

Agenda for a meeting of the Bradford South Area Committee to be held on Thursday, 19 October 2023 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room 4 - City Hall, Bradford

Members of the Committee – Councillors

LABOUR	GREEN	BRADFORD SOUTH INDEPENDENTS
D Green S Khan Mitchell T Hussain Johnson Walsh Wood	Edwards	Majkowski

Alternates:

LABOUR	GREEN	BRADFORD SOUTH INDEPENDENTS
Berry Jabar Dodds Ferriby Tait Thornton	Hickson	J Clarke

Notes:

- This agenda can be made available in Braille, large print or tape format on request by contacting the Agenda contact shown below.
- The taking of photographs, filming and sound recording of the meeting is allowed except if Councillors vote to exclude the public to discuss confidential matters covered by Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Recording activity should be respectful to the conduct of the meeting and behaviour that disrupts the meeting (such as oral commentary) will not be permitted. Anyone attending the meeting who wishes to record or film the meeting's proceedings is advised to liaise with the Agenda Contact who will provide guidance and ensure that any necessary arrangements are in place. Those present who are invited to make spoken contributions to the meeting should be aware that they may be filmed or sound recorded.
- If any further information is required about any item on this agenda, please contact the officer named at the foot of that agenda item.

From:

Asif Ibrahim
Director of Legal and Governance
Agenda Contact: Yusuf Patel
Phone: 01274 434579
E-Mail: yusuf.patel@bradford.gov.uk

To:

A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. ALTERNATE MEMBERS (Standing Order 34)

The Director of Legal and Governance 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 must consider their interests, and act according to the following:*

Type of Interest	You must:
<i>Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting <u>unless</u> you have a dispensation.</i>
<i>Other Registrable Interests (Directly Related)</i> OR <i>Non-Registrable Interests (Directly Related)</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; speak on the item <u>only</u> if the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting <u>unless</u> you have a dispensation.</i>
<i>Other Registrable Interests (Affects)</i> OR <i>Non-Registrable Interests (Affects)</i>	<i>Disclose the interest; remain in the meeting, participate and vote <u>unless</u> the matter affects the financial interest or well-being</i> <i>(a) to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of a majority of inhabitants of the affected ward, and</i> <i>(b) a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider</i>

public interest; in which case speak on the item only if the public are also allowed to speak but otherwise not do not participate in the discussion or vote; and leave the meeting unless you have a dispensation.

- (2) *Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to the Member concerned or their spouse/partner.*
- (3) *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.*
- (4) *Officers must disclose interests in accordance with Council Standing Order 44.*

3. MINUTES

Recommended –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2023 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

(Yusuf Patel – 01274 434579)

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.

(Yusuf Patel – 01274 434579)

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 Director of Legal and Governance in Room 112, City Hall, Bradford, BD1 1HY, by mid-day on Tuesday 17 October 2023

(Yusuf Patel – 01274 434579)

B. BUSINESS ITEMS

6. YOUTH SERVICE UPDATE - BRADFORD SOUTH

1 - 16

The Strategic Director, Place will submit a report (**Document “E”**) which gives an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford South Area in the past 12 months and outlines the direction of travel for the next 12 months.

Recommended –

That the work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford South Area as detailed in Document “E” be welcomed.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Children’s Services

(Ishaq Shafiq - 01274 431155)

7. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND

17 - 26

The Strategic Director Place will submit a report (**Document “F”**) which provides a review of the above funding opportunity and provides an outline of how the devolved funding will be distributed in Bradford. The report will focus on the role of the Area Committees in terms of decision maker of local funding and influencer of the district delivery.

Recommended –

- (1) That the contents of Document “F” be noted.**
- (2) That the committee agrees spend activity for the capital allocation for 23/24.**
- (3) That the committee plans to make a decision at the next Area Committee meeting on how to spend the 24/25 allocation, so necessary actions can be put in place.**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Regeneration & Environment

(Ingunn Vallumroed – 07816355406)

8. **BRADFORD 2025 UK CITY OF CULTURE UPDATE AND OTHER CULTURAL PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES IN BRADFORD SOUTH** 27 - 42

The Strategic Director Place will submit a report (**Document “G”**) which the Area Committee with an update regarding UK City of Culture 2025 and other work the council’s Culture & Events Team deliver, fund and support across Bradford South Constituency.

Recommended –

- (1) **That the Area Committee note the content of Document “G”.**
- (2) **That the Area Committee suggests ways in which the Culture & Events Team can increase the number of grant funding applications received for events, festivals and cultural activities for delivery in the Bradford South Constituency.**
- (3) **That the Area Committee suggests ways in which the Culture & Events Team can engage with communities in Bradford South Constituency in respect of further consultation on Culture is Our Plan.**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Regeneration & Environment

(Nicola Greenan - 01274 431301)

9. **ALLOCATION OF COMBINED FUNDING 2023-2024** 43 - 60

The Bradford South Area Co-ordinator will submit a report (**Document “H”**) which summarises the applications received from eligible local organisations, across the Bradford South Constituency, from the amalgamation of funding from United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), West Yorkshire Mayor’s Cost of Living fund (CoLF) and Household Support Fund (HSF).

Recommended –

- (1) **That the Area Committee agree the proposals for the funding allocations as outlined at Appendix C to Document “H”.**
- (2) **That the Grants Advisory Group be thanked for their work with this funding.**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Corporate

(Ishaq Shafiq - 01274 431155)

The Bradford South Area Co-ordinator will submit a report (**Document “I”**) which provides an update on the delivery of the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022 - 2025. As part of the Council-wide programme of ‘Strengthening Locality Working’, the Neighbourhood Service is working with other Council services and partner agencies, to deliver priorities outlined within the 5 Locality Plans, one for each constituency that make up the Bradford District.

Recommended –

That the Bradford South Area Committee:

- (1) Notes the progress and achievements of delivery of the priorities contained within the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022-2025, as set out in Appendix A to Document “I”**
- (2) Agree that the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator presents a further progress report to the Bradford South Area Committee in 12 months, setting out the progress and achievements made for each of the priorities detailed in the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022-2025.**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Health & Social Care

(Ishaq Shafiq – 01274 431155)



Report of the Strategic Director, Place to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 19 October 2023

E

Subject:

Youth Service Update – Bradford South.

Summary statement:

This report gives an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford South Area in the past 12 months and outlines the direction of travel for the next 12 months.

Appendix A – Bradford South Youth Service Baseline Provision details the current provisions being delivered within the wards in Bradford South.

Appendix B - Bradford Youth Service South Ward Update gives an overview of ward work and developments

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

The Youth Service as part of the Council's commitment to the District has a responsibility to ensure that the service is accessible to all young people and that participation in the service reflects this approach.

David Shepard
Strategic Director
Place

Report Contact: Ishaq Shafiq
Phone: (01274 431155)
E-mail: Ishaq.shafiq@bradford.gov.uk

Portfolio:

Neighbourhoods and Community Safety

Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Children's Services

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report gives an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford South Area in 2022-23.
- 1.2 The report outlines the following information:
- An overview of Youth Service provision in Bradford South.
 - An update on how the Youth Service continues to respond to increased demand and complexity of need.
 - An update on youth provision ward by ward and key developments.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Bradford Council Youth Service is part of the wider Bradford District Youth Offer that aims to ensure the provision of a range of activities and services that take place in safe spaces, where young people can develop a sense of belonging, socialise with their peers and develop relationships with adults they can trust. It recognises that with the right supportive relationships, strong ambitions and good opportunities all young people can realise their potential and be positive and active members of society.
- 2.2 The Youth Service vision statement is to work with partners to ensure that young people grow up healthy, happy, informed and aspiring; proud of who they are, where they come from, and actively involved in their community.
- 2.2.1 Youth Service priorities are aligned to the five key elements of the Bradford District Youth Offer – as detailed in the table below:

<i>Youth Offer Element 1 – Information, Advice and Guidance(IAG)</i> Increase the numbers of young people accessing IAG through digital media.
<i>Youth Offer Element 2 – Voice and influence</i> Increase the numbers of young people participating in Youth Voice opportunities at all levels.
<i>Youth Offer Element 3 – Open access/detached</i> Deliver a diverse youth offer through working in partnership with the Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS) and local communities.
<i>Youth Offer Element 4 - Targeted provision</i> Increase the number of specific interventions to address the needs of vulnerable young people.
<i>Youth Offer Element 5 - Active citizens and young people's contribution to community life</i> Increase the number of young people having a positive impact on their community.

- 2.4 The Youth Service is managed within a localities model as part of Neighbourhood and Customer Services. From 1st April 2023 the Breaking the Cycle Youth Work Team became part of Bradford Children and Families Trust.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 Youth Provision

Over the last 12 months' youth provision across all six wards has continued to respond to the needs of young people. Ward teams have worked with a range of community partners to ensure that young people have a network of support that enables them to engage in positive relationships. This work has taken place through a range of delivery methods including; detached, outreach and centre based sessions. This approach has enabled Youth Workers to respond to issues faced by young people and provide access to early help.

In October and November 2022, significant Youth Service resources were used to prevent and challenge the seasonal peak in Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) associated with Halloween, Mischief Night and Bon Fire Night. Youth Workers engaged young people in a 'Consequences' campaign that highlighted the impact of ASB and misuse of fireworks.

Between December 2022 and May 2023 Youth Workers focused on balancing the needs of young people through open access youth provision and small group work sessions. This approach enables Youth Workers to offer a menu of support to young people whilst increasing membership and participation.

Over the summer months Youth Workers offered activities in local parks that encouraged young people to respect green spaces and the members of the community. In addition, Youth Workers targeted young people making the transition between primary and secondary school and offered *Moving Up* sessions that helped build resilience.

3.2 Responding to demand and complexity of need

Over the last 12 months Youth Workers have responded to a significant increase in referrals from partner organisations to help address the following issues:

Domestic Abuse – some young people report that they have experienced domestic abuse within their family units.

Educational Anxiety – some young people report that they do not enjoy school and struggle to engage.

Isolation – some young people report that they feel disconnected from their community.

Self-Harm – some young people report that they have used self-harm as a means to cope with personal experiences.

The Youth Service has remained focused on meeting demand and delivered the following support through local youth provision:

One to One Support – young people are supported by a local Youth Worker who will offer a home visit and a series of interventions designed to build trust. Through

these interventions youth workers will set goals and targets for young people and help them assess local support networks. This work helps address complex issues such as; Domestic Abuse, Child Sexual Exploitation and Family Breakdown.

Small Groups – the Youth Service has developed a series of peer support groups that enable young people to come together and support each other for issues that are important to them. Many of these sessions have a central activity that helps young people to engage and build trust.

Youth Clubs – each ward has a youth club that enables young people to come together and socialise through a series of activities and programmes that help develop personal and social skills whilst encouraging thought and action on local area issues. Youth clubs are an essential component in developing independence and reducing dependency on specialist services.

Volunteering – as young people become older we encourage them to take on board more responsibility in the local community. Youth Workers support young people to participate in community action projects, helping others and developing employability skills through volunteering.

3.3 **Other work targeted at young people with specific needs including vulnerable and at risk.**

The Youth Service continues to provide direct support to young people at risk of exploitation. Through building trust with their Youth Worker, young people have reported feeling less isolated, more connected with their community and safer. Bradford South currently runs a number of targeted provisions all of which offer young people a safe space to engage in positive activities. This work helps raise awareness of issues such as serious organised crime, grooming and county lines.

3.4 **Youth Work support as part of Youth in Mind**

The Youth Service has been commissioned to deliver early interventions to young people across the district. This is a collaborative partnership with Bradford District Care Trust and Youth in Mind (YiM) which offers help to young people for their mental health and well-being and seeks to reduce demand on specialist services.

Over the last year, Bradford South has received over 400 referrals from the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS), School Nurses & other professionals. These referrals are allocated to Youth Workers who act as Buddies to young people, their role is to befriend them, support them using an early help approach and navigate local support networks.

In addition, Youth Workers work closely with all secondary school in Bradford South and help identify students who need support for their health and well-being. Youth Workers support these additional caseload in schools, delivering 1:1 work on a weekly basis developing young people's confidence, self-belief and resilience. Youth Workers also support young people in hospital offering interventions that promote self-care and connect them to local services that offer crisis support.

3.5 **A Partnership approach**

The Youth Service is supported by a wide range of partners in each community. Youth Workers work with local partners to understand the needs of the community and help build capacity to deliver bespoke projects. These projects help build stronger relationships with the local community and increase participation, action and ownership on local area issues.

Within each ward Youth Workers work alongside Ward Officers to map local area issues and develop responses. A good example of how this can be seen in the weekly Anti-Social Behaviour Reports that are shared by the Police with the area office. These reports allow Youth Workers to identify where ASB is impacting on the community. Youth Workers visit the locations, engage the community and feedback to ward officers who track and monitor the impact of the interventions.

Mapping and understanding the root causes of local issues provides an opportunity to plan and develop longer term responses that local partners are supported to lead on. This enables funding to be secured and additional resources to be invested.

3.6 **Future Workforce**

In September 2022 Bradford South welcomed a new Youth Work Trainee to the team. The trainees were placed with the team with the view to supporting the development of Youth Voice initiatives that ensure young people have a greater role in shaping service delivery. The trainees also helped identify gaps in provision and develop new projects that respond to the needs of young people.

From September 2023, the team will support a Youth Worker Apprentice to complete a degree in Youth Work. The apprentice will hold a number of key responsibilities within the team supporting the development of Youth Voice initiatives that ensure young people have a greater role in shaping service delivery. They will also help identify gaps in provision and develop new projects that respond to the needs of young people.

3.7 **South Wide Provisions**

Bradford South currently leads on the delivery of 3 area wide projects. These sessions are for young people to attend from across Bradford South. The area wide sessions are themed to suit young people's needs, interests and increase our Youth Offer. Information regarding the South Wide provisions can be found in both Appendix A and Appendix B.

3.8 **District Wide Youth Work**

The team work closely with Bradford Children and Families Trust. From April 2023 we have retained a strong commitment to ensuring seamless services for young people in the area.

The work of the District Youth Service includes the Breaking the Cycle project who specialise in providing intensive support to young people who are at risk or who are

being criminally exploited. This work includes those identified as being linked to Organised Crime Groups, Urban Street Gangs and those who have higher than yellow ASB sanctions.

Breaking the Cycle have worked with 1787 young people in the 4 years this piece of work has been running – it has continued to receive high numbers of referrals (86%) for young men, the project has also seen an increase in referrals for girls and young women over the last 12 months, rising from 8% to 14%.

We continue to have the highest percentage of referrals being for children who are being exploited or who are exploiting others or both. This equates to 64% of the referrals received. 37% of those referrals also have indicators for weapons, 46% have indicators for drugs as either users of, suppliers of or have been found in possession of.

The work with these young people is intense and can often be at a point of crisis, but the team continue to support and develop work upstream of the crisis work to provide interventions earlier in the life of the problem. This sees youth work practitioners working in A&E at BRI, Huddersfield and Calderdale hospitals 7 days a week, 4pm to midnight. Working with children and young people who present with sharp instrument injuries, those whose stories do not match the injury presented and those with upstream issues of substance misuse/ overdose and mental health crisis. The team provide an onward support package to each young person with an aim of stepping down the intense support into other locality-based services who are then able to provide onward support.

District Youth Services have over the last 12 months developed the Youth Work Academy – this has seen 11 youth rights trainees working with the service on the agenda of youth voice and children's rights. They have almost completed their traineeships and a high number of them have acquired Level 2 and 3 in youth work and have gone on / have secured future employment for when the traineeships end in September. This team has led the serious violence consultation for the district to ensure the voices of young people are strong as stakeholders in the new serious violence duty which is imposed on the authority and a number of other strategic partners.

District Youth Services continue to provide training for a number of other agencies, coordinated through the Bradford Safeguarding Partnership - the team have delivered training around County Lines and weapons to help other practitioners become more aware of the early indicators of serious violence.

The district teams have continued their work with new migrant families and working with children as part of the Afghan Resettlement Programme, working in collaboration with a wider multiagency team of practitioners supporting our new communities with resettlement into the UK.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 The Youth Service base budget remains unchanged for 2023/24. The service has filled vacancies and recruited additional staff to fulfil commissioned service delivery inc: Youth in Mind, BACS and Positive Futures. Some of this commissioned work is geographically specific which may mean that we see demand being met with additional Youth Work resources.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

The implementation of the planned budget for the Youth Service is subject to the internal risk management plan of the Council and progress is reported to the Place Departmental Management Team.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

No issues.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The Youth Service delivery enables local initiatives to be supported, encouraging groups and individuals to undertake activities that improve the social, economic and environmental well-being of their communities.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

Greenhouse gas emissions and wider environmental impacts was a consideration of the Buildings Review.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Young people from across Bradford South engaging in weekly sessions and specialist provisions are directly and indirectly involved with supporting and developing community safety within their local area. Voice and influence is central to youth work delivery ensuring young people's ideas, suggestions and thoughts are heard.

