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AGENDA FOR

BURY WEST TOWNSHIP FORUM

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To: All Members of Bury West Township Forum

Councillors : J Frith, M Hankey, S Nuttall,
S Southworth, R Walker and J Walton

Advisory group members:

Phil Jones – Brandlesholme Residents Association
Catherine Baker – Young person representative

Dear Member/Colleague

Bury West Township Forum

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Bury West Township Forum which will be held as follows:-

Date:	Thursday, 16 January 2014
Place:	Elton Youth Centre, Bury
Time:	7.00 pm
Briefing Facilities:	If Opposition Members and Co-opted Members require briefing on any particular item on the Agenda, the appropriate Director/Senior Officer originating the related report should be contacted.
Notes:	

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of Bury West Township Forum are asked to consider whether they have an interest in any of the matters on the agenda and, if so, to formally declare that interest.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2013 *(Pages 1 - 6)*

Minutes are attached.

4 POLICE ISSUES

Community Support Officers will be in attendance.

5 BRANDESHOLME RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Philip Jones, Brandlesholme Residents Association will provide a verbal update at the meeting.

6 BURY THIRD SECTOR DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Derek Burke will be in attendance.

7 BURY WEST TOWNSHIP AREA PLAN *(Pages 7 - 30)*

A report from the Township Co-ordinator is attached.

8 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME *(Pages 31 - 34)*

A period of 30 minutes has been set aside for members of the public to ask questions or raise issues of concern relating to the provision of local services.

9 URGENT BUSINESS

Any other business which by reason of special circumstances the Chair agrees may be considered as a matter of urgency.

10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Township Forum will be held on Thursday 13th March 2014 at Bolton Road Methodist Church.

Minutes of: BURY WEST TOWNSHIP FORUM

Date of Meeting: Thursday 20th November 2013

Venue: Bolton Road Methodist Church, Bury.

Present:

Councillors: Councillor M Hankey (In the Chair);
Councillors J. Frith, S. Nuttall, S. Southworth and R.E Walker

Advisory Group Representatives:

Philip Jones -- Brandlesholme Residents Association

Public attendance: 16 members of the public were in attendance

Apologies for absence:

Councillor Jack Walton
Catherine Baker – Young Persons Representative

Councillor Hankey informed the meeting that an additional agenda item; "Police issues in Bury West" would be considered first.

**BWTF. POLICE ISSUES IN BURY WEST
535**

PC Pete Eccleston Sue Eckersley and Shelly Flitcroft, Police Community Support Officers provided members of the Township Forum with a verbal update in relation to police issues in Bury West, the update contained the following information:

PC Pete Eccleston reported that there had been an increase in the number of reported burglaries in the Tottington Road area.

PC Pete Eccleston informed the meeting that reported instances of anti social behaviour in Whitehead Park had reduced.

PC Pete Eccleston reported that the police are stepping up uniform and covert patrols in the Bury West area, the police are also targeting known offenders to help reduce crime.

It was agreed:

PC Pete Eccleston, Sue Eckersley and Shelly Flitcroft be thanked for there attendance.

**BWTF. APOLOGIES
536**

Apologies were detailed above.

**BWTF. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
537**

Councillor S. Nuttall declared a personal interest in respect of minute BWTF.547

**BWTF. MINUTES
538**

It was agreed.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Bury West Township Forum held on 10 September 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to an amendment to minute number BWTF.332 to change the agenda item title to Purpeck Park and BWTF.333 to change the agenda item to Whitehead Park.

**BWTF. PLAN FOR CHANGE 3
539**

The Bury West Township Forum considered a verbal presentation from the Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor John Smith, and the Executive Director of Resources setting out details of revised financial savings requirements for 2014/2015 along with details of how the proposed savings will be met. The presentation provided a breakdown of internal savings that would contribute towards the additional £2.2m savings target for 2014/2015.

With regard to 2015/2016, the Deputy Leader of the Council outlined the scale of the challenge facing the Council that would mean £16m being cut from the budget. In planning for this, the Deputy Leader explained that the aim would be to minimise the effect on residents and employees but stressed that all options would need to be explored, including:

- Service Changes – closures and/or a reduced range of services
- Explore alternative ways of delivering services
- Increased waiting times and/or reduced quality of service
- Severe limits to what the Council can afford to do
- Review how the Council is structured.

