

Minutes of a meeting of the Bradford East Area Committee held on Thursday, 13 July 2023 in Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

Commenced 6.00 pm
Concluded 6.50 pm

Present – Councillors

LABOUR	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT	BRADFORD INDEPENDENT GROUP
Iqbal Choudhry Hayden Parsons Humphreys Jamil	Stubbs Naylor	Elahi (Alt)

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR (Standing Order 35)

Resolved –

That Councillor Iqbal be appointed Chair of the Bradford East Area Committee for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.

ACTION: Director of Legal & Governance

Cllr Iqbal in the Chair

2. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHAIR (Standing Order 35)

Resolved –

That Councillor Choudhry be appointed Deputy Chair of the Bradford East Area Committee for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.

ACTION: Director of Legal & Governance

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The following declarations were made in the interest of transparency:

- (i) In the interest of transparency Councillor Jamil declared an interest in the item relating to the Community Chest Budget Allocation/Grants Funding (Minute 10) and the item relating to the Bradford East Locality Plan (Minute 11), namely that she was the Chair of WomenZone.
- (ii) In the interest of transparency Councillor Humphreys declared an interest in the item relating to the Community Chest Budget Allocation/Grants Funding (Minute 10), namely that she was involved with the Inspired Neighbourhoods CIC.
- (iii) In the interest of transparency Councillor Elahi declared he worked for Horton Housing in relation to the item on the Bradford East Locality Plan (Minute 11).
- (iv) In the interest of transparency Councillor Choudhry declared that he was involved with the Karmand Centre in relation to the item on the Bradford East Locality Plan (Minute 11).

4. MINUTES

Resolved –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2023 be held as a correct record.

5. INSPECTION OF REPORTS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions submitted by the public.

7. WAKEFIELD ROAD NEAR RHINE STREET, BRADFORD - PROPOSED STAGGERED PUFFIN/CYCLE CROSSING FACILITY - OBJECTIONS

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “B”**) considered objections that had been received in response to the formal advertisement of proposals to introduce a staggered Puffin Crossing alongside a signal-controlled Cycle Crossing on Wakefield Road, Bradford. The Principal Engineer provided a summary of the report to the Committee.

A Member asked where funds would be drawn from if the project went over budget. The Principal Engineer informed the Committee that funds would be obtained from a Combined Authority budget.

Resolved –

- (1) That the objections be overruled and the proposed crossing facilities be implemented as advertised.**
- (2) That the objectors be informed accordingly.**

ACTION: Strategic Director, Place

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Regeneration and Environment

8. BRADFORD EAST AREA-WIDE TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER - OBJECTIONS

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “C”**) considered objections that had been received in response to the previously advertised Bradford East Area-Wide Traffic Regulation Order. The Principal Engineer outlined the objections that had been received.

In relation to the objection regarding Moorside Road/Delverne Grove that the space was used for resident parking a Member of the Committee stated that the proposed double yellow lines prohibiting parking would provide appropriate sight lines for vehicles exiting the junction and that vehicles should not be parked so close to a junction.

Resolved –

- (1) That the objection in relation to Moorside Road/Loxley Close be upheld and the proposal modified to reduce the length of proposed waiting restrictions on Loxley Close in accordance with Drawing No. HS/TRSS/105333/CON-22B, attached as Appendix 2.**
- (2) That the objections in respect of Moorside Road/Delverne Grove be overruled.**
- (3) That the Bradford East Various Sites Order 2022/23 be sealed and implemented as advertised subject to the amendment on Loxley Close.**

- (4) That the objectors be informed accordingly.

ACTION: Strategic Director, Place

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Regeneration and Environment

9. SAFE ROADS PROGRAMME 2023/24

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “D”**) sought approval for the 2023/24 Safe Roads programme for the Bradford East Constituency. The Principal Engineer told the Committee that there was a minor amendment in relation to Appendix 2, that the item relating to Longlands Junction would need to come out of the list as it was already processing. The Principal Engineer acknowledged the budget limitations.

Upon request from the Committee the Principal Engineer gave a summary of the costs that were generally involved with each site such as press adverts.

A Member asked how sites were prioritised. The Principal Engineer explained to the Committee that sites were analysed and prioritised according to collisions and casualty reduction, therefore sites that have a large number of recorded collisions were of a higher priority.

