

Report of the Strategic Director – Place to the meeting of Keighley Area Committee to be held on 9 March 2017

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Subject:

Keighley Area Community Development Commissions 2015-17 Progress Update

Summary statement:

This report outlines the work of the Community Development Workers on behalf of the three commissioned organisations during the period October 2016 to February 2017 to support Ward priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report outlines the work of the Community Development (CD) Workers on behalf of the three commissioned organisations during the period October 2016 to February 2017 to support Ward priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A report setting out the basis on which the Executive devolved commissioning of Community Development and Community Centre Core Cost grants to Area Committees to increase local democratic accountability and transparency was presented to Keighley Area Committee on 11 September 2014.
- 2.2 At its meeting held on 27 November 2014 Keighley Area Committee resolved that: "Keighley Area Committee approves the recommendations on Community Development grants made by the Grants Advisory Group as detailed in Table 2 of this report."
- 2.3 Table 2 of the report allocated Community Development grants of £21,000 per year for the two years 2015-16 and 2016-17 to the following organisations: Keighley & Ilkley Voluntary and Community Action, Hainworth Wood Community Centre and Bracken Bank & District Community Association.
- 2.4 The report also outlined the purpose of these grants by describing the community development approach to community support as contributing to building stronger sustainable communities in the following ways:
- Develop active communities
 - Increase the active participation of residents in their neighbourhoods and communities
 - Reduce the negative impact of budget reductions within neighbourhoods and with communities of interest and people on low incomes.
 - Challenge disadvantage and inequalities
 - Stimulate innovative and sustainable local solutions to issues.
 - Build relations within and between communities
- 2.5 The Keighley Area Committee received an update report (April – September 2016) on the progress of work undertaken by the three organisations in receipt of the Community Development grants at its meeting held on 24 November 2016 (Document 'S').
- 2.6 Appendix A-C of this report highlight selected pieces of work which reflect the types of activities and actions that have been undertaken by the CD workers between October 2016 and February 2017 that have contributed to addressing the priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17. They are by no means an exhaustive list of actions but are intended to give a flavour of the nature of activities that have been undertaken.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS



No other considerations.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 4.1 The Community Development grants are contained within the Council's budget as approved by the Council on 25 February 2016.
- 4.2 These grants, and hence the three commissions, cease on 31 March 2017 and will no longer be available.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

- 5.1 There are no significant risks and governance issues arising from the proposed recommendations in this report.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

- 6.1 This work relates directly to the Local Government Act 2000 and to the Duty of Wellbeing placed upon the Council to promote and improve the well-being of the District.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Community development work seeks to promote fairness and inclusion while supporting Keighley Area Committee's commitment to equal opportunities for all.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Resources available to Keighley Area Committee, described in this report, and used to support Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17 will directly support the delivery of the District's Sustainable Community Strategy.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

Community development work may improve the greenhouse gas impacts of potential projects in local communities.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.4.1 Community Safety issues are acknowledged as a key contributor to the quality of life in neighbourhoods. A number of priorities supported in the period covered by this report demonstrate a positive impact on community safety issues across Keighley Area.
- 7.4.2 A key aspect of this work relates to supporting the Community Safety Plan, the Council's obligations under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Act 1998 and the work of the Community Safety Partnership.



7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

No direct implications arising from the Human Rights Act.

7.6 TRADE UNION

No direct Trade Union implications arise from this report.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

The activity outlined in this report addresses priorities in all Wards in the Keighley Area.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

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

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

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

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That the work of the Community Development Workers on behalf of the three commissioned organisations during the period October 2016 to February 2017 to support Ward priorities within the Keighley Area Ward Plans 2016-17 be noted.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A – CD Commission – KIVCA, Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

Appendix B - CD Commission – Hainworth Wood Community Centre , Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

Appendix C – CD Commission – Bracken Bank and District Community Association, Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

12.1 Keighley Area Community Development Commissions 2015-17 Progress Update, Document 'S', Keighley Area Committee, 24 November 2016.



Appendix A

CD Commission – KIVCA, Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

Women of Keighley - Keighley Song/ Film

Following on from the forum in September about “How I came to Keighley”, the Women of Keighley Collective and members of the public, worked with performer and artist Jenny Wilson to record a song written by Jenny and local women. 21 people took part in recording the song including two young people from the JAMES project. We then made a short film about Keighley, its landscapes, people and buildings. 60 people from across Keighley including Eastwood Primary School took part in this venture and we will launch this at International Women’s Day.



