

Report of the Strategic Director – Environment and Sport to the meeting of the Keighley Area Committee to be held on 24 November 2016

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Subject:

Community engagement activities, April - September 2016

Summary statement:

This report provides information about community engagement activities undertaken by Keighley Area Co-ordinator's Office during April - September 2016.

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides information about community engagement activities undertaken by Keighley Area Co-ordinator's Office during April - September 2016.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Following a review of Community Engagement carried out by Keighley Area Co-ordinator's Office in 2015 Keighley Area Committee resolved that Ward Officers should use more of their time to develop more and varied ways of engaging with the public, e.g. Special Forums – on a specific topic of current local interest, events and activities targeted at specific people groups (e.g. older people or parents with young children), stalls at events organised by local community groups (e.g. Galas and Fun Days) and digital engagement (e.g. Facebook, Twitter and local websites).
- 2.3 Appendix A gives details of the community engagement activities that have been undertaken by Keighley Area Co-ordinator's Office (KACO) during the period April - September 2016. These have included 'traditional' Neighbourhood Forums, public meetings organised by KACO staff open to all but run on a different format to a Neighbourhood Forums, meetings targeted at particular 'people groups' (e.g. young people), attendance at meetings and other events organised by partner agencies or community groups, door-knocking and 'street consultations'.
- 2.4 This variety of approaches has proved much more effective at reaching a wider and more diverse range of the general public than normally attend Neighbourhood Forums.
- 2.5 The Area Co-ordinator's Office will continue to identify ways of making Neighbourhood Forums, and other forms of consultation and community engagement, relevant to the interests and character of each particular neighbourhood and works with elected Members on ways of increasing public attendance and engagement.
- 2.6 Ward Officers continue to have the flexibility to arrange public meetings in response to local issues that arise outside of the planned schedule of engagement activities, where a majority of Members representing the relevant Ward consider that a public meeting is required.
- 2.7 The importance of the use of the internet and Social Media (e.g. Facebook and Twitter) as a means of communication and consultation is recognised by KACO, and staff are looking at ways of developing their knowledge and use of digital media as a means of community engagement alongside meetings, events and activities. To help with this Ward Officers have recently been issued with Smartphones and these will also be issued to Youth Workers in the near future.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

No other considerations

4. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 Neighbourhood Forums and other community engagement activities are provided within existing financial resources.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

No significant risks.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

6.1 There are no legal implications for Bradford Council arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

Efforts are made to find ways to make sure that Neighbourhood Forums and other community engagement activities are accessible to all sections of the community.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Public consultation and involvement in decision-making leads to more sustainable solutions to local issues.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

No significant impacts.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Crime and community safety issues are discussed frequently at Neighbourhood Forums which are attended by representatives from West Yorkshire Police.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

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

7.6 TRADE UNION

There are no trade union implications arising from this report.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

The information in this report is relevant to all Wards in Keighley Area.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None.

9. OPTIONS

9.1 This report is provided primarily for information to, and comment by, the Area Committee.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 That the Area Committee notes the constructive engagement with a wide range of the public undertaken through community engagement activities by Keighley Area Co-ordinator's Office in the period April - September 2016.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A: Community Engagement – April - September 2016

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Community Engagement Activities – October 2015 – March 2016, Document 'AH', Keighley Area Committee, 14 April 2016

APPENDIX A**Community Engagement – April - September 2016****Craven Ward**

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Spencer Street Action Group	09/05/16	Kings Arms	5	Un -adopted roads issues and liaison with Co-op.
Health Group Silsden	12/05/16	Silsden Town Hall	6	Older people / later life support.
Friends of Silsden Town Hall	01/06/16	Silsden Town Hall	12	Wider community engagement and activities
Knit and Natter Group Steeton	20/06/15	Steeton Hub Building	15	Volunteering and funding raising activities for the wider community whilst addressing social isolation.
Later Years Cobbydale Health Group	23/06/18	Silsden Town Hall	5	
Friday Knit and Natter Group	01.07.16	Hub Building Steeton	15	Group development and future planning
Older People's Event	02.07.16	Silsden Town Hall	60	Support of volunteers Friends of Silsden Town Hall, Event and people over 75+
Health – Breathe Easy Group	06.07.16	Steeton Hub Building	15	Promotion of Council Services and community issues, talk.
Steeton Hub Committee Meeting	06.07.16	Steeton Hub Building	12	Local issues, use of building and improvement of facilities for users WI Fi / Computer access.
Partner Reassurance Initiative	07.07.16	New Red Row Estate Steeton	150	Speaking and door knock local residents.
Well Being Cafe	21.07.16	Silsden Methodist Church	40	Promotion of Bradford Council Services, presentation and community issues.
Flooding - Addingham	27.07.16	Addingham	150	Public engagement around flooding issues
Later Life Cobbydale	03.08.16	Silsden Town Hall	8	Community Health Project - Stroke
New Group – Friends of Silsden Green Spaces	09.08.16	Red Lion Silsden	7	Working with local group and Bereavement Services
Addingham Parish Council	19.09.16	Parish Council Building	6	Group support and up-date / forward planning and tree issues.

