone Rise, Greengates	Eccleshill	Full Length		310	£45,000
St Clare's Avenue, Fagley	Eccleshill	Layby only	(M)	30	£1,000
Spring Wood Gdns, West Bowling	Little Horton	Full Length		230	£30,000
Thurley Road, East Bowling	Bowling & Barkerend	Full Length		270	£35,000

Appendix 2 – Proposed Programme for Surface Dressing

Site	Ward	Area	From	То	Post
Dharatan Ol Mass	D.H O	4000	Full law outle		Code
Plumpton CI, Wrose	Bolton &	1200	Full length		BD2
NATIONAL AND MARKET	Undercliffe	005	Full law adds		1NJ
Milligan Ave, Wrose	Bolton &	935	Full length		BD2
Martialal Acca Marana	Undercliffe	0.40	Call law odla		1HU
Mirfield Ave, Wrose	Bolton &	240	Full length		BD2
America de cara Arra Mara de	Undercliffe Bolton &	246	C. II la a ath		1HT BD2
Amundsen Ave, Wrose		246	Full length		
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Wrose Ave, Wrose		660	Full length		1HP
Courie Marriet Mana	Undercliffe	405	C. II la a ath		
Swain Mount, Wrose	Bolton & Undercliffe	195	Full length		BD2 1HJ
Crove House Bood Bolton	L L	1020	Full longth		BD2
Grove House Road, Bolton	Bolton &	1920	Full length	-	
Norman Craya Factoria	Undercliffe	000	Full longth		4EH BD2
Norman Grove, Eccleshill	Bolton &	900	Full length		
Nicolar Marca C Francis III	Undercliffe	000	E III d		2NQ
Norman Mount, Eccleshill	Eccleshill / Bolton	600	Full length		BD2 2NB
	& Undercliffe				
A6176 Bolton Road, Bradford	Bolton &	14025	below park entrance	LC24	BD2
	Undercliffe				4BX
Hall Road, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	2400	Full length		BD2
					2DU
Stott Terrace, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	1770	Full length		BD2
					2DX
Hall Ave, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	660	Full length		BD2
					2DT
Hutton Terrace, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	770	Full length		BD2
					2DY
Cavendish Road, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	1537	Full length		BD2
					2DS
Moorside Road, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	3450	Harrogate Rd	Woodview Drive	BD2
					3HU
Farlea Drive, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	1200	Full length		BD2
		1			3RJ
Acre Avenue, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	3480	Full length		BD2
					2LN
Upper Seymour Street	Bowling &	1800	Full length		BD3
	Barkerend				9LJ

Maudsley St, Bradford	Bowling & Barkerend	2160	Full length		BD3 9JT
Annison Street, Bradford	Bowling & Barkerend	560	Full length		BD3 9HJ
Thursby St, Barkerend	Bowling & Barkerend	2115	Full length		BD3 9DY
Harewood Street, Bradford	Bowling & Barkerend	2070	Barkerend Road	Thursby Street	BD3 9BY
Mavis St, Barkerend	Bowling & Barkerend	665	Full length		BD3 9DR
Seaton St, Barkerend	Bowling & Barkerend	1085	Full length		BD3 9DP
Baring Avenue, Bradford Moor	Bradford Moor	2295	Full length		BD3 7ET
Moor Park Drive, Bradford Moor	Bradford Moor	2295	Full length		BD3 7ER
Silverhill Road, Bradford Moor	Bradford Moor	2847	Leeds Old Rd	point closure	BD3 8JY
Browning Street, Barkerend	Bowling & Barkerend	2070	Full length		BD3 9AB
Thornsgill Ave incl LHS to garages, Dudley Hill	Bowling & Barkerend	625	Full length		BD4 9JS
Rosewood Grove, Laisterdyke	Bowling & Barkerend	600	Full length		BD4 8PZ
Walton St, East Bowling	Bowling & Barkerend	900	Full length		BD4 7AH
Eastwood St, East Bowling	Bowling & Barkerend	450	Full length		BD4 7DE
Rouse Fold both sections, East Bowling	Bowling & Barkerend	840	Full length		BD4 7AE
Osterley Grove, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	650	Roundwood Ave	Ranelagh Ave	BD10 0HD
Flower Garth, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	750	Full length		BD10 0QB
Summerbridge Cres, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	2530	Full length incl cul-de- sacs		BD10 8BB
Deanery Gardens, Eccleshill	Eccleshill	360	Full length		BD10 8AG
Fieldgate Road, Greengates	Idle & Thackley	500	Full length		BD10 0QU
South View, Greengates	Idle & Thackley	520	Full length		BD10 0QX
Queen Street, Greengates	Idle & Thackley	300	Full length		BD10 0QU

Crowther Street, Greengates	Idle & Thackley	300	Full length		BD10 0QU
Doctor Hill, Idle	Idle & Thackley	605	Bradford Road	Northedge Meadow	BD10 8UY
Northedge Meadow, Idle	Idle & Thackley	605	Doctor Hill	rumble strip mo/s 15	BD10 8SF
Grady Close, Idle & Thackley	Idle & Thackley	495	Full length		BD10 8SZ
Apperley Road, Apperley Bridge	Idle & Thackley	4640	Swing Bridge	Harrogate Road	BD10 0PU
A658 Apperley Lane, Apperley Bridge	Idle & Thackley	2800	Sections from the boundary	The lodge / school	BD10 0NN

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Report of the Chief Executive Office to the meeting of the Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 24 February 2022

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Subject: Protecting Vulnerable Children & Adults at Risk of Exploitation

Summary statement:

This report provides 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 on this subject. This report also outlines the challenges presented to the partnership following the global pandemic – Covid 19

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

The exploitation of both adults and children is a crime committed by perpetrators from all different backgrounds, age, gender, and ethnicity but are primarily committed by males. Victims of exploitation also come from different backgrounds, ages, gender, and ethnicity. Nevertheless, local experience and national research indicate recognised victims of exploitation do not necessarily reflect gender, ethnicity and other characteristics.

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This is the annual update report provides 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 (TBP) and the Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) work to drive continuous improvement and to hold agencies to account for their work on this subject. This report also outlines the challenges presented to the partnership following the global pandemic Covid 19 and the current update on progress made to the Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Thematic Review recommendations which were published on July 27, 2021
- 1.2 Partners are continuing to work together to protect vulnerable children and adults at risk through increased collaborative work between the Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board, The Bradford Partnership, and the Community Safety Partnership on the issue of exploitation. This has been achieved through continued awareness and understanding, which has enabled professionals to recognise and respond to at an earlier stage
- 1.3 The All-Age Exploitation (AAE) sub-group has replaced the Risk and Vulnerability Sub Group. The AAE sub-group has a greater focus on the district's strategic response to those suffering from and experiencing exploitation, whether as an adult or a child. Superintendent Richard Padwell, who has recently joined the district, is the chair of this sub-group. There is a cross-section of representation from the Community Safety Partnership, Domestic and Sexual Violence Board, Adult Safeguarding Board, and TBP.
- 1.4 In February of this year, The Bradford Partnership, in conjunction with West Yorkshire Police, held a virtual conference on Criminal Exploitation. The conference had over 300 delegates attending.
- 1.5 The impact of the global pandemic Covid -19 changed the nature of vulnerability and has seen different methodologies being used by perpetrators to facilitate their continued offending behaviour. The Police and other law enforcement agencies have adapted their tactics to counter the threat they pose.
- 1.6 Building upon the existing structured response to exploitation, the Council's additional financial investment in services will develop an enhanced specialist multiagency exploitation hub.
- 1.7 The CSE Thematic review, which was published on July 27, 2021, had 30 recommendations. A specific multi-agency monitoring group with external support has been established to ensure the developmental action plan recommendations and actions are progressed and completed.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 National research indicates a relatively small but significant number of young people and adults in the UK are victims of one or more forms of exploitation. They may be exploited sexually, financially, or exploited criminally through selling drugs,

money laundering, weapons storage, or the `cuckooing` of property (e.g., illicit drugs, drugs cultivation), or perpetrators may exploit them through the use of their labour and other forms of labour.

- 2.2 Exploitation negatively impacts young people's and adults at risk health, family relationships and community environments, and the safety of online social media platforms. These negative impacts can often challenge professionals. They can manifest into episodes of missing, disengagement from education, distrust of professionals, poor or deteriorating mental health, and fractured communities.
- 2.3 Nationally and locally safeguarding partners are addressing the issues of exploitation and how to respond best to support their workforce in mounting a response to this range of significantly complex issues and their cause(s)
- 2.4 The exploitation of children and adults in the United Kingdom is not a new phenomenon. Still, globalisation, advances in the use of technology, and change in socioeconomic contexts are shifting the form and function exploitation takes, bringing new policy and practice challenges to keeping young people and adults at risk safe.
- 2.5 Locally, the ability of partners and services to identify exploitation has improved, so too has the understanding of its nature and challenges to designing and providing an effective response.

2.6 **Governance**

- 2.7 The Bradford District has continued to develop opportunities to increase collaboration between Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB), The Bradford Partnership (TBP), and the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). Across each of the three boards, the sub-groups structures manage core functions as well as board-specific objectives. Some of these core functions create an obvious opportunity for a more consistent and collaborative approach, consider cross-cutting themes, and presents opportunities for shared learning.
- 2.8 Irrespective of the global pandemic Covid -19, identifying, understanding the harm caused by exploitation and serious violence is of the utmost importance to the Bradford Partnerships
- 2.9 The assessment of serious violence and exploitation, particularly against or perpetrated by our young people, has been under constant assessment linked to serious organised crime, domestic abuse, and sexual abuse

2.10 All Age Exploitation Sub Group (AAE)

Partnership work continues to develop around those at risk of exploitation s in particularly through the tri board partnership All-Age Exploitation sub-group, which has representation from colleagues from both children and adults social care, Police, colleagues from the health economy, including public health and the voluntary care sector. The All-Age Exploitation sub-group is chaired by a senior police officer, Superintendent Richard Padwell. The AAE sub-group has a greater focus on the district's strategic response to those suffering from and experiencing

- exploitation and recognises that those who are exploited often span an age range that sits across both Children and Adults.
- 2.11 The AAE reports directly to both TBP & BSAB (BSAB) and has strategic lead for the district's child exploitation action plan and reviewing the Child Exploitation Protocol annually. The CE Protocol and risk assessment tool are utilised by professionals in their day-to-day assessment of risks faced by children and young people. In addition, the AAE is looking to understand and address transitions from adolescents to adulthood as a multi-agency partnership and has gained external support and guidance from the National Working Group NWG to achieve this. Transitions will remain a priority for this group in 2022.
- 2.12 On September 10, 2021 The AAE sub group hosted a large multi-agency partnership assessment event held at Bradford City FC. The purpose of the event was to better understand the threat, harm, and risk in Bradford, what works well and what areas where the collective partnership response can be enhanced, and to understand the changing nature of vulnerability.
- 2.13 The partnership event was attended by over 100 frontline practitioners' adult social care, children social care, health economy, housing providers, public health, Police, VCS, faith groups, education, amongst many others, and included individuals with lived experiences. The event was supported by the Centre of Expertise for Child Sexual Abuse, a team of partnership analysts, including the senior West Yorkshire Police analyst for exploitation, and the National Vulnerability Knowledge Practice Programme.
- 2.14 The findings from the event will form the foundations for a Bradford District Partnership Exploitation Strategy.
- 2.15 In Bradford, there is a strong strategic partnership for serious organised crime, which supports mapping the size and scale of organised crime groups, including exploitation. From this partner can identify young people who can be seen as being vulnerable to violence and exploitation and plan using the Programme Precision 4 P plan
 - Pursue
 - Protect
 - Prevent
 - Prepare



- 2.16 The Programme Precision is the initiative's name involving West Yorkshire Police, local partners, and the public to work together to tackle serious and organised crime in the county. Serious and organised crime covers a range of crimes, including drugs, firearms, child sexual exploitation, cybercrime, modern slavery, gangs, and county lines affecting both adults, children, and communities.
- 2.17 The Programme Precision steering group is chaired by Bradford's Chief Executive Kersten England.
- 2.18 The Bradford District has joint control strategies at strategic, tactical, and operational levels. This is reflected in the different strands and interventions operating within the field of serious organised crime

2.18 Assessments & Response

Within Bradford, there is a clear focus on partnership working to reduce the risks of all forms of exploitation.

