

## **Report of the Strategic Director, Place to the meeting of Bradford West Area Committee to be held on 19 September 2018**

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### **Subject:**

Youth Service – Bradford West

### **Summary statement:**

This report gives an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area during April 2017 and March 2018.

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## 1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report gives an update on work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area during April 2017 and March 2018.

## 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 From April 2017 the Youth Service has been working to a new Vision statement and set of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) reflect the current work and priorities of the Youth Service and are aligned to the five Key Elements of the Bradford District Youth Offer. They are:

### Vision Statement

The Youth Service works 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.

### KPIs

<i>Youth Offer Element 1 – Information, Advice and Guidance</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</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.

Appendix A gives details of work that the Youth Service has undertaken in the Bradford West Area to contribute to achieving these KPIs during 2017-18.

### 2.3 Buddy support as part of Youth In Mind pilot

As part of a wider health service initiative called Youth In Mind, the CCGs are now commissioning the Youth Service (via Creative Support) to deliver 'Buddy support' to support young people who have been assessed by the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) to have mental health issues. Since the start of April 2017, Youth Workers have received on average 5 referrals, at any one point in time. Youth in Mind is part of the CCGs strategy to broaden support for young people with mental health issues within non medical/ specialist services. MYMUP

online system is part of this offer, as well as WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Plan) lead by Barnardo's and a volunteering programme lead by Yorkshire Mentoring Service.

2.3.1 Youth Workers act as Buddies to the young people, their role is to befriend them, support them using the Signs of Safety approach and navigate them to the various support opportunities available to them.

2.3.2 A joint Youth Service, CAMHS and Youth in Mind away day was held in March 2018 with staff and young people which reviewed the impact of the support offered by Youth Workers. In many cases young people reported that the support had made them feel less isolated, more connected with their community and safer. In addition, our work with CAMHS has helped to reduce some of the demand for specialist support whilst increasing access to local social support. Youth Workers have continued to access training through the CCG and partners and this has led to an increase in Youth Worker's knowledge and skills on issues such as; self harm and self care.

2.3.3 The following table is the allocation of young people referred to the Youth Service up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018:

Area	Allocation
Bradford East	108
Bradford South	126
Bradford West	80
Keighley	118
Shipley	85

#### 2.4 Other work targeted at young people with specific needs including CSE.

The Youth Service continues to provide direct support to young people at risk of Child Sexual Exploitation. Over one hundred and twenty young people identified as at risk by the CSE hub have been referred for one to one support. This support is provided by youth workers who support the young person to understand more about what makes them vulnerable.

2.4.1 Over a number of sessions young people are able to build trust and learn different ways to stay safe and how they can build respectful and appropriate relationships with their peers. Young people have reported that as a result of the support they have received they feel safer, have a support network and feel more connected to their local community.

2.4.2 The Youth Service has also worked in partnership to support the development of a number of local groups for young women. The Build a Girl project is an example of a local project that offers peer support and encourages youth voice on key issues such as safety.

## Early Help

- 2.4.3 The Youth Services has worked with the Early Help Teams throughout Bradford to support vulnerable young people. Through the local cluster panels Youth Workers have been able to offer support to young people for a wide range of issues including family breakdown, domestic violence, anger management, isolation, drug and alcohol and non attendance at school. As a result young people are supported at an early stage to address some of the root causes of issues affecting them. This has helped to prevent young people from becoming a child in need or a child at risk of harm and entering social care.
- 2.4.4 The Youth Service has supported the Early Help teams to develop community based support for Families to help sustain change and support parents to overcome issues that affect the whole family.

## 2.5 Changing Places

Bradford Council has received funding from the central government Controlling Migration Fund to work with people from hard to reach and isolated communities with a focus on new migrant groups. Four constituency areas (Bradford West, Bradford East, Bradford South and Keighley) have allocated a lead worker to work on the Changing Places programme. Each area participated in a residential experience for their young people who were targeted from new migrant communities. Additionally all areas are working on a social action project that would benefit the wider community that is planned, developed and delivered by the young people.

