



Report of the Director of Place to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on Thursday, 29 November 2018.

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Subject:

Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green

Summary statement:

The report informs Bradford South Area Committee on progress to develop the GreenMoor Big Local Programme.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:
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1. SUMMARY

The report informs Bradford South Area Committee on progress to develop the GreenMoor Big Local Programme.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Big Local is an exciting opportunity for residents in 150 areas, in three waves of which Scholemoor and Lidget Green are in the second, around England to use at least £1m over 10 years to make a massive and lasting positive difference to their communities. It works in Councils and other key stakeholders to develop a partnership approach to bring together all the local talent, ambitions, skills and energy from individuals, groups and organisations who want to make their area an even better place to live.
- 2.2 Reports have previously been presented to the Area Committee on 26 July 2012 which outlined the initial programme of information sessions with local people, the development of a brief for the “Getting Started Funding” and the authorisation of Bradford CVS, working with CNet to deliver the programme funded by the “Getting Started Funding”. This was followed by a further report on 28 March 2013 which gave a summary of the delivery work carried out to date under the Getting Started programme.
- 2.3 A report was presented to the Area Committee on 23 January 2014 which gave an update including the setting up of the Community Partnership Board and the Community Plan being agreed in principle by the Big Local National Team. In addition, the renaming of the project to GreenMoor Big Local (serving Scholemoor and Lidget Green) had been agreed.
- 2.4 A report was presented to the Area Committee on 27 November 2014 that gave an update on the Partnership Board which now includes the ward councillors with full voting rights, establishment of six task groups and the employment of a part time community engagement officer.
- 2.5 A report was presented to the Area Committee on 26 November 2015 which updated on the work of the six task groups and some of the key projects that are being developed which included Spencer Field Lighting Project, installation of bollards and safety rails on Birks Fold, Scholemoor Community Garden on disused land at Necropolis Road / Scholemoor Road, 2 projects for Eastern European communities to provide benefit advice, IT learning project and workshops to build confidence and development employment skills. The first Annual General Meeting of the Board had taken place and attended by Cllr Joanne Dodds Lord Mayor.
- 2.6 A report was presented to the Area Committee on 24 November 2016 which updated on the work of the six task groups and some of the key projects such as Lidget Green Memorial Garden, Multi Use Games area at Spencer Fields, Greenmoor Directory, Lidget Green Walking club extension to the building and Play Worker Apprenticeships.

It was also reported that a Community Involvement Officer had been recruited with remit of creating more awareness of Big Local, running a social media campaign and organising events and to develop/deliver a marketing strategy working with the Greenmoor Project Officer and Co-ordinator. Also, preparations were made being for the second Annual General Meeting in December 2016.

2.7 A further report was presented to the Area Committee on 30th November 2017 which updated on the work of the task groups and some of the new projects such as Artworks Project, Bike to the Future Project, Greenmoor Directory, Playworker Apprenticeships, Lidget Green Community Cohesion events. Also, the Annual General Meeting was held in December 2016 where the residents were updated with all new developments and brief costings summary of all the projects was provided.

2.8 Appendix 1 provides an update on the progress to develop the GreenMoor Big Local programme in 2017-18.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 There are no Other Considerations.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

4.1 Financial

Big Local Lottery Funding of £1,000,000.00 over 10 years has been allocated through the Local Trust to deliver an agreed Community Plan.

4.2 Staffing

Support is provided by a Local Trust Representative, Bradford Cnet and by Bradford South and West Area Co-ordinators' Offices from within existing resources.

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 Well-being placed upon the Council to promote and improve the well-being of the District.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

It is anticipated that, whilst the governance of this funding is not the responsibility of Bradford Council, projects and schemes supported will promote fairness and inclusion while supporting Bradford South Area Committee's commitment to equal opportunities for all.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The development of Clinical Commissioning Groups will assist in enabling community health issues and solutions to inform the Service planning process.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

It is anticipated that greenhouse gas emissions and wider environmental impacts are a consideration.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.4.1 Community safety issues are acknowledged as a key contributor to the quality of health in neighbourhoods. It is anticipated that activity generated through these resources will have a positive impact on community safety issues across the GreenMoor Big Local area.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

7.5.1 There are no human rights implications arising from this report.

7.6 TRADE UNION

7.6.1 There are no direct Trade Union implications arising from this report.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

7.7.1 The area covered by Big Local falls largely within the Great Horton Ward with the balance being in City Ward.

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

7.8.1 It is anticipated that the GreenMoor Big Local Community Plan will support priorities in this area which will contribute to addressing priority issues within the Bradford South Area Committee Action Plan 2014-17.