- 2.19 In respect of children and young people, where any practitioner is concerned or receives information that a child or young person is at risk of exploitation, a multiagency referral (MARF) is submitted along with a child exploitation assessment form
- 2.20 The Integrated Front Door (IFD) specialist team will take the lead and review the risk assessment. This is done daily and is referred to as a DRAM daily risk assessment meeting. The completed risk assessment is presented at the daily risk assessment meeting by the allocated social worker
- 2.21 The DRAM is chaired by the IFD team manager for child exploitation and missing and attended by all partners located within the exploitation safeguarding hub, including Police, health, children social care, and colleagues from the voluntary care sector. This meeting is held to consider vulnerabilities and safety plans for children and young people at risk of harm and oversees the mapping of

interventions to support and reduce their vulnerability. Interventions and associations are scoped through regular mapping to support interventions and disruption. Following a recent Ofsted monitoring visit noted the practice improvements in the context of exploitation

"The complex (exploitation) safeguarding hub provides an authoritative and confident response for children at risk of exploitation. The hub's thorough screening of contacts and referrals abut children, the specialist advice and consultation provided across the service, and regular assessment meetings have strengthened practice in this area"

The role of the multi-agency staff in the exploitation hub is to offer a 'complimentary' service to children in receipt of statutory social work interventions. The workers will provide a co-working role to ensure exploited children receive a 'better than good enough' response. By only offering a statutory service, the partnerships run the risk of measuring the outcomes against minimum standards. The partners recognise that minimum standards do not achieve sustainable change for victims of trauma.

- 2.22 Where an individual is identified as a high risk of CSE, a joint investigation team (JIT) consisting of Police and Social Care Workers is allocated to that child or young person. The JIT team will work alongside other practitioners to build a relationship to allow the child or young person to feel comfortable making a disclosure should they be a victim of exploitation.
- 2.23 The Bradford District Multi-Agency Child Exploitation (MACE) meeting is held every six weeks and is co-chaired by the strategic leads for Social Care and West Yorkshire Police. Senior managers from the Health Economy, Education, and VCS are also present. The meeting provides additional support and oversight of those cases where there is no reduction in risk. Leaders can 'unblock' resource issues to ensure that those at risk have access to timely support. The meeting is split into two parts to consider local issues, demographics, and data alongside specific cases. Each month the team manager for the exploitation hub will provide a highlight and analysis report
- 2.24 Missing episodes can often be a key sign when a person is subject to exploitation. The number of children reported as missing within the Bradford district has reduced significantly since the introduction of the Philomena Protocol. The protocol is designed to specifically support, understand, and respond to children in residential care who go missing. The protocol ensures every child placed in a residential provision has their own personalised missing trigger plan irrespective of whether they have the propensity to go missing or not. The plan is agreed upon with the Social Worker, Residential Provider, and West Yorkshire Police.
- 2.25 The district has four Police Community Support Officers who are jointly funded by the local authority who are responsible for attending to incidents of missing from a care home provision and working with the children and young person(s) to reduce missing episodes. The function is supported by a dedicated missing person coordinator, a Detective Constable who reviews all missing episodes for both adults and children. The reduction in missing incidents has been significant and has had a direct impact on reducing the threat of exploitation

- 2018 3653 Missing Incidents 48.3% being children in care
- 2019 2973 Missing Incidents 45.3% being children in care
- 2020 1671 Missing Incidents 38% being children in care

A total reduction of 1892 missing incidents reported to Police.

- 2.26 During the pandemic and this year, the number of missing incidents has continued to reduce; while it is accepted that certain legal restrictions associated with the pandemic may have contributed to the reduction, the partnership would like to highlight effective and innovative partnership working has maintained that reduction through the focus on the Philomena Protocol which has without a doubt delivered improved practice notifications.
- 2.27 The impact has changed the nature of vulnerability in many ways for both adults, children, and communities. Covid 19 has increased the numbers of those living in relative poverty and dried up many grey market employment options. This, in turn, has driven more people to turn to other ways to earn money.
- 2.28 Unlike many other local authority areas, Bradford District, has retained a strong locality-based Youth Service. Bradford's large youth population means that partnerships have prioritised young people, and during the pandemic, Youth Workers' practice changed to become more detached and street-based in its approach. The deployment method has enabled youth work practitioners to develop strong links to the communities/neighbourhoods in which they operate.
- 2.29 The past twelve months have seen changes to the organised crime' business model' with examples of exploited young people involved in County Lines activity who have previously been placed on trains to travel to 'cuckooed' addresses now being transported by road vehicles, often by their perpetrator /associates
- 2.30 At this time, those particularly vulnerable may accept help from those who seek to exploit them. We can assume that the greatest opportunity for abuse, particularly during the last 12 months during the Covid 19 crisis, has been financial exploitation for adults at risk.
- 2.31 Bradford District has an established multi-agency safeguarding hub (MASH) dedicated to those adults at risk of abuse or neglect. Oversight and coordination are undertaken by adult social care and police colleagues of Section 42 enquiries; this includes those who may be exploited.
- 2.32 The Care Act 2014 (Section 42) requires that each local authority make inquiries or cause others to do so if it believes an adult is experiencing or is at risk of abuse or neglect. An enquiry should establish whether any action needs to be taken to prevent or stop abuse or neglect and, if so, by whom.
- 2.33 The Bradford District has a close working relationship with the West Yorkshire Financial Exploitation and Abuse Team (WYFEAT) and has supported several investigations of financial exploitation. The WYFEAT team is a multi-agency task force consisting of social workers, financial investigators, Police, and social workers and operates as part of Trading Standards.

2.34 Breaking the Cycles – Criminal Exploitation

Breaking the Cycle has been funded by the West Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) to intensively work with young people involved with serious organised violence and those who are criminally exploited. The overall aim is one of harm reduction, protection, and breaking the cycle of criminality. Work often starts on the street, as mentioned in paragraph 2.27. Work is undertaken with young people on a 1 to 1 basis and with their wider peer group.

- 2.35 This project has continued to grow in response to need, with workers now picking up cases direct from the Accident and Emergency Departments (AED) alongside the usual referral routes. This team are also working with our new asylum-seeking families and new arrivals to the city, enabling safety work to be started and integrated into a broader range of support offered to a vulnerable group of people
- 2.36 Breaking the Cycle team has seen over 90% of those referred to the service engaging positively.

2.37 The Youth Service

The Youth Service ensures that young people accessing all provisions are given support and information around safety and exploitation. Open access sessions and detached youth work sessions take the messages to a broad range of young people and ensure that there is consistency and responsiveness to the work undertaken in the area of exploitation and safeguarding.

- 2.38 Each of our area Youth Work teams remain committed to empowering young people to support them in making safe choices and considering safety when out with friends, in public spaces, or traveling around. Our area teams work 1-1 with young people. They have supported several young women regarding CSE, particularly in some of our new communities where there are cultural differences around what is acceptable and what constitutes a healthy relationship.
- 2.39 Our "Youth in Mind" work gives 1-1 support to young people with poor mental health and for those in mental distress, and our LGBTQ project has and continues to ensure young people are given keep safe messages and can take actions to keep themselves safe from exploitation and harm. Our workaround identity and acceptance are key to this.
- 2.40 Within our areas, we also will run, in response to need specific pieces of work an example of which is our "Girl on the Street" project. Delivered in the Great Horton area, this project is focused on positive action by girls and young women to tackle and not tolerate verbal and physical abuse and sexual innuendos, which were being directed towards girls and young women just going about their daily business. This work has empowered young people of both genders to better understand sexual exploitation, forced or arranged marriages, forced or coerced criminality, and domestic servitude. It has created a safe space, educated and raised awareness of the stages of child sexual exploitation, enabling young women to identify earlier the signs of concern and know what can be done about this, and support them in feeling safer. These young women are now developing a group of Young Women Safeguarding Ambassadors to stand against any form of exploitation.

2.41 The Youth Service has also been working with national organisations, including the BBC Childline, the NSPCC, and Missing People UK, to develop the "Is this, ok?" app developed in a partnership project Bradford and Waltham Forrest and piloted in Bradford. This app provides a safe space that is chatbot enabled and linked to telephone support services and provides a free, confidential chat service for 13–18-year-olds where concerns can be "checked out." The initial six months pilot proved the need for such a service, and further funding has been agreed to support this being rolled out to other local authority areas.

2.42 Turnaround – Sexual Exploitation

Turnaround is a partnership between Barnardo's and Bradford Metropolitan District Council, West Yorkshire Police, Bradford Early Years Grant, and Bradford & Airedale Teaching Primary Care Trust.

Turnaround provides a specialist service to young people which aims to increase self-esteem and fosters confidence, skills, and knowledge about reducing the risks of sexual exploitation.

- 2.43 The children and young people who are identified as 'significant or moderate risk' of sexual exploitation are referred to Turnaround to prevent their risk from escalating and to support them from exiting and recovery from child sexual exploitation
- 2.44 The current referral rate to the Turnaround project is eight children per fortnight. Using trauma-informed, strength-based; relational; and psycho-educative practice models, the experienced and highly skilled workers work directly with the young people to reduce risk and vulnerability.

2.45 Trusted Relationships

Trusted relationships offer 1 to 1 support to Young People aged 10-14 years who have been identified as at risk of exploitation. The project works with Young People on a tailored plan to address their needs and issues, including activities and opportunities in safe, accessible locations.

2.46 The project has reported an increased number of referrals and has started to deliver group work with another Trusted Relationships provider addressing the common themes of risks of online exploitation. The project reports that young people are still heavily using online platforms for social interaction with peers. Attached in Appendix B are some case studies of the work being undertaken

2.47 Cyber Crime Unit

The Bradford Police Cyber Crime Unit has continued to raise awareness of the dangers of online grooming & exploitation. This has been an area of concern nationally during the lockdowns where more and more people were accessing social media online. The team has continued its significant contribution within the educational sector and targeting establishments that have key connections to early intervention, safeguarding, and other vulnerabilities. However, due to Covid, the Cyber team has embraced social platforms themselves to deliver training and awareness sessions.

- 2.48 Other interventions developed / embedded during the last 12 months include
 - The NHS, Emergency Department colleagues have a process framework for those young people and children attending accident and emergency departments (AED). For children who are flagged at risk of criminal and sexual exploitation, child protection plans, or children looked after, a notification is sent to appropriate services working with that young person or child, including to the Police where there is evidence of a crime and criminal activity.
 - All Paediatric triage in AED is reviewed for intelligence regarding who attended with the child, their names, and their relationship. AED staff are trained to ensure this information is captured and recorded. In all cases where exploitation is suspected, this is reviewed by the Safeguarding Team, and additional safeguarding measures are tasked and/or implemented.
 - The Trust Safeguarding Team reviews the AED attendance of young people and children, noting attendance history, the number, types, and nature of injuries. Where appropriate, the Safeguarding Team will make a referral to the Exploitation Team.
 - The Bradford Royal Infirmary has a Plastic Surgery speciality, and as such, does see patients from out of the area attending following the violence. This information is always captured, reviewed, and shared with the admitting hospital to ensure continued safeguarding measures.
 - On April 21, the hospital trust has launched the "Navigator Role" in conjunction with the work being undertaken with the Breaking the Cycle project. The data captured from the AED will identify ward areas and hotspots of concern, thereby enabling partnership resources to be deployed proactively to reduce and prevent young people from being subject to or involved in serious violence. Through this interaction, work will also focus on building emotional intelligence and resilience to take positive steps to ensure they do not become involved in serious violence.

2.49 Education

The local authority Educational Safeguarding Team has been proactive throughout the pandemic. As with most local authorities, Bradford has seen an increase in the number of children open to Children's Social Care seeking elective home education (EHE).

2.50 The Education Safeguarding Team has robust procedures in place for the response to EHE where there is a concern that education provision is not suitable for the child's age, ability, and aptitude. All notifications of an intention to EHE are cross-referenced with CSC records to identify any related to vulnerable children. Any such children or young people known to CSC are specifically reviewed to encourage parents to consider attendance at school.