- 2.5.1 Bringing the different components of the district wide programme together, we have been responsible for participating in a number of high profile projects including:-
- 100 surveys completed with young EU women regarding teenage pregnancy, sexual health and barriers.
  - Feeding the homeless over the winter period by volunteers from the changing places programme.
  - A district wide celebration night where participants received accredited certificates for their participation in the changing places programme.
  - Young EU people involved in the district wide early help consultation.
  - New Migrant young people have planted hanging baskets and distributed these to old people's homes across the area to bridge relationships between older and younger generations.
- 2.5.2 Over the past 12 months there has been 68 specific changing places sessions delivered across the district with 226 individuals participated. Young people have achieved accreditations and recognised learning outcomes including the Lord Mayors Award, ASDAN & the Local Youth Award.

## **3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 A proportion of the Youth Service budget is held centrally to fund the Commissioner (Youth Provision) post and to co-ordinate the Youth Offer across the District. The Commissioner has significant involvement and a clear relationship with the delivery

of Youth Work within the Area structures and, provides a key strategic link between Neighbourhoods and Children's Services. She also has a role in supporting and assisting Area-based delivery in neighbourhoods.

- 3.2 The Commissioner has also led on a number of District-wide initiatives and activities including the transfer of Youth Service buildings to community groups, the Youth Offer Working Group and some key 'Youth Voice' events, e.g. consultation on the Council's Budget, consultation for the Children's Trust Board, participation of young people in Overview & Scrutiny Committees, work on mental health services for young people and the development of the new online Information and Advice Service. She also organises young people's participation in 'Takeover Day' and other initiatives supported by the office of the Children's Commissioner for England. The Commissioner is currently leading the development of a national pilot project which sees Bradford as one of two UK pilot programmes which will provide online support and access to trained counsellors 24 hours a day 7 days a week for young people vulnerable to, or who are being exploited / CSE victims. This work is supported by the national missing person's helpline and childline, and will go live in February 2019.

#### **4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL**

- 4.1 As part of the Budget decisions taken by the Council for the financial years 2016-18 the Youth Service budget needed to find savings of £750,000 over the two years. These savings were delivered on schedule.

#### **5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES**

The implementation of the budget savings for the Youth Service was subject to the internal risk management plan of the Council and progress is reported to the Place Departmental Management Team on a monthly basis.

#### **6. LEGAL APPRAISAL**

No issues.

#### **7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

##### **7.1 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.

##### **7.2 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.

##### **7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS**

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

##### **7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

A number of youth projects are either directly or indirectly concerned with improving community safety within local communities. The increased involvement of young

people in local decision making has the potential to improve community safety. The Youth Service plays a key role in ensuring that young people's voices 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

## **7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

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

## **7.6 TRADE UNION**

The specific budget proposals for 2017-18 included staff reductions which were subject to consultation with the Trade Unions.

## **7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS**

Youth Service projects and activities support young people and communities within all the Wards in the Area.

## **8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS**

None.

## **9. OPTIONS**

- 9.1 That Bradford West Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report.
- 9.2 That Bradford West Area Committee adopts the recommendations outlined in this report, with amendments.
- 9.3 That Bradford West 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 West Area as detailed in this report be welcomed.

## **11. APPENDICES**

- 11.1 Appendix A: Work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area 2017-2018

## **12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

- 12.1 Youth Service – Service Changes and Budget 2017-18, Document D, Bradford West Area Committee, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

## **Appendix A**

### **Work undertaken by the Youth Service in the Bradford West Area 2017-18**

#### ***Youth Offer Element 1 – Information, Advice and Guidance***

*Increase the numbers of young people accessing IAG through digital media.*

Constituency	Number of young people
East	108
West	80
South	126
Keighley	123
Shipley	85

*Data taken from YiM spread sheet for young people with access to MYMUP digital tool.*

#### **Commentary**

In Bradford West Area young people have been supported to access information, advice and guidance digitally through a self-care tool called *Make Your Mind Up*. This digital tool enables young people to explore a range of issues such as employability, housing, diet and exercise whilst promoting better mental health and wellbeing. This digital tool works alongside a range of other activities within our area including targeted, open access, specialist provisions, and also within organised event and partnership projects.