Questions and comments were invited from the Township Forum and members of the public present at the meeting and the following issues were raised:

In response to a question from a Member of the public, the Executive Director of Resources reported that Bury's funding allocation remains disproportionately low compared to other Local Authorities; the Deputy Council Leader encouraged members of the public to get involved in Bury's fair deal campaign.

In response to a question from a Member of the public, the Executive Director reported that the council has a very good record for collecting Council Tax, the second best in Greater Manchester.

The Executive Director of Resources reported that the Council would procure services jointly with other Local Authorities. The Deputy Leader reported in order to help generate the local economy, any contract put out to tender for

less than £25,000, would require four quotes, one of which would be from a local business.

In response to a question from Councillor Walker, the Deputy Leader reported that four thousand residents responded to the library review consultation and the decision to include a sculpture trial in the central library would increase visitor numbers.

In response to a question from the Member of the Public, the Deputy Leader reported that he was not aware of any plans to change Whitefield's sensory library service.

The Executive Director of Resources reported that the money transferred from the NHS into the Local Authority would be ringfenced.

It was agreed:

1. The Deputy Leader and the Executive Director of Resources be thanked for their attendance.
2. A response would be provided in relation to any proposed changes to the sensory library service at Whitefield library.

**BWTF. BURY FOSTERING UPDATE
540**

The Bury West Township Forum considered a verbal presentation from Zoe Edmonds, Senior Practitioner, Children's Services in relation to the Council recruitment drive to increase the number of foster carers within the Borough.

The Senior Practitioner reported that nationally, there are more children coming into care and this is true in Bury, especially teenagers and siblings.

The Senior Practitioner reported that the Council needs foster carers from all different backgrounds because children come into care from a variety of homes and communities and the council will try to place children in an environment as similar to their home as possible.

The Senior Practitioner reported that foster carers will be supported by a team of dedicated supervising social workers and support workers. The team will make sure that Bury's foster carers are ready to foster and training is offered to all potential foster carers.

It was agreed:

Zoe Edmonds, Senior Practitioner Children's Services be thanked for her attendance.

**BWTF. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TEAM STRATEGY
541**

It was agreed:

This item would be deferred to a future meeting.

**BWTF. SPORTS DEVELOPMENT – "I WILL IF YOU WILL".
542**

Maria Folan from the Community Activator Team was introduced to the meeting. The sports development team will be working in Bury to promote sports initiatives in the area. Maria informed the meeting of the Sport England initiative 'I Will if You Will', a £2.4m nationally funded year-long programme aimed at encouraging local women and girls aged 14+ to take up some form of sporting activity classes in Bury, to try and tackle the gender gap in sport. Some classes were starting to get underway in Bury Leisure sports centres and other community venues.

Details of events were available on the Council's website. Maria welcomed ideas from local community groups to get involved in this and other sport activities. The Team were in the process of working on a borough-wide bursary scheme and further details on applying for funding to support sports activities would be available on the Council's website in the very near future.

It was agreed:

Maria Folan be thanked for her attendance.

BWTF. HIGHWAYS SUB GROUP UPDATE

543

Councillor Walker provided members of the Township Forum with an update in relation to issues discussed at the Highways sub group.

With regards to 20 mph speed limits on Watling Street and Hunstanton Drive the Principal Engineer had reported that provisional ideas would be formulated by the end of the year and these arrangements would be discussed with members of the public.

Councillor Walker informed the meeting that an initiative providing part time advisory 20mph signs at schools sited on or close to main roads. It was reported that of the seven sites chosen in the Borough, one was in Bury West (Chantlers). The signs will be introduced early next year and, if successful, considered for introduction at other sites. As part of the wider initiative, education projects were being undertaken which included the use of parking banners outside schools.

The ongoing speed limit review of A and B Roads is to be completed within this financial year. Proposed alterations will then be advertised. The Principal Engineer highlighted the fact that TfGM funding would not cover the cost of all alterations and a shortfall would exist.

Members discussed the introduction of new LED street lighting within Bury West and concerns were raised in relation to the new street lighting.

It was agreed:

The report be noted.

BWTF. BURY WEST TOWNSHIP AREA PLAN

544

Christine Maksymowski, Township Co-ordinator, provided an overview of the Bury West Township Forum Area Plan. The plan outlines how the Council and its partners will continue to make progress towards the vision for Bury West to

promote better outcomes for the social, health, economic and environmental wellbeing of people in the community.

The Township Co-ordinator reported that monthly meetings will now take place between Inspector Williams and other partner agencies in relation to anti social behaviour in the Bury West area.

