

# Report of the Assistant Director of the Office of the Chief Executive to the meeting of Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Thursday 23 January 2020.

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## **Subject:**

**BRADFORD DISTRICT PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2018/2019**

## **Summary statement:**

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## 1. SUMMARY

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## 2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The Bradford District Partnership (BDP) brings representatives of the public, private, voluntary and community sectors together to work to improve the quality of life for all who live in, work in and visit Bradford District. The BDP acts as the strategic body (family of partnerships) which enables partners to come together to focus on current issues and future challenges, and to coordinate, facilitate and challenge delivery.

2.2 The BDP's main purpose is to harness the collective resources of the district to drive delivery of the outcomes outlined within the District Plan 2016-20. The District Plan sets out the district's vision and priorities for action. It also provides a performance framework for accountability, while at the same time highlighting the coordinated effort needed across organisations to deliver our shared outcomes.

2.3 Individual BDP partnerships have taken lead responsibility for each of the outcomes and report back to each relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee on a regular basis. The BDP outcomes covered by each of the Partnerships are as follows:

District Plan Outcome	Responsible BDP Partnership
Better skills, more good jobs and a growing economy	Bradford Economic Partnership
A great start and good schools for all our children	Children's Trust
Better health, better lives	Health and Wellbeing Board
Safe, clean and active communities	Shared between the Community Safety Partnership, and the Stronger Communities Partnership
Decent homes that people can afford to live in	Bradford Economic Partnership

2.4 Following updated BDP governance arrangements at the beginning of 2018, the Health and Wellbeing Board is now the lead Partnership within the BDP family, and therefore as well as having responsibility for delivery of the Better Health Better Lives outcome, has overall responsibility for overseeing the delivery of the District Plan. In this role they approved the District Plan Progress Report at their meeting on 19 September 2019.

2.5 The annual report presented in this report focuses on the overall achievements from 2018/19 and future challenges for district partners, presented outcome by outcome.

- 2.6 Performance is monitored on a regular basis throughout the year through the District Plan performance management framework, details of which are updated on a regular basis on the [BDP web site](#).
- 2.7 The annual report reflects on progress for the 12 months up to the end of March 2019, with a narrative providing full analysis of progress and any on going challenges. The annual report gives some insight into the drivers behind poor and positive performance against the District Plan success measures. However live performance data and intelligence, on the District Plan measures amongst others, is available by clicking through the links on the District Dashboard (available on the Bradford District Partnership web site). At any time this will provide the most recent data and information available to the Council.

### **3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Progress report 2018/19 – key highlights**

- 3.1 The full progress report for 2018/19 is presented at appendix 1. For each outcome this presents:
- A reminder of the ambition from the District Plan
  - Progress on success measures with status and trajectory to the 2020 target
  - Analysis and commentary on the progress
  - More detailed case study of successful projects
- 3.2 Some highlights from the report are outlined below, providing progress across each outcome. Generally across all the outcomes there are some positive stories but also some areas which need more attention and focus.
- 3.3 In line with our Economic Strategy priorities our Sparkling Bradford campaign brought together a range of retailers and attractions to increase seasonal activity leading to greater footfall and spend. PwC have also arrived as a major employment presence in the city centre, attracted by our young, talented and diverse workforce. Our first Bradford Manufacturing week also saw students from over half of the district's secondary schools take part in more than 3000 first hand manufacturing experiences. To support our connections the continuing Next Stop Bradford campaign has helped secure a Northern Powerhouse Rail station in the city centre.
- 3.4 The district now has 32 Bradford Community Champions delivering inspirational talks to students on the importance of education. A summer internship programme, run in partnership with the University and the Opportunity Area, saw 12 interns working with a range of different employers. The mastery specialist teacher with the National Centre for the Excellence of teaching in Mathematics, has through their work over the last four years has led to significant improvements in mathematics attainment and leadership.
- 3.5 Supporting the district's health and wellbeing, our Living Well initiative has supported people to adopt healthier lifestyles, including a partnership approach to tackling childhood obesity across a range of activities. The successes of these schemes have led to expansion being planned for 2019/2020. Mental health has also been approached through a peer support initiative ENRICH, developed to improve people's experience and outcomes of discharge from inpatient care.

Following an independent study highlighting that many young women in the district are unable to afford sanitary products, an initiative led by local women (Redbox Bradford), distributes free products and supplies across 56 schools to date with more to follow.

- 3.6 As outlined in the Community Safety Plan and in response to public feedback a Public Space Protection Order is being put in place to tackle anti social driving. The intention is to improve confidence and re-assure the public that this behaviour will not go unchallenged.
- 3.7 Recycling advisors have been working with parts of the district where recycling is less understood leading to significant reductions in contamination levels. This has been further supported by clean up days, enforcement and educational conversations.
- 3.8 The integrated communities funding has enabled a range of interventions to be commissioned around language skills, strengthening community leadership, tackling hate crime, and encouraging greater interaction between people from different backgrounds.
- 3.9 Bradford's Housing First pilot has provided intensive support through a range of partners, to support a number of people with complex needs such as offender histories, mental ill health and drug addiction, which is aimed at helping them to sustain their tenancies and to live independent lives. Emergency short term accommodation has also been provided to 160 people who are or are at risk of rough sleeping through the No Second Night Out service, with 117 leaving the service in a planned way.

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

The areas of focus for the next 12 months will be resourced through existing means by partners working together across the district.

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

There are no significant risk management or governance issues arising out of the recommendations of this report.

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

None.

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

##### **7.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY**

The work of the partnerships around the delivery of the District Plan outcomes will include promoting equality for all communities and individuals. A strategic view of equalities is undertaken by the Equalities and Community Relations Strategic Group which reports directly to the Stronger Communities Partnership. This group focusses on addressing any disproportionate impacts for the people of the district alongside its community relations work. It also enables cross organisation discussions and action planning and ensures equality is embedded in the work of all the partnerships.

This report does not specifically respond to any of the Council's own equality objectives.

## **7.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no sustainability issues arising from this report.

## **7.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS**

Air quality and emissions are included as areas which the Partnerships need to focus on in reaching its better health, better lives outcome.

## **7.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

The Community Safety Partnership has oversight of district wide activity on community safety, and this report provides an update on their progress. In line with the BDP's new governance arrangements, the Health and Wellbeing Board meetings (as lead partnership) will include a regular focus on each of the outcomes of the District Plan – this will include a contribution from the Community Safety Partnership.

## **7.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

There are no human rights issues arising from this report.

## **7.6 TRADE UNION**

There are no trade union issues arising from this report.

## **7.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS**

The work of the Bradford District Partnership has a strong localities focus. The implementation work for the outcomes will have implications for all wards in Bradford District.

## **7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CORPORATE PARENTING**

None

## **7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT**

Does not apply

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

None.

## **9. OPTIONS**

None.

## **10. RECOMMENDATIONS**

10.1 Members note and comment on the report.

10.2 That a further annual report be brought in 12 months time.

## **11. APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Bradford District Plan Annual Progress Report 2018/2019

## **12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

[Bradford District Plan 2016-2020](#)