The strengthened approach to the devolution of the Youth Service as will allow for:

- an increased sense of local democracy for both young people and communities
- young people to be more active in democratic, decision-making processes alongside their political representatives
- the voice and influence of young people to remain central, meaningful and paramount in identifying and addressing needs and issues in their communities
- the requirements of the localism/devolution agenda to be met effectively and efficiently

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no direct Human Rights implications arising from the recommendations below.

7.5 TRADE UNION

All budget proposals are subject to consultation with the Trade Unions.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

The information in this report is related to all wards in the constituency and appendix B outlines the Youth Service projects and activities delivered across South.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 That Bradford South Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report.

9.2 That Bradford South Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report, with amendments.

9.3 That Bradford South Area Committee decides not to accept the recommendations outlined in this report.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford South Area as detailed in this report be welcomed.

11. APPENDICES

11.1 Appendix A: Bradford South Youth Service Baseline Youth Provision

11.2 Appendix B: Bradford South – Youth Service Ward Updates

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 Youth Service – Area Committee Report 2022

Appendix A

Bradford South Youth Service Baseline Youth Provision - 2023

TONG WARD			
For more information contact Chris McMahon, 07582101456, chris.mcmahon@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Monday 4:30-8.00pm	Targeted Group	TFD Centre	Weekly
Tuesday 5.30-8.00pm	Youth Club	TFD Centre	Weekly
Wednesday 5.00-7:30pm	Targeted Group	TFD Centre	Weekly

WYKE WARD			
For more information contact Patrick Nyaroko, 07582103696, patrick.nyaroko@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Wednesday 6.00-9.00pm	Detached	Wyke	Weekly
Thursday 5.30-8.00pm	Youth Club	Delph Hill Centre	Weekly
Friday 5:30-8:00pm	Youth Club	Delph Hill Centre	Weekly

QUEENSBURY WARD			
For more information contact Helena Rhodes, 07582108191, Helena.rhodes@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Tuesdays 3.30 - 6.00pm	Outreach	Queensbury	Weekly
Wednesday 5.30-8.00pm	Youth Club	Victoria Hall	Weekly
Thursday 5.30-8.00pm	Youth Club	Victoria Hall	Weekly



ROYDS WARD			
For more information contact Stephen Harrison, 07582101715, stephen.harrison@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Tuesday 6.00-8.30pm	Youth Club	Buttershaw Youth Centre	Weekly
Wednesday 6.00-8.30pm	Targeted Group	Buttershaw Youth Centre	Weekly
Thursday 6.00- 8.30pm	Youth Club	Buttershaw Youth Centre	Weekly

WIBSEY WARD			
For more information contact Tracey Gill, 07582100683, tracey.gill@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Monday 6.00-8.30pm	Targeted Group	Outreach	Weekly
Tuesday 6.00-8.30pm	Youth Club	Buttershaw Youth Centre	Weekly
Wednesday 6.00-9.00pm	Youth Club	Wibsey Methodist Church	Weekly

GREAT HORTON WARD			
For more information contact Zwelani Mayo 07582107053, zwelani.mayo@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Monday 6.00-8.00pm	Youth Club	Great Horton	Weekly
Wednesday 6.00-8.00pm	Target Group	Scholemoor	Weekly
Thursday 6.00-8.00pm	Youth Club	Great Horton	Weekly

Bradford South Constituency Wide			
For more information contact Calais Lawrence, 07582100684, Calais.lawrence@bradford.gov.uk			
Day/Time	Activity	Location	Frequency
Tuesday 4.00-6.00pm	Peer Support Session	Buttershaw Youth Centre	Weekly
Thursday 4.00-6.00pm	Peer Support Session	Park Ave FC	Weekly
Friday 5.00 -8.00pm	Peer Support Session	TFD Youth Centre	Weekly

--	--	--	--

SCHOOLS WORK				
For more information contact Calais Lawrence, 07582100684, Calais.lawrence@bradford.gov.uk				
No. of Days	Activity	Academy	Frequency	Target group
2	1:1 Support	Tong	Weekly	Health and Well Being
2	1:1 Support	BBEC	Weekly	Health and Well Being
2	1:1 Support	Appleton	Weekly	Health and Well Being
2	1:1 Support	Forsters	Weekly	Health and Well Being
2	1:1 Support	Trinity	Weekly	Health and Well Being
2	1:1 Support	Coop Grange	Weekly	Health and Well Being

The above table provides an overview of the work that is delivered in secondary schools in Bradford South. Each youth worker will hold an average case load of 24 young people who they provide one to one support to over a half-term. This enables youth workers to work with a large number of young people over the course of a school year. The impact of these early interventions helps reduce exclusions and maintain attendance whilst also reducing the demand on specialist services. The support received is unique to each individual but often focuses on emotional well-being, anxiety and low self-esteem.

The impact of this '*school based support*' has been the growth of '*community based*' peer support groups across the constituency. These groups offer young people the opportunity to share the 'self-care skills' that they have learnt with others. We commonly refer to these groups as – Connect Peer Support groups.

Appendix B

Bradford South – Youth Service Ward Updates:

Great Horton

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- In Great Horton the team have a strong working partnership with *Coop Grange Academy*, *Scholemoor Beacon* and *The Youth Association*.
- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 58 (4.4%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour.
- The team works in partnership with *Scholemoor Beacon* to co-produce a targeted weekly youth work session that seeks to improve local participation.
- Our partnership with Coop Grange focuses on improve young people's well-being, attendance and participation in community based support.
- The team continues to provide access and support for a significant number of young people via youth provision at Great Horton Village Hall. This provision is also supported by projects delivered by the Youth Association.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.

Queensbury

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Trinity Academy*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their well being, attendance and participation in community based support.
- The team have also worked with Queensbury Community Partnership to co-produce the delivery of the Holiday Activity Programme that seeks to identify and support vulnerable young people.

- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 40 (3.0%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti social behaviour and risk taking behaviour.

Royds

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 80 (6%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti social behaviour and risk taking behaviour.
- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their well being, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with *Shoulder to Shoulder, Safe Space, Sandale Hub and Buttershaw Baptist Church* to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.
- Youth Workers continue to work with Sandale Community Organisation to provide young people from Woodside with access to a weekly youth club. The partnership has also supported a project that provides young people with a safe space to explore personal identity. This project further extends the number of specialist groups run by the youth service and local partners.
- Youth Workers support Big Joe's Boxing Academy to deliver a number of sessions that encourage young people to participate in non-contact boxing club. The club promotes the value of health, fitness and nutrition as well as looking at how to improve mental health. This is a very popular club that is currently oversubscribed.

Tong

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 99 (7.4%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti social behaviour and risk taking behaviour. This work is further supported by the development of Holmewood Community Safety Partnership.
- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with both *Tong and Forsters Academies*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their well being, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with e:merge, Outloud, Dance Utd and Bradford City FC to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.
- Youth Workers have help build capacity of Outloud in order to support the ongoing need for interventions around health and well-being. The project is now supporting the development of the Holme Wood community safety partnership via the strengths of the relationships that it has built with the local community.

Wibsey

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 44 (3.3%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti social behaviour and risk taking behaviour.
- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their well being, attendance and participation in community based support.

- The Youth Service works in partnership with *Bradford Park Ave* to co-produce a targeted weekly youth work session that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.
- The Youth Work team continues to work to provide young people who live in Bankfoot with access to youth work relationships and supports young people to participate in local youth provision.
- The Youth Work team have continued to identify youth friendly spaces that can be used to develop open access youth provision for more young people.

Wyke

- The Youth Work team remains focused on developing partnerships that support early intervention and prevention. These partnerships help young people to feel less isolated, more connected with their community and engaged in local youth provision.
- The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 31 (2.3%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed Youth Workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti social behaviour and risk taking behaviour.
- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Appleton Academy*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their well being, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works to identify partnerships that can begin to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seek to reduce ASB and improve local participation. An example of this can be seen in the support offered to Youthology during 2022.

This page is intentionally left blank



Report of the Strategic Director of Place to the meeting of the South Area Committee to be held on 19th October 2023

F

Subject:

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

Summary statement:

This report provides a review of the above funding opportunity and provides an outline of how the devolved funding will be distributed in Bradford. The report will focus on the role of the Area Committees in terms of decision maker of local funding and influencer of the district delivery.

Equality & Diversity

The district plan ambitions have been used to design the program for UKSPF in Bradford. The District Plan is underpinned by a cross cutting principle of tackling inequality in our communities. UKSPF will set out a program of activity that supports this as a core outcome. Corporately as a Council we have committed to keeping equalities at the heart of what we do– ‘This means everyone can access services regardless of their background, that we embrace our different communities across the whole district and that we build an inclusive organisation.’ In collaboration with partners UKSPF will support this approach and will address inequality and improve opportunities for communities across

Report Contact: David Shepherd
Phone:
E-mail: David.shepherd@bradford.gov.uk

Portfolio: Alex Ross-Shaw

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Regeneration

Report Contact:
Ingunn Vallumroed
Programme Delivery Manager
Phone:07816355406
Email: Ingunn.vallumroed@bradford.gov.uk

Ruth Davison,
Head of Policy, Performance, Partnerships
and Research
Phone: (01274) 432111
E-mail: ruth.davison@bradford.gov.uk

the district.

1. SUMMARY

UKSPF replaces the European Structural and Investment Fund following Brexit. The Allocation for West Yorkshire is £80,486,557. It is allocated over a 3-year period, with approx. £12 million delivered in 2022-23, £21 million in 2023-24, and £48 million in 2024-25. The three-pillar Framework allocating UKSPF funding operates across these pillars, Pillar 1 (Communities and Place), Pillar 2 (Supporting Local Business) and Pillar 3 (People and Skills). WYCA is supporting a two-tiered approach to distribution of the funding. £7.578 million of the UKSPF funding will be allocated to Bradford.

This paper provides an update on activity in Bradford South as well as budget and proposed activities for Years 2 and 3 for the allocated funding through Area Committees.

2. BACKGROUND

UKSPF Programme

The UK government released the UKSPF prospectus in April 2022 as part of its central mission to level up the whole of the United Kingdom. Key outcomes were identified to:

- Boost productivity, pay, jobs and living standards by growing the private sector, especially in those places where they are lagging.
- Spread opportunities and improve public services, especially in those places where they are weakest.
- Restore a sense of community, local pride and belonging, especially in those places where they have been lost.
- Empower local leaders and communities, especially in those places lacking local agency.

CBMDC has designed the approach to UKSPF based on its district plan priority outcomes: Children have the best start in life, Residents achieve good health and wellbeing, Sustainable economic growth and decent work for all, Safe, sustainable and inclusive communities and Action at all levels to address climate and environmental change. The plan is underpinned by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Our strategic analysis of the above drivers has led to CBMDC's delivery plan for UKSPF being based on Three strategic themes:

- Circular (Green and Inclusive) Economy
- Building Community Infrastructure through volunteering
- Culture is our Plan.

Area Committees as Decision Maker in UKSPF

Year 1 saw the procurement of a cost-of-living grant programme with delivering continuing until August 2023. Grant recipients are currently submitting their final monitoring forms and defrayal evidence etc., as such breakdown of outputs and success stories will be shared ahead of the next Committee.

Year 2 budget for area committees is (total) £150,000 REV and £60,000 CAP. There was a meeting with all Chairs on 17th August with Noreen Akhtar (AD Neighbourhoods and Customer Services) and Mahmood Mohammed (Head of Stronger Communities) to discuss proposals and options for spending this budget. The following was agreed:

Revenue (E12: Community engagement schemes, local regeneration)

To merge the UKSPF allocation for the areas with two other funds (The West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of Living Fund and The West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of Living Fund) for a district wide Cost of Living fund. The fund will issue grants to successful applicants to deliver various support to predominantly households in Bradford. These funds administered through Stronger Communities will go live in September 2023.

Bradford South's allocation is £31,628.

Outputs are focussed on organisations receiving grants, and the outcome (OC13) is on improved engagement numbers.

Capital (E11: Capacity building & infrastructure support local groups)

A proposal was presented for the total capital budget to be spent on a district wide Citizen Coin (volunteer reward) scheme. No consensus was reached on this, as such at time of writing the position is:

Shipley – leave centrally

Keighley – considering what to do

East, West, South – draw down funds to spend locally

The Bradford South committee must ensure their capital allocation (£12,651) is procured, defrayed and drawn down by the council by 31st March 2024.

It was suggested that the allocation is spent on misc. litter picking equipment for local volunteer groups. See the definition of capital spend enclosed as Appendix A (provided by Bradford Council finance team).

Year 3 will bring a much larger funding allocation to the area committees: a total of £400,000 REV and £400,000 CAP. Bradford South's allocation is £84,347 for each pot.

Revenue (intervention E35 - Enrichment & volunteering activities)

Activities need to link to volunteering and community infrastructure and deliver the following output: *Number of volunteering opportunities supported.*

Capital (intervention E11 - Capacity building & infrastructure support local groups)

Activities need to link to similar themes, and deliver on the following:

- Outputs: number of organisations receiving grants / receiving non-financial support
- Outcome: improved engagement numbers

Money needs to be defrayed by 31st March 2025, as such each area should as soon as possible start planning for how the funds can be spent. Areas can consider whether they want to join up their budgets, e.g. one fund administrator to offer support / manage grants etc. and should also consider going out to their community for engagement.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

None

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

The capital spend for 2023/24 must be managed by the area office, liaising with the UKSPF Programme Delivery Manager in Bradford Council.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

The allocated funding will be overseen by the Wellbeing Board in Bradford, Chaired by the Council Leader. A project board is in development.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

Allocation of UKSPF funding must be applied in a consistent manner for which it is provided. This reports to set forth principles of application, and each individual specific proposal must ensure compliance with the criteria.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The district plan is underpinned by sustainability goals. As the priorities have been set using the district plan the outcomes achieved from this funding help us achieve our district goals on sustainability.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

The work planned on greening areas of Bradford, working with businesses on decarbonisation and supporting household with the costs of living crisis all support this agenda.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Creating civic pride through the implementation of UKSPF will have a secondary benefit of building community cohesiveness and will increase safety and the perceptions of safety.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no specific issues arising from this report.

7.5.1 TRADE UNION

There are no specific issues arising from this report.

7.5.2 WARD IMPLICATIONS

This is detailed within the main body of the report and is key to the successful delivery of the programme.

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

See above.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The district plan contains specific outcomes that relate to children and young people. Interventions planned will bring direct and indirect benefit to them as a result of the district plan being the backdrop to the program.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

There are no specific issues arising from this report.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

None.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the contents of this report are noted.
- 2) That the committee agrees spend activity for the capital allocation for 23/24.
- 3) That the committee plans to make a decision in the next committee meeting how to spend the 24/25 allocation, so necessary actions can be put in place.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Capital project definition

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None

This page is intentionally left blank

Projects – Revenue or Capital

- It is important to establish whether a project is revenue or capital.
- There are many sources of funding, e.g. grants, S106, corporate funding, third party contributions etc, when the funding is received it is worth looking at the paperwork as it may indicate the type of grant (revenue / capital or both)
- To check if the project is revenue or capital use the Definition of Capital Test below
- When established then the relevant codes should be set up
 - Revenue – cost centre / SIO
 - Capital – WBS element and Profit Centre (if funding is from third party, e.g. grants, S106 & contributions) Sometimes funding is from Direct Revenue Funding.

1. Definition of Capital

Legislation requires the council to follow accounting standards which define Capital Expenditure as follows. The basic provisions are that expenditure can be capitalised where the costs relate to:

- acquisition, reclamation, enhancement or laying out of land
- acquisition, construction, preparation, enhancement or replacement of roads, buildings and other structures
- acquisition, installation or replacement of movable or immovable plant, machinery, apparatus, vehicles or vessels.

The legislation also allows us to treat grants to other bodies as capital, where the spend is not on our own assets but where they meet the above criteria – this is known as Revenue Expenditure Funded for Capital Under Statute (REFCUS)

The useful economic life must be greater than one year and the value of the asset is over the de-minimus level of £10,000

2. S106 Capital Projects

At present there are three S106 set up for different departments

CAP-00444 Affordable Housing S106
CAP-00703 Highways S106 projects
CAP-00705 Recreation S106 projects

Within each of these there are many WBS elements relating to the funding streams, these in turn should match the profit centre funding the expenditure, at the end of the year each WBS element is settled to either the asset register or REFCUS.