The "Be safe be cool" training had been successfully delivered to all year nine pupils in Bury.

The Township Co-ordinator reported that a street safe initiative had commenced at local primary schools and green, amber and red banners will be placed outside local schools.

Lucy Salisbury, Daisyfield Children's Centre reported that the centre would be involved in the Sport England "I will if you will," development programme. Children's centre staff will also continue to work with St. Stephens and Chantlers Primary School as part of the school readiness programme.

It was agreed:

The Bury West Area Plan would be a standing agenda item.

BWTF. ADVISORY GROUP UPDATE

545

Philip Jones, Brandlesholme Residents Association informed the meeting that the association had been awarded a grant of £75,000 from Viridor to build a children's playground on Purpeck Park. Representatives from the residents association have also approached Asda for an additional £25,000 grant, to fund other maintenance work at the park.

It was agreed:

A further update would be provided by the Brandlesholme residents Association at the next meeting of the Bury West Township Forum.

BWTF. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

546

The Chair, Councillor M Hankey, invited questions, comments and representations from members of the public present at the meeting. Questions were asked and comments made on the issues detailed below. The Township Forum Co-ordinator undertook to obtain a reply to matters which could not be dealt with at the meeting.

- A Member of the public raised concerns in relation to the Bus lane on Bury/Bolton Road. Councillor Southworth reported that she would highlight the safety concerns with the Executive Director of DCN at her next portfolio meeting.
- In response to a question from a member of the public, Councillor Walker reported that the Lidil planning application had been unsuccessful, the company are however planning to appeal the decision.

**BWTF. COMMUNITY FUNDING REPORT
547**

The Township Co-ordinator reported that funding was still available in Elton and Church Wards.

It was agreed:

The report be noted.

**BWTF. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING
548**

It was agreed:

The next meeting of the Township Forum will be held on 16 January 2014 at Elton Youth Centre.

**COUNCILLOR M HANKEY
Chair**

(Note: The meeting started at 7.00pm and ended at 9.05 pm)

Bury West Township Forum

Our Township Plan:
2012-15

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Welcome to Bury West Township Plan

Thank you for taking the time to read the Bury West Township Plan. This document provides details on how we plan to tackle some of the local issues we face as a community.

Over the past months, we have had round table discussions at Township forum meetings where Councillors, Community representatives and other members of the public were present and able to give us their views and share ideas. From this, and other statistical information, we have been able to identify our priority areas for the next three years.

This plan outlines how we will continue to make progress towards the vision for our Township to promote better outcomes for the social, health, economic, and environmental well being of people within our community

Despite the challenging economic climate we continue to strive for improvement, working together with our communities and partner agencies such as the Council, Police and Fire service, health services, faith groups and so on. We have a strong, dedicated, skilled and committed partnership that is working on a range of projects to help us deliver our priorities and improve the quality of life for residents in our community.

Bury Council has a number of key outcomes that underpin its work; delivery of this plan will support these outcomes.

- Reducing poverty and its effects
- Supporting our most vulnerable residents
- Making Bury a better place to live
- One Council, One success together

We would like to thank all our partners and residents for their continued efforts in supporting the Township Forum and the important work it does for the community of Bury West.

Cllr Michael Hankey
**Chair,
Bury West
Township Forum**

Who we are and what we do

Bury West Township Forum welcomes those who live, work, or have an interest in the area. The forum meets at local venues such as community centres, churches and schools. These meetings are public meetings and we strongly encourage everyone to come along. Discussions are fed back to Bury Council and its partners for appropriate action.

Bury West Township Forum is a constituted council committee consisting of all the elected members representing our area and a co-opted advisory group of local representatives from voluntary organisations and community groups. There are up to nine members on each Advisory Group and a place is also reserved for a young persons' representative.

The Forum empowers our communities, promotes the debate of local issues and brings decision making closer to our residents. It seeks to harness the many strengths and assets we have in place here in Bury West, including local groups, strong community networks, talented young people, charities and voluntary groups, to work through these issues as a strong and committed partnership.

For further information about your Township Forum please visit [Township Forums](#) or contact Christine Maksymowski, Township Co-ordinator on 061 253 7941, or by email at c.maksymowski@bury.gov.uk

Some facts about Bury West

Demography: Bury has a population of 185,060 (2011 Census Data), of these, approximately 21,809 live in Bury West. Bury West has an older population profile than Bury overall, with fewer under 35 year olds. Bury West has the 3rd highest life expectancy for women (82.4 years) and men (80.0 years) of all the Bury Townships.