Resolved –

- (1) That the Bradford East Area Committee approves the programmes of Safe Roads schemes for 2023/24 listed in Appendices 1 and 2 subject to the removal of an item for Longlands from Appendix 2.
- (2) That any Traffic Regulation Orders, or any legal procedures linked to the processing of traffic calming measures or pedestrian crossing facilities which are necessary to implement the chosen schemes be approved for processing and advertising subject to the scheme details being agreed with the local Ward Members.
- (3) That any valid objections to the advertised Traffic Regulation Orders, traffic calming or pedestrian facilities be submitted to this Area Committee for consideration or in the event of there being no valid objections the Traffic Regulation Orders be sealed and implemented and the traffic calming or pedestrian facilities be implemented as advertised.
- (4) That should inflationary pressures on the projects listed in Appendices 1 and 2 to Document “D” make delivery of the full programme impossible a further report be brought to the Area Committee to reconsider scheme priorities.

ACTION: Strategic Director, Place

10. COMMUNITY CHEST BUDGET ALLOCATION 2022/2023 AND COMMUNITY CHEST GRANTS FUNDING 2023/2024

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “A”**) outlined the allocation of the Community Chest Budget for the financial year 2022/2023 and asked Members to consider the make-up of the Grants Advisory Group in the Bradford East Area for 2023/2024. The Queen’s Jubilee and the King’s Coronation funding allocations were also highlighted.

Resolved –

- (1) That the allocation of Community Chest Grants to local groups in the Bradford East Constituency for the financial year 2022/2023 be noted.**
- (2) That the allocation of The Queen’s Jubilee and King’s Coronation Grants to local groups in the Bradford East Constituency in the financial year 2022/2023 be noted.**
- (3) That a 2023/2024 Grants Advisory Group made up of the Chair, Deputy Chair and Opposition Spokesperson (Cllr Stubbs) be established.**
- (4) That the Area Co-ordinator be asked to submit a report on the allocation of Community Chest Budget to local groups in Bradford East at the end of the financial year 2023/2024.**

ACTION: Strategic Director, Place

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Corporate

11. UPDATE ON BRADFORD EAST LOCALITY PLAN 2022-25

The report of the Strategic Director, Place (**Document “E”**) presented an update on the delivery of the Bradford East Locality Plan 2022-25 including the six Ward Plans. The Bradford East Area Co-ordinator summarised the report to the Committee. Ward officers attended the meeting and told the Committee about some of the work they had carried out.

The Committee were told about Neighbourhood Connect which sought to combat social isolation within the community by improving social networks and promoting wellbeing. Ward officers explained the impact their work was having on the local community and how residents could be signposted to specialist support.

Members were then given an example of the work that had been carried out specifically in BD3. Ward officers detailed the joined-up collaborative work with residents, locality teams and the Police to gather intel in order to manage the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour (ASB). The Committee were told that

the aim of the work had been to reduce the number of incidents around bonfire night, and this had been successful. They highlighted work that was continuing, building on the success of bonfire night last year, including recent action days and activities taking place over the summer.

Another ward officer told the Committee about a public health campaign that focussed on loneliness and mental health support which had grown increasingly necessary since the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. Members were informed that a social media campaign would be delivered supported with information packs which could show people how to get support and the services available in the local community.

The Chair thanked ward officers for attending and praised the work that was being carried out.

A Member asked how a resident in need of support could be referred and was told that councillors could refer someone via Neighbourhood Connect, and ward officers could assist and advise on what support may be available within the local area. It was highlighted that results had been seen from linking a person's interests to a local offer.

A Member of the Committee told officers that they had received positive feedback from residents in relation to the work with the Police around bonfire night. Officers acknowledged the feedback and added that a growing number of residents were coming forward to support the work of officers.

Discussion then moved onto the locality plan and officers were asked about the private rented housing market, specifically the educational pack for landlords and tenants. Officers explained that a pack was still in progress and that it would list the responsibilities of landlords and tenants particularly in relation to waste disposal. The Area Co-ordinator added that the pack would be provided to letting agencies and in the case of non-compliance enforcement action was an option.

Resolved –

- (1) That the updates to the Bradford East Locality Plan 2022-25, as detailed in in Appendices A and B to Document “E” be noted.**
- (2) That the Committee requests the Bradford East Area Co-ordinator to present a progress report to the Area Committee in 12 months, setting out the progress and achievements made for each of the priorities detailed in the Bradford East Locality Plan 2022-25, including the six Ward Plans.**

ACTION: Strategic Director, Place

Overview and Scrutiny Area: Corporate

12. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Area Committee noted the dates for the remaining meetings of the 2023/2024 Municipal Year:

(All Meetings will be held at 6.00pm)

5TH OCTOBER 2023

6TH DECEMBER 2023

31ST JANUARY 2024

14TH MARCH 2024

Chair

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

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