3. Other Capital Projects

When a project is identified as capital, a **Request for Scheme to be Added to SAP** form should be completed and if a grant or contribution is used for funding, then a copy of this should be sent through with the request for the records.

When a code is set up it will be shown on the capital monitor which is produced and sent out to service on a quarterly basis, this shows the spend to date and money received in profit centres. It should be updated by the service with a forecast budget and comments explaining changes between the spend and forecast

Contacts

Revenue – please talk to Financial Services, there is a representative for each service

Capital Adele Barker Ext 2656
 Habib Rehman Ext 4234
 Philip Westcott Ext 4462

Request for Scheme to be Added to SAP					
Name of Scheme					
Description of scheme					
Please give details of the assets being created or enhanced					
Name of Person Responsible for the project					
Cost Centre linked to authorisation					
Is the asset owned by the Council	Yes/No				
If No please specify body owning asset					
Applicant No for the scheme					
How has scheme been approved (Executive approval/external funding) <i>Please provide written confirmation of external funding-attach copy of Funding Agreement Letter</i>	If by Decision of executive please give date				
	If wholly funded externally please give details of source of funding				
Source of Funding	2013/14 £'000	2014/15 £'000	2015/16 £'000	2016/17 £'000	2017/18 £'000
Corporate Resources/Capital receipt					
Specific Grants (<i>give details</i>)					
Developers Contribution					
SPE Borrowing					
Prudential Borrowing					
Direct revenue Funding					
Total					

Please attach a breakdown of the spend by asset

This page is intentionally left blank



Report of the Strategic Director Place to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 19 October 2023

G

Subject:

Bradford 2025 UK City of Culture update and other cultural partnership activities in Bradford South

Summary statement:

To provide Bradford South Area Committee with an update regarding UK City of Culture 2025 and other work the council's Culture & Events Team deliver, fund and support across Bradford South Constituency

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

Culture is our Plan directly supports the Council's (CBMDC) equality objectives. It sets demanding targets to improve diversity and representation across the district's cultural sector and in the Council's own cultural service provision. By 2031, 50% of Bradford District creative workforce, audiences and cultural leadership will be drawn from people currently underrepresented in the Culture and Creative Industries sector. Support for these equality and diversity ambitions is a condition of future CBMDC funding for arts, cultural and heritage projects.

Phil Barker
Assistant Director Sport & Culture

Report Contact: Nicola Greenan
Phone: 01274 431301
E-mail: nicola.greenan@bradford.gov.uk

Portfolio:

Healthy People & Places

Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Regeneration & Environment

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report seeks to provide an update to Bradford South Area Committee about preparations for the UK City of Culture 2025 and other work the council's Culture & Events Team deliver, fund and support across Bradford South Constituency.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 UK City of Culture 2025

On 31 May 2022 Bradford was revealed as the winner of this hotly contested competition live on BBC The One Show by Secretary of State for the Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS).

- 2.2 The landmark year is set to deliver more than **1000 new performances** and events including **365 artist commissions**, a series of major arts festivals as well as exciting national and international collaborations. Its themes will be rooted in the unique heritage and character of Bradford and will reveal the magic of the district that is held in its people, its ambition, and above all, its potential. [Bradford 2025](#)

2.3 Bradford Culture Company

Since winning UK City of Culture 2025 and the appointment of an Executive Director and Creative Director the new BD25 team has been busy recruiting its wider team. It is anticipated when at full complement for 2025 the team will have between 80 – 100 team members.

2.4 City of Culture Readiness, Legacy and Governance

To ensure effective reporting and delivery lines, ensuring clarity of responsibility and oversight are essential to the delivery of a successful 2025 and for legacy moving forward. To this end a governance and structure has been put in place. A District Readiness Board has been established including representation from key council services, the BD25 Team as well as key external partners such as the Police. Reporting into the District Readiness Board are 3 subgroups: District Infrastructure and Transport Group, Licensing, Planning and Safety Group and Capital Projects Group. Additionally, a Member Reference Group with cross party representation has also been established.

- 2.5 The Council and in particular its Culture & Events Team has been the key partner, working alongside and substantially supporting the BD25 Bid Team in the development of the successful UK City of Culture 2025 Bid, as well as the establishment of multiple agency new key partnerships and initiatives. It continues to be an integral partner in the delivery of UK City of Culture and its own festivals and events programme is key in establishing the platform for 2025 providing a significant contribution towards runway activity in 2024, and the 2025 programme itself as well as for the Legacy in 2026 and beyond.

- 2.6 Winning the designation of UK City of Culture has meant the last year has been exceptionally busy for the council team with a significant increase in workload to be managed as we prepare for 2025. Focus has been on recruiting to key roles within the team and setting the scene for future activity, bringing potential new partners to the district and strengthening the council's own cultural offer whilst supporting the establishment of the Bradford Culture Company that will deliver 2025.

2.7 The Strategic Lead for City of Culture, Policy & Events continues to provide advice, guidance and support to the BD25 Directors, support the development of the runway and 2025 programme of activities and sits as an observer on the Bradford Culture Company Board. To maintain this close working relationship the Culture & Events Team will spend part of the working week co-located with the BD25 Team in their new city centre offices in Aldermanbury.

2.8 **Place and Investment Marketing Partnership**

We will need an aligned approach to culture, place marketing and investment to ensure we make the most of the opportunities UK City of Culture 2025 will bring to our district and the wider economy. A new Place and Investment Marketing Partnership for the district has also now been established.

2.9 **Culture Is Our Plan**

In early 2021 running alongside Bradford's UK City of Culture 2025 bid campaign, the Council adopted an ambitious 10-year cultural strategy, 'Culture Is Our Plan', which aims to instigate more cultural investment and engagement across every part of the Bradford District. Both the UK City of Culture and the 10-year cultural strategy present compelling opportunities for an enhanced cultural offer across all six wards in Bradford South. [Culture is Our Plan](#)

3. **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

3.1 **Culture & Events Team**

The council's Culture & Events Team is a small team, currently responsible for the following work streams in addition to its support and development work with Bradford Culture Company (BD25):

- Cultural Programme of Events & Festivals
- Cultural Partnerships
- Arts, Culture and Heritage Grants Programmes

3.2 **Cultural Programme of Events & Festivals**

Our festival programme has been developed to support a range of festivals & events across the district whilst offering the opportunity to drive footfall into key locations across the district, increase economic growth and provide a range of free and affordable cultural activities.

3.3 This programme is partly delivered directly by the Culture & Events Team and partly via cultural and community partners to develop a relevant and vibrant cultural offer for Bradford District. Key moments in the events calendar delivered by the Culture & Events Team include:

- **BD: Festival** - A free family festival using theatre, dance, poetry and art to bring to life the streets of Bradford. Free for all to attend, this festival was re-introduced in 2022 and reached over 15,000 people across the district in August 2022. This year's festival ran July 2023 and early indications estimate an increased reach to approx.25,000.

- **Taste: BD** - A new flagship event for the city centre which hosted a celebration of local food, drink and craft providers. Bringing opportunities to the city centre businesses and those from across the district who desire a showcase. Delivered by the Culture & Events Team in collaboration with the Economic Development Team. This highly successful event took place on 28-29 April 2023. Estimated number of attendance 20,000.
- **BD: Is LiT** - A biennial district wide Festival of Light. Bringing to life our streets, community centres, shops and bus stops using light installations. In 2021 the festival involved multiple commissions taking place across the district and culminated in a festival across the city centre of free light art with 25,000 attendees from across the wards in the district attending. The 2023 festival next takes place on 3-4 November 2023.

3.4 **Festival Fund**

The district has over 30 festivals and events across the year that are celebrated in a range of spaces including parks, community hubs, shopping centres and in our neighbourhoods. In 2021/22 we ran our first festival fund opportunity which resulted in 10 festivals receiving funding including 2 delivered in Bradford South Constituency as follows:

- **Art in't Park in Royds Ward** - a free family arts event with workshops and performances taking place across parks in Bradford which included an event in Harold Park in July 2022. Estimated number of attendance 200.
- **Diwali Together 2022 Celebration** delivered in **Wyke Ward** - Bradford has a large Indian community, yet there haven't been many events/ celebrations held in the area to represent Indian Culture. Diwali Together 2022 was an extraordinary Diwali celebration organised by Keighley Community Access CIC. It was a Grand & Illuminating Diwali celebration in the City of Bradford at the Bradford Bulls Stadium on the 14 October 2022. An exciting evening with live Indian music, professional dance performances from classical Indian dance called Bharatanatyam & Kuchipudi to modern Bollywood dance performance, a varied menu of delicious Indian cuisine & finished with the grand finale of a dazzling fireworks display. This was a free event. Estimated number of attendance 500.

3.5 Following the success of the initial festival fund trial and subsequent training and development opportunities noted below we announced a new 2-year Festival Fund in 2022/2023. This new funding programme was developed to celebrate Bradford District's unique festivals and events and applicants will deliver events in both 2023 and 2024 in the run-up to UK City of Culture 2025. In June 2023 we awarded 13 organisations festival funding. These include in Bradford South Constituency:

- **Holme Wood Christmas Festival in Tong Ward** - The Holmewood Collective is a partnership between BD4 organisations, The Sutton Centre, OutLOUD and The United Art Project. Together with support from The LEAP, as part of the Arts Council – Creative People & Places (CPP) programme, the collective has been working for the last few years to build local community led arts and culture in the heart of Holmewood. This project received £9,000 funding from our Festival Fund.

Holmewood Christmas Festival (HWCF) is a family festival showcasing and celebrating community led arts & culture based in the heart of Holmewood, Bradford. Bringing immersive and creative experiences to multiple sites across the BD4 community including live performances, music, crafts, spoken word and visual arts. HWCF exists to celebrate and showcase local 'Holmegrown' artists and creative talent while also bringing professional high-quality arts experiences to a community who have little or no exposure to the mainstream arts and culture sector.

Holmewood Christmas Festival 2023 and 2024 will be programmed over a number of days throughout December and across a number of sites all based in Holmewood, BD4. The festival in 2024 will be an expansion of 2023 and across the 2 years the festivals will include:

- Live performances from local dance groups
- Live theatre performances from local young people
- Live music performances from local musicians, rappers and singers
- Exhibitions from local visual artists and photographers
- Arts based workshops for people to participate in
- Stalls for local craft makers and creative business to promote and sell
- Live performances from professional artists and groups from across the Bradford district
- Storytelling workshops
- Christmas Tree festival
- Poetry and spoken word workshops
- Open Mic night
- Professional panto performance
- Cinema night
- A range of food to showcase the diverse cultures represented in Bradford
- Craft and cuppa event
- Live brass band performance
- Christmas Carol concert

3.6 In December 2022 the Culture & Events Team in partnership with Bradford Producing Hub delivered **BD:Festival Kit** - a new 5-day skills development programme for events and festival organisers which ran from December 2022 to January 2023. The programme covered a range of areas including developing creative programmes, sourcing funding, building marketing campaigns, and events and festivals across the Bradford District.

3.7 In February 2023 **Outdoor Arts UK National Conference** was hosted in Bradford in partnership with BD25, Bradford Producing Hub and the Cultural Voice Forum. This was the first outdoor arts UK conference since before the pandemic and took place on 1-2 February 2023. It brought to the district over 200 national festivals, event's organisers, local authorities, artists and outdoor arts experts to celebrate the outdoor sector, network and embark on key sector discussions.

3.8 **BD: Is LiT Commissions**

BD: Is LiT is our biennial district wide Festival of Light. In 2021 a number of commissions took place directly in Bradford South including Tapestry Arts light beacon, lighting up the iconic mill tower. Estimated attendance 1000.

To date 10 commissions have been awarded funding for the 2023 festival in November 2023.

3.9 **Cultural Partnerships**

A significant number of partnerships have been developed by the Culture & Events Team, many alongside Bradford 2025 and the wider cultural sector. These include:

- **Bradford Cultural Education Partnership (BCEP):** A working/collaborative group which aims to bring the arts, culture, heritage, creative industries, employers and education sectors together to offer a consistent and high-quality arts, creative and cultural education for all children and young people.
- **Cultural Voice Forum:** Bradford's Cultural Voice Forum is a facilitated network of over 300 people who work in the Bradford District's cultural sector.
- **Channel 4:** This collaboration is intended to help facilitate and further the vision of the Bradford Council Screen Strategy.
- **Digital Creatives:** Working in a cross-sector partnership between NHS, Bradford 2025, Bradford Council, Born in Bradford, The National Science and Media Museum and Arts Council England, Digital Creatives will facilitate work between 1200 teenagers in Bradford, exceptional digital media artists and data scientists to co-create new work and evidence the impact of creativity on their lives through world-leading research.
- **British Council:** Development of a partnership with one of Bradford's twin cities of Roubaix in northern France in collaboration with the British Council.
- **Music Network** – A network of key partners including venues, artists, music promoters, BCB Radio, Music Leeds, artist management and Bradford College.
- **Fuelling Futures:** is a new project aimed at women, girls and BAME (Black and Minority Ethnic) young people to support pathways into STEM apprenticeships. It is funded and supported by Mission 44's *Ignite Partnership* founded by Sir Lewis Hamilton and Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team to address barriers that stand in the way to achieving a more inclusive motorsport sector. Delivered by a partnership of Bradford College, The LEAP and Bradford Council.
- **Brit School North:** an exciting new partnership with the British Phonographic Industry (BPI) was announced in August 2023 with Bradford being selected to become home to the new Brit School North. This free to attend school will accommodate 500 pupils aged 16 to 19 and will offer courses in dance, music and theatre. The original Brit School in Croydon, south London, opened its doors in 1991 and has helped launch the careers of stars including Adele, Amy Winehouse, Tom Holland and Jessie J.
- **BBC Screen Academy:** another exciting new partnership, the BBC has commissioned *Virdee*, a drama based on Bradford born author AA Dhand's crime novels which are set in Bradford. *Virdee* will be an essential part of the activities leading up to the 2025 Bradford City of Culture. To support the production The Screen Academy Bradford has been set up to deliver a series of bespoke training programmes across all departments, designed to address

specific crew shortages and skills gaps, particularly among underserved groups in Bradford. The academy is spearheaded by Magical Society and supported by the BBC, ScreenSkills, West Yorkshire Combined Authority and Screen Yorkshire. The academy producer is Ameenah Ayub Allen (*Ali & Ava, Rocks*).

3.10 Arts, Culture and Heritage Grants Programme

The Culture Team administers several grant programmes which enable cultural sector organisations, community groups as well as independent freelance artists and practitioners to deliver arts, heritage and cultural activities in Bradford District. We endeavour to ensure projects are delivered right across the district wards and that they represent and reach Bradford’s unique diverse communities. Our regular grant programmes are:

- Regular Funded Organisations
- Small Grants
- Heritage Grants
- Large Grants

3.11 Regular Funded Organisations

The Culture & Events Team provides a 3-year funding programme to 23 Regular Funded Organisations between the value of £5,000 - £30,000. The current programme covers financial years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.

3.12 Funding Allocation from Culture & Events Grants Programme

Number of events, festivals and cultural activities by Constituency (Regular Funded Organisations, Small, Heritage and Large Grants):

* For both tables below please note that many applications indicate activities as taking place across more than one ward and therefore potentially across constituency boundaries also. The figures below will therefore not add up to the total column shown in the table. The total has been included to show you the number of unique events.