Deprivation: In terms of measuring deprivation, England is split into small areas called lower super output areas (LSOA). Each LSOA represents approximately 1500 residents. Deprivation is measured over 7 domains: income, employment, health, disability, education and training, barriers to housing and services, living environment and crime. In England there are 32,482 LSOA. In the borough of Bury there are 120 LSOA. Each LSOA is given a ranking, with 1 being most deprived.

Daisyfield is the most deprived LSOA in Bury West. It is within the 25% most deprived in the country overall. Chantlers is the least deprived LSOA in the township, which is within the 15% least deprived LSOA in the country.

Closing the gap: Bury West is generally seen as an affluent area; however, there are clearly pockets of deprivation and inequalities, which adversely affect the life chances of many people who live in them. These inequalities between our neighbourhoods mean poorer health, lower levels of education and skills, higher crime and unemployment for people living in these areas. The Township Plan aims to help close the gap so that the lives of those in the most deprived areas are improved.

Our Assets: Bury West is a popular place to live, it has some beautiful parks and green spaces including Burrs County Park and Activity Centre, with active and enthusiastic friends groups to ensure that these spaces are well maintained. There are active Tenants and Residents Associations and an Allotment Society that are well represented on the Township Forum.

Bury West Township Forum aims to promote better outcomes for the social, health, economic, and environmental well being of people within our community.

We can achieve this by working together to achieve a number of key outcomes:

Together we can achieve more!

Key Outcomes:

Our Plan will contribute to the following outcomes:

Improved employment opportunities

Key Issues identified: How to help reduce the number of benefit claimants, how to increase the number of apprenticeships and pathways to work and how to create further employment locally, especially for young people.

Current Position: April 2013 there were 426 claimants in Bury West which is 9.4% of the total of claimants in Bury. 30.5% of total claimants are aged 16 – 24; in Elton Ward 57.6% of claimants are aged 16 – 24

Improved Community Safety

Key Issues identified: Some young people involved in Anti Social Behaviour (ASB).

Current Position: Youth Anti Social Behaviour is an issue in some areas of Bury West.

Improved Health and Wellbeing

Key Issues identified: Work across the Children’s Centre broad agenda to support Children and Families.

Current Position: Bury West has the 2nd lowest level of obesity in Reception Year and the 3rd highest level in Year 6 pupils. About 1 in 12 (8%) of Reception Year Children are classified as obese. Almost 1 in 6 (18.2%) of Year 6 children are classified as obese.

Improved Educational Attainment/Learning Opportunities

Key Issues identified: The need to ensure that children are school ready.

Current Position: Some Nursery School Children are well below the expected standards and have poor communication skills.

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Improved road safety and public transport

Key Issues identified: The need to discuss highways and public transport issues across the Bury West area.

Current Position: Residents have raised concerns about the volume and speed of cars on Bury West roads and inconsistency in bus services.

Improved Community Pride and Belonging

Key Issues identified: To promote the positive side of Bury West. To make more use of the parks and open spaces.

Current Position: Some residents have raised concerns about the lack of events taking place in Bury West.

Making a difference We will measure our performance as follows:

- We will monitor the action plan which will support delivery of these outcomes (an updated action plans will be shared at each Township Forum meeting)
- Bi-annual performance reports in relation to the above outcomes (presented to our Township Forum)

Everybody's Involved

Our Township Area Plan has been drawn together in a number of ways. We have used our knowledge of local people's priorities to focus on those issues which matter most to local people.

Key Group	How have they influenced the Township Plan?
Residents and Community Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation activities • Township Forums- open forum issues and round table discussions • PACT meetings
Councillors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct involvement in the development of the outcomes for this plan • Consultation activities • Township Forums
Research and Demographic Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National research and intelligence • Local Health Data • Ward profiles • Intelligence gathering
Partner Organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police and partner meetings • Six Town Housing • Council departments • Primary Care Trust/ Health Authority • Other parties views and input

There will be further opportunities for you to **get involved** and **have your say** on a range of issues. Your views are really important to us so make sure you take part. Please come along to our Township meetings - you will be made very welcome.

