



Report of the Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Shipley Area Committee to be held on 17 July 2019.

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Subject:

Shipley Youth Summit February 2019

Summary statement:

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

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2. BACKGROUND

2.1 What is the Opportunity Area Fund?

The Department for Education identified Bradford as one of the ten cities to pilot the Opportunity Area Fund Plan. The local plan is about young people's education and social mobility. In his message, The Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP Secretary of State for Education says *"Bradford is the definition of an Opportunity Area: a young, diverse city, creating a new generation of home-grown entrepreneurs, working alongside established, national employers to reclaim Bradford's proud history as a great city of industry. In Bradford's most effective schools, and further and higher education institutions, partnerships with employers are producing a workforce with the ambition and skills to make the city a leader in research and new technologies. This plan confirms the commitment of the Department for Education, schools across Bradford, and our partners in the local authority, business and the community, to making that message a reality for every pupil in the city."*

The Bradford Opportunity Area Fund Local Plan has four main priorities:

- **Priority 1 – Strengthening school leadership and the quality of teaching.**
- **Priority 2 – Improving literacy in Bradford's primary schools, particularly for disadvantaged pupils.**
- **Priority 3 – Improving access to rewarding careers.**
- **Priority 4 – Using evidence and research to remove barriers to learning.**

At the heart of the plan is the commitment to young people in Bradford. To empower young people to influence and lead its delivery, as well as evaluating and holding us to account on the impact of our work. This will be undertaken by:

Listening to Views ~ Influencing Change~ Co-production ~ Research & Evaluation

The Young Ambassadors group is the mechanism for young people from across the District to have their say and advocate on behalf of young people on education and social mobility. The Young Ambassadors group is supported by the Youth Service and is facilitated by Youth Work Apprenticeship Team. Five Youth Summits will take place across the District to gather young people's views, experiences and recommendations to take forward. The Shipley Youth Summit was the second to be held, as outlined below.

2.2 Focus of the Summit

The focus of the Shipley Youth Summit was to build on the information in Shipley regarding poverty in and around the Shipley areas.

The aim of the Summit was to gauge young people's views and thoughts on aspirations and things that prevented them from achieving them.



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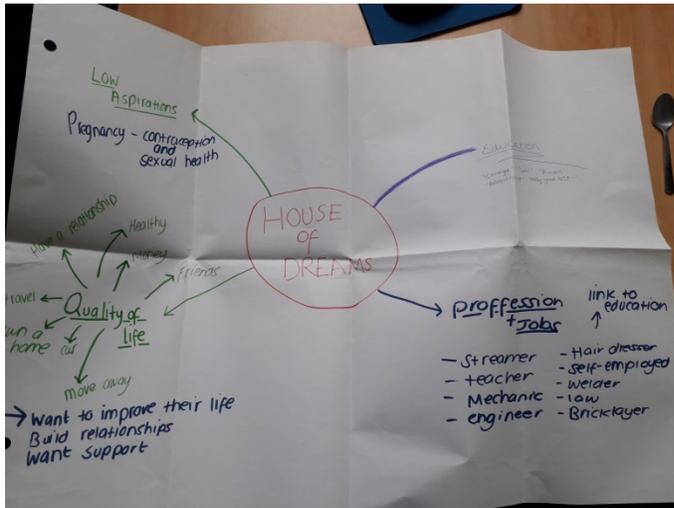
Susan Hinchliffe opening the event (left), bowling workshop - a discussion around barriers preventing young people aspiring for their goals and metaphorically knocking down the pins that are the barriers (right)

2.3 The Summit in Shipley

The Shipley Youth Summit was held on the 20 February 2019 at three central locations in Shipley Town Centre. The event was opened by Councillor Susan Hinchliffe, leader of the council.

87 young people attended the event. The format for the event, (See Appendix 1), was to hold various interactive workshops with young people, which were fun to take part in and used youth work young person centred methods of engagement. The Young Ambassadors and Apprentice Youth Work Team delivery were supported by the Shipley Team, Adult Listeners and Councillors Martin Love and Vanda Greenwood, in order to deliver the event.