7.9 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING

None

7.10 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

None

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 Bradford South Area Committee welcomes the report and thanks all those involved in the Greenmoor Big Local project on the progress made.
- 10.2 That a further report is presented to the Area Committee in 12 months time.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – An update on the progress to develop GreenMoor Big Local Programme 2017-18.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document L), Report to Bradford South Area Committee, 26 July 2012.

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document BK), Report to Bradford South Area Committee, 28 March 2013.

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document AS), Report to Bradford South Area Committee, 23 January 2014.

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document AL), Report to Bradford South Area Committee 27 November 2014.

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document Q), Report to Bradford South Area committee 26 November 2015.

“Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document U), Report to Bradford South Area Committee – 24 November 2016. “Big Local – Scholemoor and Lidget Green” (Document N), Report to Bradford South Area Committee – 30 November 2017.

GreenMoor Big Local 2017-2018

In 2012 Scholemoor and Lidget Green in Bradford was allocated £1 million to spend on making the area a better place to live as part of a pioneering Big Lottery Fund scheme to put decision-making power in the hands of local people. This initiative is an exciting opportunity for residents in the Lidget Green and Scholemoor area to have a say in how that money is spent in their neighbourhood which will make a lasting positive difference to where they live.

Greenmoor Big Local is about bringing together all the local talent, ambitions, skills and energy from individuals, groups and organisations who want to make their area an even better place to live. Bradford CNet have been working over Greenmoor Big Local project for a number of years. This is a ten year initiative by the Big Local Trust on making the area a better place to live, as part of a pioneering Big Lottery Fund (BIG) scheme, to put decision-making in the hands of local people.

The Greenmoor Big Local Partnership Board is fully established with 10 voting Board members in total and one non-voting Board member. This includes representatives from the voluntary sector. The constant drive to recruit people from different areas and backgrounds has helped develop a mixed and eclectic group of people. The difference in confidence, understanding, drive and determination has increased over time which is exciting to see. There is a clear process in how projects are developed and brought to the Board meetings which is appreciated by the group.

A Community Profile and Community Plan together with Action Plans were agreed with Big Local Trust. These have been reviewed and amended in August 2018, they can be viewed on the website: www.greenmoorbiglocal.org.uk The Board also reviewed the arrangement of support and help from the Big Local representative (Steve Skinner) and the current Local Trusted Organisation (Bradford CNet) and have decided to continue with the current arrangements for another two years.

The Greenmoor Big Local Community Small Grant Programme is a scheme to support ideas and projects aimed at improving the Greenmoor area. The funding scheme is open to groups, organisations, charities and social enterprises, based in the Greenmoor Big Local area, and whose applications will directly benefit people living in Greenmoor area. The Board now has 5 task groups. The task groups explore what is in the area, where the gaps are, work with other agencies and partners and submit details of projects that they feel will improve the quality of life of the residents of the area, and recommend them for consideration by the Board. A 'legacy project' task group has now been created to focus on the future of Greenmoor Big Local :-

1. Safer Stronger
2. Healthier Happier
3. Richer not Poorer
4. Cleaner Greener
5. Legacy Project

Greenmoor Projects

The Greenmoor Sports Ground (Spencer Fields) – Greenmoor Community Partnership Board: £156,000 (plus fees)

This is a flagship project for Greenmoor Big Local due to the size of the budget and the number of community members it will benefit. The Spencer Residents Association undertook some research and found that there was a need for a safe play space for children and young people in the area. The idea for a Multi-Use Games Area along with the soft ball cricket nets was developed by the Safer Stronger task group. The Council drew up plans for the work and the Board agreed the project to go ahead. The work is due for completion by July 2018 with a launch set for August 2018.