- 2.51 The Education Safeguarding Team provides additional support and advice for schools. The district has additional processes in place for welfare checks for any children that do not return. This may be a joint visit between Police and Children's Social Care.
- 2.52 Officers work closely with other agencies with an established relationship with the family. They have supported Children's Social care colleagues to prevent children subject to Child in Need and Child Protection intervention.
- 2.53 The Bradford district has 16 Safer School Police Officers. These officers are fully trained in recognising and identifying children and young people who may risk exploitation and other contextual safeguarding issues.
- 2.54 The Bradford Partnership under the stewardship of the Independent Scrutineer has undertaken the monitoring of services response through weekly meetings. EHE has been a key feature of these meetings.
- 2.55 Bradford Youth Justice Service uses a multi-agency approach to identify and address a lack of education and NEET status by highlighting gaps and then communicating directly with Educational Safeguarding Officers to help reengage young people into mainstream education or other relevant provision. In aiming to address issues of truancy and exclusion, the Youth Justice Service is linked in through the Multi-agency Initial Planning panels, where every young person's case is reviewed upon entry to the Youth Justice Service. This ensures key information sharing is completed while identifying additional supporting provisions; this aids case managers in understanding offending patterns, complete informed risk assessment, and strengthen education links.
- 2.56 The Safer School Police Officers work with schools to do joint visits for those who do not return without explanation.
- 2.57 The district has several outreaches and funded projects locally on intervention and education. For example: -
 - The Community Cougars Foundation (CCF) in Keighley delivers sports sessions alongside education awareness on exploitation and other related subjects. As schools and venues re-open, the CCF project will deliver these projects back to the school.
 - Working with a local Imam who facilitated workshops with over 900 children a week attending.
 - `Out-loud Project` Delivering one to one and group support for children & young people who are at risk of exploitation through gangs in the south of the city
- 2.58 The Bradford Partnership, in conjunction with Ineqe, launched the Safer Schools APP in September the Safer Schools APP is an award-winning educational approach to digital safeguarding. It currently provides local authority schools through the sponsorship of the local authority insurer Zurich Municipal for staff, parents, carers, and pupils to have

- Access to credible, contemporary relevant information
- Age-appropriate resources
- · CPD courses for school staff, including Governors
- Customised communications through push notifications
- Advice, guidance & signposting to seek help
- Artificial Intelligence Prompts
- 2.59 The Bradford Partnership is in the process of making the APP available to all schools across the Bradford district via the Safer Bradford Website. The APP will complement and enhance the suite of safeguarding tools available for staff.
- 2.60 Within a week of the launch, 30 schools had signed up to receive the APP

2.61 Enforcement / Pursue

POLIT

The Bradford Police Online Investigation Team (POLIT) is the district's specialist response to subjects who view and/ or distribute indecent images of children or groom, incite, and/or facilitate sexual activity with children through the internet.

- 2.62 The POLIT team is a relatively new arm of the response to exploitation but reinforces the changing nature of the crime committed by perpetrators.
- 2.63 POLIT detectives have responsibility for reactive referrals from the community, the National Crime Agency (NCA), and other law enforcement agencies worldwide. Their works also contain referrals from worldwide social media groups, e.g., Facebook, regarding users sharing indecent images of children, alongside national operations targeting known organised crime groups and paedophiles.
- 2.64 On average monthly, the team are receiving
 - 15 referrals from West Yorkshire Abuse Images hub with search warrants to execute
 - 2 Live Internet Vigilante Predator Groups cases
 - 4 Referrals from the Regional & Organised Crime Unit
- 2.65 In addition to this, the team of 7 has 152 live investigations. Investigations are complex and time-consuming. The Unit has seen a substantial rise in the number of investigations during the past 12 months, with more offending behaviour committed while at home.
- 2.66 During September, made 17 arrests for offences. Police colleagues believe the demand to be high for the next 12 months
 - **Appendix B** Highlights two recent cases of work undertaken by the Unit.

2.67 **Disruptions Officer**

The Bradford District has an experienced and skilled officer whose sole responsibility is dedicated to pro-active multi-agency disruption work. Examples of the recent work being undertaken include

- Tackling 'gaming' centres where intelligence and information suggest are being used for exploitation or gang-related activity.
- Utilising enforcement powers in conjunction with the West Yorkshire Fire Service to close premises in cases where no substantial criminal offences are identified.
- Joint operations with HMRC at Shisha Bars.
- Joint patrols on identified hot spots and locations
- Disruption and detailed patrols on public transport, including work with British Transport Police on local train networks – Overt and Covert Tactics used to identify vulnerable young people or adults at risk and identify/prevent offending behaviour.
- Previous operations have included multi-agency work with hoteliers.

2.68 Partnership Intelligence Portal

The Bradford Partnership is promoting the internet-based Police Partnership Intelligence Portal (PIP). Partners are now using it to gather a better intelligence picture surrounding organised crime, including modern-day slavery and exploitation. This allows key strategic partners to submit intelligence to a central police tirage team. It is automatically emailed to the Intelligence Management Unit (IMU) at West Yorkshire Police on submission. This is a 24/7 unit that triages all intelligence submissions for the entire force.

2.69 West Yorkshire Risk & Vulnerability Strategic Group

The West Yorkshire Risk & Vulnerability Strategic Group, in partnership with the Police and partners were successful in their bid to receive support from the Tackling Child Exploitation (TCE) Project. This will assist partners in Bradford to support strategies that target and disrupt perpetrators of exploitation. The TCE project will be presenting its report in November 2021.

2.70 Operation Dalesway

West Yorkshire Police and the Local Authority continue to work together to report non-recent allegations of exploitation. Operation Dalesway is the Police operational name for such investigations. The specialist team was established in 2014 and had responsibility for the coordination, response, and oversight of non-recent investigations.

In partnership with local authorities and other organisations, West Yorkshire Police has developed a great deal of experience in investigating CSE and has brought a number of successful and highly publicised prosecutions in recent years, for Bradford these include

- Two men sentenced in 2013 for a total of 36 years in prison
- Twelve men sentenced in February 2016 to a total of 140 years in jail following an investigation in Bradford and Keighley.
- An investigation in Bradford which saw nine men jailed for a combined 132 years in 2019

2.71 Currently, the team has ten live investigations at various stages of progress. Police forces across the Yorkshire and Humber region have noted a reduction in the number of non-recent cases on child sexual exploitation. The reducing number of non-recent cases is comparable with other regional local authority areas.

2.72 Additional Developments

In April 2021, the Council made a significant investment into exploitation following a review of existing services. It is important to acknowledge that the review was planned and undertaken by the new leadership team as part of the Council's improvement plan. A commitment to annually fund just under 1 million pounds was made to further develop a 'Multi-agency Exploitation Hub.'

- 2.73 The Hub will feature specialist practitioners from Social Care, Education, Health, West Yorkshire Police, the Youth Service, voluntary sector organisations, Missing officers, and Business support. There will be an equal focus on perpetrator disruption and securing convictions alongside supporting victims and children.
- 2.74 Some key appointments have already been made, including a specialist health practitioner, an education safeguarding officer, and a dedicated disruptions officer.
- 2.75 The Bradford Partnerships are committed to raising the profile of exploitation, and the efforts to do this have recently been featured in a national article. 'Working in child exploitation is not just a job for me; it's about changing the lives of young people' | Community Care. This has, in turn, resulted in interest from other local authorities who consider Bradford's responses as a blueprint for good practice in their areas. Partnership colleagues have held several meetings with other Local Authorities to share best practices and embed learning on 'what works' in other places.
- 2.76 A significant focus is placed on supporting children with low or emerging needs to ensure early interventions are delivered, preventing an escalation of concerns. In addition to this, specialist services can focus their attention on the low number of children who are at significant risk so that the support they receive is intensive and impactful. The Team Manager in the Exploitation Hub reviews the cohorts of children weekly to prevent drift and delay.
- 2.77 There is national recognition of the gap in service provision for exploited children transitioning into adulthood. In response to this, a new flag called '18 and still vulnerable' has been developed, of which nine young people are presently identified. These young people must fit the criteria of either being a care leaver or having additional vulnerabilities. The circumstances for these young adults are reviewed, and universal safety plans are agreed with the RAM and MACE process described above.
- 2.78 There are ambitions to extend the criteria for young adults, and this concept is being explored within the All-Age Exploitation Group, which reports to the Bradford Partnership.
- 2.79 West Yorkshire Police state that the intelligence picture around Criminal

Exploitation, particularly "County Lines," has significantly increased across the force. "County Lines" is a form of Child Criminal Exploitation. It is a term used to describe the activities of gangs and organised criminal networks involved in exporting illegal drugs into one or more importing areas (within the UK), using dedicated mobile phone lines or other forms of "deal line". These gangs are likely to exploit children and vulnerable adults to move (and store) the drugs and money. They will often use coercion, intimidation, violence (including sexual violence) and weapons. County Lines & Criminal Exploitation As the focus on this area is a priority. Police colleagues anticipate that the numbers of victims and perpetrators will increase.

- 2.80 Police improvements in crime recording has seen the numbers of recorded offences increased.
- 2.81 The pervasive nature of internet capable devices and their ease of use for criminal purposes ensure that future threats around online CSE continue to evolve. The technology available to law enforcement will also lead to increased demand for the West Yorkshire Police Force. ICACCOPs is an online web interface and will enable Forces to further respond to and tackle, online child sexual abuse.

2.82 Training

The TBP and the Learning & Improvement task and finish group set up to look at opportunities for child exploitation training sessions across the district has continued its work. A series of sessions covering different aspects of the exploitation plan have been identified. The first session w focused on county lines; the second session concentrated on procedures and processes used in assessing cases within the exploitation hub. The sessions were launched earlier in the year. The feedback on the county lines sessions run by the Breaking the Cycles Team was extremely positive, and further sessions are being planned.

Other sessions being planned include: -

- Modern-Day Slavery
- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Disclosures
- Child Medical Procedures
- Harmful Sexual Behaviour
- 2.83 The Bradford Partnership have commissioned from the NSPCC a series of training courses for frontline professionals responding to Harmful Sexual Behaviour displayed by children and young people
- 2.84 The sessions commenced in April 2021 and will run for 12 months. The commissioned service from NSPCC allows for the facility of a trainer the trainer. This has been made available to colleagues within the educational safeguarding team who can share the learning with designated safeguarding leads and deputies across the Bradford District.
- 2.85 The Bradford Partnership is hosting a series of Exploitation Masterclasses in November and early December 2021 on exploitation and will be delivered by a

specialist an external trainer – Sarah Henry. These sessions will be for frontline practitioners who are dealing with those at risk of exploitation. The sessions will include the findings from the recent publication of the Child Exploitation Thematic Review

- 2.86 The Bradford Teaching Hospital Foundation Trust Safeguarding team are part of the multi-agency training offer and teach on courses including to frontline practitioners who come into direct contact with children who may have additional vulnerabilities or disabilities
- 2.87 The Bradford Partnership are reviewing the current child exploitation protocol via one of the sub groups to ensure disabilities is referenced within the screening tool.

2.88 Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Thematic Review 2021

The CSE thematic review was published in July 2021, and the subsequent findings and recommendations have previously been reported to the Council committee.

- 2.89 The Partnership and its member agencies have accepted the findings of the review and are working to ensure the recommendations are carried out.
- 2.90 The report contained a total of twenty recommendations. In the review, these recommendations are set out in full in a developmental action plan and are broken down into 53 sub-actions with identified named leads.
- 2.91 The Bradford Partnership have established a specific monitoring group with external assistance to ensure the developmental action plan recommendations and actions are progressed and completed. Recently the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee has established a short-life working group to work alongside the Partnership to ensure all recommendations are completed
- 2.92 The Bradford Partnership has established links with the Centre of Expertise Child Sexual Abuse. The nationally recognised team has been supporting the development of processes and assurance/challenge sessions with Police, Children's Social Care, CCG, and Health partners on the current response to CSE.
- 2.93 A further review of actions is planned for mid-2022 to consider the evidence of outcome/impact and check necessary changes have been embedded in practice.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

There are no other considerations

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

There are no financial implications.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 The protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults is the highest priority for the Council and its partners when considering the implications of exploitation, as is the provision of services to support those who are victims of this abuse. Failure to protect and provide appropriate services significantly increases the risk to Children and vulnerable Adults in the District. It would also lead to significantly reduced public confidence in Bradford Council, West Yorkshire Police and other partners, as has been demonstrated in some other Districts.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 6.1 In relation to the protection of children and vulnerable adults, the report engages a number of legislative areas, including the Children Act 1989, Children Act 2004, Children and Families Act 2014, Children and Social Work Act 2017 and Working Together Guidance 2018, Care Act 2014, Modern Day Slavery Act 2015, Forced Marriage (Civil protection) Act 2007, Mental Capacity Act 2005, Equality Act 2010, and Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. Some legislative provisions will have been amended temporarily under the Corona Virus Act 2020.
- 6.2 This report is, of necessity, a very high-level description of key activities undertaken by the Council in order to protect the members of the local population who are at risk of unlawful exploitation due to their vulnerability. The statutory safeguarding duties of the Council under both the Care Act and the Children Act are of pre-eminent significance and involve complex co-operative activities with both local and national partners. Effectively discharging these duties requires their integration into all the other activities undertaken by the Council. For this reason, any list of specific statutory provisions must be qualitied by the need to consider the practical effect of each and specifically whether it may lead to or facilitate unlawful exploitation.
- 6.3 The exchange of information with other statutory or involved agencies to facilitate measures to combat exploitation is a permitted form of data processing but requires the Council to undertake risk-assessments to ensure that the correct level and detail of information is communicated.
- 6.4 The new child safeguarding partnership arrangements were created by the Children and Social Work Act 2017. Statutory Guidance 'Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018' requires the Safeguarding Partners to publish a report at least every 12 months setting out what they have done as a result of the arrangements, including on safeguarding practice reviews and how effective the arrangements are in practice. The report should also include evidence of the impact of the work of the partners and agencies including training, on outcomes for children and families from early help to looked after children and care leavers and also an analysis of any areas where there has been little or no evidence of progress on agreed priorities.
- 6.5 The Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board is required to publish both an annual strategic plan and an annual report into its activities. The annual report is annexed to this report; and, as is required under Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014, it describes:
 - what it has done during the year to achieve its objective and implement its strategy,
 - what each member has done during the year to implement strategy
 - the findings of the safeguarding adult reviews (SARS) arranged by it which have concluded during the year,
 - the SARs arranged by it under that section which are on going at the end of the

year,

- what it has done during the year to implement the findings of SARs arranged by it, and
- where it decided during the year not implement a finding of a SAR, the reasons for that decision.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no other implications

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

None

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Exploitation of Children and Vulnerable Adults is a criminal offence. The consequences of exploitation can be long-standing for the victim and there is growing research evidence that victims of CE are themselves over-represented among young people coming to the attention of police services as potential offenders. In addition, Exploitation has lasting consequences for families of victims and perpetrators and has potential implications for community relations.