International Women’s Day

Plans are underway for this year’s International Women’s Day organised by the Women of Keighley collective. Local groups will provide support/ advice for women and girls and organisations will provide crafts, recreational activities and food.



United Keighley CSE Working Group

We have been making links with secondary schools to explore the possibility of having a stall at Parents Consultation Evenings. Oak Bank School have agreed and in April the following organisations will attend: The Cyber Police, Hand in Hand, e5 Keighley, and the Youth Service. Organisations will provide information to both parents and young people around keeping safe. Other schools UAK and Holy Family have responded positively to our request to attend parent consultation evenings, and we are hoping to work with them in the future.

Future plans are to:

- Engage with primary schools and deliver *Alright Charlie*, a resource which covers different aspects of grooming in an age appropriate way.
- Attend the Awareness Day at the Airedale Centre organised by the CSE Hubb, Bradford.

Junior parkrun Lund Park A visit to Keighley college to promote the parkrun to students resulted in 4 volunteers signing up to support the initiative. We held our second trial parkrun in February, and this was attended by volunteers and children who took part in the run. We still need more volunteers to make this a regular activity. Future plans are to:

- Promote parkrun at the 5k run in March which starts at Lund Park
- Visit the college again and promote parkrun to other students

Mental Health Pilot Project

The pilot is the initiative of the Bradford District Partnership and a meeting was held to identify what is already happening in Knowle Park area. We will revisit this again in February and March looking at strengths within the community and once organisations know what funding is likely to be around, we can build on these.

Recycling Initiative Holycroft

A recycling initiative will take place at Holycroft school in March to promote reusing and recycling. I will be going into school to talk to the head and pupils and gather their ideas for the project. We hope to run after school family sessions making crafts out of items that are recyclable, organise a poster competition around the benefits of recycling, and create a greenhouse made out of recycled bottles.

Green Spaces Keighley

The Green Spaces Network met in February to share information, develop ideas and network with like-minded groups. These are well attended and are open to any green space / park, woods, tarn, cemetery in the Keighley constituency. Further meeting will take place in May, September and December.



Appendix B

CD Commission – Hainworth Wood Community Centre, Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

Due to staff illness this Appendix is not currently available but will be presented at the meeting.



Appendix C

CD Commission – Bracken Bank and District Community Association, Progress update summary October 2016 to February 2017

Bracken Bank



Project - to develop inspiring projects, groups and events that motivate people to become more involved in the place they live and their local community centre. Residents, community groups, service providers and local business came together to support the development of services and activities that address local needs, including: New toddler group 'Lil Buddies', New Drop-in group 'Funday Monday', New Rugby Training sessions for young people, Events 'Pumpkin Fest' & 'Jingle Balls', New Work Club, New BBDCa Trustees, Litter pick, Community Centre repaint, fundraising activities, IT equipment update for SBC

Partners – BB&DCA, Ward and Town Cllrs, Keighley Town Council, KACO, Incommunities, Bfd Youth Service, One in a Million, Worth Village ARFLC, Broomhill Co-op, Pre-School Learning Alliance, Worth Village Church, Worth Valley Primary, NCS, Liberty Group, Tristan Pullich

Community involvement – approx. 800 people = 10 volunteers running the new groups, 2 new trustees BBDCa, 4 volunteers fundraising, 6 litter pickers, 45 volunteers at Pumpkin Fest (over 500 attendees), 33 volunteers at Jingle Balls (over 200 attendees), 15 volunteers community centre repaint, 2 volunteers IT installation and resources.

Funding & Resources – Incommunities £600 funding, staff time and work club resources, Liberty Group £560, £250 Keighley Town Council £200, BBDCa donation to support new groups set up, Worth Village Rugby event gifts, NCS £100, Festive fundraising £550, KACO flyers, stallholder and local business donations of goods, IT equipment and staff time and many other donations of time and resources.

Outcomes – continuous consultation with local people informed the setting up of 4 new provisions in the Bracken Bank area. Over 800 people have been involved in at least one initiative, with almost 100 people volunteering their time at more than 2 of these and also volunteering in other communities

Cure Hill, Oakworth



Project – There's a little patch of green space at Cure Hill that has, over the years, been neglected and become poorly maintained causing access to the site to be limited to those of able body. The steps and dry stone walls are in desperate need of repair. A group of local residents and businesses have been working together to look at making these improvements.

