

Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford West Area Committee held on Thursday, 25 November 2021 in Council Chamber, City Hall - City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 6.00 pm Concluded 6.20 pm

Present - Councillors

LABOUR
Amran
Ahmed
Akhtar
Alipoor
Arshad Hussain
Dunbar
Kamran Hussain
Nazir

COUNCILLOR AMRAN IN THE CHAIR

18. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

19. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

20. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions submitted by the public.

21. ANNUAL UPDATE ON ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION, TRAINING AND PUBLICITY IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document "H"**) updated members on current casualty levels and trends in the Bradford District and on the Road Safety Education, Training and Publicity initiatives aimed at reducing these casualties.

At the invitation of the Chair, the following synopsis of the report was given to the committee. In 2020 there had been an overall decrease in casualties in the Bradford District, down from 1,117 in 2019, to 937 in 2020. This continued the well-established long term trend which was also mirrored at West Yorkshire level. When taking different road user groups into consideration, car occupant casualties reduced from 688 to 570 and pedestrian casualties reduced from 244 to 192. There were however casualty increases for two road user groups; cyclists, where casualties increased from 80-89, and motorcyclists where casualties increased from 45 to 62. Both issues had been brought to the attention of the West Yorkshire Safer Roads Executive and would be examined in detail and reported back to this committee. The global Covid-19 pandemic and associated lockdowns had a significant impact on road traffic volumes and it is therefore difficult to establish how much of the downward trend seen in 2020 was due to an overall reduction in road traffic and how much was continuing the well-established downward trend from previous years.

Resolved -

That the Area Committees continue to support an evidence based approach to determining Road Safety priorities.

LEAD: Strategic Director, Place

22. YOUTH SERVICE UPDATE - BRADFORD WEST

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document "I"**) gave an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area in the past 12 months and outlined the direction of travel for the next 12 months.

The report further outlined an overview of youth provision and a timeline of the Youth Services response to the Covid 19 pandemic; an update on how the Youth Service continued to respond to increased demand and complexity of need; an introduction to the work of the Young Covid Recovery Ambassadors and their role in the community; and, updated on youth provision ward by ward accompanied with key developments.

Resolved -

- (1) That the work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area as detailed in this report be welcomed.
- (2) That the Bradford West Area Co-ordinator's Office and the Youth Service be highly praised for their efforts and commitment in response to youth provision over the course of the Covid 19 pandemic and the for the partnership work undertaken in focusing on Bonfire activities 2021.

LEAD: Strategic Director, Place

Chair	
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