7.3.1 The Community Safety Partnership (CSP) currently oversees the commissioning of funding from the passporting of Police and Crime Commissioner (now under the mayor's office) funding against key priorities, including CSE and now wider exploitation.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

Exploitation is a wide concept; and there is no direct provision that deals with it in the Human Rights Act. The abusive or criminal exploitation of vulnerable people, whether they are adults or children, will inevitably breach specific human rights. Where the Council becomes aware of this it will have a duty, as a public body, to take all proportionate steps to prevent such abuse and to enable all persons to effectively assert their human rights. The arrangements made by the Local Authority and partners are intended to both prevent the human rights of children, young people and adults being breached and to enable those right to be effectively asserted.

7.5 TRADE UNION

None

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 It is recommended that each Area Committee receives an update report regarding criminal and sexual exploitation in the next 6 months.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS (for reports to Area Committees only)

None

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

7.8.1 National and local evidence shows that children who are looked after by the local authority are more likely to become victims of Child Exploitation than other groups. This means that in relation to safeguarding and corporate parenting responsibilities, partners have a responsibility to understand the safeguarding risks facing children, and especially in relation to Child Exploitation.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

7.9.1 The nature of Sexual and Criminal Exploitation work requires partners to manage confidential matters and data under GDPR regulations in accordance with individual agency guidelines. There is no sensitive data included in this report that requires a Privacy Impact Assessment

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

None

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 The Area Committee is invited to note the report
- 10.2 The Bradford East Area Committee commit to working closely with partners to continue to raise awareness of exploitation of both adult and children
- 10.3 A further report to be presented in 12 months

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Trusted relationships – Case Studies

Appendix B – Police Online Investigations Team Case Studies

Appendix C – – Overview data sample – July to September 21 – Children assessed as

being at risk of CE

Appendix D – Ward Based data

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Working Together to Safeguarding Children 2018 - Working Together 2018

The Care Act 2014 - Care Act 2014

West Yorkshire Police and Crime Plan - West Yorkshire Police and Crime Plan

Serious and Organised Crime Strategy 2018 - <u>Serious and Organised Crime Strategy 2018</u>

West Yorkshire Police Serious and Organised Crime Strategy - <u>West Yorkshire Police - Precision</u>

Children's Society Counting Lives Report: responding to children who are criminally exploited - Children's Society - Counting Lives Report.

Appendix A – Trusted Relationships – Case Studies

Trusted Relationships - One to one support

Name of young person: B

Context of the work and the key issues

A summary of the key issues for the Young Person and the reason for referral

B was referred to Trusted Relationships for 1:1 support in June 2020 after concerns were highlighted by residential staff relating to B...

- Speaking inappropriately to unknown older males via social media.
- Sending indecent images to older males via social media.
- Using sexual langauge and sexual gestures towards staff and young people
- Exposing herself in public places as well as within the residential unit
- making allegations of a sexual nature about residential and school staff

B is a child looked after by Bradford Local Authority, B has been exposed to early trauma through severe neglect which has impacted their ability to form positive and lasting relationships.

B could be described as having no sense of personal boundaries, both physically and psychologically with other people, B has SEMH needs and a learning delay which makes B extremely vulnerable to the risk of exploitation.

Your approach

What did you do to build relationship and address the issues listed above? Think about how you worked with other to create solutions (family, other agencies etc.)

Due to the Covid crisis the Trusted Relationships Group Work Programme (TRGW) has had the privilege of supporting the TR1:1 programme by taking referrals. When B's referral arrived with me the country was in lockdown and so initial contact was carried out via TR activity and information packs, which were posted out to young people and explored through telephone sessions. B's residential keyworker supported telephone sessions and worked with me to gain a better understanding of CE and the support that B would gain.

B enjoyed initial pack activities but it was apparent that B struggled to communicate and engage via phonecalls, so face-to-face session were organised at B's educational provision.

Support got off to a bumpy start as I was (quite literally) bombarded with: 'f**k you!... 'what do you want you f**king b**ch?' from B, for many (many) school visits. What struck me about this 13yr old was that there really was no one in their life that

What struck me about this 13yr old was that there really was no one in their life that wasn't paid to be there (professional overload) and sadly B had a really good grasp of this. I kept going (as we all do) because I understood their communication was a response to the neglect, trauma and abuse they'd suffered, as well as a form of personal protection (or invisible armour) as they continued their turbulent journey through the care system.

I can honestly say that I'd never quite experienced the level of resistance that this young person thrust my way, but we stuck it out and moved through 2020's chaos together.

Slowly I discovered that B had a love of horses (albeit that they had never shaped anything around this), and so not to miss a chance TR pulled together horse riding groups whenever an ease of lockdown rules allowed.

On our journeys to riding sessions B and I would have the opportunity to talk through themes such as:

App's games and sharing:

Online safety & communication

Online support and information

Healthy / unhealthy relationships

Friends. Frienimies and Fakers

What is grooming?

Consent.

Identity and sexuality etc.

On our way home from riding sessions we would think about things like:

Growing confidence,

Why I'm important and why my feelings matter

Self-esteem.

Feelings and what we do with them,

Using personal power positively,

Rights & responsibilities, (and consequences) as B had become involved with YOT after damaging staff cars and attacking a number of residential care staff.

Turbulent behaviours were an ongoing feature of B's life away from TR and riding, but when B was with horses it seemed to be a space that gave B permission to rethink and reshape how they saw themself. So we kept going and kept strengthening B's outlook.

When horse riding wasn't an option I popped into the residential unit for chats and checkins.

What was the outcome?

What has changed and how things have improved for the young person. What might the next steps be for the young person to continue on a positive journey?

B remains a young person with many complex needs and ongoing vulnerabilities. B will need the team around them to provide a safetynet for many years to come, however there was certainly a shift in behaviour from 'turbulent and disruptive' to 'settled and engaged'.

I referred B to the Youth Buddies Service where they formed a positive relationship with Youth Workers and enjoyed youth provision activities.

The riding school were utterly amazing and saw B's potential as B braved all aspects of the great British weather to show commitment to lessons and a love of horses. I coordinated the opportunity for B to join the 'Changing Lives Through Horses' educational provision at the riding school where B would be able to achieve a certificate in equine care and stable management as part of their education plan. B attended one day per week and began to make friends with the other young people and volunteers on the yard. B's confidence and self-esteem sored – it was lovely to see B enjoying, learning and making new friends. B had always struggled to make and maintain friendships and so this was an amazing achievement for them. Unfortunately, in June 2021 B's residential home was closed with immediate effect, this displaced B until a new placement could be found. Within 2 weeks B moved to a placement in Stratford-Upon-Avon. It was worrying to think of B leaving the stability that had been created behind, however arriving in Stratford B was able to assert how much horses were now part of their identity and so B trotted off (with the support of new placement staff) to find a stables that she could volunteer her time at and begin riding again.

I feel very proud the way B transferred these skills into a new setting as indeed B has already made new friends. I'm hopeful that B will find horses and show people the skills and strength developed in this activity wherever they may go in future.

Direct feedback

Please record any direct feedback received such as quotes, compliments or complaints about the work with this individual

B said:

'Thank you for bringing me out to do activities... thank you for taking me to do horse riding and everything... I don't know where I'm going but they better always have horses'.

'I feel like horses are my life... they are who I am, they are part of me (my identity), and I always want to have horses in my life. When I am older I will have a farm, it will be peaceful and it will be full of animals. It will be like a rescue centre and I'll have the skills and I'll know how to look after them all.'

Appendix B – Police Online Investigations Team Case Studies

West Yorkshire Police – Bradford District

Police Online Investigations.

Case A

A suspect was arrested travelling out of the West Yorkshire are in order to meet what he believed to be a female. The male had arranged to sexually assault the female's children. He was intercepted close to the arranged meeting point in possession of Viagra, Sex toys and sweets for the children. PC Adam Flaxington was in charge of the investigation. After a week's trial, the suspect was found guilty on 13 counts of offences of Arrange / Facilitate a child sex offence and is to be sentenced 11th November 2021.

Case B

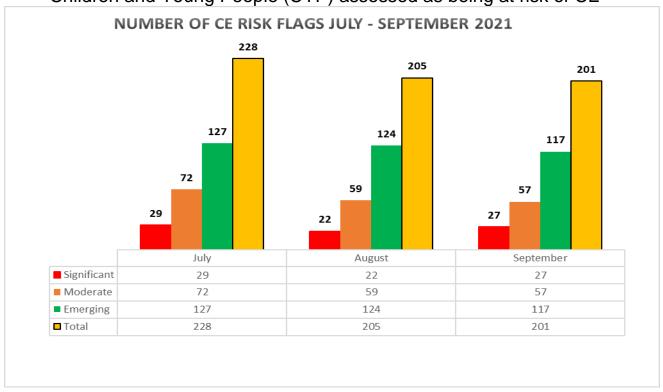
A report was received by the mother of the victim that a male had been speaking with her daughter online and had been asked by the male suspect to sexual assault her 7-year-old sister and live stream so he could see the offence taking place.

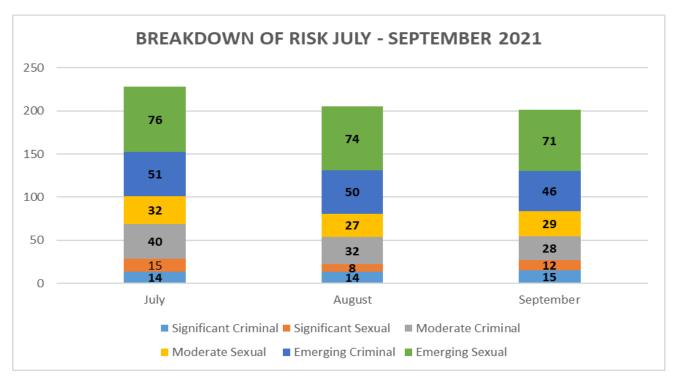
The victim was a 13-year-old autistic female. Work took place in conjunction with other forces where the victim lived to identify the offender.

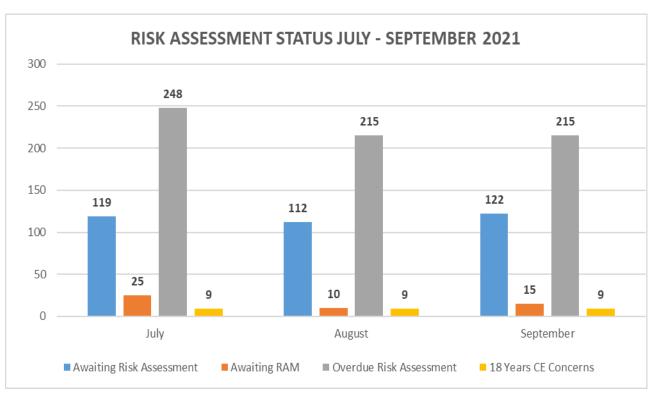
The offender was identified as a registered sex offender living in another are. Due to the offences taking place when he was in the Bradford area he was arrested and dealt with by Bradford Polit. A number of devices were seized and were positive for Indecent images of Children. The suspect was interviewed and admitted up to speaking with up to another 50 children. He was charged and remanded at Court and has since pled guilty to 8 offences. Other work is ongoing into identifying the further victims.

