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RAMSBOTTOM, TOTTINGTON AND NORTH MANOR TOWNSHIP FORUM

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To: All Members of Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor Township Forum

Councillors : I Bevan, S Carter, J Daly, L Fitzwalter, I Gartside, D Gunther, R Hodgkinson, K Hussain and Y Wright

Dear Member/Colleague

Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor Township Forum

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor Township Forum which will be held as follows:-

Date:	Thursday, 3 July 2014
Place:	Hawkshaw Methodist Church, Hawkshaw, Bury, Lancashire, BL8 4JR
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:	

The Agenda is attached.

Reports are enclosed only for those attending the meeting and for those without access to the Council's Intranet or Website.

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AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the 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 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR

Nominations for the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Forum are invited at this meeting.

Any person nominated needs to be present and seconded in order for the nomination to stand.

If there is more than one nomination then the matter will be determined by vote.

The positions of Chair and Vice-Chair may be filled by either a core member or an Advisory Group Member.

If the position of Chair is taken by an Advisory Group Member, the position of Vice-Chair must be taken by a core member.

A core member may take the position of Chair or Vice-Chair.

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING *(Pages 1 - 8)*

The Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 27 March 2014 are attached.

5 MATTERS ARISING

6 UPDATE ON ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERS

An update will be given at the meeting.

7 FUTURE OF THE 480 BUS SERVICE TO AFFETSID

Representatives from Transport for Greater Manchester and Rosso Bus have been invited to attend to answer questions in relation to this issue.

All comments will be recorded and forwarded to the relevant organisations.

8 TOWNSHIP PLAN REFRESH AND THE ADDITION OF SUB GROUPS

A presentation will be given at the meeting followed by round table discussions.

Those present are also ask to discuss if the Township Forum should establish Sub Groups and if so what topics/issues they should review.

9 OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public present are invited to ask questions or raise issues of concern relating to the provision of local services.

10 URGENT BUSINESS

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

11 FOR INFORMATION - FUNDING REPORT *(Pages 9 - 10)*

Agenda Item 4

Minutes of: **RAMSBOTTOM, TOTTINGTON AND NORTH
MANOR TOWNSHIP FORUM**

Date of Meeting: 27 March 2014

Present: Councillor (in the Chair)
Councillors I Bevan, S Carter, J Daly, L Fitzwalter,
I Gartside, D Gunther, R Hodgkinson, K Hussain and
Y Wright

Dr F Binns – The Holcombe Society/BRIF
A Waddell – Greenmount Village Community Group

Also in attendance: Nicola Harrison - Programme Manager, Public
Health
Sharon Martin – Bury CCG
Dr Kiran Patel – Bury CCG

Public Attendance: 12 Members of the public were present at the
meeting.

Apologies for Absence: K Conley – Rotary Club of Ramsbottom
Rev S Openshaw – Ramsbottom & Edenfield Team
Ministry/Churches Together in Ramsbottom

RTNM.923 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Gartside declared a personal interest in any item relating to funding applications as he had supported some recent applications.

Councillor Gunther declared a personal interest in any item relating to funding applications as she had also supported some recent applications.

RTNM.924 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was agreed:

That the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Township Forum held on 16 January 2014 be approved as a correct record.

RTNM.925 MATTERS ARISING

Mr Graham referred to Minute RTNM.681, Police Update from the Minutes of the Last Meeting and explained that he had spoken with Inspector Crossman about the parking issues adjacent to the double white lines on Chapel Street in Tottington. Mr Graham explained that he had been in talks with a highways officer who had stated that he should take the issue up

with the Police. The Highways Officer would not even consider changing from double white lines to double yellow lines or extending them further down the road.

Mr Graham asked that the issue be looked at by the Police and the Highways officers again because he felt that if it was allowed to continue there would be a serious accident before long.

Councillor Wright referred to the attendance of the Advisory Group members at the previous Township Forum Meetings and the fact that some of the members had not attended for a long time. Councillor Wright asked that they be contacted and if not attending anymore be removed as a member

It was agreed:

1. That a site visit to Chapel Street with local Councillors, Highways Officers, the Police and Mr Graham be arranged for as soon as possible.
2. That Dave Thomas contacts the Advisory Group Members who had missed 3 or more meetings and not sent apologies to advise them that they will be taken off as a member.