Friends of Green Spaces Silsden	23.09.16	Silsden Cemetery	15	New group and community clean-up in partnership with Bereavement Services
Health Group – Later Life Cobbydale	28.09.16	Silsden Town Hall	4	Health Development Group - Silsden
Traffic Meeting / School	28.09.16	Hub Building Steeton	9	Forward planning and road safety issues in partnership with school, local organisations and council departments, police.

Ilkley Ward

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Ilkley Parish Council	4/4/16	Ilkley Town Hall	15	General updates – Cllr resident input
Ilkley Community Buildings	11/4/16	Ilkley Town Hall	22	Resident interest in Community Buildings
Ilkley Community Alcohol Partnership	15/4/16	Ilkley Grammar School	11	Partnership response alcohol problems
Open Air Forum + clean up	10/5/16	Riverside	15	New Deal – resident engagement, clean up
Open Air Forum + clean up	19/5/16	Riverside	16	New Deal – resident engagement, clean up
Ilkley Parish Council	6/6/16	Ilkley Town Hall	13	General updates – Cllr resident input
Ilkley Parish Council	4.7.16	Ilkley Town Hall	13	Update on People Can, Bins, Scratch and Sniff
Ilkley Community Day	7.7.16	Moors Shopping	31	Information sharing – determining priorities, promote No Excuses
Ilkley Parish Council	1.8.16	Ilkley Town Hall	14	Partnership work, information sharing
Day of Action Riverside	24.8.16	Riverside	40	Littering – Youth Service Support – consultation re amenities and littering
Friends of Riverside	24.08.16	Clarke Foley Centre	15	Discussed ‘Friends of Riverside’ littering, resident concerns
Re-establish Older peoples network	25.8.16	Ilkley CVS	4	Agreed Reestablishment of LS29 Older Peoples Reference group – scope and potential
Ilkley Parish Council	5.9.16	Ilkley Town hall	12	Partnership work, information sharing

Keighley Central Ward

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Food Partnership Keighley	5/4/16	Salvation Army Keighley	20	Co-ordinated approach to food partnership delivery points and related community issues.
Planned People Can Event Kly -	18/4/16	KCO	4	Event in partnership with Airedale Centre – July 2016.
Men's Health Group	18/4/16	Sangat Centre	20	Issue based meeting – Council Services Wardens/ Cleansing.
Women's Up date meeting	19/4/16	KIVCA	8	Forward planning women's development and future forums.
Fats and Oils Project Kly	11/05/16	KCO	6	New recycling initiative
Eastwood School	19/05/16	School	4	Recycling and forward development.
Older Men's Health Group	23/05/16	Sangat Centre	20	Issue based meeting and introduction of various statutory partners – recycling.
Rosh Ni Ghar – Women's Project	25/05/16	Rosh Ni Ghar	6	Funding and forward development and management planning.
Grouse Street Gardening Group	03/06/16	Lawkholme	5	New Community Group – Environment
Older People's Show Case / Drop – In Event	07/06/18	Central Hall	20	Promotion of Neighbourhood Service and People Can
Highfield Food Co-op	08/06/16	Highfield Lane	6	New Gardening Group Highfield / Highways Section
Iquball Volley Ball Group	13/06/16	Office	4	Funding and forward planning / development
Welcome Project	14/06/16	All St's Church Highfield	15	Welcome Project – Café Project, Volunteering across Keighley.
Mental Health Workshop	16/06/16	Central Hall	40	Health Workshop Keighley
Women's Forum Event	21/06/16	Central Hall	35	Women's event and capacity building Eastern European Communities.
Keighley Older Peoples Support Group	22/06/16	KCO	20	Support for older people in Keighley.
Women's Planning Meeting	28/06/16	St Anne's Catholic Club	15	Women's Collective health and well-being and community cohesion.
Planning Consultation Keighley	11.07.16	Keighley Library	50	Planning Issues across district – Keighley