Partners involved – BB&DCA, Cabbage Club, Simon Thornton Groundworks, Dave Parr Dry Stone Walls, Keighley Town Council, BMDC Parks, The Golden Fleece, Oakworth Co-op, Nelsons Builders Merchants, Cllr Poulsen

Community involvement – so far there have been approx. 46 people actively involved in the project, with the added support and backing of the residents of Oakworth.

Funding & Resources – Simon Thornton has donated his time, resources and skill and paid for dry stone wall expert, Dave Parr, to educate volunteers. Dave Parr has also donated his time. Local folk have donated their time, skill, refreshments, cash for resources and tools for the jobs. Cabbage Club has provided refreshments, Oakworth Co-op have donated items, Nelsons Builders have donated



sand and cement, The Golden Fleece donated a free pie n pea lunch. Mel Smith (Parks) has supported the project throughout. A bid has been placed with Groundworks Tesco Bags for the work needed on the steps (fingers crossed!)

Outcomes – The initiative has brought together local people and businesses to enable the wider community to once again utilise this fabulous little haven of wildlife and tranquillity. Local folk have learnt new skills enabling the dry-stone walls to be repaired. Animal habitats have been created such as bird, owl and bat boxes, minibeast homes etc. The land is owned by BMDC.

Friends of Westfell



Project- organise a day of action with the Friends of Westfell to maintain the green space at Fell Lane. Wood chippings had been donated by a local tree surgeon and needed spreading along the much-used path!

Partners involved – BBDCA, Keighley Town Council, Cabbage Club

Community involvement – 6 people attended the day of action

Funding & Resources – The Friends used their own tools previously secured with funding from Yorkshire Housing. Warm shelter and refreshments were provided via Cabbage Club

Outcomes - Enhancement of the physical environment including litter picking and the continued maintenance of a footpath across a local green space. Members look forward to planning their next on-site event real soon!

Pick N Mix

Project - to set up a social group in the Braithwaite area following complaints from residents of anti-social behaviour in their local neighbourhood. Alongside other measures such as Police involvement, it was thought that local folk might enjoy a weekly get-together filled with exciting and interesting things to do right on their own doorstep. The group enjoy weekly sessions, trips out and have taken up first aid, safeguarding and equality and diversity training.

Partners involved – Keighley Healthy Living (KHL), Merlin Top Academy, KACO, Braithwaite Senior Voice, Broomhill Co-op, Morrisons, KFA Medical, BBDCA,

Community involvement – 8 volunteers and 14 members

Funding & Resources – The group is funded via KHL (People's Health Trust), £200 Area Committee, refreshments donated Broomhill Co-op, raffle prizes from Morrisons, school provided a concert and Christmas dinner for a very small fee

Outcomes – local people can again enjoy socialising in their own neighbourhood and have access to training. It has also kick started a new relationship with the school in terms of the first community group to use the new venue. Offshoots of this group include access to walking and tai chi workshops



A LOCAL CLUB FOR THE OVER 50'S

Activities include trips out, relaxing over a cuppa with your friends, playing traditional games, sampling a bit of handy crafts, dancing to some funky tunes, trying your luck at bingo and having access to important information about your health and wellbeing.

Every Wednesday from 12.30-2pm
at Merlin Top Academy, Braithwaite Ave, Keighley
Free refreshments are available throughout the session.

Only £1.50 per person
(all session monies collected are put towards future activities held/booked)

Come along and join the fun!

If you would like further information please call Pip Gibson on 07557 210101 or email ppgibsoncdw@hotmail.co.uk

Time Out Coffee Stop- Cabbage Club



Time Out Coffee Stop
Share some quality time with your friends!

Thursdays 1pm

Bingo Quiz Food Drinks

Foster Gardens Community Room
Broster Avenue, Braithwaite

Only £1 entry fee!

Project – to link together two community groups in Braithwaite in order to provide hot, healthy meals for local people aged 60+

Partners involved – Braithwaite Senior Voice, Cabbage Club, Incommunities

Community Involvement – approx. 20 people per fortnightly session

Funding & Resources – funding from 'Awards For All'

Outcomes - Regular social contact and interaction for attendees and a sense of wellbeing in knowing that our seniors are well cared for. Provision of regular, hot and nutritious meals.