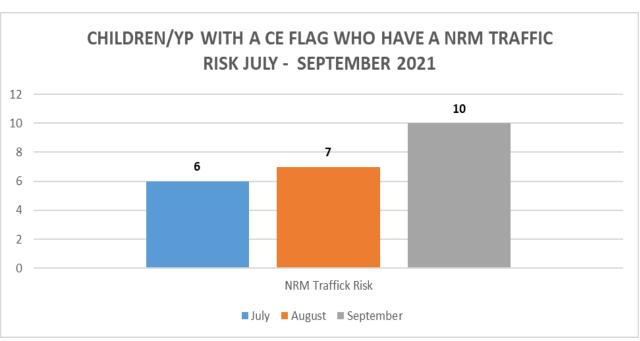
Appendix C - Overview data sample - July to September 21 - Children assessed as being at risk of CE

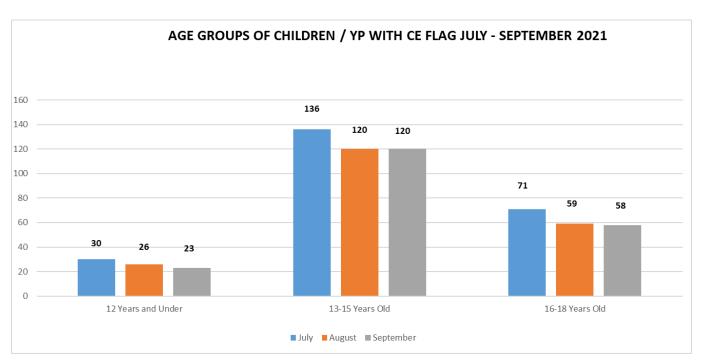
Children and Young People (CYP) assessed as being at risk of CE

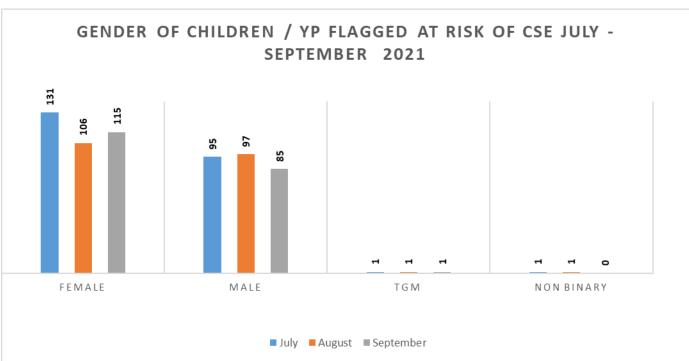




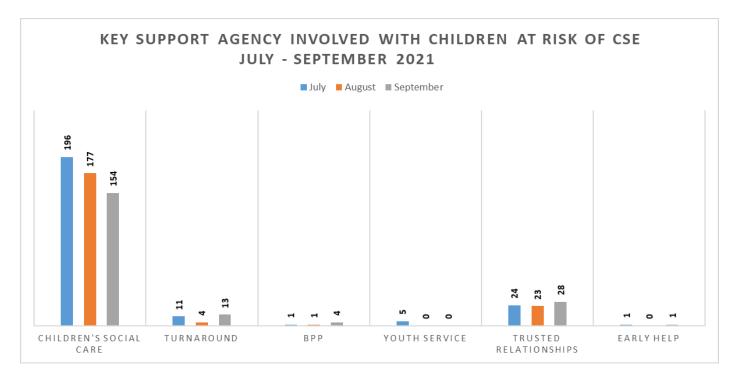


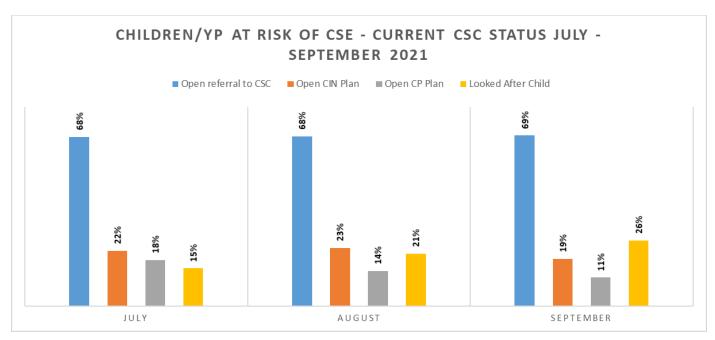


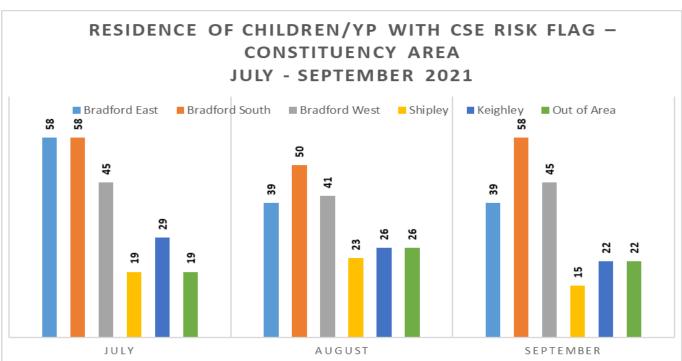


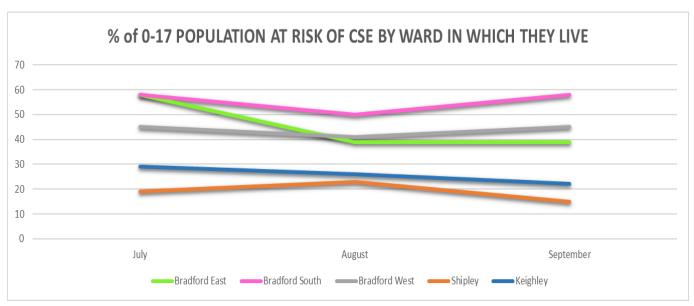


ETHNICITY	July	August	September
Asian/Brit. Asian -	1		1
Bangladeshi	_	1	
Asian/Brit. Asian - Indian	1	0	0
Asian/Brit. Asian - Other	8	5	9
Asian/Brit. Asian - Pakistani	34	32	20
Black/Black Brit African	5	5	6
Black/Black Brit Caribbean	0	0	0
Black/Black British - Other	0	1	1
Gypsy/Roma	8	7	4
Information Not Yet	19		3
Obtained	19	7	3
Mixed - Other	3	3	2
Mixed - White/Asian	21	13	14
Mixed - White/Black African	1	1	3
Mixed - White/Black	6		8
Caribbean		7	U
Other Ethnic Group	4	4	3
Traveller of Irish Heritage	0	0	0
White - British	107	109	115
White - Eastern European	6	6	8
White Irish	0	0	0
White - Other	4	4	4

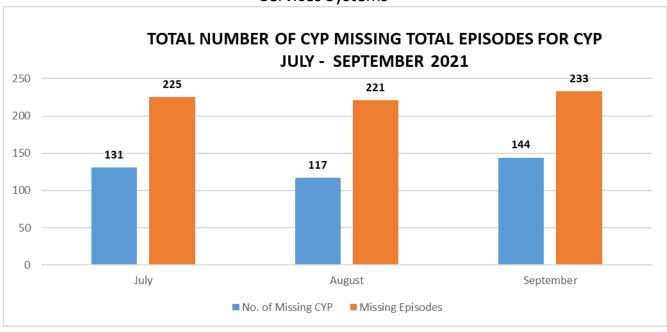


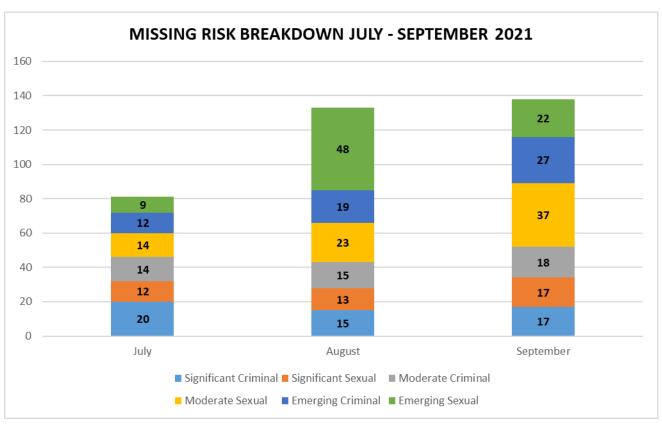


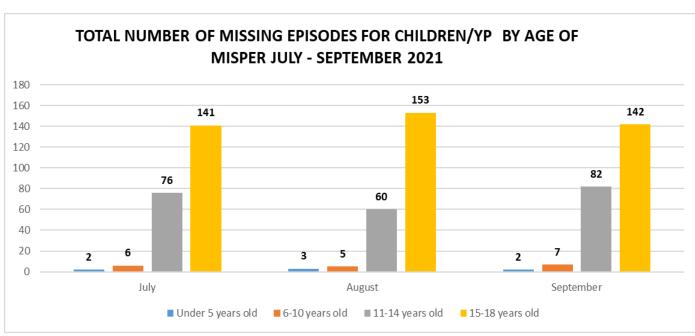


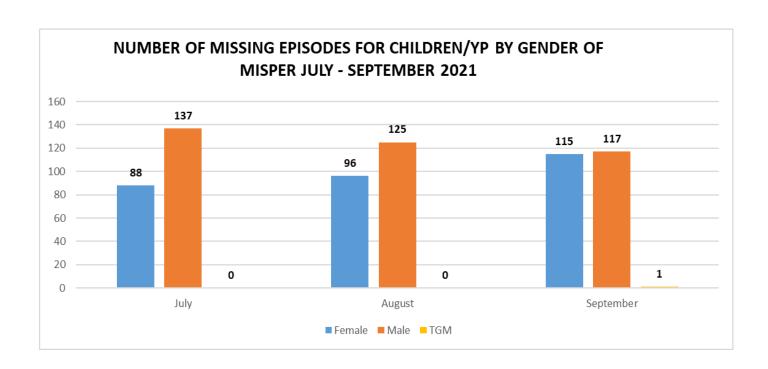


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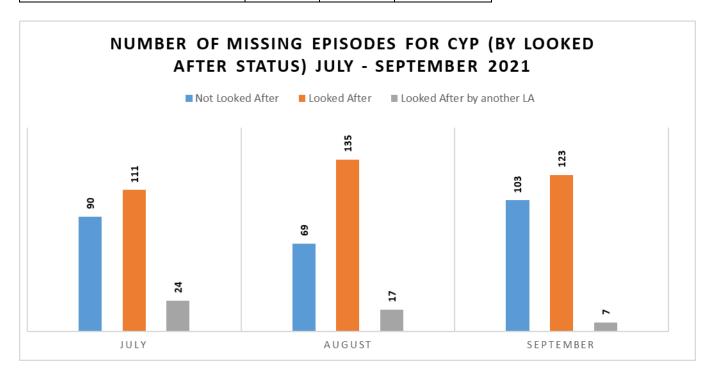




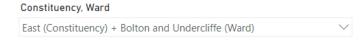
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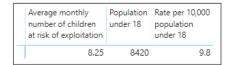
ETHNICITY	July	August	September
Asian/British Asian - Bangladeshi	0	0	0
Asian/British Asian - Indian	1	0	0
Asian/British Asian - Other	13	5	4
Asian/British Asian - Pakistani	34	25	16
Black/Black British - African	10	2	0
Black/Black British -	0	0	0
Caribbean			
Black/Black British - Other	2	1	4
Gypsy/Roma	2	0	1
Information Not Yet Obtained	33	27	20
Mixed - Other	3	4	6
Mixed - White/Asian	7	20	16
Mixed - White/Black African	0	0	0
Mixed - White/Black	2	11	10
Caribbean			
Other Ethnic Group	0	1	4
Traveller of Irish Heritage	1	0	0
White - British	107	109	142

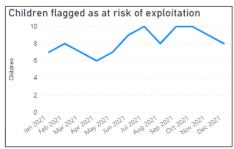
White - Eastern European	3	3	4
White - Irish	0	0	0
White - Other	7	13	6

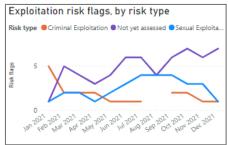


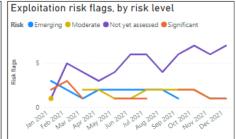
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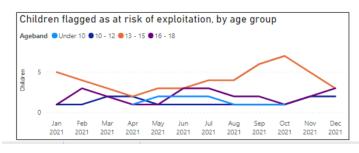


