

Community Group Leads - Consultation Approach

This briefing paper sets out the approach to consultation with community groups, in relation to re-shaping Bradford Libraries, as agreed by the Strategic Board. The table below provides details of officers within the Council, with whom meetings were held between 27th January and 14th February, 2020.

- The purpose of these meetings was to provide feedback on the Libraries engagement exercise, give an overview of the new library 'vision' and 'library services model' and, explain the agreed consultation approach and timescales. Each of the contacts agreed to promote completion of the on-line consultation survey, encourage attendance at the public consultation sessions and distribute posters and flyers among their network of contacts and associated groups and organisations.
- In addition, they agreed to provide details of the methods used to encourage participation in the consultation and promote completion of the on-line survey, the groups and organisations contacted and, of any events or meetings which they or their colleagues would be attending.
- They also agreed to suggest any meetings, focus groups or events taking place between 17th February and 13th March, which it would be beneficial for members of the Libraries service to attend, in order to encourage participation in the consultation and promote completion of the on-line survey.
- The consultation document has been produced in EasyRead format and, in line with the wider Council approach, in Braille and alternative languages upon request. This information is included on the Council's web pages so that residents understand the options available to them.
- Library service employees with additional language skills will also be available upon request to support public consultation sessions and in particular this resource will be made available at the Manningham public consultation drop in session based on previous requests.
- The survey will be promoted through an article circulated via Bradford Schools on-line, various social media accounts and targeted Facebook advertising to the 18-24 age group.
- Letters have been sent to residents who receive home library visits and support on completing the survey is being provided.

Community Group	Contacts	Role
LGBTQ	Jill Iredale	Community Curator – Sport & Culture
People with Disabilities	Jody Leach	Business Information Governance Officer – Health & Wellbeing
BME	Mahmood Mohammed	Stronger Communities Delivery Co-Ordinator
	Michelle Taylor	People Can Programme Co-ordinator
	Nazaket Ali	Advanced Practitioner - Performance, Commissioning & Partnerships
Young People	John Coulton	Sports Facilities Manager – Sport & Culture
		Area Co-ordinator – Bradford South
	Mick Charlton	Area Co-ordinator – Keighley
	Jonathan Hayes	Area Co-ordinator – Bradford West
	Noreen Akhtar	Area Co-ordinator – Bradford East
	Louise Williams	Area Co-ordinator – Shipley
	Damian Fisher	Ward Officer – Shipley
	Paula Truman	Ward Officer - Bradford West
Debbie Thornton		