**Bury West
Our Action Plan for
2013-14**

Outcome: Improved Employment Opportunities

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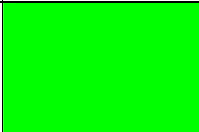
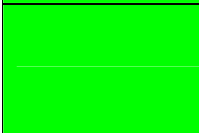

ISSUE – What needs to be achieved	ACTIONS/OUTPUTS – How can we work towards addressing this issue?	LEAD AGENCY- Who should take responsibility?	MILESTONES	BY WHEN?	CURRENT STATUS
Increase number of Apprenticeships for Young People In Bury West	Raise awareness amongst local business of the "Backing Young Bury" Scheme	Economic Development Team	TF Co-ordinator informed TF members of forthcoming Apprenticeships fair	30 th May 2012	Green
	Township Forum Members to put forward details of young people from the Bury West area with their permission	With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Bury Businesses Training Providers Bury Connexions Job Centre Plus Councillors Members of the Township Forum	Apprenticeships fair held at Elizabethan Suite	13 th June 2012	
			Bury West young peoples names to be submitted for consideration for the scheme	October 2013	Yellow
			Confirm number of young people from Bury West accepted on the Backing Young Bury Apprentice Scheme	March 2014	

<p>Assist those young people who face barriers to entering into employment through Connecting Provisions Initiative</p>	<p>Pull together existing and funded provision across the borough into one coordinated activity.</p> <p>Focused activity on those who fall under the Supporting Communities Improving Lives criteria.</p> <p>6 weeks work placements, individuals will be offered a temporary job with training and/or a guaranteed interview should internal apprenticeships arise.</p> <p>At the end of 6 months assistance will be given to move them onto an apprenticeship.</p>	<p>Economic, employment & Skills Lead</p> <p>Bury Employment & Skills Task Group</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p>	<p>Connecting Provision interviews to take place 20th & 21st August 2013</p> <p>3 Bury West based young people completed 6 week placements with Bury Council</p> <p>All secured 6 month paid placements within Bury Council starting October 2013</p> <p>Update to Bury West Township Forum</p>	<p>September/October 2013</p> <p>September 2013</p> <p>October 2013</p> <p>March 2014</p>	
<p>Increased number of Volunteering Opportunities</p>	<p>Multi Agency Approach to increase the number and raise awareness of volunteering opportunities</p>	<p>Groundwork</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>B3SDA</p> <p>Sports Development</p>	<p>40 Volunteering opportunities to be developed over the next 12 months</p> <p>Numbers for Bury West to be agreed with Groundwork</p>	<p>March 2014</p>	

Outcome: Improved Community Safety

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Reduce Anti Social Behaviour by Early Intervention and Prevention.	To look at the possibility of setting up a youth club at the Elton Centre to deliver weekly sessions to help to reduce ASB	ROC Centre With Support From: Churches Together Police Volunteers Councillors Township Co-ordinator	Funding forms and draft constitution emailed	24 th April 2012		
			Joint partnership formed between St Stephens & Bolton Road Churches to move the project forward	July 2012		
			The youth centre to be up and running by end January 2013	Completed 17th January 2013		
			Continued Support 2013/14	Ongoing 2013/14		

	To look at the possibility of setting up regular partnership meetings to identify and quickly deal with potential offenders.	Police Inspector With Support From: Youth Services Education Township Co-ordinator	Decision to be taken on the next steps Proposal put forward to Managers and Police David Fowler & Mark Granby meeting to discuss the proposals 1 st Meeting arranged to discuss ASB cases	September 2012 February 2013 23rd April 2013 17 th June 2013 Ongoing 21013/14	
	More school visits with pupils aged 13-16 via Be Safe Be Cool Initiative	Police With Support From: School & Partner Agencies Community Safety Team Township Co -ordinator	Preliminary Meeting held Be Safe Be Cool Completed	05/06/13 October 2013	
Reduce Anti Social Behaviour by Early Intervention and Prevention.	To look at the possibility of setting up joint PACT (Police and Communities Together) and Township Forum Meetings	Police With Support From: Township Co –ordinator Township Forum Members Members of the public	Discussions held with Police and PCSO's 20 th September 2012 1 st joint meeting to take place 21 st November 2012	Completed Completed Ongoing throughout the year	

				No more joint PACT meetings due to changes in policing structures. Review if necessary	
To inform the residents on how to stay safe, target hardening, door step crime and safety of Young People	Awareness Raising/Leafleting – informing and providing advice to residents on how to stay safe,	Police With Support From: Township Co – ordinator Township Forum Members Members of the public	Dark Nights Project Leaflet and distribution of light timers Increased uniform and covert patrols in Bury West area	Autumn 2013	

