

Report of the Keighley Area Co-ordinator to the meeting of Keighley Area Committee to be held on 16 November 2023

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Subject:

Keighley Locality Plan – Progress Update Q1&2 2023

Summary statement:

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EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

The Locality Plan has been developed in consultation with a wide variety of partners, community groups and residents with the aim of ensuring that the voices of all communities in the Area are heard. This has included specific targeting, to ensure the views of minority groups, and those whose voices are seldom heard, are engaged in the process.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

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2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The vision for the Strengthening Locality Working approach is to build safe, strong and active localities where citizens and local leaders are empowered to work alongside public agencies and partners to address local needs and issues. Working collaboratively and creatively, they utilise local assets, resources and opportunities to enhance community capacity and tackle inequalities. People are at the heart of service design and delivery, and experience coordinated support within their localities and only need to tell their story once. A stronger focus on prevention and early help promotes better outcomes for local people and helps reduce the need for statutory interventions wherever possible.
- 2.2 To help achieve this vision the approach advocates a stronger role for Bradford Council and its partners as a leader and place shaper, aligning delivery and resources, renewing emphasis on the role of Area Committees and supporting local councillors in their capacity as democratic champions.
- 2.4 At its meeting held on 23 June 2022, Keighley Area Committee approved the Keighley Locality Plan 2022-25 (Document 'E') which included a set of 18 locality-wide priorities and six Ward Plans.
- 2.5 Ward Officers, working with District Councillors and partner agencies, have been working since June 2022 to develop work that addresses these priorities. Appendix A gives an update on the progress that has been achieved during the period April – September 2023. Appendix B highlights one piece of work for each of the 6 Council Plan themes for each Ward, which gives an example of the type of work being done.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

No other considerations.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

This work falls within the current budget and resources of the Neighbourhood Service and the budgeted resources of other Council services.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

A key purpose of locality-based working is to reduce the demand on services.

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There are no known legal implications from this work.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

One of the key themes in the Locality Plan aims to increase sustainability across the Area.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

Many of the priorities in the Locality Plan will help address climate emergency issues and in particular those under the theme of 'Sustainability'.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

There will be positive implications in terms of community safety from work undertaken to address the priorities set out in the Locality Plan and Ward Plans.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

No known issues.

7.5 TRADE UNION

No known issues.

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

There will be positive implications for all Wards in the Keighley Area arising from work undertaken to address the priorities set out in the Locality Plan and Ward Plans.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

This report gives an update on progress being made to address the priorities set out in the Keighley Locality Plan 2022-25.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

There will be positive implications in terms of children and young people arising from work undertaken to address the priorities set out in the Locality Plan and Ward Plans.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

No known implications

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

- 9.1 That members approve the recommendations.
- 9.2 That members make amendments to the recommendations.
- 9.3 That members reject the recommendations.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 Keighley Area Committee notes the progress made during the period April – September 2023 towards addressing the locality-wide and ward-based priorities set out in the Keighley Locality Plan 2022-25, as detailed in this report at Appendix A.
- 10.3 Keighley Area Committee requests the Keighley Area Co-ordinator to present a further Progress Update in six months time.

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix A: Keighley Locality Plan – Progress Update Q1&2 2023
- 11.2 Appendix B: Good News Stories from each Ward

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 12.1 “Keighley Locality Plan 2022-25” (Document ‘E’), Keighley Area Committee, 23 June 2022
- 12.2 “Keighley Locality Plan – Progress Update 2022-25” (Document ‘L’), Keighley Area Committee, 2 February 2023

Appendix A

Keighley Locality Plan – Progress Update Q1&2 2023

Appendix B - Good News Stories from each Ward