Sports Bank – Spencer Youth Project: £8,594

Spencer Youth Project undertook consultation and found that many young people couldn't try out new sports due to the lack of facilities. After much discussion, the Sports Bank idea was developed. This project allows local children and young people to hire out sports equipment to play locally. The equipment can be hired out at minimal costs for up to 48 hours and the young people are responsible for the equipment.

Alpha United Juniors – Fundacion Real Madrid clinic: £2,000

Alpha United Juniors were coached by world renowned Real Madrid football coaches over 5 days, from morning till late afternoon. The young team not only used the revolutionary new technology to train but also learnt about respect, discipline and healthy eating which is an essential quality to become a world class footballer.

A number of clinics took place across the country, 2 young people have now been selected to compete in the UK finals in London. If successful they will form part of a European team to play a match in Madrid. One of the young players is from the Greenmoor area and is of an Eastern European background.

Lidget Green Primary School Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) Accessibility: £11,550

Lidget Green Primary School wanted to allow their local community to access their onsite MUGA facility outside of school hours. The school recognised that young people were breaking into school grounds to use the MUGA. So, they decided to design access which enabled people to use the facility with ease. Funding from Greenmoor Big Local allowed this project to go ahead much to the benefit of the school and the local children and young people.

Greenmoor Directory – Greenmoor Community Partnership Board: £7,500

The Greenmoor Directory is going strong with the 6th edition being produced and distributed to the Greenmoor community in March 2018. The directory promotes local businesses and features news on work being undertaken by Greenmoor Big Local and the nearby community centres.

Bradford Syrian Community Welfare Association - £985

This provision was set up to help engage Syrian Refugee Families. Weekly football sessions held at the Khidmat Centre, this gave the young people a sense of togetherness and increased friendship. Families attended the weekly sessions, made friends and shared their experiences of the traumatic journeys they had taken as refugees.

Alpha United Football Club - £1980

Alpha United identified a lack of children participating in football from the Greenmoor area due to financial constraints. Greenmoor Big Locals funding supported girls and boys to have football coaching, take part in sporting and social activities.

Celebrating Greenmoor achievements:

Community Hearts Awards – Exceed Alliance: £2,000

Exceed Alliance is a partnership of 10 Primary schools in BD7 and the surrounding areas. Each year they run the Community Hearts Awards to celebrate outstanding community work. This year, Greenmoor Community Partnership Board were finalists in the ‘Community Group of the Year’ category which is a reflection of all the hard work that the group has done over the last four years.

Alpha United Juniors Football Club (FC) awards ceremony

Alpha United Juniors FC held an awards ceremony to celebrate the achievements of their young players. As part of the celebrations they thanked Greenmoor Big Local and CNet for providing them with the funding which has supported the running of their football club, providing facilities for disability football and for the girl’s football team.

The Greenmoor Community Partnership Board has been working hard for the past two years to develop projects, help existing projects and encourage people to come forward with ideas on how to make Greenmoor a better place to live. We are happy to say that there has been a range of projects that have been delivered and many are in the pipeline to be delivered very soon. Here is a snippet of the projects that have been funded as major projects (through the task groups) and small grants projects.

Financial information for Greenmoor Big Local (April 2017-July 2018)

The Greenmoor Partnership Board have now appointed a Finance Officer, Zafar Afsar. His task will be to work with the LTO and keep the Board informed with all the financial information of Greenmoor Big Local. The full history of the Greenmoor Big Local finance from inception (2013), is available to view in the new Community Plan. The details of monies spent on all the major projects and small grants projects are available on the Greenmoor website: www.greenmoorbighlocal.org

The following is the breakdown of the 2017-2018¹ financial information:

Received	Income	Expenditure	Spent £
Big Local Trust	£69,500.00	Communication and Engagement	£9,800.40
Big Local Trust	£42,500.00	Greenmoor Review	£2,500.00
Big Local Trust	£69,500.00	Small Grants	£6,965.00
Big Local Trust	£42,500.00	Major projects	£151,564.00
		Dispel Myths and Expenses	£2,620.28
		CNet support-for 15 months	£47,941.82
		Greenmoor Sports Ground launch	£2,608.50
Total:	£224,000.00	Total:	£224,000.00

¹ Note: The financial year was extended to July 31st 2018 by the Board to allow for the completion of the Greenmoor Big Local review.