Outcome: Improved Health and Wellbeing

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Early Intervention and Support for Children and Families	Agree action plan with Children’s Centre lead	Children’s Centre Leads With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Township Forum	Township Co-ordinator is a member of the Advisory Group and Management Group	January 2012 Completed	Green Yellow Yellow
			Meetings to be arranged with CC Leads	September 2013	
			Action Plan Agreed	October 2014	
Early Intervention and Support for Children and Families – reducing obesity	To look at the possibility of delivering a series of gym sessions at Christchurch Ainsworth and St Stephens	Children’s Centre Leads With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Township Forum Sports and Physical Activities Service (SPAS)	Gym sessions to commence at St Stephen’s School on 8th Feb 2013 for 5 weeks TF Co-ordinator to obtain update via the Management Group Meetings Sessions well attended & fully support by parents	March 2013 Completed	Green

A growth in participation 14-25 year olds and across adult population	Deliver activities which engage with communities and attract more people into regular physical activity	Sports and Physical Activity Service (SPAS) With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Township Forum	Applications submitted for Sportivate funding CSAF external funding Women and girls Activities Recruitment of team underway	June 2014 August 2013	Yellow Green
Reduce fuel poverty and its affects	Promote "ECO Toasty 2013" to enable Bury West residents access to energy efficiency measures	Awardable Warmth Team Referrals to GM energy Advice Service 0800 009 3363 or via getmetoasty@manchester.gov.uk With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Township Forum	Results at end of financial year re number of measures and savings Press release and leaflets delivered across the borough	April 2014	Yellow Yellow
Help promote understanding and awareness Welfare Reform	Support the work of Bury's Welfare Reform Board, including implementation of the Borough's Poverty Strategy. Invite relevant speakers to talk to the township forum on key aspects of the reform agenda	Bury Welfare Reform Board With Support From: Township Co-ordinator Township Forum		April 2014	Red

Outcome: Improved Educational Attainment/Learning Opportunities

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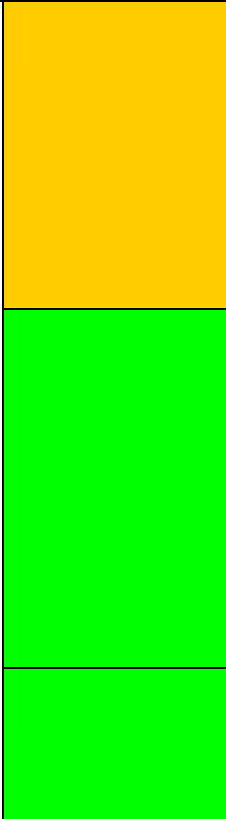
ISSUE – What needs to be achieved	ACTIONS/OUTPUTS – How can we work towards addressing this issue?	LEAD AGENCY- Who should take responsibility?	MILESTONES	By When?	CURRENT STATUS
Ensure children are "school ready"	<p>Support for parents in most need and encourage reading from an early age Book Start Initiative</p> <p>BOO (Bags of Opportunity) project for nursery children – transition stage</p>	<p>Children Centre</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Reaching Families</p> <p>Bury Library Service</p> <p>Health Visitors</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator / Forum</p>	<p>Material have been delivered to the Children’s Centres and distributed.</p> <p>Delivery of projects via the Children Centre reporting back via TF Co-ordinator</p>	<p>June 2012</p> <p>September 2014</p>	<div style="background-color: #00FF00; height: 50px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="background-color: #FFD700; height: 50px; width: 100%;"></div>
Promote learning opportunities for Bury West Residents	<p>Improve information sharing between local community and central organisations re learning needs locally</p> <p>Map current provision</p> <p>Deliver more learning opportunities in the community to make learning more accessible</p>	<p>Adult Learning</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum members</p>	<p>A range of learning opportunities developed that respond to local needs and reflect the views of local people</p>	<p>April 2014</p>	<div style="background-color: #FF0000; height: 100%; width: 100%;"></div>

	<p>Community Learning Partnership representative to take Bury West issues to meetings</p> <p>Identify gaps in learning opportunities</p> <p>Local volunteer led sessions</p> <p>Offer taster courses</p> <p>Identify suitable venues for adult learning facilities</p>	<p>Adult Learning Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum</p>	<p>Increase in number of learning venues in communities</p> <p>Increase participation in adult learning locally</p>	<p>April 2014</p>	
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Outcome: Improved Road Safety and Public Transport