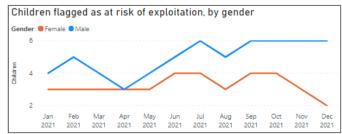


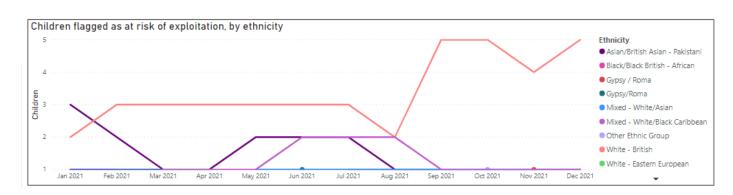




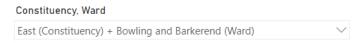




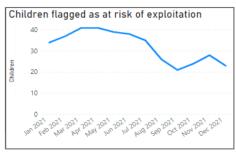


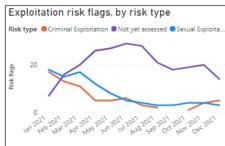


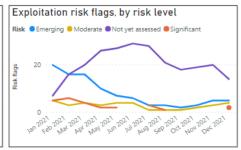
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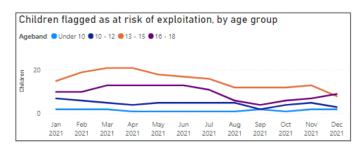


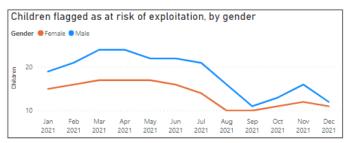


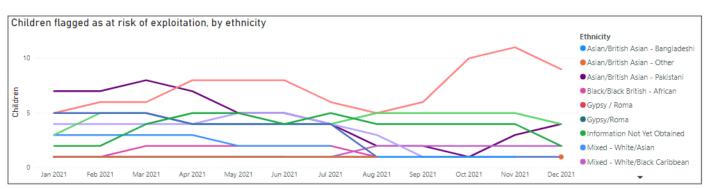








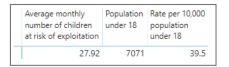


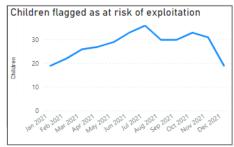


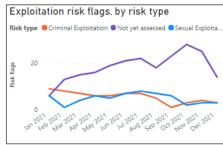
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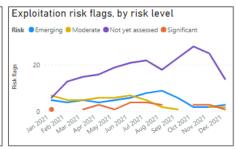
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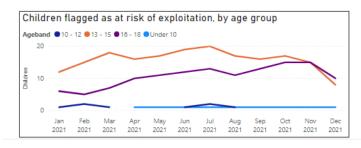
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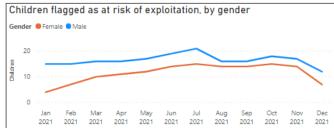


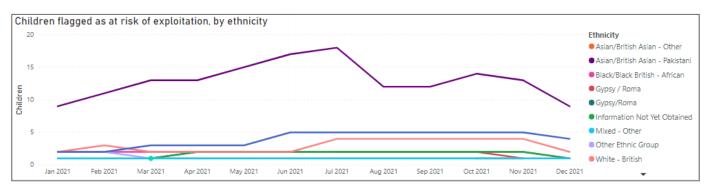








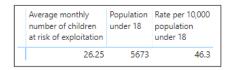


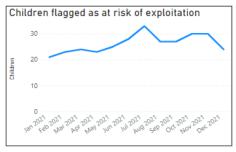


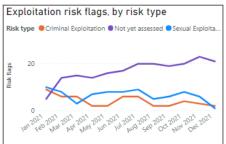
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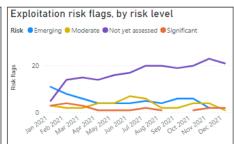
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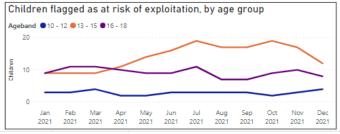
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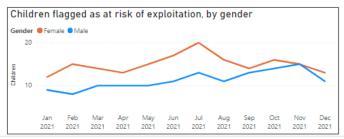


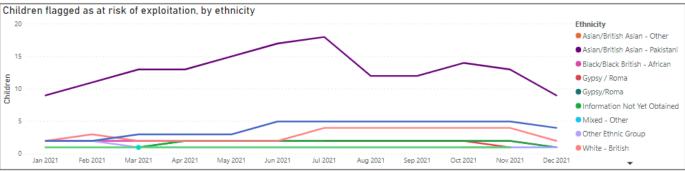








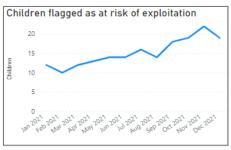


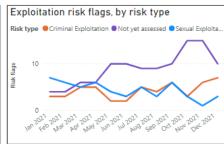


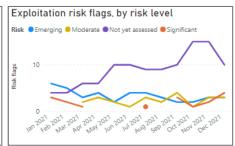
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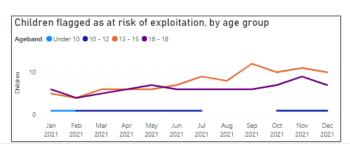


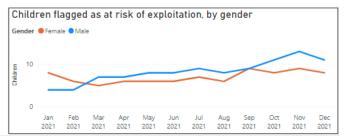
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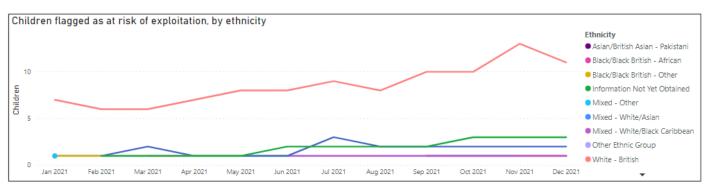








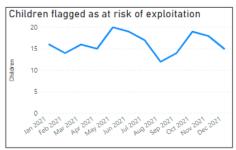


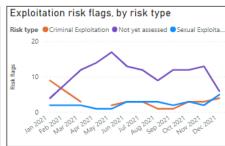


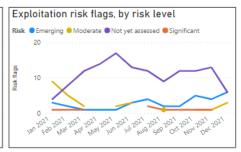
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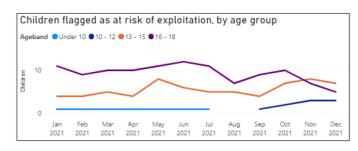


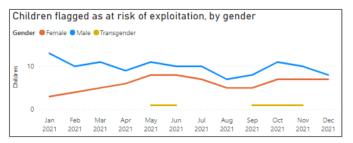
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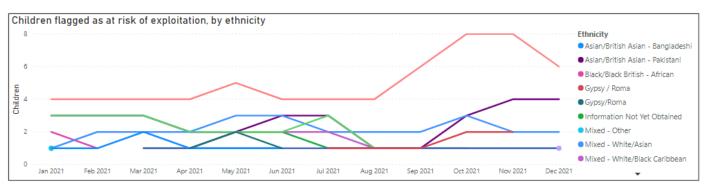








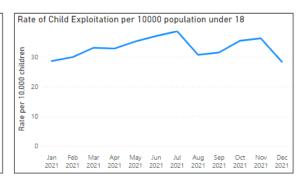


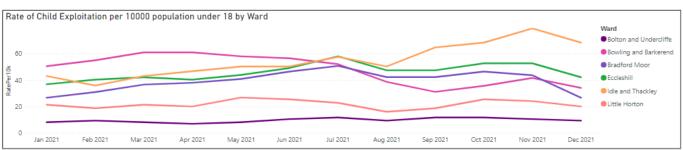


WARD COMPARISON



Ward	Average number of children at risk of exploitation	Population under 18	Rate per 10,000 population under 18
Idle and Thackley	10.56	2772	38.1
Bowling and Barkerend	24.26	6702	36.2
Eccleshill	19.15	5673	33.8
Bradford Moor	18.21	7071	25.7
Little Horton	15.38	7410	20.8
Bolton and Undercliffe	11.29	8420	13.4
Total	98.85	38048	26.0







Report of the Shipley Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 24 February 2022

Subject:

Street Cleansing Service in the Bradford East Area

Summary statement:

This report recommends minor operational changes to the Street Cleansing Service in the Bradford East Area Constituency and shows trends of the numbers of fly tipping and cleansing cases reported to the council.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

No specific equality and diversity issues. Decisions will need to be made in line with Equal Rights legislation. This will require Area Committees to assess the potential equality impact of any decisions they make.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Corporate

1. SUMMARY

1.1 This report recommends minor operational changes to the Street Cleansing Service in the Bradford East Area Constituency and shows trends of the numbers of fly tipping and street cleansing cases reported to the council.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Presently the Area has 7 ward based clean teams that work in individual work. After cleaning the Area's Gateway routes, the work is largely directed by the Driver coordinator and also the number of service requests that come through the contact centre on a daily basis. This model is based in principle that the drivers will know their areas and able to plan their own work load and have an ownership of their own network.
- 2.2 The model is, however, a reactive service dictated to a great extent by the reports that come in. After discussions with the Area Coordinator, the Cleansing and Parks Manager and Senior Technical Officer it is 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.
- 2.3 With prescriptive working, there is greater transparency around what is expected of staff and this increased understanding by staff and Managers and has the following advantages:
 - A prescribed day of working would also 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 are 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
- 2.4 It would also give the public a clear understanding as to how often and when their area or street would be cleaned. In the future it is the intention that 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. This will hopefully reduce complaints in the long term and eliminate the need for paper generated complaints.

An example of maps for Bolton and Undercliffe are shown in Appendix 1. If the new methodology is approved maps will be produced for all wards and made available as soon as possible.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Service requests

For information the numbers of street cleansing and fly tip cases that have been reported to the contact centre by numbers and type of request / complaint are shown in Appendix 2.

The number of reported fly tips within Bradford East has continued to rise year on year and this is reflected across both the district and nationally. The latest national data released by DEFRA showed a 16% increase across England; further information can be found here https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/fly-tipping-in-england

All wards within Bradford East have seen some increase in reports, though the extent of the increase varies significantly. Neighbourhood Services deliver both pro-active and reactive work in tackling this issue and a recent report to the annual Scrutiny Committee on 11th January 2022 outlined the various strands of environmental enforcement and educational work being undertaken.

- 3.2 The establishment of the Environmental Task Force will help deliver additional targeted work to combat fly-tipping from both residents and businesses.
- The number of complaints about Street Cleansing has risen in five of the six wards with only Idle & Thackley experiencing a small decrease.

In considering the number of service requests the data shows that four of the six wards receive less than one per day.

3.4 Kickstart Scheme

The Kickstart Scheme is a government led programme to fund and provide a new job for a inimum of 6 months for 16 to 24 year olds who are on Universal Credit who are at risk of long term unemployment. In Street Cleansing? participants have been working with clean teams from September and finish their placement in April.

The aim is to help young people build up their skills and experience levels, and a stepping stone into further employment or either with the council or with and external company. This links in with the Councils Plan "Better Skills, more good jobs and a growing economy" for the District.

3.5 The Great Bradford Spring Clean 2022

This year the great Bradford Spring Clean will run from 11th to the 25th March. Ward officers and Assistant Ward Officers will be promoting and assisting community litter picks throughout the Constituency providing equipment and tools to support local groups clearing grot spots

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 Resources are allocated from base budget by levels of litter, numbers of service requests and experience of the cleansing and parks manager and other officers within the service.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 None specific.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 None

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1.1 Local teams have the potential to create more sustainable solutions to local issues.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

7.2.1 No specific issues

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.3.1 No specific issues

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1 There are no Human Rights Act implications arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

7.5.1 Trade unions are regularly consulted at levels 1, 2 and 3 with regards to Street Cleansing operations and staffing issues.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 The information in this report is relevant to all Wards in Bradford East

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1 The proposed new working fits in with Locality Planning

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

7.8.1 None specific

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

7.9.1 None

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 There are no not for publication documents.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 **Option 1**

New Prescribed working pattern as detailed in 2.2 to 2.4

9.2 **Option 2**

No change to the current model.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 That members select option 1 as the preferred cleansing delivery model. and that officers to work up detailed maps and work patterns in each ward.
- 10.2 Officers draft work patterns similar to the example in Appendix 1 for all Wards in Bradford East.

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1 Example of proposed Bolton and Undercliffe Ward cleaning frequencies.
- 11.2 Appendix 2 Bradford East Street Cleansing and Fly Tipping Cases reported to the contact centre.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 Street Cleansing – Document AE Bradford East Area Committee 21st March 2019.