Bradford West in addition to its open access youth provisions delivers weekly; four Youth In Mind Sessions, 8 gender specific sessions, 2 LAC provisions, an inclusion club, 2 provisions supporting young people new to the UK & supports the engagement of young people in district wide specialist provisions including SOUND & Phoenix etc.

Over the past 12 months we have worked with numerous specialist partners to ensure young people get up to date IAG information that is delivered in an educative, informative and in a youth friendly way.

Bradford College Youth Service partnership has workers regularly attending weekly sessions giving information and guidance to students regarding youth provisions, new opportunities, career advice & the consequences of ASB.

The Changing Places programme has enabled youth workers and faith organisations to deliver a more comprehensive programme within the faith sector. The Bradford West Mile of Tolerance has been recognised district wide as a good introduction to faith organisations who open their doors to have discussions that normally wouldn't take place within a youth club setting. Other constituency areas have requested that young people from their wards attend the programme within Bradford West with the plan to then replicate this piece of work within their own communities. The partnership includes St Pauls Church, Hanfia Mosque, the Bradford Central Mosque, Bradford Synagogue, Youth Service, Police, Council Wardens, young people & local residents.

Additionally faith organisations within Bradford West are opening their doors to youth workers to deliver sessions on information, guidance, careers, sexual health, ASB, Steerside & how to be a

positive role model.

Additional IAG sessions have been delivered and include:

- Sexual Health Sessions delivered in partnership with HALE within youth provisions and additionally utilising the health bus to engage young people out in the community
- Alcohol awareness sessions delivered in partnership across the area as part of the Bradford West Community Alcohol Partnership.
- Staying Safe / consequence workshops in all Bradford West Upper Schools delivered prior to Bonfire Night ensuring that young people have the information to keep them safe.
- ASB reduction has been supported through strong partnership working with the Police & Youth Service where young people have joint home visits to receive information of positive diversionary activities whilst understanding the consequences of ASB.
- Bradford West Youth Service has led on developing a city centre outreach team in partnership with the Police, Bradford Interchange, Council Wardens & the Councils city centre team to respond to ASB issues by engaging with the young people and offering alternative activities.
- Career fairs have been supported across the wards in schools, youth provisions & with voluntary sector partners promoting volunteering opportunities and Youth service provision in the area.
- Bradford West hosted the annual Christmas residential the theme being young people's mental health, this was a three day residential where 16 identified young people participated in a number of information based workshops which was covered by BBC radio 2 as a good piece of practice that is being delivered in Bradford to safeguard young people.

#### ***Youth Offer Element 2 – Voice and influence***

*Increase the numbers of young people participating in Youth Voice opportunities at all levels.*

Constituency	Number of young people
East	227
West	254
South	234
Keighley	320
Shipley	321

#### **Commentary**

In Bradford West young people have been supported to participate in a range of Youth Voice initiatives including these specific examples:-

- 100 EU young women in Bradford West participated and completed 100 surveys regarding teenage pregnancy and sexual health.
- A group of young women participated in the Growing up North consultation, and met with the



Children's Commissioner in Manchester & Leeds where the report was nationally published.

- In the Heaton Ward a young people's group led on a consultation to secure a suitable venue for youth provision in their neighbourhood. The young people devised a questionnaire and carried out over 150 consultations with young people from the area. Leading on from this consultation a meeting with a local venue was organised but unfortunately the provision wasn't secured. Weekly sessions now take place in the upper Heaton area providing young people with a point of contact; this is done through an outreach team.
- Following on from last year when 12 young women from Bradford West participated in a the cycling project and shared their journeys and learning at the National Women Cycling Conference we supported the young women to work in partnership with the voluntary sector and apply for the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Women and Cycling Conference to take place in Bradford. They were successful and the conference was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> in Manningham the young women supported the planning of this conference and led workshops throughout the day sharing their experiences with girls and women from across the UK.