Key Issues identified: The need to discuss highways and public transport issues across the Bury West area

Current Position: Residents have raised concerns about the volume and speed of cars on Bury West roads and inconsistency in bus services

ISSUE – What needs to be achieved	ACTIONS/OUTPUTS – How can we work towards addressing this issue?	LEAD AGENCY- Who should take responsibility?	MILESTONES	By When?	CURRENT STATUS
To address traffic issues on the roads in Bury West	Re – establishment of the Highways Sub Group	Chair of the Highways sub group With Support From: Councillors Township Co-ordinator Highways Section Police Advisory Group Democratic Services	Discussion to be held at the Township Forum Meeting on 30 th May 2012 regarding re establishing the sub group. Note It was agreed to resurrect the group Cllr Walker was nominated as chair and Cllr Southworth said she would like to join the group. 1 st Meeting to be arranged in July 2012 Cllr Walker to give an update from the first meeting at the Bury West TF meeting in July Next Meeting 10 th October 2012 8 th January 2013	July 2012 then ongoing throughout the year 10 th July 2012 Completed 16/07/12 Completed Completed Completed Completed	

			16 th May 2013 October 2013	Ongoing 2013/14	
To address the issues of the availability and frequency of bus services within Bury West	Raise concerns with the bus companies about the infrequency of bus services in Bury West	Chair of Township Forum With Support From: Councillors Township Co-ordinator Advisory Group	Invite First Buses to attend the township Forum meeting in September 2012 Invitation issued 10/7 and 27/07/12 agreed to attend The network planner reported that from October bus numbers 472 and 474 would be less frequent in the afternoon to try and improve punctuality First Buses said that an extra 98 bus would be put on the route to ensure buses run to time Monitor bus changes and report issues via the TF Forum and Highways Sub Group	September 2012 then ongoing October 2012 November 2012 March 2014	
Speeding traffic in residential areas	Work with schools and local communities to endorse and	Highways With Support	Successful implementation of	2013-15	

School Parking Issues	<p>assist in implementation of Streetsafe 20mph in residential areas</p> <p>Encourage schools to participate in "Safer School Parking Charters"</p>	<p>From: Township Co-ordinator Highways sub group Road Safety Teams Township Forum members</p>	<p>20mph schemes</p> <p>Successful implementation of charters</p>	April 2014	
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Outcome: Community Pride and Belonging

Key Issues identified: To promote the positive side of Bury West. To make more use of the parks and open spaces.

Current Position: Some residents have raised concerns about the lack of events taking place in Bury West.

ISSUE – What needs to be achieved	ACTIONS/OUTPUTS – How can we work towards addressing this issue?	LEAD AGENCY- Who should take responsibility?	MILESTONES	By When?	CURRENT STATUS
Promote pride and responsibility in the Bury West area to address issues such as litter, graffiti and fly tipping	Identify and reporting of litter and grot spots Work with community payback team Report to the Township Forum	All members of the Township Forum Advisory Group Members Councillors Residents Township Co – ordinator Community Payback Team	Milestones to be agreed	September 2012	
Land adjacent to Woodbank cricket club reported as overgrown.	Contact Community Payback (CP)	Township Co - ordinator	Site meeting arranged May 2012. CP agreed to clear the footpath and pruned the bushes at the side of Woodbank Cricket Club Area accessible again to members of the public	May 2012 20/21 July 2012 Completed	

			Ongoing project throughout the year	Ongoing 2013/14	
<p>Forces and Forties Extravaganza</p> <p>Promoting Bury West by holding a 3 day charity event on Burrs Country Park.</p> <p>The event will raise the profile of Bury West and raise money for the Mayor's Charity</p>	To promote the positives of Bury West	<p>Events By Us</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum</p> <p>Advisory Group</p> <p>PCT</p>	<p>Event date</p> <p>Township Co – ordinator met with Tony Todd on</p> <p>Funding forms and draft constitution emailed</p> <p>Funding application successful £750 awarded</p> <p>Event held</p>	<p>24/25/26 August 2013</p> <p>18/4/13, 6/6/13, 19/06/13</p> <p>18/4/13, 6/6/13</p> <p>24th, 25th & 26th August 2013</p>	

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ITEMS RAISED FOR ACTION & IN OPEN FORUM: 20th November 2013

