

Meeting Minutes: BIG LOCAL PARTNERSHIP

Venue: Hainworth Wood Community Centre
Date: 15.5.23
Time: 6:00PM
Minutes: Rana/ Shaun

Attendees: Greg, Sue, Rana, Claire L, Claire D, Fiona, Tracey, Kelly, Hazel, Rob, Shaun, Wendy, Abina, Caroline Firth, Jo Beecroft and Anna Dixon

Apologies: Helen, Mike and France-Leigh, Richard Sara

Abina gave an overview of the youth engagement across Big Local areas. Keighley Vibe is now operating in the Young People's Centre for ages 16-25 years old. They are supporting young people getting into employment and training. They have linked in with Keighley College, Bradford College, Skills House and Housing Options. They also work with the Cellars Trust in Shipley who look after mental wellbeing, supporting young people with Autism. 520 people young people attend this on a monthly basis. The funding comes through DWP. People from Big Local area and Parkwood are benefitting from it. It's been 12 months since it started and people are getting referred from different organisations. This initiative has established with the help of Local trust funding given by the Big Local partnership to help access CLLD funding.

There is a gap in provision for ages 8-11 years old, Jo and Abina are working on a project together. A week on Monday, they will be doing consultations door to door. Time to be confirmed. If there is scope, they will work on other areas. It is a pilot project. Once a survey is completed, a token for a free ice cream will be handed out. Big Local is taking a lead with help from Partnership members and this type of consultation has had good response in the past.

Anna gave an introduction as Chair of the board of Trustees at Hainworthwood Community Centre. She gave an overview of how the centre was back in January 2022 when the new roof was put in place. KHL grant was not spent due to the closure of the centre. This grant is now being spent and helps keep the centre open with activities including Conversation Cafe on Thursday 1-3pm, Positive Strength session on Fridays 10-11am. The After School grant was secured by Keighley Big Local, sessions are now delivered by Get Out More CIC. There is a structured regular programme of activities at the centre. Parent and toddler group on Mondays is led by Claire with help from Early Years Alliance, Luncheon Club on Tuesdays. Also Worth Connecting IT course. Job Club and Conversation Cafe on Thursdays and the foodbank on a referral basis. Positive Strength, After School Club on Fridays. Occasional one off events took place at the centre like the King's Coronation, Easter, Jubilee, Christmas and Halloween. Interviewing for a new paid worker at the centre funded by Big Local will take place this week. 3 people have been shortlisted for interviews.

Cafe Eden is doing really well. Bradford Autism Services will be coming soon. They will be offering training utilising a Big Local grant.. The group will also be taking part in Local Trust survey- A community led project. There are plans to team up with the Play team to develop sessions for children on the spectrum.

All for Play. There are stay and play sessions at Strong Close Nursery and School and an after School Club is being encouraged. Get Out More are using a £50 grant to help establish this.. Wellbeing Walks are every Wednesday with 15-20 people attending. HAF sessions during school holidays. Referrals are from Parkwood, St Mary's. Get Out More will be branching out into Ingrow Primary School which has a intake of pupils from the Big Local area.

Claire L previously applied for funding before Covid for the bottom of the garden by her area. £350 was awarded to put fencing on, tidy up. The project did not progress. Need signatures from residents to prove the works are something everyone wants. C

Mens Shed is moving to the old bowling green on Halifax Road and will be based there. The site is outside the Keighley Big Local area.

Parkwood. Work is going on at Parkwood therefore no coronation event took place as the playground was still an active contact site.

Sue attended Community Leadership Academy event in Birmingham and enjoyed it there. Lots of groups of people.

Clean ups are being organised including a One Hour Tidy at Clover Rise and some activities in partnership with the River Worth Friends.

Hainworth Woodland. Greg who owns this woodland has experienced lots of challenges including anti-social behaviour. Greg would like to sell this and has offered Big Local partnership if they would like to purchase it for £50k. Open to negotiations. His proposal is to form a sub-committee and Greg would like to be part of this. Can get it valued. Advised to get formal planning consent. The partnership will discuss this at the Reflect and Recharge session on 10th June.

Keighley On Aire. Jam on Top. The Radio Station has now dissolved. The project no longer exists. The condition to continue was for the project to submit a business plan to drawdown a further £19K. This has not been done.

Kelly was concerned some partnership members were not attending meetings. The morning meetings have not been attended. If a partnership members misses 3 meetings without apologies they are asked to confirm if they want to continue to be a member. It is hoped hosting the morning meeting at Beeches Road Play area, starting next Monday will make it easier for people who cannot attend the evening meeting to be involved. Shaun encouraged everyone to access budgets if it meant they could attend meetings, this includes Child Minders and covering fuel costs.

Equality and Diversity. Following a recent surveymonkey results comment, there were concerns around the comment made by a partnership member. Another surveymonkey has been emailed to members based on this comment. Fiona to email partnership members with a response.

Next meeting

Monday 10th July 6pm at St Mary's Edible Playground