Through our targeted work we have had young people representation at the following Youth Voice events:

- Changing Places residential.

This residential had 40 EU young people participate in their first residential experience at Lakeside Outdoor Activity Centre, this process enabled new emerging communities to be engaged in decision making that affects their local community.

- Jo Cox Peace multi faith peace 45 mile bike ride.

This ride showed Bradford's togetherness and involved all faith sectors, young people and partners.

- Youth In Mind

Through our Buddy work a number of isolated and vulnerable young people who have engaged in the project have had the opportunity to express their opinions on how mental health affects young people on a number of local, districts, regional and national platforms.

- WOW festival

Young girls participated in the Women of the World festival taking part and sharing their ideas and thoughts around domestic violence, feminism and poverty.

- Take over day

We had young people in West "take over" a number of senior council officers across the district this gave the young people opportunities to influence and make decisions.

- Soup run to the homeless in the City Centre

Young people in West planned & delivered a social action project over the winter period to

support the homeless; this was initiated by a group of young people who wanted to give back to people less fortunate than themselves. This event will now become an annual event in Bradford West.

- District wide consultations

Young people from across Bradford West have engaged in a number of district wide consultations these include: The Early Help consultation, What's on in West, Youth Survey, Growing Up North and the Development of the Economic strategy,

- Youth service Celebration event

Young People planned and delivered the annual celebration event where they had the opportunity to showcase their experiences, receive recognition for their accreditations and engage with young people from across the district.

- Ward forums

Young people were in attendance at our local Ward forums in Bradford West, the young people had the opportunity to lead on discussions, engage with partners and community members and have their voices heard at a local level.

- Youth councils

Bradford West currently has two active youth council groups one of which is delivered in partnership with Clayton Parish Council. These provisions ensure that the young people have a strong voice within their communities, influence local decisions and support community led projects.

- Inclusions – Be- Frienders

Bradford West hosts the largest inclusion (disability) project in the district this is central in enabling district wide inclusions clubs to come together for monthly cycling sessions and an annual Christmas party. In addition this provision has a Befrienders project that enables young volunteers to gain experience working with local authority within this specialist area.

- Funding applications

Young People across West have been successful in securing funding with local partners from a number of organisations & funding streams these include: The Big Lunch Get Together, The National Lottery, Community Chest, The Proceeds Of Crime Act Funding (POCA), Touch Stone and Places for People all of which enhanced the local youth offer.

- Faith

Bradford West has been integral in incorporating faith organisations into our generic youth work practice. These organisations have been key partners in developing local young people to become better role models, as well as giving them the opportunity to access more activities through a partnership process. The key to the success of this partnership has been to involve all faith sectors including, churches, mosques, synagogue & temples.

Another highlight for Bradford West over the past 12 months has been the recruitment of volunteers across the constituency to help develop projects, assist workers & personal development. Some of our projects are heavily reliant on young volunteers helping out on a weekly basis within regular sessions.

### ***Youth Offer Element 3 – Open access***

*Deliver a diverse youth offer through working in partnership with the Voluntary & Community Sector (VCS) and local communities.*

Constituency	Average weekly attendance
East	344
West	403
South	377
Keighley	415
Shipley	206

### **Commentary**

The Youth Service has been specifically tasked with maintaining levels of existing open access provision in each ward by working in partnership with the VCS and local communities. In Bradford West we have worked in partnerships with the following organisations to help grow youth provision and strengthen the quality of the youth offer to all communities. Examples of these partnerships include:

#### **Manningham:**

- Bradford West Youth Service has worked in partnership with the British Army targeting young Asian people to engage in a three day residential, a large group of young people from the Manningham Ward participated in the residential and had a fantastic time. We have also strong positive relationships with Hanfia Mosque, Bangladeshi Youth Organisation, St Pauls Church, Bradford Reform Synagogue, Victor Street and the Bradford Central Mosque all of which increase and support the youth offer available to young people.