	Bradford East	Bradford South	Bradford West	Keighley	Shipley	No ward Info supplied	Total*
2020/2021	2	2	3	2	1	1	3
2021/2022	14	14	42	10	16	2	57
2022/2023	42	28	85	43	37	6	132
2023/2024 (30 th Sept 2023)	12	6	24	17	18	3	52
Total	70	50	154	72	72	12	244

Number of events, festivals and cultural activities by Ward (Regular Funded Organisations, Small, Heritage, and Large Grants):

Bradford South							
	Great Horton	Queensbury	Royds	Tong	Wibsey	Wyke	Total*
2020/2021	1	1	1	2	2	1	2
2021/2022	9	2	3	9	2	4	14
2022/2023	17	8	8	15	7	7	28
2023/2024 (30 th Sept 2023)	1	2	2	4	3	2	6
Total	28	13	14	30	14	14	50

3.13 In developing this report it enables us to see where there are geographical areas of under representation in our funding programmes. This enables us to make interventions and target funding opportunities more successfully. Input from Bradford South Area Committee is welcomed to better enable us to do this. Some examples of events, festivals and cultural activities funded in Bradford South in the last 18 months through our grant programmes include:

3.14 **Great Horton Ward**

- **A Heritage Trail - The History of Bradford's First Mosque** – a Heritage Grant which funded a Bradford resident to research and develop a heritage trail about the history of Bradford's first mosque, Jama Mosque in Howard Street, Little Horton (est. 1959). With the development of a heritage walking trail which retraces the footsteps of Bradford's pioneering Muslim community who established Bradford's first mosque. The project received £1,500 funding in April 2022 and was delivered across Great Horton, Little Horton and City Wards.
- **Arts & Crafts** – this project was delivered by Lidget Green Healthy Living Centre during March to September 2023. The project is aimed at BAME women who live in the Great Horton Ward. The project encouraged participants to engage in Arts classes and to learn new skills around drawing, knitting, sketching. A key component of the project delivery was Recycling and why recycling and the environment are important. The project consisted of weekly 4-hour sessions over a 6-month period. The project received £900 Small Grant funding.
- **Gypsy, Roma, Traveller HM 2023** – a project funded from our Large Grants fund to the value £9,000. The project was delivered by Connecting Roma during the month of June 2023 to celebrate Roma History Month by bringing people together to showcase their culture, heritage and the relevance between their communities: Gypsy, Roma, Travellers, Jewish and the Hindu community.

The programme of activities composed various elements including:

- A mini festival in City Park which showcased a variety of live performances and Roma food stalls.
- Photo/art/storytelling exhibition in Kala Sangam
- Screening of a Roma organisation's short film "Leaving to Remain".
- Hosting an evening event at Bradford's 'Salas' Slovakian Roma Restaurant.
- Guest presentations
- In partnership with Bradford Literature Festival hosting an end of the Roma History Month Party (Zabava) in the city centre.

The applicant identified Great Horton as one of the wards where activities would take place along with City and Manningham Wards.

3.15 Queensbury Ward

- **Participation in the European Brass Band Championship Contest 2023** – Black Dyke Band received a Small Grant award of £1,500 to enable it to participate in the European Brass Band Championship Contest 2023. The band represented England and of course Bradford at this prestigious brass festival which was held in Malmo, Sweden, over two days in early May 2023.

3.16 Royds Ward

- **Catch the Young** – a project to teach young people arts and crafts and the ability to use fabric and beads to create jewellery and hair accessories by hand with little materials and no machine. Young People aged 8 – 15 years were taught the old way of making jewellery followed by an opportunity to showcase their work to family and friends at an exhibition. This project was delivered by Ebony Ambassadors CIC with a Small Grant fund of £500. The project was delivered February – March 2023.

3.17 Tong Ward

- **Our Baul Project** – this project aim is to revive, preserve and promote the writing of South Asian heritage music known as Baul Folk Music. Having identified various song writers in Bradford who have spent much of their lives writing folk songs that have never been published; the writings of those talented individuals will be translated into English and sheet music and compiled in a book that will be published and distributed. Additionally, some of their songs will be played by professional musicians and singers at a public performance event in Bradford.

This project was delivered by Manningham Housing Association between April and September 2023. It was awarded a Large Grant of £8,000. The project is focused across the wards of Keighley Central, Worth Valley and Tong.

- **Welcome to The Wall Says It All!** – a small grant funded project delivered by The United Art Project CIC in collaboration with Bradford Youth Service. An asset driven project that invited children, young people and adults of BD4 to join forces to design and restyle the Sports Hall and the many newly refurbished but average looking walls of the TFD Centre, Holmewood. The project was awarded a Small Grant award of £1,200 and was delivered between April and June 2023.

3.18 Wibsey Ward

- **Sounding Sane** – a local neurodiverse actor, musician and theatre maker hopes to present a new one man show about mental health. ‘Sounding Sane’ looks at a young man’s journey with loneliness, isolation and a very busy mind. The project aims to create a powerful, funny, emotional, honest and moving theatre experience.

The applicant received a Small Grant award of £1,100 to undertake a period of research and development during May and June 2023 which included time spent in the rehearsal room, devising a script, a movement score and the accompanying soundtrack using both live and recorded music, taster sessions and a number of 'Healthy Men' workshops; one of which took place in Andy's Man Club in Wibsey. Following completion of the research and development phase the applicant plans to have conversations with local stakeholders and develop the project to the next level.

3.19 **Wyke Ward**

- **Predators** – a short film funded by a Small Grant of £1,500 delivered by independent Bradford based Cosmosquare Films. Predators is a short atmospheric drama-thriller film about a troubled care-leaver and her friend. The film was shot during October 2022 in several locations across the district including Wyke.

3.20 **Multiple Bradford South Wards**

- **Bradford Park Avenue 'Cultural Connections' Celebration Event** – this event delivered by Bradford Park Avenue AFC Juniors was awarded £650 Small Grant funding. This community fun day on 29th July 2023 took place at Horsfall Community Stadium bringing together people and families from Bradford's diverse communities especially from the geographically close wards of Royds, Wibsey, Tong and Wyke.

The sports club is heavily invested in the local community and is keen to encourage a greater representation that reflects the diversity of the community it serves. One of the ways the club hoped to attract this wider audience was to introduce a cultural element to the fun day, such as art workshops, food, dance, live music and local history.

3.21 **Culture Is Our Plan**

Culture Is Our Plan (CIOP) is the 10 Year Cultural Strategy for the District 2021 - 2031. The Bradford Cultural Place Partnership commissioned the plan with support of BMDC and Arts Council England.

3.22 CIOP was launched in May 2021 and built into the framework are biennial year check-in points with the sector and public to be able to ensure that the plan is on track to deliver on its ambitions and targets. The first of these 2-year check-in points began in May 2023. It is anticipated that each 2-year review will enable the partnership to formally refocus strategic priorities and investments as appropriate.

3.23 In addition to a vision statement CIOP sets out 10 Outcomes and 10 Targets. One of the targets in CIOP is to seek designation as UK City of Culture 2025. [Culture is Our Plan](#)

3.24 **CIOP – 2 Year Celebration Event**

On Monday 15 May 2023 a CIOP 2-Year Celebration Event was held at Cliffe Castle Museum in Keighley. It was an opportunity to reflect on the first two years of the 10-year cultural strategy, launch our new Heritage Action Plan for Bradford District 2022

- 2031, to hear about successes in Bradford's cultural sector and to look forward to the next eight years of the strategy.

3.25 The event celebrated great cultural moments, large and small, that have taken place in our district over the past 2 years as well as providing an opportunity to look forward and begin to showcase what is yet to come.

3.26 **Constituency Consultation Events**

The 2-Year Celebration Event was followed by individual constituency consultation events which allowed for more focussed discussions. Arts venues we have worked and supported were selected to host this first round of consultation events. The session for Bradford South took place at Tapestry Arts on 7 June 2023. We are currently planning further sessions to engage a wider audience which will be held in a boarder offer of cultural & community venues. We anticipate this further consultation will be completed by the end of 2023. We welcome suggestions from Bradford South Area Committee about the best ways we can do this in Bradford South Constituency.

3.27 From the initial consultation sessions, the following key themes emerged:

- **Communications/Networking** - Feedback highlighted that different communities and groups share and receive information in a range of ways and that not everyone is using existing social media to find out about cultural events and news. Participants highlighted hyperlocal social media sites and TikTok as places where they get news and information. There is no one size fits all way to disseminate information so to engage some groups there may need to be a shift from broadcasting from the established social media accounts to a more tailored approach for each ward or under-represented group. Posters and print, info in local print media may be useful for some audiences.
- **Travel/Transport** - Availability, connectivity and cost of public transport is a barrier to participation, especially for young people. Getting to the city centre is less of a problem than getting from one suburb/outlying area to another on the other side of the district.

3.28 **Heritage Action Plan –Bradford District 2022 – 2031**

Culture plays a part in everyone's lives and the development of CIOP showed how important heritage, the assets, buildings, parks and landscapes, stories, archives and artefacts passed down by previous generations is to our experience of culture.

3.29 It seemed important to take a deeper dive into the heritage sector and to create a specific action plan for it. By 2031 we want to see:

- People living better and happier lives, having better mental health, skills and jobs and longer life expectancy.
- A thriving, diverse and sustainable cultural and creative industries sector playing a leading role in the growing economic success of the district.
- Our District as a destination of choice for people to experience exceptional cultural activity and to create exceptional work.

3.30 The new Heritage Action Plan was launched at our CIOP 2-Year Celebration Event. [Our Plans — Culture is Our Plan](#)

3.31 **Open Data Dashboard**

It is essential throughout the duration of the strategy and continued assessment of progress that we continue learning and also share what we learn in a completely transparent way. Which is why we will be launching an online open data platform through which we can capture and share our learning.

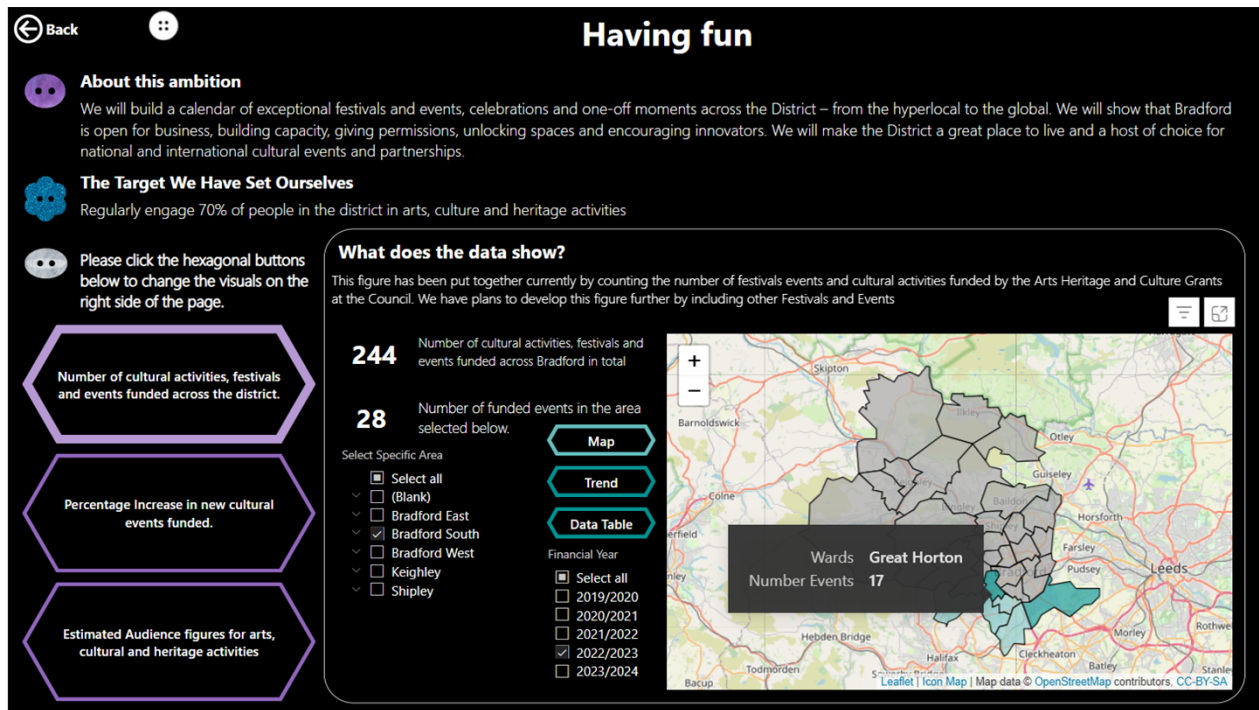
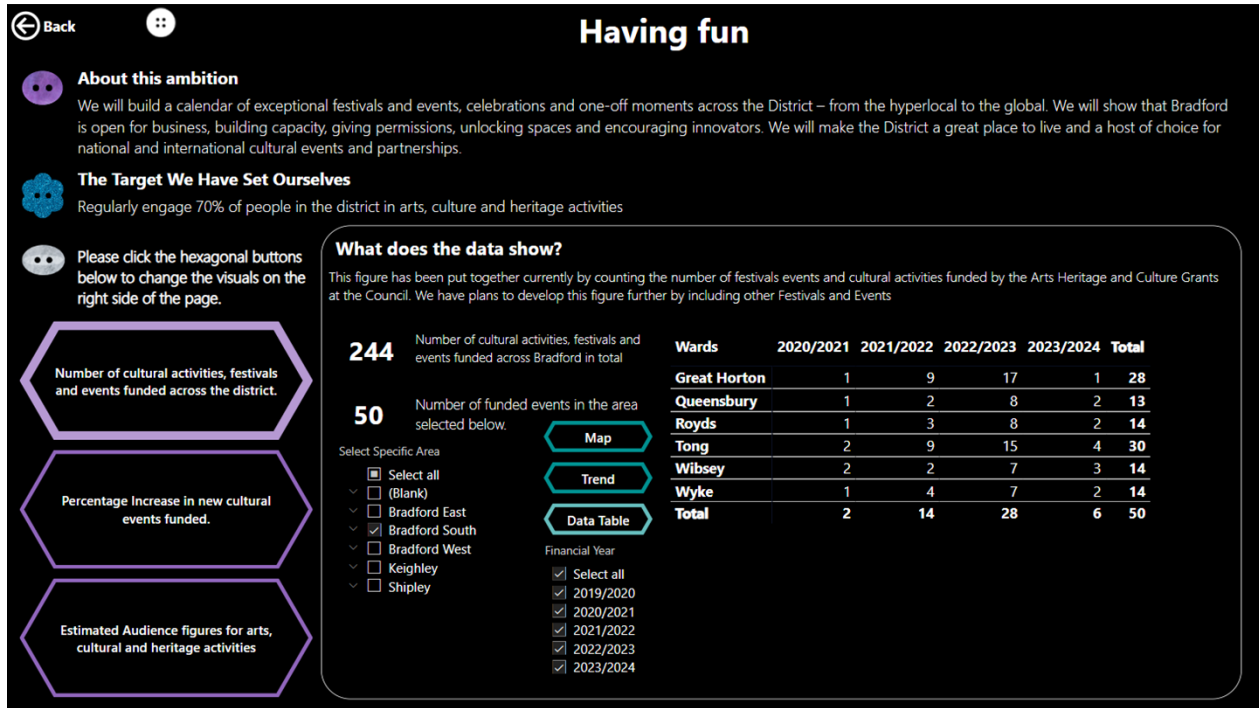
3.32 The Council’s Culture & Events Team have been developing a visual data reporting solution to measure cultural activity and progress against the ambitions and targets of Culture is our Plan (CIOP). Significant elements of this dashboard will be open data. It is anticipated this dashboard will be launched in early 2024.

3.33 We have developed a comprehensive set of KPIs, and the first iteration of the dashboard will primarily be populated using data collected by the Council’s Culture & Events Team. Our grants programme data reflects some of the activity of Regular Funded Organisations and other cultural sector organisations and individuals that benefit from receiving grants distributed by the council.

3.34 It is anticipated the dashboard will hold a significant amount of data and provide users with the ability to filter in a number of ways such as by ward, constituency and year. Information will also be displayed in a variety of ways such as by map, trend and data table. We will continue to build and expand the remit of the dashboard and it is anticipated future iterations will include contributions from much wider sources.

3.35 **Data Dashboard example screenshots**





4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 There are no financial or resource issues arising from this report.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 Currently no risks arising.

5.2 In terms of governance CIOP is overseen by the Cultural Place Partnership and reports to the Health & Wellbeing Board.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The District Plan, fundamentally supported by Culture is Our Plan, sets out the strategic partnership ambition for sustainable development, endorsing the Sustainable Development Goals and the ambitions to secure wellbeing, resilience and sustainable prosperity for residents, communities and organisations. It sets a medium to long-term agenda to 2025 and towards 2040 to enable and accelerate the transition to a more sustainable future. Members (October 2021) passed a resolution taking forward the District as the UK's leading clean growth city district. This is a fundamental approach to creating a sustainable and inclusive economy that works for everyone. The transitioning, investment and practical delivery of more sustainable ways of living, working and doing business lies at the heart of reshaping the district for 2030 and beyond. These ambitions and benefits hold true in success and fail scenarios with the necessity and opportunities for creating a more viable, resilient and prosperous district being politically and organisationally mandated. The Cultural Strategy underpinning and unleashing the creative potential of people, places and communities lies at the heart of the district's long-term success for the benefit of present and future generations.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

The Culture & Events Team encourages those it works with to consider the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The team have facilitated a **Sustainable Development Goals Workshop** for its Regular Funded Grants Organisations as well as delivered a sector wide **Climate and SDG Symposium** which took place on 27 February 2023. The symposium hosted several discussions, panels and performances from local, national, and international artists and speakers from across the creative industries.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

A significant growth in the cultural sector will attract increased numbers of visitors, particularly in our urban centres - often during the darker evening hours. Feelings of safety can act as a barrier to people's willingness to engage in those activities that bring people together at a neighbourhood level. Partnership work to assess the actual safety and also the 'feeling' of safety in key locations in our urban centres and other key cultural sites to identify areas that may present a greater risk needs to be an essential part of the process as we move towards 2025.