RTNM.926 WELCOME TO COUNCILLOR HODKINSON

Councillor Bevan explained that the former Councillor, Joanne Columbine had tendered her resignation as a Councillor on 17 January 2014. This meant that there had been the need for a by-election in Ramsbottom.

The by-election had taken place on March 6 and Councillor Rob Hodkinson had been the successful candidate elected to the post.

Councillor Hodkinson introduced himself to those present and explained that he had been a resident of Ramsbottom for the previous 26 years. Councillor Hodkinson and his wife ran a family clothing business in the town on Bridge Street and both his daughters had attended Ramsbottom schools throughout their education.

Councillor Hodkinson explained that he was proud of the strong community links that existed in Ramsbottom and he was looking forward to serving the town.

It was agreed:

That Councillor Hodkinson be welcomed to the Township Forum.

RTNM.927 HEALTHIER TOGETHER

Dr Kiran Patel, Chair of NHS Bury Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) attended the meeting in order to give a presentation on the Healthier Together initiative aimed at transforming health and care services in Bury. Sharon Martin, Head of Commissioning at NHS Bury's CCG was also in attendance to answer any questions from members of the Township Forum and from members of the public present.

The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- Provided background information on Bury CCG
- Detailed the Healthier Together initiative's aims and objectives
- Detailed the different organisations responsible for the governance of the Healthier Together initiative
- Provided information on the In-Hospital Reconfiguration Programme
- Explained why the changes in managing and delivering health and care services in Bury needed to be introduced
- Explained the future vision for local and specialised health care services
- Detailed the future model of care for single services
- Explained how the changes would be achieved via a two year operating and five year strategic planning programme

Those present were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments and the following points were raised:-

- Councillor Fitzwalter referred to Ramsbottom Health Centre and the fact that the Group Practice was currently under a lot of pressure. This was due to the fact that the practice was funded £30 less per patient than the national average and was extremely busy. Councillor Fitzwalter stated that there had been discussions about the possibility of closing the practice to new patients and asked how the CCG could support them.

Dr Patel explained that the CCG were aware of the issues at Ramsbottom Health Centre. He had visited the surgery along with Stuart North the Chief Executive of Bury CCG to facilitate a meeting with NHS England to look at solutions and options available. Dr Patel stated that he would be more than happy to meet with Councillor Fitzwalter separately to discuss the issues.

- Councillor Gunther referred to treatments being provided at specialist centres which may be in different towns across Greater Manchester and asked that transport issues were considered.

Dr Patel explained that issues around transport had been learned during previous service reconfigurations and work was being carried out to make sure that transport was available and accessible.

It was also reported that a sub group of the Health Scrutiny Committee had met with a representative from the Healthier Futures programme who was leading on transport issues relating to service provision across Greater Manchester.

- Councillor Daly referred the Turning Point facility for mental health in Summerseat and the excellent work that was carried out there. Councillor Daly asked how something like this could be replicated across the borough to ensure that as many people as possible could access it.

Sharon explained that Community Services Commissioning Team had arranged for a specialist day where smaller providers could meet larger providers and talk through the commissioning process and other options available.

- Alistair Waddell asked how the success of the Radcliffe Demonstrator would be measured.

Dr Patel explained that results would show with a reduction in admissions and presentations to A & E.

- Councillor Daly referred to the 'I Will if You Will' initiative that Bury had received funding for which promoted an active lifestyle. Councillor Daly explained that he was aware that take up of the activities was quite low and asked how this would be promoted further.

It was explained that the scheme was promoted as much as possible through the council and public health as well as referrals from GPs. It was hoped that outcomes would show an increase in physical activity.