#### **Clayton and Fairweather Green :**

- Within the Clayton ward the Youth Service has had successful partnerships with the following organisations & projects: Clayton Parish Council (Clayton Junior Parish Council), local uniformed groups, CAP, Faith Organisations, Lower Grange Community Association, DAA, Camouflage Crew, Mayfield Medical Centre, Thornaby Hub & the local residential homes. These partnerships have enhanced the number of provisions on offer to young people, supported securing funding, increased community events & fun days whilst also offering volunteering opportunities and strengthening the relationships between the Youth Service, VCS, local residents and businesses.

#### **Toller:**

- Toller Youth Café is the Bradford West Hub for new migrant and EU young people who attend regular sessions on a weekly basis this provision is also involved in the Changing Places programme and young people attended Lake Side for a three day residential experience. Partnerships within the Ward include, Girlington community centre, local faith organisations including the church and mosques and the Great Big Get Together lunch in which the youth service supported and saw high numbers of residents engaging. Outreach work is undertaken weekly across the Ward and holiday provision is provided at West Park Girlington.

#### **City:**

- Regular outreach sessions take place in the city centre, Great Horton road & the College and University areas, this provision is a partnership project with the following organisations: Bradford College, Bradford University, The Police, Council Wardens, Council Ward Officers, Youth Workers & local voluntary groups. Additionally Bradford West Youth Service has

worked in partnership with the following organisation which have developed and strengthened youth provision in the City Ward - Khidmat Centre, Spencer Road Youth Organisation, Grantham Road residents association, Friends of Horton Park and Faith organisations.

#### Heaton:

- In the Heaton Ward Weekly open access provisions run at Frizinghall Community Centre & Heaton Village Hall these sessions run on a Tuesday & a Friday evening both sessions are delivered in partnership with the local voluntary organisations. Additionally we have been running an outreach session in the Howarth Road area and we are still trying to source a more permanent base for this provision. We are also working in partnership with Salem Rugby Club, Great Horton Church Cricket Club & St Bedes School in order to increase the youth offer available to young people in the Ward.

#### Thornton and Allerton:

- Thornton and Allerton area has developed and increased its partnerships over the last twelve months which has had a positive impact on the Youth Offer in the area for young people. Beckfoot Thornton School (Football Session) this session arose following a discussion that took place between young people, local residents, Thornton Rec Centre, Councillors and Youth Workers. This piece of partnership work has enabled over 60 young people to attend weekly sessions where sport is used as a tool for engagement. In addition partnerships have developed with; St James Church (Build A Bike), Café West, Rose Cottage, Weymouth Centre, Rowan House & local voluntary organisations.

In addition to the partnerships in the Wards Bradford West Youth Service has developed and strengthened its relationships with Bradford West Neighbourhood Police Team (NPT), Children's Social Care, CAHMS, HALE, Barnados, the Faith Sector, British Cycling, Yorkshire Mentoring, West Yorkshire Fire Service, Princess Trust and the voluntary and business sector all of which complement our 21 open access sessions that are delivered weekly.

#### **Youth Offer Element 4 - Targeted provision**

*Increase the number of specific interventions to address the needs of vulnerable young people.*

Constituency	Number of Interventions
East	$*30 + **108 = 138 \times 3 = \mathbf{414}$
West	$*26 + **80 = 106 \times 3 = \mathbf{318}$
South	$*32 + **126 = 158 \times 3 = \mathbf{474}$
Keighley	$*21 + *118 = 139 \times 3 = \mathbf{417}$
Shipley	$*15 + **85 = 100 \times 3 = \mathbf{300}$

*\*CSE \*\*YiM The CSE and YiM cases have been added together and then multiplied by a minimum of 3 interventions.*

#### **Commentary**

In addition to maintaining the level of open access youth provisions we have seen significant growth in the number of one to one interventions that have helped address the needs of vulnerable young people. To follow are several case studies that highlight the interventions on the lives of young people in Bradford West.