Appendix 1

Each Ward will have 1 x Overview Map

1 x Gateway Map

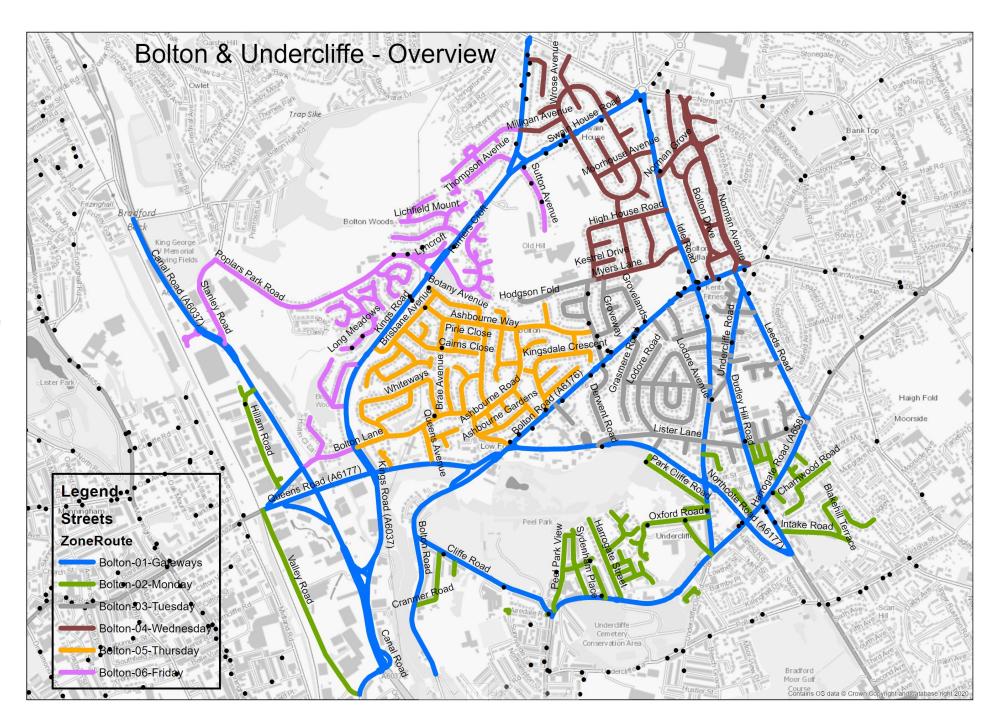
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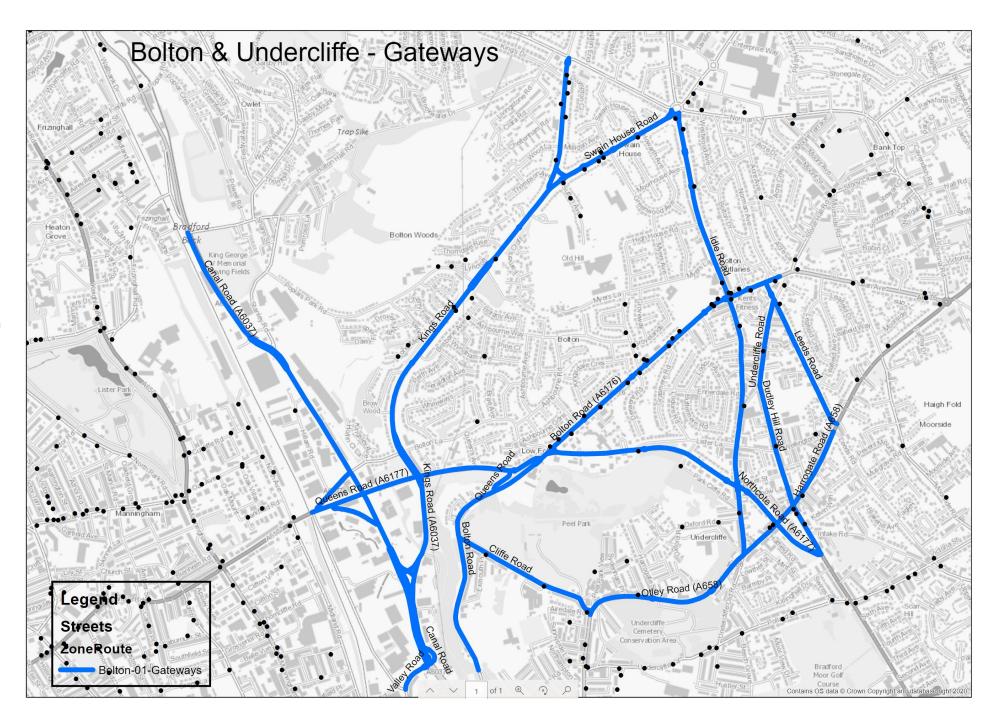
When routed the breakdown of each ward can be presented as in this example for Bolton & Undercliffe:

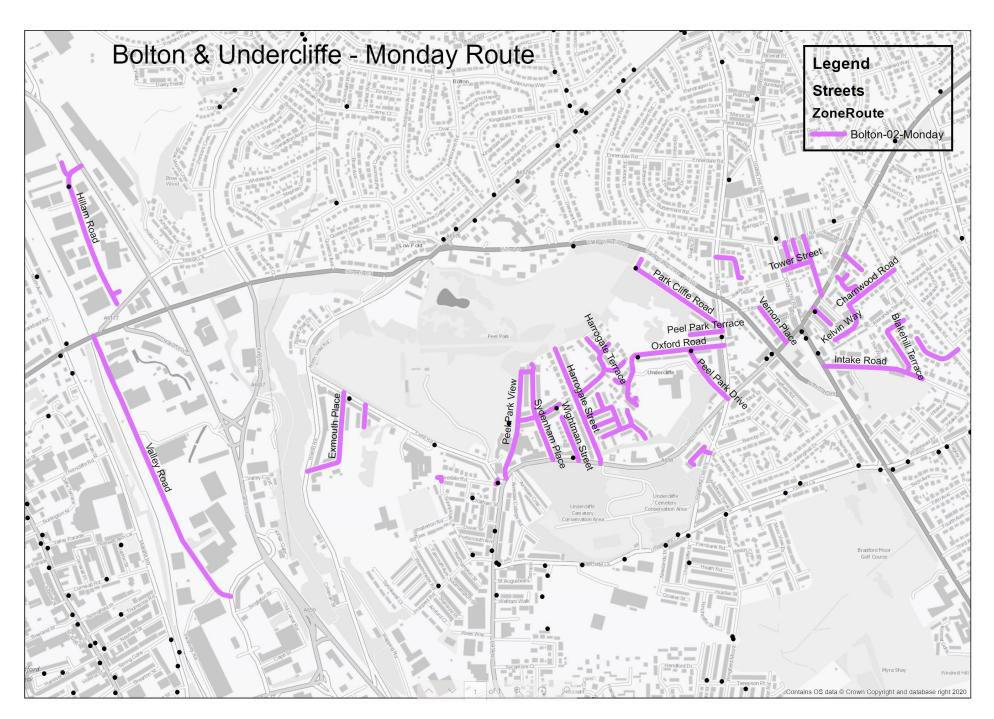
		% of
Frequency	Km's	Ward
Weekly	35.4	66%
Daily	18.6	34%
Total	54.0	100%

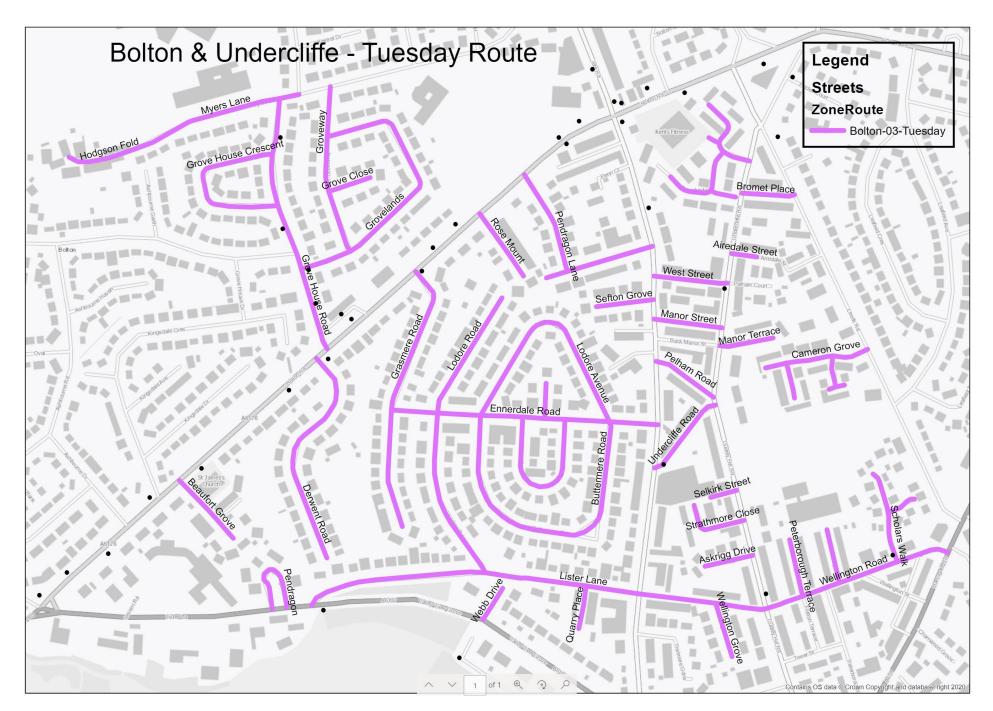
Using Prescriptive routes allows the service to allocate work in to manageable balanced chunks for each day's work:

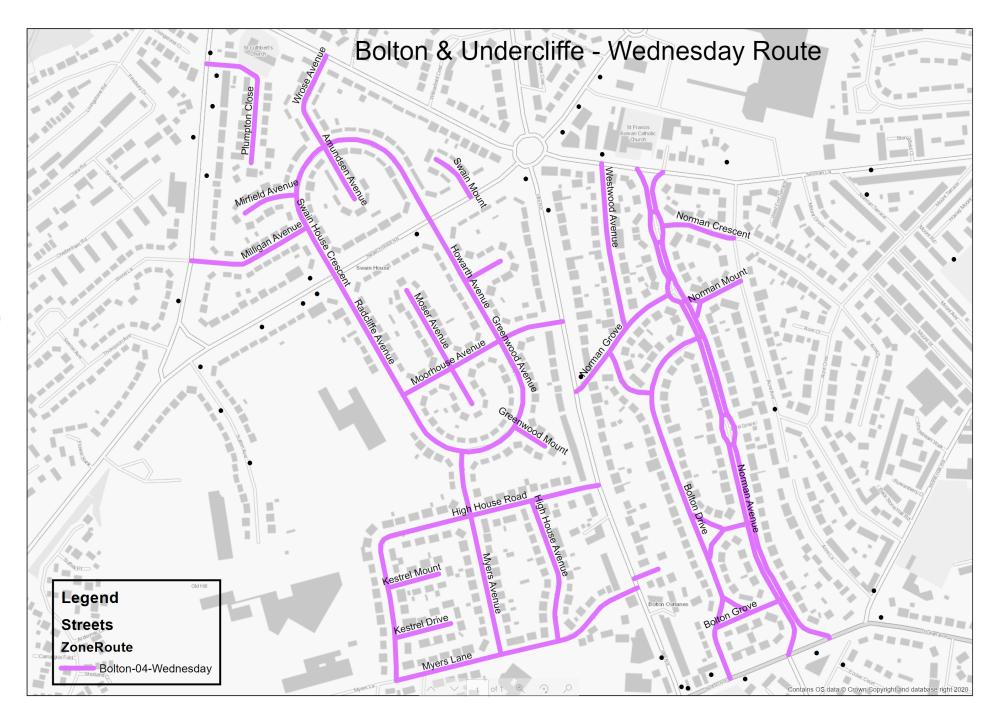
Weekly	
Work	Km's
Monday	6.6
Tuesday	7.1
Wednesday	7.1
Thursday	7.8
Friday	6.8