Al Hikmah Group	12.07.16	Al Hikmah Centre Beechcliffe	7	Community planning and developments Utleigh / Beechcliffe.
Eastwood School Recycling Parents Forum	13.07.16	Eastwood Primary School	40	Take up and promotion of recycling.
Men's Health Group	18.07.16	Sangat Centre	15	Community issues, police, health and well being
Health Meeting	19.07.16	Central Hall	50	Pilot Health Initiative
Flooding Review Shipley	26.07.16	Shipley	60	Facilitation and group discussion with community
Community Clean – Up	28.07.16	BCA Knowle Park	20	Staff teams and community clean-up
Park Run Meeting	12.09.16	BCA Knowle Park	6	New outdoor initiative Junior Run
Grouse Street Gardening Group	20.09.16	Office	5	Community issues / drugs / environment / funding
Green Spaces Meeting	20.09.16	Central Hall	15	Networking and up date meeting
Friends of Devonshire Park	21.09.16	Devonshire Park	35	Launch of new walking initiative and programme
Sangat Centre Men's Group	26.09.16	Sangat Centre	21	Fire and home safety and community issues
Women's Event / Forum	27.09.16	Kly	30 15 yr 4 / 5 girls group	Women's event and art project – theme how I came to Keighley.
E5 Meeting	29.07.16	Central Hall	50	Women's Development / Lottery Programme Launch

Keighley East Ward

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Big Local	5.4.16	Keighley Local Enterprise	11	Grant process Big Local small grants, formation of sub groups
Big Local Grant Making	6.7.16	Airedale	11	Grant Assessment Big Local Area
Play and planning discussion	12.7.16	HWCC	14	Comment on Bradford plan x 12
Play and planning discussion	18.7.16	HWCC	9	Comment on Bradford Plan x 5 discussion re play provision and centre use
Flood resilience early warning	20.7.16	RedHolt	7	Discussion with residents about the impact of floods with Env Agency and Drainage
Flood resilience early warning	20.7.16	Stockbridge	8	Discussion with residents about the impact of floods with Env Agency and Drainage

Big Local quarterly meeting	20.7.2016	Parkwood YPC	9	Planning, discussion priorities
Long Lee Village Hall	24.8.16	Long Lee VH	7	Planning for the future, ASB, ground maintenance
Big Local Grant making	27.9.16	Airedale Enterprise	5	Input into grant making process
Late Eid Party Dalton Lane	29.9.2016		47	Community Engagement, Partnership development

Keighley West Ward

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Fly tipping door knock, North Dean Rd	Thurs April 14	170 – 190 North Dean Rd	4 households spoken to	Fly tip leaflets delivered to 10 properties, intelligence passed to Environmental Enforcement for follow up
Braithwaite and Guardhouse Gala meeting	Thurs 14 April	Keith Thompson Centre	12	First planning meeting for Gala, July 16 with reps of local groups and partners
Our Lady of Victories Yr 3 session and litter pick	Friday 15 April	Snicket next to Our Lady of Victories	32 children 4 adults	Session re litter, dog fouling, Green Dog Walker promotion and acknowledgement of Clarence Cardwell retirement, Snicket cleaned.
Harewood Crescent leafleting	Friday 15 April	23 - 47 Harewood Cres	Leafleted 13 properties	Information re planning application for housing on former Bronte school site
Laycock Village Hall social committee	Monday April 18	Laycock Village Hall	9	Discussion re volunteering opportunities at Laycock Primary School, and emergency planning meeting to create local plan.
Ingrow Primary School drop in re dog fouling, litter, No Excuses	April 20-16	Ingrow Primary School	27 children, 6 adults	Scratch and sniff with adults, discussion re dog fouling, promoting Green Dog Walkers with leaflet, poo bags and stickers to children owning dogs
Flood meeting	11 May	Laycock Village Hall	18, 10 new	
Oakbank School parents evening	4 May	Oakbank School	33	Recruited 8 Green Dog Walkers gave leaflet to 6 dog owners to consider. Offer from Whittaker's Feed to promote.
Bungalows doorknock, Braithwaite with KHL	18 May	Braithwaite Ave, Coronation Way, Bankfield area	12	Gained views on activities needed in the area for older people, may pilot at Merlin Top School