The programme should work alongside the Community Safety Partnership to assess the risk of certain crime types such as acquisitive crimes, particularly in locations which may evolve with cultural development.

A full range of measures to improve safety should be considered – whether this be physical measures such as lighting or cutting back vegetation, greater enforcement measures or ‘re-claiming’ sites with ‘Environmental Visual Audits’, for example, making areas less attractive to criminals.

Partnership work with the Bradford City Centre Community Safety Partnership and Bradford BID to support the application for ‘Purple Flag’ status to make the City Centre a more attractive place for visitors will help achieve a greater recognition and increased confidence in Bradford as a safe place to be.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

None directly arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

There are no Trade Union issues arising from this report.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

The information in this report is relevant to wards in Bradford South Constituency.

Culture in our Plan seeks a more equitable distribution of cultural opportunity across the district and celebration of the artists and creatives in every street and community. This will have a positive benefit for the whole district over the coming 10 years.

The Leap our Creative People and Places programme will aim to provide up to 200,000 new cultural engagements across the district’s most deprived wards over its ten-year life (Tong Ward is one of the featured ward areas in the programme).

Increased district-wide reach and impact will also be a condition of future BMDC funding for arts, cultural and heritage projects.

The Culture Team will work with the 5 Neighbourhood Offices.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None, the updates given in this report support the Area Committee Action Plan.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children and young people are highlighted in the district’s cultural strategy and are a priority for joined up action across the district through the establishment of the Bradford Cultural Education Partnership and the research partnering with BIHR / Born in Bradford. The plan also seeks to support Council ambitions to become a Child Friendly City. Vulnerable and disadvantaged children are a particular focus for inclusion through multiple opportunities including the ten-year Creative People and Places programme.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

There are no issues arising from this report.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

None, this report has been prepared to provide an update to Bradford South Area Committee.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the Area Committee note the content of this report.
- That the Area Committee suggests ways in which the Culture & Events Team can increase the number of grant funding applications received for events, festivals and cultural activities for delivery in the Bradford South Constituency.
- That the Area Committee suggests ways in which the Culture & Events Team can engage with communities in Bradford South Constituency in respect of further consultation on Culture is Our Plan.

11. APPENDICES

None

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- Culture is our Plan – the cultural strategy for Bradford District 2021 – 2031
- Heritage Action Plan – Bradford District 2022 – 2031

Both documents can also be located here: [Our Plans — Culture is Our Plan](#)



Report of the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on Thursday 19th October 2023

H

Subject:

Allocation of Combined Funding 2023-2024

Summary statement:

This report summarises the applications received from eligible local organisations, across the Bradford South Constituency, from the amalgamation of funding from United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of Living fund (CoLF) and Household Support Fund (HSF).

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

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. The District Plan and Locality Plans are underpinned by a cross cutting principle of tackling inequality in our communities. These combined funds will set out a program of activity that supports this as a core outcome. As a Council, we have committed to keeping equalities at the heart of what we do - 'This means everyone can access services regardless of their background, that we embrace our different communities across the whole district and that we build an inclusive organisation.' In collaboration with partners, we will support this approach, address inequality and improve opportunities for communities across Bradford South.

David Shepherd
Strategic Director Place
Phone: 01274 434748/433761
E-mail: david.shepherd@bradford.gov.uk

Portfolio: Abdul Jabar
Neighbourhoods and Community Services

Report Contact: Ishaq Shafiq
Bradford South Area Co-ordinator
Phone: (01274) 431155
E-mail: ishaq.shafiq@bradford.gov.uk

Overview & Scrutiny Area: Corporate

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report summarises the applications received from eligible local organisations, across the Bradford South Constituency, from the amalgamation of funding from the UK Share Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of Living fund (CoLF) and Household Support Fund (HSF).

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (CBMDC) via its Constituency Area Offices has invited applications from eligible local organisations to apply for funding available from The West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of Living Fund (WYCA CoLF) £287,000, Household Support Fund (HSF) £172,000 and United Kingdom Share Prosperity Fund, UKSPF £135,000. These are actual sums for community grants once £120,000 has been transferred from the Cost of Living Fund to Bradford Credit Union for affordable loans and support for school uniforms.
- 2.2 The UKSPF Programme replaces the European Structural and Investment Fund following Brexit. The UK government released the UKSPF prospectus in April 2022 as part of its central mission to level up the whole of the United Kingdom. The allocation for West Yorkshire is £80,486,557 over a 3-year period, with £7,578 million allocated for the Bradford District. It is a three-pillar framework for allocating this funding:

Pillar 1 - Communities and Place
Pillar 2 - Supporting Local Business
Pillar 3 - People and Skills

- 2.3 Applications from eligible local organisations across the Bradford South constituency were invited to apply from the total funding of £141,848.00. The funds from CoLF, HSF and UKPSF were combined to provide emergency local services and support during the cost-of-living crisis, specifically for food banks/parcels, warm places debt advice and support for mental health.

Examples of support can be (not an exhaustive list):

- Food (or other such as hygiene, clothes) parcels
- Establishing new or extending existing warm places
- Support and advice
- Measures to improve energy efficiency for households
- Tangible items for vulnerable groups (slow cookers, hot water bottles, flasks, blankets)

- 2.4 All grants will be distributed via the Area Co-ordinator's Neighbourhood Teams who cover the 5 Parliamentary Constituencies in the district, which are Bradford South, Bradford East, Bradford West, Shipley and Keighley.
- 2.5 The Stronger Communities Team developed a single application process and criteria required for the combined funding and these funds will be administered through this team. The funding went live in September 2023 with a closing date for receipt of applications of 30 September 2023.

2.6 Funding Allocation and delivery plan

- 2.7 The West Yorkshire Lord Mayor's Cost of Living Fund, Household Support Fund and UKSPF when combined, total £594,000 in grants. Each area was offered a baseline budget of £50,000 and the remaining balance of £344,000 was shared by applying the deprivation index formula. As stated in 2.2. of this report applications from eligible local organisations across the Bradford South Constituency were invited to apply from the total funding of £141,848.00.
- 2.8 The minimum grant value an organisation could apply for in each constituency was £2,000 and the maximum grant value up to £10,000. The grant must be spent by 31st March 2024 and monitoring forms to be returned by end of June 2024.
- 2.9 The approval process will be through the Grants and Advisory Groups (GAGs) and the approval at Area Committee meetings held in October 2023.
- 2.10 Funding is delegated to Area Committees to distribute to the Voluntary and Community Sector, the Grants Advisory Group (GAG) is made up of elected members nominated by the Area Committee at the beginning of each municipal year to help support the decision-making process in conjunction with the Area Co-ordinator. Once all grant applications are appraised and before moving to contracting, the Area Co-ordinator and the GAG are expected to report their decision to the full Area Committee to enable agreement to proceed contracting.
- 2.11 Monitoring and evaluation will be undertaken, and the information collected will include:
- nature of the support received (e.g. warm space/food parcel etc)
 - financial value of the support (estimated where appropriate)
 - other key beneficiary information as far as possible, including ward, gender, ethnicity, and disability.
- 2.12 Data will be collected (including case studies) to enable the timely evaluation of Fund impacts to be undertaken by the Combined Authority, such as:
- improved health and wellbeing,
 - increased aspirations/motivation/participation,
 - reduced barriers to inclusion and employability,

2.12 Timeline

The table below sets out key dates for the allocation of this funding:

Call launch	4th September 2023
Deadline for submitting application(s)	30th September 2023
Grant Advisory Group Panel	Week commencing 9th October 2023
Area Committee Approval	19th October 23
Grant offer letters and Memorandum of Agreements issued	November 2023
Payments made by Bradford Council	November 2023

Ongoing monitoring: Claims submitted incl. delivery of outputs and progress reports.	February to March 2024
Projects Completed	31st March 2024
Completion Monitoring/Final reports	30th June 2024

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 If any funding is left unallocated from the initial callout a second round of applications will be invited by the respective Area Committee to be determined locally by each Area Committee.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 Each area was offered a baseline budget of £50,000 and the remaining balance of £344,000 was shared by applying the deprivation index formula. See section 2.6 of this report for more information on the financial context. Management of the administration sits centrally within the Stronger Team.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- 5.1 There are no risk management or governance issues.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 6.1 There are no legal appraisal issues to highlight.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The District Plan and Locality Plan is underpinned by sustainability goals. As the priorities have been set using the District Plan, the outcomes achieved from this funding help us achieve our district goals on sustainability.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

The work planned on greening areas of Bradford, working with community groups on decarbonisation and supporting households with the costs of living crisis all support their agenda.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

There are no community safety implications arising from this report.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no human rights implications arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

There are no trade union implications arising from this report.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

This is detailed within the main body of the report and is key to the successful delivery of the grants allocated, to improve quality of life for residents across the Bradford South constituency, to support the Bradford South Ward Plans.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

As above in 7.6 and to support the delivery of priorities in the Bradford South Constituency Locality Plan.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The District, Locality and Ward plans contain specific outcomes that relate to children and young people. Grants allocated from these funding pots will bring direct and indirect benefit to them, addressing local priorities of need and deprivation.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

There are no issues arising from this report.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

There are no not for publication items.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 To agree the proposals for the allocation of funding outlined in Appendix C.

9.2 To amend the proposals for the allocation of funding

9.3 To agree timelines for the allocation of any funding not allocated from the first call out in conjunction with the Area Co-ordinator.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the Area Committee agree the proposals for the funding allocations as outlined at Appendix C.

10.2 That the Grants Advisory Group be thanked for their work with this funding.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A - Combined Funding Guidance Document

Appendix B - Combined Funding Application Form

Appendix C - Proposed Allocation of funding (to be tabled at the Area Committee meeting)

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None

Combined funding Guidance – BMDC – September 2023

Call for funding applications:

Measures to Reduce the Impacts from the Cost of Living Crisis for Households in the Bradford District

Summary

The City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council (CBMDC) via its Constituency Area Offices is inviting applications from eligible local organisations to apply for the combined funding of UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), Householder support fund (HSF) West Yorkshire Mayor's Cost of living Fund (WYCA C of LF) to deliver support to households and individuals to reduce the cost of living.

Households have suffered over the past months from the increase in costs including energy and food. There is now further funding available to support organisations in the Bradford district to deliver help to those households that need it the most. It is similarly recognised that organisations are also under strain due to financial pressures at the same time as there is a significant increase in demand for services based within local places.

Due to the urgency of the support needed, organisations applying to deliver this support are required to read the funding call timetable below carefully, and only apply if they are confident the organisation can meet the timescales in addition to the other funding criteria set out.

Programme details

Each Bradford Constituency Area Office (Bradford East, Bradford South, Bradford West, Keighley and Shipley) has been allocated a proportion of the combined funding that is aimed at reducing the cost of living. Organisations can propose to deliver support in one or more area. We expect each area's allocation to be divided across multiple organisations.

The support needs to meet one or more of the following outputs:

1. Number of households receiving support;
2. Number of households supported to take energy efficient measures;
3. Number of people reached.

In addition, applicants are expected to provide an increase to the following baseline numbers (if relevant to the activity proposed):

1. Improved engagement numbers;
2. Increased uptake of energy efficient measures.

The minimum grant value an organisation can apply for in each area is £2,000 and the maximum grant value is up to £10,000. The grant must be spent by the programme end date of 31st March 2024.

Applicants can include up to 10% of the value of the grant as Management & Administrative costs for delivering the support. This must be set out clearly in the application form.

Examples of support can be (not exhaustive list):

- Food (or other such as hygiene, clothes) parcels
- Establishing new or extending existing warm places
- Support and advice
- Measures to improve energy efficiency for households
- Tangible items for vulnerable groups (slow cookers, hot water bottles, flasks, blankets)

Each organisation must in the application form set out clearly what the funding will be spent on, how they intend to distribute the support / undertake activity. The funding can be used to support an existing activity, please set that out clearly in the application form.

Organisations wanting to deliver support in more than one area/constituency/locality must submit a separate application form to each relevant Area Office and make it clear in each application that they have done this and which constituencies/wards they have applied for.

Note: the funding is revenue only, as such cannot be used towards capital expenditure such as refurbishments or building upgrades.

Scoring priorities

The following priorities will be considered when assessing and scoring the bids:

- Locally based organisations
- Activity linked to priorities contained within the Locality Plan(s) and / or Ward Plan(s) for the relevant constituency
- Value for money (number of outputs delivered for funding required)
- Evidence for successful delivery of previous/current grant programmes (if applicable)
- Ability to deliver within the timescales given.

How to apply

The table below sets out key dates and eligibility criteria:

Call launch	September 23
Deadline for submitting application(s)	30th September
Internal Grants Panel Meetings	Week commencing 9th October 23
Report to Area Committees	October 2023
Grant offer letters issued	November 2023
Payments made by Bradford Council	November 2023
Ongoing monitoring: Claims submitted incl. delivery of outputs and progress reports.	February 2024 to March 2024
Programme end	31st March 24

Questions prior to the deadline, and completed application forms must be submitted to the relevant District Area Office via the below e-mail address(es):

Bradford East	bradfordeastinformation@bradford.gov.uk 01274 431066
Bradford South	BradfordSouthAreaOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01274 431155
Bradford West	BradfordWestInfo@bradford.gov.uk 01274 432597
Keighley	KeighleyAreaCoordinatorsOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01535 618008
Shipley	ShipleyAreaOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01274 437146

The following must be submitted with your application form:	✓
1. Your Organisation's constitution or rules	
2. Latest audited accounts or bank statements	
3. Quotations from expenditure listed and details of any income anticipated	
4. Any other relevant information to support your application	

Eligibility criteria

1. Applicant Eligibility

- 1.1. Organisations based in the Bradford district can apply for this funding within the respective Constituency area(s).
- 1.2. The organisations must be constituted and provide evidence of this with the application by enclosing a copy of the organisation's constitution or relevant governance document.
- 1.3. The organisation must provide details of their bank account.
- 1.4. The organisation must pass all CBMDC due diligence checks.
- 1.5. If the applicant has received funding from CBMDC to deliver projects previously, they must be able to demonstrate successful delivery of the project(s). Inability to demonstrate this may result in the application being rejected.
- 1.6. Any type of organisation can receive funding, subject to subsidy control policy. Declaration of previous funding received must be completed in the application form.
- 1.7. The following scoring methodology will be used:

Score	Term	Explanation
0	Unacceptable	Failed to provide a response, or the response provided is wholly inconsistent with the specified Contract requirements and standards with respect to this criterion
1	Poor	The response has material weaknesses, issues or omissions, lacking detail, clarity and/or evidence with regard to many elements of the criterion, and associated specified Contract requirements and standards.
2	Fair	The response has some weaknesses, issues or omissions, lacking detail, clarity and/or evidence with regard to at least one element of the criterion, and associated specified Contract requirements and standards with respect to this criterion.
3	Satisfactory	The response addresses all elements of the criterion and associated specified Contract requirements and standards; but is not fully detailed or fully backed up with clear evidence in some areas; some issues, weaknesses, or omissions in some areas.
4	Very Good	The response covers all elements and almost all of the other elements of the criterion and associated specified Contract requirements and standards; and with relevant and detailed information, backed up with clear evidence; with a few minor issues, weaknesses, or omissions.
5	Outstanding	The Response covers all elements of the sub criterion and associated specified Contract requirements and standards; and with a high level of relevant and detailed information, backed up with clear evidence; and

	demonstrates a robust and coherent understanding of the requirements; and with no issues, weaknesses or omissions.
--	--

2. Funding terms

- 2.1. The funding will be issued as a grant, to deliver the agreed activity as set out in the grant application and final grant agreement.
- 2.2. The activity must take place after the grant offer letter has been issued, and not have been paid for previously. If this is for continuing a project, please clearly demonstrate the additionality the funding requested will provide.
- 2.3. Successful organisations are required to submit to deadlines set out in the grant offer letter, for the relevant period, a completed claim form including evidence of outputs achieved and evidence of eligible defrayal documents:
 - 2.3.1. Receipts or invoices for goods/services bought, showing clearly date of purchase, goods/service bought, and supplier details
 - 2.3.2. Evidence of payment leaving applicant organisation’s bank account such as business/organisation bank statement matching the invoice details
 - 2.3.3. Date of purchase/payment must be **after** the offer letter date (grants will not cover activity that occurred before the date of the offer letter).
- 2.4. Grant payments will **not** be made for any activities outside of what is agreed in the grant agreement.
 - 2.4.1. Changes to agreed activity **must** be discussed first with the relevant area office, there is no guarantee a change will be allowed.
- 2.5. Any grant monies not defrayed by the applicant by the deadline will need to be repaid to CBMDC.
- 2.6. You commit to deliver certain outputs and/or outcomes as part of your grant agreement. Information on how to evidence delivery of these will be set out in your grant offer letter.
- 2.7. If evidence of outputs and outcomes delivered is not demonstrated and evidenced within the agreed timescales or to the specification set out in the grant agreement, the funder **will** request the grant payment is returned by the applicant.
- 2.8. Successful applicants details will be shared with WYCA and may be approached for comment or further information from the WY Mayor’s Office.
- 2.9. The relevant output definitions are:

Output	Definition	Minimum evidence requirement
# Households receiving support	A ‘household’, as defined in the 2011 Census is: ‘one person living alone; or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room or sitting room or dining area’, includes houses, bungalows, flats, and maisonettes.	Survey / count by the project /partner Type of support provided. Postcodes of those supported Equalities data including Gender, Age, Ethnicity and

	- Support is provision that helps reduce the burden of the cost of living.	Disability
# Households supported to take energy efficient measures	<p>- A 'household', as defined in the 2011 Census is: 'one person living alone; or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and share a living room or sitting room or dining area', includes houses, bungalows, flats, and maisonettes.</p> <p>- Energy efficiency means any measures which could improve a households Energy Performance Certificate rating. It is not required to shift the letter rating, only to make progress towards this. Reporting will also facilitate the option to report a decrease metric.</p>	(TBC): An Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) assessment and a copy of the final EPC.
# People reached	<p>Number of people directly impacted by the UKSPF intervention. The definition of direct impact will vary across interventions e.g.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energy efficiency improvements - those living or working within the treated premise. - Engagement schemes - those directly engaging (e.g. reading, viewing, attending). <p>- Direct impact should only be recorded where it can be done so robustly.</p>	<p>Number of people supported.</p> <p>Number of premises and / or households supported.</p>

Definitions taken from UKSPF Indicators 13.07.22 and WYCA version 2 January 2023.