	Raised By	Issue	Action by	Action
1.	Resident	At the Bury West Township Forum a resident raised the issue of Victoria Street. She witnessed yet another wagon turning right on to Bolton Road even though it is a 'no right turn' and nearly causing an accident. She has asked if better signage can be put up to stop this happening.	TF Co-ordinator Highways	<p>Thank you for contacting us.</p> <p>Your reference is: 1713852. Please quote this number should you need to contact us in relation to this matter in the future.</p> <p>If you have any further questions about this issue please ring 0161-253-5353, or E-mail customercontactteam@bury.gov.uk quoting your reference number.</p> <p>I write to update you further to the issue raised at the township forum regarding the turning movements at the Victoria Street location.</p> <p>As you will be aware there is a restriction in place on Victoria Street preventing vehicles from turning right. There are the signs in place that positively indicate to drivers what manoeuvre they should make rather than describing the manoeuvre that is prohibited.</p> <p>Just after the junction with Olive Street there is a circular blue 'Turn Left Ahead' sign and then closer to the junction with Bolton Road there is a circular blue 'Turn Left' sign. In addition to the signs there are 'Turn Left' text and arrow carriageway markings, which were introduced a few years ago, to reinforce the message to drivers. There is also hatching on Victoria Street to guide drivers to turn left.</p> <p>It was noted that one of the signs is currently obscured by vegetation from an adjacent site; as such I will make investigations for the vegetation to be cut back. However, the restrictions should still be apparent to drivers.</p>

				<p>Unfortunately it is not possible to consider any additional signage in this case. Whilst a 'No Right Turn' sign would reinforce the restriction that is in place, due to the road layout there is no suitable location to install such a sign. A sign on the opposite side of Bolton Road opposite traffic emerging from Victoria Street is not likely to be obvious to drivers due to the width of Bolton Road (5-6 lanes). Whilst there is probably room for a sign on the nearside footway of Bolton Road at the junction of Victoria Street, due to the radius of the junction it is unlikely be obvious to drivers emerging from Victoria Street, particularly if vehicles have positioned themselves to the centre of Victoria Street in anticipation of turning right. A sign in this location may also be susceptible to damage from large vehicles making the left turn manoeuvre.</p> <p>The restriction that is in place is evident and clearly visible to drivers using Victoria Street. It is unlikely that additional signage, even if it could be installed, would deter drivers from completing the right turn. Part of the problem may be drivers that are familiar with the area, who know there is a restriction in place but are choosing to ignore it.</p> <p>You may be aware that the responsibility for the enforcement of moving traffic offences (such as no entry, prohibited turns etc) still lies with the Police. Enforcement of the restriction would be the only effective way of deterring motorists from doing the manoeuvre; however this is dependent on Police resources.</p> <p>I trust the above information is of use to you. Please let me know if you need any more information.</p> <p>Kind Regards,</p> <p>Katie Mercer</p>
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				<p>Highway Network Management Bury Council Tel: 0161 253 5832 Fax: 0161 253 7963</p>
2.	Residents	Residents complained that the new 'white light' street lighting that has been installed in the Bury West area is abysmal. They asked if there is a design fault.	TF Co-ordinator Councillors Street lighting	<p>Thank you for contacting us regarding Street Lighting on Bury west</p> <p>One of our officers will carry out an inspection as soon as possible and make the necessary arrangements to rectify the problem.</p> <p>Your reference for this case is: 1713860</p> <p>Please quote this number should you need to contact us in relation to this matter in the future.</p> <p>If you have any further questions about this issue please ring 0161-253-5353, or E-mail customercontactteam@bury.gov.uk quoting your reference number.</p>
3.	Resident	Residents want to know why the bus lane on Manchester Road is operational from 7am – 7pm as this is out of line with the rest of the borough.	TF Co-ordinator Councillors	<p>Thank you for contacting us.</p> <p>Your reference is: 1713863. Please quote this number should you need to contact us in relation to this matter in the future.</p> <p>You will receive a response to your issue within 10 working days</p> <p>If you have any further questions about this issue please ring 0161-253-5353, or E-mail customercontactteam@bury.gov.uk quoting your reference number.</p> <p>The bus lane on Manchester Road is operated within the Greater Manchester Bus Lanes Guidelines. As there are no frontages the bus lane can operate from 7am to 7pm if it had frontages as on Bolton Road then it would be restricted to morning and evening.</p>

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