St Joseph's RC Primary School assemblies	20 May	school	400+	Whole school assemblies promoting Green Dog Walkers, leaflets left for distribution to dog owning families
Worth Valley Primary School gala	21 May	school	28	GDW game and promotion – x recruited, 6 leaflets given out
Cannabis farm flyering, Salisbury Rd area	13 June	Yorkshire Housing and Manningham Housing estate	45	Info sharing in perceived drug hotspot, encouraging residents to report issues
All wards – Allocations DPD drop in	Mon July 11	Keighley Library	110	Info shared re process, forms given out and advice given on using website to submit responses to consultation
Braithwaite People's Association meeting	Thurs Aug 4	Keith Thompson Centre	11	Discussions re support for Summer Fair, finance training, contribution to Gala.
Flyer and door knock re clean up, Bankfield area	Tues Aug 9		85 leafleted	Promotion of street clean up
Clean up, Bankfield Area	Fri Aug 12	Bankfield Walk and area	7	Litterpick and weeds dug out on paths around bungalows, stones\possible “ missiles” cleared away to deter ASB
Yorkshire Housing fun day	Fri August 26	Salisbury Rd	13	13 people took part in the scratch and sniff with a further 7 people taking away packs or cards for use with friends and relatives
Braithwaite and Guardhouse Gala	Sat 17 September	Merlin Top Academy	350 approx	Successful relaunch of gala, good range of partners and activities, sunny day and lots of families attending. To be built on for next year.
Fell Lane gully clean up	Mon 26 and Weds 28 Sep	Fell Lane and Arncliffe Rd	Approx 270 properties	Leafleting all addresses and resolving parked car issues
Scout leaders meeting	Mon 26 Sep	Parkwood Centre	55	Promotion of No Excuses drugs awareness to Scout leaders from across constituency, to encourage them to use cards with parents – 15 packs

Worth Valley Ward

Event and Description	Date	Venue	Attendance	Progress/Outcome
Cross Roads park grand prix	Sat April 2	Bowling Hut	25	Recruited? Green Dog Walkers
Friends of Holden Park meeting	Weds April 6	Holden Hall	8	Discussion re reporting ASB appropriately
Oakworth Village Society	Tues April 12	Holden Hall	18	Supporting resident to promote idea of village clean up. VS agreeing to pay for dog fouling posters
Oxenhope Parish Council	Weds April 13	Oxenhope Methodist Church	12	Continuing discussion re New Deal and PC response
Oakworth Juniors committee	Tuesday April 19	Chair's home, 9 Long acres	8	Promotion of No Excuses – club to take two packs; also Green Dog Walkers to promote at fun day June 5, support for clean ups if required
Highways meeting with Parish Council, Cross Roads	Tues April 26	Lees Methodist	12	Info sharing with parish council, progress on highways scheme
Cross Roads play event	Fri 29 April	Cross Roads park	25	Promotion of Green Dog Walker
Haworth, Cross Rds and Stanbury PC	Mon May 9	Stanbury church	11	
Volunteers, Cure Hill	Mon May 9	Cure Hill	4	Planning for Operation Oakworth
Gas Street youth shelter site visit with Parish Councillor	Tues May 10	Gas St	6	Plan for establishing future use and consulting residents
Oakworth New Deal Drop In	Tues 7 June	Holden Hall	18 4 new	Info sharing re New Deal , seeking views and priorities of residents
Oakworth Primary School assembly on Operation Oakworth	Tues 28 June	Oakworth Primary	400+	Promoting Green Dog Walker scheme and Operation Oakworth to children left leaflets for parents and dog owners
Oakworth dog fouling doorknock and flyers	Weds June 29	Lidget	6	Asking for info on culprits, info re where to report
Oakworth Methodist Guides session	Weds June 29	Oakworth Methodists	18	Session with guides on Green Dog Walkers, Operation Oakworth etc based on taking responsibility for your neighbourhood.
Operation Oakworth clean up day	Sat July 9	Churches, cricket club, clean up sites	45	Successful clean up attracting 40 +volunteers working across fourteen different locations, with an interest in arranging more clean ups in future.

Fairy Fest	Sat August 6	Holden Park	Spoke to 66+ people	Recruited 15 new Green Dog Walkers, and two residents interested in supporting Operation Oakworth future clean ups; promoted reporting suspected dog foulers for warden visits, 431000 etc Also 6 No Excuses residents packs to KTC mayor
Oakworth Village Society	September 6	Holden Hall	21	Shared info on follow up to Operation Oakworth, to encourage more to take part next time, and at other clean ups. Took suggestions on improvements to youth shelter, repainting by young people
Operation Oakworth debrief	Sep 13	Oakworth Methodist Church	15	Debrief on first Op Oakworth clean up in July and planning next one in November, also ideas for other environmental improvements in the village