Equality, diversity, and inclusion required questions

We want to better understand who we are engaging with and hearing from. We are required to act in line with the Equality Act 2010. By asking these questions we can make sure our work reflects the diverse communities we serve.

These questions are optional. If you choose to answer these questions you will not be identified by the information provided.

Area

What is your postcode?

Prefer not to say

Gender

What is your sex?

Female/ woman

Male/ man

Prefer not to say

Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

I self-describe my gender identity as:

Age - How old are you?

0 – 15

16 – 24

25 – 34

35 – 44

45 – 54

55 – 64

65 – 74

75 – 84

85+

Prefer not to say

Ethnicity - How would you describe your ethnicity or ethnic background?

Asian, Asian British:

Indian

Pakistani

Bangladeshi

Chinese

Any other Asian background, please state:

Black, Black British, Caribbean or African:

African

Caribbean

Any other Black, African or Caribbean background, please state:

Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups:

White and Black Caribbean

White and Black African

White and Asian

Any other Mixed or Multiple ethnic background, please state:

White:

English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish or British

Irish

Gypsy or Irish Traveller

Roma

Any other White background, please state:

Other

Arab

Any other ethnic group

Prefer not to say

Disability

Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

Do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day-to-day activities?

Yes, limited a lot

Yes, limited a little

No

Prefer not to say

Sexual orientation

How would you describe your sexual orientation?

Heterosexual or straight

Gay man or gay woman / lesbian

Bisexual

I self-describe my sexual orientation as:

Prefer not to say

Religion or belief

What is your religion or belief?

No religion (including atheist)

Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant, and all other Christian denominations)

Buddhist

Hindu

Jewish

Muslim

Sikh

Other (specify, if you wish):

Prefer not to say



Application form

Measures to Reduce the Impacts from Cost of Living Crisis for Households
in the Bradford district

Before completing this application, confirm you have read and agree with the criteria in the ‘Call for funding’ document (tick box)	<input type="checkbox"/>
--	--------------------------

Applicant details

Organisation/business name	
Type (select from drop down)	Choose an item.
Companies House/Other number	
Year established/incorporated	
Number of FTE employees	
Number of volunteers	
Address	
Post code	
Website / Social media links	
Contact person name	
Telephone number	
E-mail address	
Bradford area (drop down)	Choose an item.
Are you applying to more than one area?	Choose an item.
Ward(s) please state	

(Note: if you are applying to deliver activity in more than one area, submit one application to each relevant area)

Bank details

Account payee name	
Bank name	
Sort code	
Account number	
Full address of bank including post code	

This information must match the bank statement copy provided as part of this application.



Combined Funds – UKSPF, HSF, WYCA
BCMDC Cost of Living support programme – September 2023

1. Please provide a clear description in no more than 500 words of the activity you are applying for within the box below including what you want to do, why there is a need, where this will be held, who will benefit etc
2. Please provide details of what difference this will make and wider project benefits in the box below
3. Please provide details of anticipated outputs and outcomes to be achieved from this project

Number of households receiving support	
Number of households supported to take up energy efficiency measures	
Number of people reached	

Outputs need to be delivered by the end of the programme.
See the Call document for definitions.

4. Please provide details of anticipated outputs and outcomes to be achieved from this project

Timescale for project (note: end date for delivery must be by 31 st March 2024)	Start	Click or tap to enter a date.	End	Click or tap to enter a date.
--	--------------	-------------------------------	------------	-------------------------------

5. Please clearly provide details of total cost and a clear breakdown of total expenditure

Total grant value (delivery)	£
Management & Administrative cost (max 10% of grant value)	£
Total value applied for	£
Please provide details of any other funding applied for, if this has been secured or not including who will benefit	

Activity 1 – details of expenditure itemise individually	
Details of expenditure	Cost
Estimate of total cost	£

Activity 2 – details of expenditure itemise individually	
Details of expenditure	Cost



Combined Funds – UKSPF, HSF, WYCA
BCMDC Cost of Living support programme – September 2023

Estimate of total cost		£

(Copy the table above if you include more than two activities)

6. Other related grants

Has your organisation received any funding from Bradford Council in the past 12 months?	Choose an item.
---	-----------------

Name of funds	Project Details (including completion date)	Amount Received

7. Additional evidence to be attached with this application form

Evidence of constitution / governance document	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bank statement clearly stating your organisation’s name and bank details (transactions can be redacted)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Safeguarding policy for working with children and vulnerable adults (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of public liability insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copies of quotations	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Declaration

I confirm that the information provided in this form is correct. I agree with the criteria and terms & conditions set out in the Call document. I have attached all the requested documents.

Print name	
Signature	
Position in organisation	
Date	



Combined Funds – UKSPF, HSF, WYCA
BCMDC Cost of Living support programme – September 2023

Submit the application form and requested documents via e-mail to the respective District Area Office by 30th September 2023.

Bradford East	bradfordeastinformation@bradford.gov.uk 01274 431066
Bradford South	BradfordSouthAreaOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01274 431155
Bradford West	BradfordWestInfo@bradford.gov.uk 01274 432597
Keighley	KeighleyAreaCoordinatorsOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01535 618008
Shipley	ShipleyAreaOffice@bradford.gov.uk 01274 437146

DRAFT

To be tabled for the Area Committee meeting

DRAFT

This page is intentionally left blank

SUMMARY SHEET FOR COMBINED FUNDING BRADFORD SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE - OCTOBER 2023

REF	WARD	GROUP / ORGANISATION	AMOUNT WANTED	TOTAL COST	PURPOSE	GRANTS ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATION
1/CF	Great Horton	Scholemoor Beacon CIO	£3,485	£3,485	Food savers market and other essential items	APPROVE - £3485
2/CF	Royds	Bradford Park Avenue AFC Juniors	£9,500	£9,500	Food bank, warm space, and accessible boxes for families	NIL – INFORMATION REQUESTED NOT RECEIVED
3/CF	Tong	Kyffin Place Community Centre	£9,385	£9,385	Advice worker, warm packs, and resources	APPROVE - £9,385
4/CF	All Wards in South	Staying Put	£10,000	£10,000	Information, advice and guidance re budgeting, food parcels and tangible items for vulnerable groups	APPROVE - £10,000
5/CF	Great Horton	European Drom	£10,000	£10,000	Hygiene packs and support workers	APPROVE - £10,000
6/CF	All Wards in South	Bradford Community Kitchen	£5,000	£5,000	Food parcels and hot meals for the homeless and vulnerable	APPROVE - £5,000
7/CF	Queensbury	Queensbury Community Programme Ltd	£10,000	£11,429.60	Support/provide resources to families and older people through the winter months	APPROVE - £7,900
8/CF	Queensbury	We are Queensbury Community Hub and Foodbank	£10,000	£10,000	Food parcels, warm packs, and Breakfast boxes	APPROVE - £10,000
9/CF	Royds & Wyke	Independent Children and Families Services	£10,000	£10,000	Welfare Advisor, food parcels and costs	NIL – INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION PROVIDED, NOT DEMONSTRATED LOCAL BENEFICIARIES AND APPROPRIATE CONNECTIONS

SUMMARY SHEET FOR COMBINED FUNDING BRADFORD SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE - OCTOBER 2023

REF	WARD	GROUP / ORGANISATION	AMOUNT WANTED	TOTAL COST	PURPOSE	GRANTS ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATION
10/CF	Great Horton	Lidget Green Healthy Living Centre	£4,400	£4,400	Specialist energy advisor, food costs and emergency goods	APPROVE - £4,400
			£81,770		TOTAL	£60,170.00
					AMOUNT AVAILABLE	£141,848.00
					FUNDS RETURNED FROM UKSPF FUNDING PREVIOUS ROUND	£3,580.80
					TOTAL AVAILABLE	£145,428.80
					MINUS PROPOSED ALLOCATION	£60,170.00
					AMOUNT REMAINING FOR ALLOCATION	£85,258.80



Report of the Strategic Director of the Department of Place to the meeting of the Bradford South Area Committee to be held on Thursday 19 October 2023

Subject:

Bradford South Locality Plan 2022-2025

Summary statement:

This report provides an update on the delivery of the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022 - 2025. As part of the Council-wide programme of 'Strengthening Locality Working', the Neighbourhood Service is working with other Council services and partner agencies, to deliver priorities outlined within the 5 Locality Plans, one for each constituency that make up the Bradford District.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

The District Plan and Locality Plans are underpinned by a cross cutting principle of tackling inequality in our communities and aim to deliver a broad range of projects, approaches and partnership interventions to provide support to our diverse communities. As a Council, we have committed to keeping equalities at the heart of what we do - 'This means everyone can access services regardless of their background, that we embrace our different communities across the whole district and that we build an inclusive organisation.' In collaboration with partners, we will support this approach, address inequality and improve opportunities for communities across our district.

David Shepherd
Strategic Director Place
Phone: 01274 434748/433761
E-mail: david.shepherd@bradford.gov.uk

Portfolio:
Leader of the Council

Report Contact: Ishaq Shafiq
Bradford South Area Coordinator
Phone: (01274) 431155
E-mail: ishaq.shafiq@bradford.gov.uk

Overview & Scrutiny Area:
Health and Social Care

1. SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the delivery of the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022 - 2025. As part of the Council-wide programme of 'Strengthening Locality Working', the Neighbourhood Service is working with other Council services and partner agencies, to deliver priorities outlined within the 5 Locality Plans, one for each constituency that make up the Bradford District.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The vision for the Strengthening Locality Working approach is to build safe, strong and active localities where citizens and local leaders are empowered to work alongside public agencies and partners to address local needs and issues. Working collaboratively and creatively, they utilise local assets, resources and opportunities to enhance community capacity and tackle inequalities. People are at the heart of service design and delivery, and experience coordinated support within their localities and only need to tell their story once. A stronger focus on prevention and early help promotes better outcomes for local people and helps reduce the need for statutory interventions wherever possible.
- 2.2 To achieve the vision the project advocates a stronger role for Bradford Council and its partners as a leader and place shaper, aligning delivery and resources, renewing the emphasis on the role of Area Committees and supporting local councillors in their capacity as democratic champions.
- 2.3 The project has seen the strengthening of resource and capability within the Neighbourhood Service, including the recruitment of 15 Assistant Ward Officers and five Stronger Communities Engagement Officers and a broadening of the role and influence of Area Co-ordinators as convenors of place across the district teams.
- 2.5 This work is underpinned by developing arrangements for a Council-wide locality approach to prevention and early help that promotes collaboration between Council colleagues (and then with wider partners) to better support individuals, families and communities across the District. By prevention we mean, preventing or delaying problems from arising in the first place so that everyone across the Bradford District – whatever locality they come from – can live a long, healthy, and full life. In turn, Early Help is about tackling problems head-on when they emerge, intervening early before problems escalate. At the heart of both Prevention and Early Help is a constant focus on **what's strong, not what's wrong**. We work closely with communities to make the most of their assets, resources and opportunities, empowering citizens and local leaders to work alongside public agencies and partners to address local needs in a collaborative and creative way.
- 2.6 Delivered well, the Locality Plans will:
 - Increase organisational resilience through a common understanding and approach to locality working;
 - Evidence outcomes delivered against the Council and District plan priorities;
 - Promote community capacity and improve outcomes to be delivered for communities;

- Reduce inequalities and improve access to support for individuals and communities;
- Allow individuals and communities to access multi-disciplinary early help that ultimately prevents/reduces/delays the need for intervention by statutory services.

2.7 “Bradford South Locality Plans and Ward Plans 2022 – 2025” (Document F) were considered by Bradford South Area Committee at its meeting held on 8 September 2022. This meeting was not concluded and immediately adjourned following the news of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. This was represented and the Locality and Ward plans adopted at the Bradford South Area Committee meeting on Thursday 29 September 2022.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 The Locality Plan set out priorities for Bradford South, working with its partner agencies, communities and residents to address between 2022 and 2025 as part of a 3 year plan. This is building on the work that Bradford Council, its partners and communities have undertaken over recent years.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1.1 This work falls within the current budget and resources of the Neighbourhood Service and other Council resources that are available for the Strengthening Locality Working programme.

4.1.2 The Locality and Ward Plans priorities assist the Area Committee in its place-based area management role, and to inform the allocation of Area Committee budgets.

4.1.3 Officer support for co-ordination to take forward the Locality and Ward Plans will be provided by the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator’s Office.

4.1.4 The Bradford South Locality and Ward Plans 2022 – 2025 are used to inform the budget-setting processes and service-planning throughout the authority and partners.

4.1.5 The Bradford South Locality and Ward Plans 2022 – 2025 have been developed with and will be shared with key service-providers such as the Police, Health, social housing landlords and community organisations to request that these Plans be used to inform their own priority-setting processes.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

5.1 A key purpose of Strengthening Locality working is to reduce the demand on services.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no known legal implications from this work.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

7.1.1 One of the key themes in the Locality Plan aims to increase sustainability across the Area. The locality and Ward Plans provide more details on a range of actions, approaches, outcomes and indicators that address a range of Community Safety issues including anti-social behaviour.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

7.2.1 Locality approaches should reduce travel.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.3.1 Community Safety issues will be addressed within the Locality Plan. The locality and Ward Plans provide more details on a range of actions, approaches, outcomes and indicators that address a range of Community Safety issues including anti-social behaviour.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.4.1 There are no known issues.

7.5 TRADE UNION

7.5.1 There are no known issues.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.6.1 There will be positive implications for all Wards in the Bradford South Area if the Strengthening Locality Working programme achieves its objectives.

7.7 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

7.7.1 The views of young people have been considered in the development of the Locality Plan through a district wide survey and through consultation in Youth Work settings. It is hoped that through taking action in line with the priorities set out in the Locality Plan that the outcomes for children and young people across a range of priorities will be improved.

7.8 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

7.8.1 There are no known issues.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

8.1 There are no not for publication documents.

9. OPTIONS

- 9.1 This report is presented to the Bradford South Area Committee for information, discussion and comments.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Bradford South Area Committee:

- 10.1 Notes the progress and achievements of delivery of the priorities contained within the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022-2025, as set out in Appendix A of this report.
- 10.2 Agree that the Bradford South Area Co-ordinator presents a further progress report to the Bradford South Area Committee in 12 months, setting out the progress and achievements made for each of the priorities detailed in the Bradford South Locality Plan 2022-2025.

