

**SHIPLEY AREA COMMITTEE AND SHIPLEY CONSTITUENCY AREA PARTNERS'
ADVISORY GROUP (SCAPAG)
WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY 2019
SHIPLEY TOWN HALL**

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NOTES OF SCAPAG CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING

Present: Trevor Dufton (Wilsden Parish Council), Geoff Winnard (Bingley Town Council), John Turner and Joe Ashton (Baildon Town Council), Gillian Thorne (Wrose Parish Council)

Apologies: David Jessop (Wrose Parish Council)

Item 7: SCAPAG MEETING NOTES – 28 NOVEMBER 2018

No comments.

Item 8: ARRANGEMENTS BY THE COUNCIL AND ITS PARTNERS TO TACKLE CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Presenting Officers: Mark Griffin, Superintendent Alisa Newman and Carys Bose

Geoff Winnard: You have provided figures of children flagged as being at risk of CSE. Do you think that there are more children at risk than those who you have actually been able to identify?

Carys Bose: We do a lot of preventative work but realistically all young people are potentially at risk because of the internet and mobile phones. We work with schools and other organisations to identify young people who could become vulnerable to CSE so that we can take action to prevent it from happening.

Alisa Newman: We need everybody to get involved and report things of concern.

Mark Griffin: We have made incredible progress over the last 10 years in understanding CSE and responding to the threats.

John Turner: I have mixed emotions about this issue. I used to work with young people and am pleased to see the improvements. However, I am sad that it has taken so long to get to this point. I find it reassuring that the criminality involved is now being acknowledged. Baildon Moor is a hotspot and reports have been made to the Police. There is so much more that needs to be done and as a Town Council we need to get involved in the process.

Item 9: VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR SUPPORT: A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES 2017-18

Presenting Officers: Paul Stephens and Sarah Moss

No comments.

Item 10: STRONGER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY AND DELIVERY PLAN

Presenting Officer: Zahra Niazi

Gillian Thorne: Things did start between schools 20 years ago – pupils from Bolton Woods would visit Frizinghall and vice-versa. I have done Write & Read courses at Thornbury and Barker End. Shipley should perhaps reach out to other communities in the district. Maybe people from other parts of Bradford can be encouraged to attend events such as the Dragon Boat Festival in Saltaire.

Cllr Heseltine: It is all about getting communities to mix.

Zahra Niazi: There is a lot of good practice across the district but there is an opportunity to scale-up and get more people to participate.

Item 11: PARTNERSHIP AND COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO BONFIRE PLANNING 2018

Presenting Officers: Anjum Munir, Inspector Kevin Taylor and Heather Wilson

Geoff Winnard: This is a good initiative and it is important that displays are used to mark cultural events. You mention that under the 2004 Regulations it is an offence to use fireworks after 11pm and before 7am without permission, but I regularly hear people's concerns about fireworks being used late at night. What is the process for obtaining permission to extend these times?

Anjum Munir: This would be a Licensing issue.

Heather Wilson: Organised events are easy to monitor but it is much more difficult to monitor individuals letting off fireworks. We started our response two weeks earlier than in previous years – even before the fireworks were available for sale.

Gillian Thorne: Do you notice an increase in firework activity during the Diwali period at the end of October. From my home in Bolton Woods you can see fireworks being let off on the other side of the valley. Can the various communities in Bradford be engaged with?

Kevin Taylor: Yes, there is an increase in activity at that time of year as this is the run up to bonfire night. We did a huge amount of educational work. The cultural and faith groups were very good at getting involved and sermons were given by faith leaders to educate communities about the anti-social use of fireworks. This year we also engaged a army of community enablers.