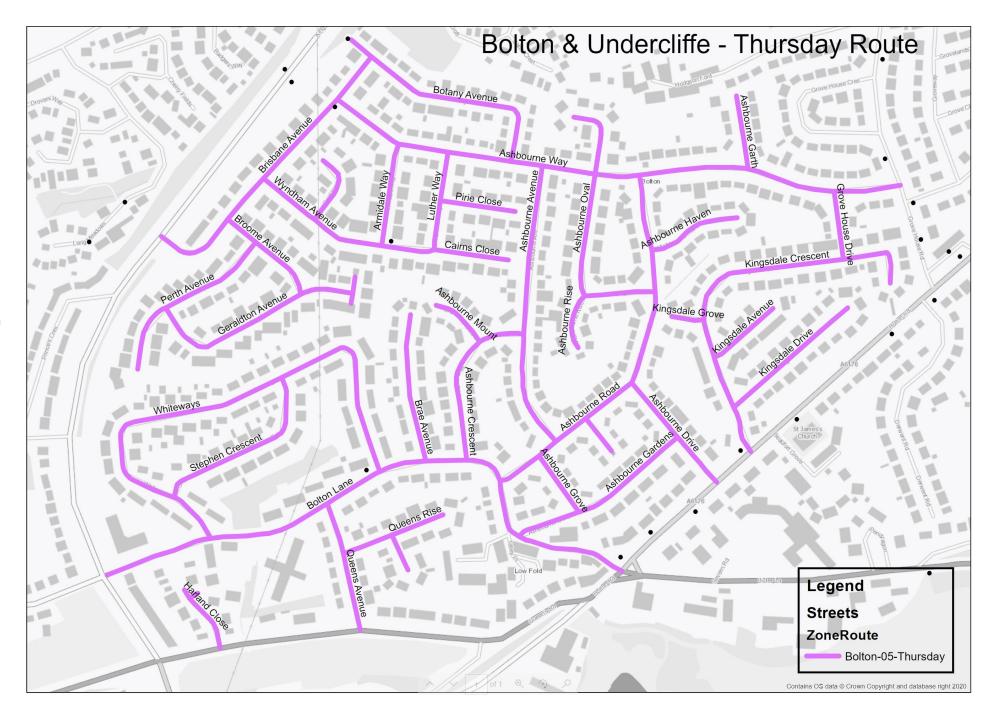


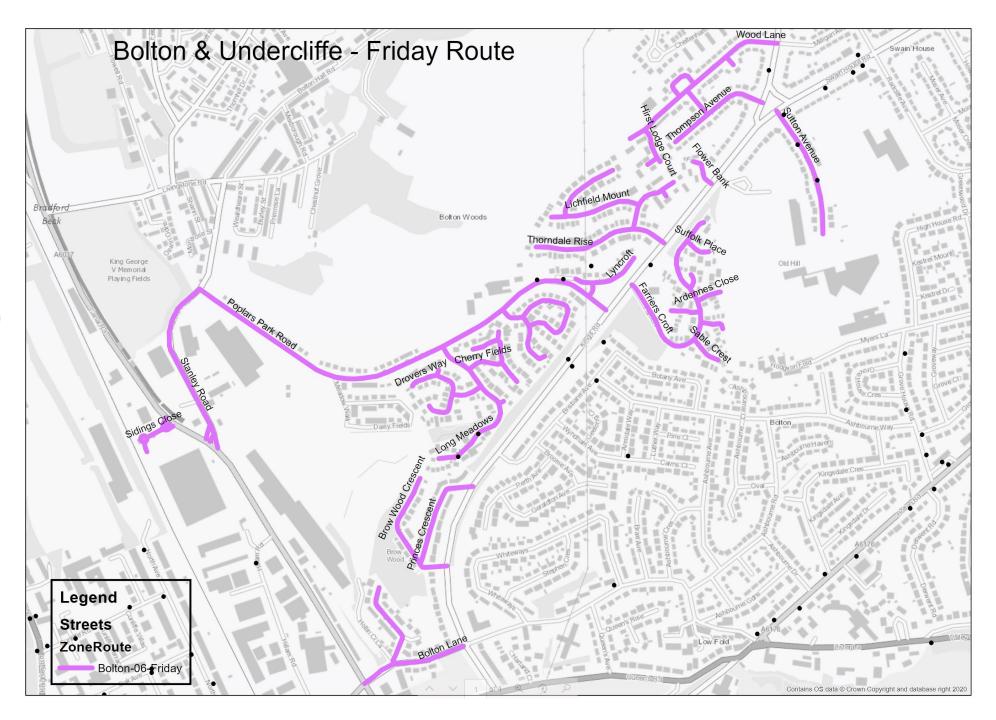












Appendix 2

Fly Tipping Reports

Number of Fly Tips Reported by Ward and Year

Ward	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Bolton & Undercliffe	104	150	174	121	164
Bowling & Barkerend	264	350	456	363	548
Bradford Moor	209	225	262	308	324
Eccleshill	139	148	116	112	157
Idle & Thackley	111	100	97	135	122
Little Horton	198	341	497	557	639
Across Multiple Wards	133	161	196	216	241
Bradford East Total	1158	1475	1798	1812	2195

Average No Reports of Fly Tipping per Week by Ward

Ward	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Bolton & Undercliffe	2	3	3	2	3
Bowling & Barkerend	5	7	9	7	11
Bradford Moor	4	4	5	6	6
Eccleshill	3	3	2	2	3
Idle & Thackley	2	2	2	3	2
Little Horton	4	7	10	11	12
Across Multiple Wards	3	3	4	4	5
Grand Total	22	28	35	35	42

Street Cleansing Complaints

Bolton & Undercliffe

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	4	2	5	7	12
Dog fouling	10	36	34	11	9
Human Excrement		1	1		1
Leaves/Blossom	9	14	18	18	27
Litter	55	76	82	67	80
Litter bin full	6	1	12	6	6
Other (please specify)	20	20	22	12	29
Grand Total	104	150	174	121	164

Bowling & Barkerend

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	13	17	12	10	16
Dog fouling	14	14	10	17	11
Green bags not collected	3	3	4	4	
Human Excrement	3	3	5	3	7
Leaves/Blossom	14	14	11	17	18
Litter	152	224	300	219	250
Litter bin full	1	8	17	8	8
Other (please specify)	64	67	97	85	238
Grand Total	264	350	456	363	548

Bradford Moor

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	6	15	7	5	7
Dog fouling	7	7	6	7	4
Green bags not collected		2	3	2	2
Human Excrement	7	1	1	1	
Leaves/Blossom	17	18	27	20	30
Litter	123	121	129	132	143
Litter bin full	10	8	8	18	9
Other (please specify)	39	53	81	123	129
Grand Total	209	225	262	308	324

Eccleshill

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	8	10	4	4	13
Dog fouling	14	9	9	9	11
Green bags not collected					1
Human Excrement					1
Leaves/Blossom	16	13	11	8	11
Litter	58	78	61	44	74
Litter bin full	4	2	6	8	13
Other (please specify)	39	34	25	39	33
Grand Total	139	148	116	112	157

Idle & Thackley

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	10	4	4	10	7
Dog fouling	12	7	4	20	5
Green bags not					
collected	1	1			2
Human Excrement	2	1			
Leaves/Blossom	10	7	10	24	18
Litter	28	37	36	33	38
Litter bin full	31	32	29	25	21
Other (please specify)	17	11	14	23	31
Grand Total	111	100	97	135	122

Little Horton

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	8	7	2	10	17
Dog fouling	7	17	22	13	9
Green bags not collected	3	9	1		1
Human Excrement	1				
Leaves/Blossom	14	13	14	18	14
Litter	115	175	318	288	387
Litter bin full	14	31	20	14	20
Other (please specify)	36	89	120	214	191
Grand Total	198	341	497	557	639

Across Wards

Sub Type	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Detritus & Mud	3	16	18	7	16
Dog fouling	9	5	3	15	8
Green bags not collected	2	4	1	2	3
Human Excrement		3			1
Leaves/Blossom	14	7	18	11	11
Litter	80	98	93	102	111
Litter bin full	4	7	16	17	13
Other (please specify)	21	21	47	62	78
Grand Total	133	161	196	216	241

Average Complaints Per Week Per Ward

Ward	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Bradford Moor	4	4	5	6	6
Bolton & Undercliffe	2	3	3	2	3
Bowling & Barkerend	5	7	9	7	11
Eccleshill	3	3	2	2	3
Idle & Thackley	2	2	2	3	2
Little Horton	4	7	10	11	12
Across Wards	3	3	4	4	5
Bradford East Total	22	28	35	35	42





Report of the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Bradford East Area Committee to be held on 24 February 2022

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Subject:

Climate Action Fund £60,000.

Summary statement:

This report summarises the grants awarded from the Climate Action Fund for the benefit of communities within the Bradford East Constituency.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

The Climate Action Fund is open to, and actively promoted to, groups, organisations and individuals working in and with all the communities in the Bradford East Area.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

1.1 This report summarises the grants awarded from the Climate Action Fund for the benefit of communities within the Bradford East Constituency.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Climate Action Fund was intended to help communities through initiatives that can reduce our collective carbon footprint, support sustainable development and raise awareness of climate change in the Bradford East area. Applications which met with the criteria were considered from groups, organisations and individuals contributing across a broad spectrum of initiatives.
- 2.2 Details of the Climate Action Fund awarded are outlined in Appendix A.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 The Grants Advisory Group provided guidance to the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator in the allocation of the Climate Action Fund.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 The Climate Action Fund budget for the Bradford East Constituency was £60,000.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 There are no issues.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no issues.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1.1 The Climate Action Fund enables community groups to contribute towards the reduction of our collective carbon footprint and support sustainable development.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

7.2.1 This funding aims to have an impact on reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.3.1 Recipients of the Climate Action Fund have been instructed to follow the national Covid guidance when carrying out any activities.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1 There are no implications.

7.5 TRADE UNION

7.5.1 There are no implications.

7.6 WARD PLAN IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 Projects are undertaken in all wards of the Bradford East area.

7.7 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

7.7.1 There are no implications.

7.8 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

7.8.1 There are no issues.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 None.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 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.
- 10.2 That the Grants Advisory Group is thanked for their work in providing guidance to the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator in the effective allocation of the Climate Action Fund.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix A: Summary of Climate Action Fund allocations.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 None.

WARD	REF	PROJECT	DECISION
B & B	CA/01/21	THE BIKE OR HIKE PROJECT/THE SPEAK IN CLUB C.I.C.	2003.00
B & B	CA/02/21	GROW WELL PROJECT/NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE	2500.00
ECC	CA/03/21	SOS ENV PROJECT/SOCIAL OUTREACH SERVICES CIC	2800.00
LH	CA/04/21	BD5 GARDEN COMPETITION 2021/W B YOUTH INITIATIVE	1500.00
B & U	CA/05/21	CREATING AN ACTIVE COMMUNITY/OTLEY ROAD AND UNDERCLIFFE	3500.00
		COMMUNITY WORKS	
B & U	CA/06/21	ENERGY EFFICIENCY/ST JAMES COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP	5000.00
BFD MOOR	CA/09/21	TREES – THE HEALTHY ALTERNATIVE/ BRADFORD 4 BETTER	3000.00
ECC, I & T	CA/10/21	FRUITFUL THORPE EDGE AND ECCLESHILL/WOODHOUSE COMMUNITY	3000.00
		GROWERS T/A FRUIT WORKS CO-OPERATIVE	
I&T	CA/11/21	SPRINGFIELD – REDUCTION OF ENERGY/SPRINGFIELD YOUTH AND	6500.00
		COMMUNITY	
B & B	CA/12/21	NET ZERO – KARMAND COMMUNITY CENTRE	5000.00
ECC	CA/13/21	READY STEADY GROW/BEEAUTIFUL GREENGATES	620.00
BFD MOOR	CA/14/21	BRADFORD MOOR POND RESTORATION/PLANTING SCHEME	3000.00
BFD MOOR	CA/16/21	STAYING GREEN/BRADFORD MOOR PASS	5000.00
	0/4/0/2/	OTATING GREEN, BIOLOGIC PROGRAM	0000.00
CC	CA/17/21	ECCLESHILL TRAIL & TREE/SHRUB PLANTING PROJECT/ECCLESHILL VILLAGE	2325.56
		STEERING GROUP	
LH	CA/21/21	PARK LANE GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMP BRADFORD TRIDENT	2000.00
BDF MOOR	CA/22/21	LAISTERDYKE COMMUNITY GARDEN	2000.00
B & B	CA/23/21	LIGHTS PROJECY/BRADFORD SPORTING ASSOC	1911.00
LH	CA/24/21	GREEN MINDS/BOWLING OLD LANE CRICKET CLUB	2000.00
WEST (SOME EAST USERS)	CA/25/21	IMPROVE EFFICENCY OF CLUB HOUSE/GIRLINGTON CRICKET CLUB	990.00
ALL EAST WARDS	CA/27/21	DR BIKE PROJECT FOR THE YOUTH SERVICE	5350.44