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix A: Bradford South Locality Plan progress and achievements report 2022-2025.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

“Locality working review: Bradford South Approach and creating Localities Plans for the area” (Document I) considered by the Bradford South Area Committee at its meeting held on 30 September 2021.

“Locality working review: Bradford South Approach and creating Localities Plans for the area” (Document I) considered by the Bradford South Area Committee at its meeting held on 28 October September 2021.

“Localities update and discussion” (Document ‘Q’) considered by Bradford South Area Committee at its meeting held on 2 December 2021.

“Bradford South Locality Plans and Ward Plans 2022 – 2025” (Document F) considered by Bradford South Area Committee at its meeting held on 8 September 2022. This meeting was not concluded and was immediately adjourned following the news of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

BRADFORD SOUTH – LOCALITY PLAN UPDATE REPORT

BETTER SKILLS, MORE GOOD JOBS AND A GROWING ECONOMY

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
<p>1. Development of village and / or service centres across Bradford South including increasing community building space for community-based training and activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills House are working with a range of partners to try and provide access to local training opportunities e.g. job search and applications, interview techniques and job readiness some locations include Woodside Village Hall, Wibsey Library and developing bi-weekly drop in at Queensbury Café. Work is taking place to explore other places in local libraries, community centres and other venues working alongside the Council Ward Officer Teams. • TFD locality hub operating now and home to an educational provider offering a range of courses and opportunities. The premises are also home to the Bradford South Children’s Trust and a range of parenting courses are available from the Hub. • Great Horton Community Hub - Supporting the development of the Great Horton Hub at Beldon Road to provide a range of activities for the local community. The Ward Officer and Assistant Ward Officer have supported this to create a partnership group that now includes staff from Skills House, Stronger Communities, Children Services, Youth Service, Libraries, Social Prescribing Team, and Reducing Inequalities Team and also European Drom – a community group set up by the EU Community. This will co-ordinate local events, better use of this community space and the provision of services at this location. • 18 organisations funded across Bradford South from UKSPF. This included projects to boost productivity, pay, jobs and living standards by growing the private sector, especially in those places where they are lagging. Spread opportunities and improve public services, especially in those places where they are weakest. Restore a sense of community, local pride and belonging, especially in those places where they have been lost and empower local leaders and communities, especially in those places lacking local agency. • Wyke Village/Towngate- seeking to establish a business network or forum to gauge interest from local traders. An initial walk-about has been conducted and businesses visited. Over the next few months, there will be further engagement. • We Are Queensbury Food Bank/Community Hub - Ward Officer and Assistant Ward Officer have been supporting We

	<p>are Queensbury in developing their core offer. The organisation secured £100K Lottery Funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With support from CABAD and Area Office, they are in the process of registering as a Charity status. Neighbourhood Warden and PCSO carry out a monthly Contact Point where residents can raise any issues. A benefit advisor is also on site. Skills House are in the process of Employment Advisors to work from We Are Queensbury Food Bank / Community Hub.
--	--

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
2. Increase awareness of business development and support opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills House have allocated a Business Engagement Officer and 3 Employment Advisers to South locality to work with alongside Ward officers to raise awareness of Skills House offer. • Skills House in partnership with Bradford South Neighbourhoods Team held a jobs Fair in July 2023 focussing on jobs in the Health and Social care sector. • Skills House English Language Hub – established and delivered from Wibsey library.

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
3. Increase accessibility of jobs and training opportunities locally through developing links with existing employers including employers within the Euro Way Industrial estate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills House have increased our vacancies which are advertised on the Skills House partnership this includes business such as Expect Distribution, GXO and other manufacturing companies. Skills House match these vacancies to jobseekers within the South locality. • Work to be developed to link Euroway Industrial estate businesses with community benefit projects / volunteering initially focussing on the BD4 area.

DECENT HOMES

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
1. Improve and maintain the quality of private-rented and social housing and empower tenants to address issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focused pieces of targeted work have taken place across Bradford South e.g. Great Horton Warden project targeted 4 streets with visual audits, home visits including education, awareness, and enforcement around properties with accumulated waste and referrals made to private sector housing on properties of concern over a number of weeks. Further work followed targeting businesses with waste issues. Another example is a 6-week intensive street audit of

	<p>Runswick Grove was carried out, with a focus on waste in gardens.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduled community driven clean ups are taking place throughout the year to encourage the use of local green spaces/parks/woodland. • Local Neighbourhood Wardens - active in the community promoting recycling, reporting fly tipping and facilitating community litter picks. Distribution of bags, gloves, picks, and collection of waste. • The proposed use of People on Probation (PoP's)- to removing graffiti, clearing wasteland and decorating public places and buildings. The goal is to improve cleanliness in (grot spot) areas throughout the ward identified by local residents and elected members. • HOPE Park clean-up was completed including community Clean ups involving partners such as Wibsey Clean Team and Friends of Scaley Hill (FOSH).
--	--

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
2. Winter support for vulnerable residents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of organisations funded across Bradford South have received funding for Warm Spaces/ Welcoming Spaces where residents can go to a warm place to sit, chat and have a hot drink. Digital website available with more information https://costoflivingbradford.co.uk/ • Tasty Chewsdays at St Mary's Church, Wyke. A warm and welcoming warm space for senior citizens (every Tuesday) that offers various activities, such as exercise, games, bingo, etc, with a freshly prepared meal and dessert. (Access bus available) • Holiday Activity and Food Programme – providing funding to a broad range of voluntary sector organisations across Bradford South. This includes a mixed offer of food parcels, warm food and activities to people of all ages.

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
3. Helping people manage household budgets including energy efficiency help.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18 organisations funded UKSPF supported local community groups including supporting residents with budgeting and assistance with energy efficiency information and advice. • Welfare advice services funding provided by Council to a range of providers across Bradford South including financial assessments and support e.g. Welfare Benefit advisors from CHAS hold surgeries at We Are Queensbury Food Bank.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Doctors are looking at working with We Are Queensbury Food Bank in supporting families around household budgeting, energy efficiency and cooking on a low budget. • Cost of Living support continues through voluntary sector colleagues eg Sandale Trust's wide ranging support including social supermarket, hot meals and community shop, Café South at Buttershaw Youth Centre, offering breakfast to BBEC pupils on way to school, promotion of debt and benefit advice at regular sessions by CHAS and also Incommunities Money Matters team. Royds councillors also used Covid support funding for extra work by Green Doctors up to March 2023, so partners including schools were able to refer residents struggling with energy bills for help last winter.
--	--

GOOD START, GREAT SCHOOLS

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
<p>1. Concern for the number of children and young people that are not in education and at risk of exploitation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of new website: https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk/. • The Children's Trust now have additional Attendance Improvement Officers working with the Early Help Co-ordinator's on targeted attendance cases in order to improve school attendance in Bradford South. This has been funded for 12 months, after which time we should have some data around the impact. • Bradford Youth Service works with Neighbourhood Policing Teams, Childrens Social Care, Early Help and Bradford Childrens Trust inc Breaking the Cycle, B Positive Pathways / Edge of Care services. This multi-agency approach allows Youth Workers to offer bespoke support. <p>Great Horton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 58 (4.4%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour. <p>Queensbury</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 40 (3.0%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour. <p>Royds</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 80 (6%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour. <p>Tong</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 99 (7.4%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour. This work is further supported by the development of Holmewood Community Safety Partnership. 99 (7.4%) <p>Wibsey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 44 (3.3%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour. <p>Wyke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Work team have identified and targeted support at 31 (2.3%) young people via outreach and detached youth work. These sessions have allowed youth workers to build trust and engage young people in opportunities that reduce anti-social behaviour and risk-taking behaviour.
--	---

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>2. Wider offer of co-produced youth provision and junior youth provision including working with schools.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Service development of relationship with all secondary schools. Youth Service development of Moving Up project supporting transition. Youth Service development of co-produced youth provision. <p>Great Horton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with <i>Coop Grange Academy</i>. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community based support. Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported several individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school. The Youth Service works in partnership with <i>Scholemoor Beacon</i> to co-produce a targeted weekly youth work session that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation. <p>Queensbury</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with <i>Trinity Academy</i>. Over the last year students have been

supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community-based support.

- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported several individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with Queensbury Community Partnership to co-produce the delivery of the Holiday Activity Programme that seeks to identify and support vulnerable young people.

Royds

- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with *Shoulder to Shoulder, Safe Space, Sandale Hub and Buttershaw Baptist Church* to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.

Tong

- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with both *Tong and Forsters Academies*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with e:merge, Outloud, Dance Utd and Bradford City FC to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.

Wibsey

- The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with *Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College*. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community based support.
- Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school.
- The Youth Service works in partnership with *Bradford Park Ave* to co-produce a targeted weekly youth work session that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation.

Wyke

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Youth Service has a strong working partnership with <i>Appleton Academy</i>. Over the last year students have been supported to improve their wellbeing, attendance and participation in community based support. • Over the summer the youth work team have identified and supported a number of individuals to feel more confident about starting secondary school. • The Youth Service works to identify partnerships that can begin to co-produce targeted weekly youth work sessions that seeks to reduce ASB and improve local participation. An example of this can be seen in the support offered to Youthology during 2022.
--	--

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>3. Increase opportunities for family support and early intervention including 0-5 social / educational activities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Children’s Trust now have 2 family navigators in post who are based in localities. They have been allocated wards and will be linking with local groups to offer support and signposting to families. The FYI site is up and running and has all of the information about what services are available from the family hubs, access to timetables and the ability to self-refer on to parenting courses and other sessions. • The oral health programme for children includes the continuation of the well-received fluoride varnish programme. The varnish programme is delivered to a target of 5000 children across the District and prior to COVID was exceeding this target, using a priority ward system (much of the South of the district is in the priority 2 area). This is picking up but is not yet back to pre-COVID levels. • Since autumn 2021 Public Health has managed the Council’s portion of DWP Household Support Fund monies allocated to increase the food supplies into food banks and food pantries, including those in South Bradford, and from October 2022, has established a fund for families who lack cots, beds and bedding for new babies and follow-on beds for young children, who are referred by health professionals to a local VCS provider. In July/August 2023 the online mental health support for young people provided by Kooth has held in-person sessions in Wyke library. • Youth Service signposting families to Early Help, Family Hubs and Local VCS organisations <p>Case studies:</p> <div data-bbox="571 1890 1506 2042" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Today, I have closed the file for X who, was referred by the school safeguarding team for issues related to bereavement. X struggled to understand her emotions related to the passing of a family member and wanted to learn more about what was going on. The weekly</p> </div>

<p>sessions focused primarily on understanding emotions and relating them to bereavement, helping X to connect with how she felt and understand that the feelings are perfectly natural, and everyone deals with bereavement differently. Part of the work focused on the triangular understanding of thoughts impact feelings, which in turn affects behaviour. Developing an understanding of this in a visual representation enabled X to understand the process. The final session today we picked out the skills learnt and how they can be applied when times might become more difficult.</p>
<p>X has had support to manage her emotions and reduce episodes of feeling overwhelmed over struggles she has with peers and school work, X is now communicating well with her teachers and the support staff in school who have seen a reduction in the need for time out due to anxiety. Her attendance at school has improved and she is getting on well with her peer group. School are happy for sessions to end and give X the opportunity to practice the techniques she has learnt for grounding and managing her feelings and emotions and the skills to build and maintain her friendships with peers.</p>
<p>This young person has engaged extremely well and has made some positive steps, interventions for the young person have not only come from the youth service but school have helped with a joint approach. The outcomes for the young person have been gradual and they will continue now that I am finishing working with the young person. When I began working with them, they felt that they did need additional support and that they did need assessing for neuro diversity, but their parents were unwilling for them to have this support. Through working with school and parents they have now agreed to have some test done and are now supporting the young person to take counselling sessions which they had objected to in the past. The young person has travelled a long way since we first met and has grown in confidence gaining the ability to speak with not only myself but now having the confidence to speak to their parents which they had struggled to do in the past.</p>
<p>X has been supported to manage the overwhelming feelings he has while attending school. He has always struggled in school due to ASD and identity, he has experienced a large amount of feeling bullied and excluded by peers and has been unable to manage and maintain friendships. X has engaged well in sessions and the focus has been to achieve the most out of his exams ready for college next year. We have carried out a number of community interventions and had days out travel training and visiting local college provisions. We identified and applied to a number of colleges offering the chosen subject and X now has a place he is happy with at Bradford college. He will continue to be supported outside of school through youth sessions and youth worker support but has now left school and feels his main cause of anxiety has now been removed through leaving school. X</p>

has been supported to re-engage with peers he had previously lost contact with and is rebuilding these friendships slowly.

Client has received both home and walk and talk visits in the community and has support to understand the risky behaviour she is engaged with. Her behaviour has escalated, and the family have been on CIN plan and escalated to a CP Plan. Throughout this process X has had regular home visits which have been positive, and she was opening up about her family relationships, lack of feelings towards her mum and dad and was open and honest about her wear about and behaviours when reported as a MISPER and we were exploring why others were concerned for her safety at these times. I have supported mum and gran to identify ways to de-escalate situations with X and more recently the younger sibling and support her to approach CSC for additional help. I have attended a number of core group meetings and made referrals to Breaking the Cycle after concerns regarding CSE. Following a number of core group meetings where SC cancelled without notice and allegations towards mum, X has now disengaged from support and will not stay home for me to visit. I have updated CSC of my recent visits and concerns and have explained without agreed engagement there is nothing further our service can do.

X has worked through issues related to being placed in care and his feelings towards mum for this. We have explored techniques to manage his outbursts in class and prevention and de-escalation to reduce C1,2,3,4, and removal from class. He lives away from the area but is aware of the local youth service provisions in BD4/3 areas and has attended in the past. X knows he spends very long hours online gaming and accepts these effects his ability to concentrate and make correct choices at school. X has recently withdrawn from attending school and so welfare agreed to close the file until confirmation is received about his future education

X was referred for support in understanding emotions and developing coping strategies that reduced the for support and increased resilience and autonomy. The referral made through CAHMS crisis, referred to areas of self harm, low mood and low confidence. After a home visit, a conservation and assessment on the issues related to the assessment it was deemed a one to one community approach would be the start of the interventions. A weekly one to one session was established at the local youth centre, creating a safe and stable base for the young person to a positive relationship. The weekly sessions focused on elements of cognitive behaviour looking at areas of psycho-education. The education focused around understanding anxiety and reducing the stigma, developing an awareness of evolutionary safety mechanisms including fight and flight and investigating the origins of distress. Awareness of these areas creates choice for the young person and helps to shape an understanding of this is a natural feeling. Over the weeks we have questioned some origins of automatic negative

thoughts and played games such as detective and finding the clues which has helped identify where some of these thoughts have come from and re framed them to think differently. X has developed a number of skills through this process that have enabled her to make some difficult choices, gain understanding of self and practice doing things differently. I now find it time to allow X to transition into some of the group work we have, moving X to a more positive destination, creating independence and agency.

Today I have closed the file for X as the young person has now finished their GCSEs and has left school. X was originally referred for support with anxiety and understanding emotions. This has been a longer than usual set of interventions that has lasted the entire year 11 academic timetable. Working on a one to one therapeutic basis within Tong school X and I have navigated some very important parts of the difficulties experienced through year 11. Working through many incidences of trauma related to past experiences, we have worked hard to understand and process those elements, to safely enter into the stresses of year 11. Identity and understanding self have been constant themes throughout the course of the interventions and with some person centred supporting help X to identify their own pathways has resulted in a positive approach to this topic. I have liaised with safeguarding and pastoral support to help the next educational provider create a similar safe and supportive environment on the next journey of academic development and this has been well received by X. Creating a positive Male relationship has helped to model different behaviours to past experience creating an awareness that trust in personal and professional relationships is possible even after trauma. X leaves the School with a better understanding of self, has an awareness of the impact of their choices and has developed skills to combat negative thinking.

X was referred for gender related issues. X was not feeling comfortable with own identity and it resulted in self isolating X risked relationships breakdown due individuals peoples perceptions on LGBTQIA+.

X fell out on a number of time with mums insistence of gender code of dressing.

X had Gender Discomfort Issues resulting in emotional wellbeing compromised such as stress and isolating.

While X lives less than a minute from the youth club, X never attended any sessions.

Xs Gender Discomfort Issues had led X to self isolating at home. Though X attended school,

X would come straight from school to the bedroom. My engagement with X created a space of gender equality. X found that there was support for what ever identity one chooses to be from the youth service.

X engage in our YIM sessions, spoke freely about LGBTQIA+. X started feeling comfortable with people at the youth club.