Young Ambassadors collated feedback and discussing the Shipley Youth Summit



Low Aspirations

Jokes made: "in your mums house"
"Willy Wonkas Umpalumper"
- doesn't know how to express or environment stops them/hasn't educated them.

Living conditions: "Living with..." "No STDs"
"Not Pregnant"
- to do with education & social mobility.
- environment, family/friends

Jobs: "on a pole" "Stripper"
"Drug dealer"
- environment maybe, family/friends.
- education struggles.



2.4 Conclusions from the Event and Moving Forward

At the conclusion of the event young people participated in a ballot, voting which issue they would like to take forward to the young ambassadors group that affected them the most, the issue chosen was mental health.

Young people felt that more support around mental health could be available at both school and within their communities.

Bullying was one issue raised that had an impact on mental health and affected them, lowering their aspirations. The transition from primary to secondary school was a challenge for many young people and this is where bullying was an issue.

There are some good examples in Shipley where young people have been involved in supporting other young people that the Ambassadors could learn from. For example, in Titus Salt School, Mental Health School Champions run a young people peer support project where young people help other young people and report more serious issues to the schools support staff.

Following the Shipley Youth Summit the model for the Young Ambassadors will be a locality based model. This will enable young people's voices to influence and encourage social action.

Shipley will have a regular Young Ambassadors group where the group will work with others, to try and make changes of the identified issue of mental health and bullying.

The Shipley Young Ambassador group will look at the surrounding issues of mental health and wellbeing and its relation to social mobility. The group will work with appropriate partners, organisations, and individuals who can help break down barriers for young people in order for them to achieve and make a difference.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 How the Committee work with the Shipley Young Ambassadors on the key issue affecting young people in Shipley

3.2 How the Committee can work with other organisations to work on the issue identified from the Summit

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

There are no financial implications related directly to this report.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

There are no significant risks arising from the proposed recommendations in this report.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There is no legal requirement for the Council.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Social mobility varies between different communities within the Bradford District.

7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

None.

7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

None.

7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

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

7.6 TRADE UNION

There are no implications for Trade Unions.

7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific ward implications.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 The Committee notes the report and supports the on-going work of the Young Ambassadors.

9.2 That Councillors consider in what ways they can help support young people to increase their social mobility in Shipley.

10. APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 Shipley Youth Summit 2019 - Briefing Note & Event Plan

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None.

Appendix 1 Youth Summit 2018 - Briefing Note & Event Plan:



Guest Speaker & Facilitators Briefing Note & Event Plan

ShIPLEY Youth Summit Event Date: **Wednesday 20th February 2019, 1pm to 5pm.**

Event Comperes: Courtney Terry, Apprentice Youth Worker.
Habeel Ali and Noah Ali, Young Ambassadors.

Event Guest Speaker: **Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe, Leader of BMDC.**

Event Guest Speaker, Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe (suggestion to cover the following):

- Would be good to say a few words that connect a shared personal experience that could inspire social mobility in young people at the event.
- Talk about the Bradford Opportunity Area and how this work will lead to the creation of more socially mobile young people.

Event Programme:

11.30am Staff to set up for the event at the venues

12:30pm Kirkgate Centre - Arrival & Registration (FTYWs bring completed yp registers). Allocation to workshop group – give out a coloured house card and a raffle ticket to each young person.

1pm – 1.15pm Event Comperes, Welcomes & House Keeping . Event Guest Speaker, Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe to open the event

1.15pm to 1.30pm Kirkgate Centre – *Privilege Walk* Activity

1.30pm to 2.10pm Kirkgate Centre – Workshop 1 *House of Dreams*

2.10pm to 4.05pm – Each group to carousel to the remaining two workshop venues at Go Bowling and lunch at ShIPLEY Youth Café:

Workshop 2 Barrier wall	Lunch	Workshop 3 Light Bulb Arena
Go Bowling downstairs	Shipley Youth Cafe	Go Bowling upstairs

14:10 – 14:50	RED	YELLOW	GREEN
14:50 – 15:30	YELLOW	GREEN	RED
15:30 – 16:10	GREEN	RED	YELLOW

4.10pm – 4.50pm Kirkgate Centre – Workshop 4 - Young People Ballot & Announcing Raffle Prize Winners

5pm Close of Event.