### Case Study 1:-

#### Young Female aged 15 (Identified as S)

S was referred to the buddy project by her CAMHS worker due to issues of low mood, anxiety and isolation. She had low attendance at school and was behind with her work. She had been attending Rape Crisis group for 12 months due to a serious sexual assault but was not engaged in any other services.

After our initial assessment, we began working on a one to one basis which enabled us to build a trusting relationship and discuss issues affecting S's life. Within the one to one sessions I began to introduce activities in which S could meet new young people, staff and visit a variety of youth provisions. S really enjoyed this and was beginning to build her confidence and develop a sense of self worth.

We furthered S's engagement to a group setting whereby S and a number of other buddies met weekly. We engaged in a variety of activities and sessions that helped them to understand issues of mental health, how this affects them and how they can overcome it. The group began to bond and S developed a friendship group in her local area. S and the other members of the group began to help and support other Buddy's in their mentor roles.

The group and S were then integrated into the generic Youth Club session in their local area. S along with others was able to engage in a variety of youth work projects and opportunities that supported her development and facilitated her empowerment. These included attending and contributing to overview and scrutiny committees, Take over day and S also supported MYMUP in producing a video to capture her journey on the buddy project. She was also successful in gaining a part time job at a hairdressers which we worked together to help her achieve and overcome financial difficulties.

Today, S is thriving. She has taken 8 GCSEs and predicted A – C's (or equivalent) for all subjects. She is a senior member at her local youth club and was recently a Compare at our Awards Ceremony, presenting in front of over 140 people. S says; "The Buddy project saved my life"

### Case Study 2:- ( Four Young Girls)

Four new migrant young people were referred to Bradford Youth Service as result of social isolation and the schools concern regarding their emotional and social welfare. These young people had come from war torn countries such as the republic of Congo to Bradford and where offered school places in settings that were not familiar and lacked in the one to one support that was required for these individuals. The school identified Bradford Youth Service as a possible positive pathway for these young people to be involved in individual, group work and project work provisions. The individuals concerned initially engaged in one to one work and then participated in the Changing Places programme which offered them an opportunity to go on a three day residential. This residential enabled the young people to build positive relationships with others, engage in focus led resilience and emotional well-being workshops whilst enabling them to have rest bite from the pressures of living in a new community. These young people confidently volunteered their time over the Christmas period to help feed the homeless as part of the Youth Services annual Christmas soup run which evidences their positive development and their reduction in social isolation.

**Youth Offer Element 5 - Active citizens and young people's contribution to community life**  
Increase the number of young people having a positive impact on their community.

Constituency	Number of Volunteers recruited
East	80
West	108

South	100
Keighley	85
Shipley	104

### **Commentary**

As the above figures show Bradford West has been very active in recruiting new volunteers and ensuring that the projects match and develop the volunteers existing skills and interests. Some of the volunteers have now progressed from voluntary work, to casual appointments and have now secured part time youth support contracts. This has been a success of our constituency not only this year but for a number of years.

The People Can programme has been central to our Youth Work delivery over the past twelve months with young people leading, planning and delivering a number of projects that would benefit the community as a whole some of these activities include:

- Intergenerational sessions
- Befriending Schemes for those identified as vulnerable.
- Visit my mosque events
- Take over day
- Homeless soup run
- Local community fun days and events
- CAP work and projects
- Community Clean Ups
- Bonfire safety sessions

Within this year and through this positive contribution Bradford West Youth Service finished with the highest number of accreditations been achieved by young people, the accreditations achieved included:

- Duke Of Edinburgh
- ASDAN
- Bradford Youth Service Local Award
- Lord Mayors Award
- First Aid
- Sports Leaders