	<p>X needed acceptance of who X is. Confidence building activities during one to one and group sessions help helped build resilience in X.</p> <p>Now X speaks freely without fear and ready to challenge any form of stereo type that is gender discriminating.</p> <p>After Xs long holiday which ends in September X is looking forward to do some volunteering work that promotes gender equality.</p> <p>I am happy for X and Xs mum that both are in support of each other to help X feel good about self identity. X is emotionally happy and is no longer stressed about identity issue.</p>
--	--

BETTER HEALTH, BETTER LIVES

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
<p>1. Reduce loneliness and isolation for adults.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health budget provides support to the Library service to expand its health and wellbeing activity and to address four health related themes including ‘reducing Social Isolation’. Libraries are increasingly operating as community hubs, they are free to use, host a wide range of activities including many that help to alleviate social isolation. All library staff are now offered Level 1 health literacy training, provided by the local Public health team and accredited by the Royal Society of Public Health. Libraries also hold collections of wellbeing books and leaflets including the ‘20-minute walking’ leaflets. • Befriending and Volunteering Manager supporting those needing befriending, recruiting and training volunteers of all ages, who will support local events and provide one to one support to local people who are lonely or isolated, for example accompanying them to a craft group, walking group or luncheon club, taking them to a health appointment, calling in with groceries and staying for a cup of tea, etc <i>(Started April 2023, runs for 2 years – active in Queensbury, Royds, Wibsey & Great Horton wards – current challenges include the number of people willing to become volunteers, & matching volunteer with patients where they have specific needs (e.g. language barriers).</i> • Reasons for take up of Befriending found to date include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social isolation, - housebound, - loss of partner/ spouse, - terminal illness, - no local family network/ family have moved away, - suffering from depression, - lacking in confidence,

- (also could become volunteers themselves potentially)
- Increasing membership and participation at patient participation groups, men's groups, coffee mornings, events and community health checks through promotion via letters, social media, and organisational websites, and all teams connecting and making cross referrals (*Bradford South wide*).
- Teams of social prescribers linked to each GP surgery working with the community for those needing non-medical support. (*Bradford South wide*).
- 340 referrals were received across April – July 2023 by the social prescribing team at the WOW community partnership, (*active in Queensbury, Royds, Wibsey & Great Horton wards*) to support local people, many with complex needs including:
 - social isolation & loneliness
 - financial issues related to the cost of living crisis
 - welfare rights/ debt/ housing issues
 - mental health – anxiety, depression or low mood
 - people living with dementia
 - parents with children diagnosed with neurodiversity
 - drugs and alcohol issues (often together with housing issues – sofa surfing)
- Wellbeing hub at the Sutton Centre, (*Tong ward*) and another in development at Great Horton village hall, providing face to face support (food pantry, mental health support, debt and welfare advice, support for refugees and asylum seekers, help with alcohol/ substance misuse issues). Social prescribers will also commence outreach work at the Great Horton hub from late October 2023 (*Great Horton ward*).
- Neighbourhood Connect now rolled out across Bradford South early help and intervention support for people with lower-level health needs encouraging connecting to activities taking place locally, improving social connectedness and reducing isolation (*Bradford South wide*).
- Living Well Hub established at Sutton Centre delivering a range of health, social and wellbeing activities. Great Horton Ward Hub being extended to include wider health offer. TFD Centre providing a wider offer of activities – more work planned to extend and develop a marketing strategy. Work supported by a range of partners.
- Older Peoples Day Care Opportunities fund – range of community groups funded across Bradford South providing local day care services and activities.
- Digital Inclusion Programme – providing access to devices; the internet and the skills to engage in the digital world across

	Bradford South. Digital connectivity significantly helps to reduce loneliness, isolation and will help to improve connectiveness.
--	---

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
2. Support the development of Dementia Friendly Communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health budget provides support to the library service to expand its health and wellbeing activity. Library staff are offered training on being dementia friendly and Mental Health First Aid training. • Local task and finish groups have been recently held with professionals and citizens with lived experience to shape how we can become more Dementia friendly across Bradford South – (<i>active in Queensbury, Royds, Wibsey & Great Horton wards to start with</i>). • Agreed that training modules on Dementia Awareness developed by the university will be undertaken by all patient/citizen facing staff to support greater Dementia awareness. • Improving the quality and timing of information given to those living with Dementia, and their carers. • Increasing attendance at Dementia ‘facing it together’ support groups and Dementia friendly cafes, reducing the stigma, and encouraging conversations to improve self-esteem of those living with Dementia, and make friends with people who share the condition. • Age UK advisers carrying out assessments in people’s own homes, (or at the GP surgery or local community centre if preferred) to assist in claiming any appropriate financial benefits, arranging for home adaptations such as handrails or alert devices, keeping people safe and independent, and giving advice as people’s conditions or circumstances change. • Continue to seek feedback from front line colleagues including district nurses who carry out Dementia reviews with patients, and from the patients themselves to ensure our workforce are more aware of Dementia and better able to support people living with Dementia. • Dementia Friendly Communities event held at the Wyke Christian Community Church to identify ways to make Wyke Village dementia friendly and raise awareness of early onset dementia in the community and the support/services available. (Alzheimer’s Society, Carer’s Resource, Adult Services and families living with Dementia were in attendance).

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>3. Work with partners in health Community Partnerships to connect people with services more effectively to prevent ill health.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wyke Health & Wellbeing Fair, Friday 14th July 2023. Held at St Mary's Church Hall in Wyke with Affinity Care Partnership. It offered a one stop shop of information on various topics, including breast screening and prostate cancer, along with health/ blood pressure checks- the aims and objectives to: <p>Identify people with high blood pressure, and other health related issues who have previously not had a confirmed diagnosis, and to refer them to general practice to confirm diagnosis and for appropriate management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop Smoking support is targeted through GP practices with the highest smoking prevalence. Seven of nine GP practices in Bradford South have a smoking prevalence rate that is higher than the national average. Practices will be supported to provide stop smoking behavioural support at their premises through a trained Level 2 Stop Smoking Practitioner or through the Living Well Service. • In 2022, 412 inactive people from Bradford South were referred into <i>Bradford Encouraging Exercise in People (BEEP) service</i> - Living Well's multi-agency exercise referral scheme for adults. This was 22% of total referrals across the District and a 125% increase in new referrals from Bradford South, reflecting higher use of the service by our health partners for their patients. The majority of people referred had never exercised before and were living with long-term health conditions. Adults who become active on a regular basis can halve their risk of developing long-term health conditions such as obesity, diabetes, hypertension, some cancers, Coronary Heart Disease and bone conditions. 75% (327) of people from Bradford South opted for a referral to Sedbergh Sport and Leisure facility which offers a heavily discounted membership to BEEP clients. Home exercise options (23), Bowling pool (38), swimming lessons (13) are some of the other popular choices. After 12 weeks of the programme, 79% of those that attended their 12 week review appointment were now classed as active. • Obesity costs the NHS £6 billion a year and is a complex problem with social, genetic, and biological factors all at play. Two major campaigns were developed and have had good engagement from the public and partners in all areas including Bradford South. Like many public health issues, it requires a wide range of solutions - better access to treatment, improved food quality and nutritional education, reduced exposure of our communities to aggressive promotions and advertising which encourage people to eat foods high in fat, sugar and salt, and for households to be

able to afford a healthier diet. One local approach is the *Living Well Takeaways Work* - More people are ordering takeaway food on a regular basis as part of their diet. The Living Well team is working with a number of takeaway owners and staff across Bradford district including Bradford South. The aim is to support businesses to offer healthier food options for customers, to help combat increasing levels of obesity across the district. The work aligns with the Bradford Good Food Strategy.

- Local GP surgeries and their patient participation groups are working together with area coordinators, ward officers, Living Well, statutory services and VCS organisations as 'Community Partnerships' to deliver a range of projects designed to reduce health inequalities and give citizens the support and tools they need to live happier healthier lives (*Bradford South wide*).
- Proactive health and wellbeing work focussing on supporting the reduction of obesity, (*Bradford South wide*) stopping smoking, with more intensive hand holding for those who need it to achieve a quit (*in Tong & Wyke wards*), and making greater use of green spaces for sport, leisure and relaxation (*Bradford South wide*).
- Baby Circles, a social meeting place and support group for expectant and new parents, (including teenage mums) incorporating advice on breastfeeding, weaning and nutrition, better mental health, reducing domestic abuse, positive parenting and baby weighing (*in Tong & Wyke wards*).
- Support group for parents of children with mental health issues (including those with autism, and ADHD) including mental health first aid training, self care awareness, etc (*in Tong & Wyke wards*).
- Increasing awareness of and uptake of Living Well activities designed to support us all to eat better, move more, try new activities and stay healthier (*Bradford South wide*).
- Working with local partners who provide support local communities such as Restore recovery college, faith establishments, charities and friends of local parks groups, to ensure local people know how to access activities they may enjoy, and through volunteering can make a buddy to attend with, where required (*Bradford South wide*).
- Community based health checks (over 730 carried out so far) across all wards, (*Bradford South wide*) which measure height, weight, blood pressure, test for hypertension, diabetes, anaemia, and vitamin D deficiency, and ensure clinical follow up by the patient's own GP where it is required.
- Over 140 people found to have high blood pressure.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 560 people found to have health issues (other than high blood pressure) including issues such as type 2 diabetes, overweight/ obese, deficient in iron or vitamin D etc – which have all been followed up by the patient’s own GP practice. • Walking and Wellbeing Groups continue to be supported and developed across Bradford South with support from Living Well Team including work with Friends of Group e.g. Bracken Hill Park.
--	--

SAFE, STRONG, AND ACTIVE COMMUNITIES

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
<p>1. Develop locality approaches to dealing with domestic violence and abuse.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings have been held with the South Area team, and a plan is agreed to implement the localities response to DASV in each ward. The plan includes a focus on engaging and educating young people, ensuring officers and partners have completed DASV training, embedding Operation Encompass within the schools, rolling out the Not ok Never ok across the area, developing a Safe Spot in each ward, working with the Police and local hairdressers on the Cut it Out campaign, driving the Ask Angela campaign in partnership with the Bradford Bid, and increasing awareness of DASV services within the communities through community engagement and via Early Help. • It was agreed that this work would start in the Tong Ward and then every 12 weeks following a review the work would progress in the next wards. • Additionally, all of the Wardens in South have been trained on DASV Recognising & Responding Training, and Active By-stander training and have supported the distribution of awareness raising posters across the locality signposting members of the community to support services and further information. • Bradford Youth Service staff attended a professional development day delivered in partnership with the DASV and Red Flag theatre company increasing awareness around the impact DASV has on children and Young People. Theatre performances and workshops are planned to be delivered across the wards to young people to increase their understanding and knowledge around DASV. • Early Help Co-ordinators as part of the Children’s Trust attend community settings such as open access drop ins (locations not disclosed) where support and referrals are made to appropriate agencies for DV.

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>2. Dealing with inappropriate use of quads and nuisance motorbikes and other anti-social driving.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASB Officers have been working with the Police Steerside team and other partners in identifying and dealing with the perpetrators of nuisance motorbikes across the Bradford South area. • Where hotspot areas have been identified leaflet drops and door knocks have been undertaken to improve community confidence in reporting anti-social behaviour and providing reassurance that we will take appropriate action where necessary. • A number of ASB interventions and Tenancy warnings have been issued to those identified as being involved. This is an ongoing process. • Officers have attended partner agencies and have given briefing sessions on the powers and tools available in dealing with these issues. • Partners have been encouraged to report any issues via the Partnership Intelligence Portal. • Positive outcomes have been published on social media to again encourage people to continue to report concerns and show action can and will be taken. • Weeks of actions have been carried out in partnership with local primary schools, NPT, Bradford Council Warden, WO/AWO, and Neighbourhood Wardens tackling illegal parking. These have been jointly carried out with days of education work – where parents are advised and encouraged to park in a safe manner, followed by days of enforcement where there has been zero tolerance. • Joint work with residents from Shibden Valley, Bradford South NPT, Calderdale NPT, Neighbourhood Warden, WO/AWO was carried out on how to report ASB. This resulted in the number of residents reporting inappropriate use and storage of Quad and off-street bikes, which provided intelligence. • Police Community Engagement Van. Three weekly scheduled engagement days take place within Wards where residents can meet Police, Council and Incommunities officers in an informal way through the van and get information on various topics such as help for victims of crime, police recruitment, crime prevention, as well as advice and other information regarding council services. The van offers another way to reach out to residents. • The Ward Leadership Team (WLT) provides an opportunity for partners and elected members to contribute, engage, raise issues and discuss tactical options with all partners as part of

	<p>ward-based problem solving. Main drivers for the agenda will be task and finish groups, providing feedback on actions taken and achievements to date, based on outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Door to door work with councillors, Incommunities and NPT staff has regularly taken place to promote the need to report where nuisance bikes are stored. Five intelligence gathering door knocks in support of Operation Scribestoke were held over summer 2023. • Locations for physical work to deter bikes have been identified and the work will be funded by Safer Streets 4 – two snickets in Woodside and Buttershaw. • Case Study 2023: utilising task and finish groups, the WLT developed solutions to nuisance tenants at the Acre, Delph Hill, causing massive ASB, fly tipping, and threatening behaviours. The combination of our efforts led to an injunction barring the principal culprit from residing at the property and ultimately securing an eviction from the property through Incommunities tenant enforcement team.
--	--

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>3. Developing information about neighbourhood resources and activities which is kept up to date for use by all partners working.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Neighbourhood Service has recently started Neighbourhood Connect for staff to link residents referred to local groups or services in an effort to reduce loneliness and isolation and to find social activities, positively impacting on their physical and mental health. A key part of this project involves setting up an updating a local directory of activities and services. • The BD6 directory was begun a year ago and is constantly being updated – this will feed into an area wide resource in development.

A SUSTAINABLE DISTRICT

Priority	Update on actions and outcome
<p>1. Encourage connections between partners and schools with young people and the environment to create an understanding of the importance of climate issues.</p>	<p>2. Greener Cleaner Schools – The AWO piloted an eight-week project at St Oswald’s Primary School to provide an opportunity for pupils to learn and collectively take action for the environment, including reducing a school’s carbon footprint, improving plant and animal biodiversity, saving energy, increasing recycling, improving air quality within and around the school, building wildlife habitats, healthy eating and reducing food miles.</p> <p>The programme aims to help students stay healthy and ready to learn. 60 pupils took part in this project which was held</p>

	<p>from March 2023 to June 2023 to June and finished with an educational trip.</p> <p>3. Project work have taken place in schools providing education and awareness on climate change e.g., Neighbourhood Warden and Assistant Ward Officer supported Bracken Hill Primary School with litter picking in Bracken Hill Park, to support the school's curriculum on Pollution and Climate. A pupil commented they enjoyed "exploring their local environment".</p> <p>4. Regular litter picks take place across Bradford South supported by the Bradford South Neighbourhoods Team e.g., Neighbourhood Warden and local PCSOs in partnership with 5 local primary schools in Queensbury have carried out regular litter picks in creating a cleaner environment. Also, attending school council meetings to undertake education work around climate issues.</p>
--	---

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>2. Linking people with food growing opportunities and developing new ones.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bradford South – two rounds of a district-wide small grants (Public Health) programme were funded by Public Health, to support community groups to start growing food, to expand an existing food growing project or to add food growing into an existing gardening or growing project. Projects in three wards in Bradford South (Queensbury, Wibsey and Great Horton) were successful in their applications.

Priority	Update on actions and outcomes
<p>3. Improve waste management behaviour, including increasing recycling rates, reducing fly-tipping, litter and enabling community action to restore pride in neighbourhoods.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycling Advisors attend events such as fun days, festivals, open days sharing key messages. Neighbourhood Wardens have taken part in Recycling Awareness Training delivered by Waste Services. The Recycling Team visit residents in the Bfd South District delivering information on what can and cannot be put in their grey recycle bins. The Advisors red tag recycle bins which are contaminated requesting them to remove the offending items. Advisors often support the wardens who request our help in raising awareness on recycling and reducing waste in their areas. Recycling and Waste collections transcend Ward boundaries; however, we focus mainly on areas of high contamination often with support from Wardens who have in-depth knowledge of the areas. The Recycling Team also visit families who have requested extra capacity for their domestic waste to check if they are recycling and doing all they can to reduce their waste. The red bus roadshow. Bringing together a wide range of services to provide advice and support to local people who

are concerned about money and rising costs. Offer practical help with energy efficiency and insulation, including support from advice workers, to help people save on fuel.

- Support provided to several formal and informal groups to undertake local litter picking and supporting programmes such as the Great British Spring Clean.