RTNM.928 BURY'S JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Nicola Harrison Programme Manager – Public Health gave a presentation on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) being undertaken by NHS Bury CCG which is intended to provide an assessment of local health and social care needs now and in to the future. It is hoped that the JSNA will be used to inform and guide commissioning of health, well-being and social care services within Bury. The presentation provided detailed statistical analysis of the health and wellbeing status of Bury communities on a ward by ward basis. The data showed where the inequalities in Bury exist and it was explained that this information would help to highlight key findings, identify changes that have occurred and what these changes mean to Bury and help to identify areas for further analysis and exploration.

Some of the priorities identified following the local needs assessment exercise were detailed as follows:-

- Tackling alcohol related health problems
- Promoting independence at home for older people where possible
- Reducing levels of smoking and smoking prevention
- Promoting physical activity
- Better understanding of the needs of vulnerable people
- Halting the increasing rates of childhood obesity and reducing obesity in adults
- Understanding and addressing health inequalities
- Tackling cancer and circulatory disease
- Anticipating rising demand and need
- Focus on most deprived areas
- Focus on mental and emotional wellbeing

The meeting was informed that the Consultation for the JSNA had run from 18 February and was due to end on 31 March, 2014. The key questions forming the consultation ask local residents if the priorities identified are the right ones?, if there are other issues that would benefit from further exploration and if so, why are these important? Residents were asked to respond via Bury Council's website at www.bury.gov.uk or via the leaflets being distributed throughout the community. At the end of the Consultation process, a report would be compiled of all responses received and the Health & Wellbeing Board would consider the findings and implications for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and relevant commissioning plans.

The Chair invited questions, comments and representations from members of the public present at the meeting:-

- Councillor Gunther referred to the figures relating to children and stated that North Manor had the least children than any other ward in the Borough.

Nicola explained that the assessments were carried out on 1000 eligible participants per ward.

- Councillor Gunther also referred to the figures relating to women smoking whilst pregnant and asked how you would stop someone from smoking.

Nicola explained that engagement and understanding would be used to find out why women smoked whilst pregnant and educate on the effects to both the mother and the unborn child.

- Inspector Eddison queried the statistics given in relation to fuel poverty across the borough and asked whether the figures were correct.

Nicola stated that she would double check the figures set out and report back to the Forum.

- Councillor Wright explained that she was encouraged by the statistics relating to children and young people undertaking exercise but was concerned that there was still an issue with obesity. Councillor Wright asked how you can influence what people feed their children.

Nicola explained that education and policy change were required to get the messages across but by working with producers on packaging issues and implementing a borough wide weight strategy the message would start to filter through.

- Councillor Fitzwalter asked how public health were working with schools to promote healthier living and deal with issues such as teenage pregnancy. Councillor Fitzwalter explained that Woodhey High School had set up a drop in centre which had helped with some issues.

Nicola explained that there used to be a healthy schools programme that was rolled out across the borough and it was hoped that this would be reinstated in the near future.

- Janet Smith stated that the food industry should do more to promote healthy limits and educate.
- A member of the public also stated that children lead less active lives than they used to.
- A question was asked in relation to the Public Health budget and whether this was ringfenced.

It was explained that the budget for Public Health was ringfenced. Any movement of monies into different services would have to be related to health and wellbeing and was monitored by the Director of Public Health.

- Mr Cooper referred to some of the health inequalities that had been highlighted and stated that not all of them were linked with deprivation levels and could be due to drug and alcohol abuse and high levels of pressure in life leading to mental health issues.

Nicola explained that mental health had been recognised as an issue within the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and work would be carried out in this area.

It was agreed:

That Nicola be thanked for her attendance at the meeting.

RTNM.929 INTRODUCTION FROM INSPECTOR JASON EDDISON

Police Inspector Jason Eddison attended the meeting to introduce himself as the new Inspector for Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor.

Inspector Eddison explained that Lorraine Crossman had been the interim inspector following Inspector Bryn Williams moving from the area. Inspector Eddison had now been appointed as inspector for the area and would be working to help as many people as possible and solve the issues that affect the community.

Inspector Eddison reported that he could be contacted over the phone and via e-mail. His contact details were available on the police website.

Those present were given the opportunity to make comments and ask questions and the following points were raised:-

- Mr Graham referred to the issue that he had spoken about earlier with the cars parking illegally on Chapel Street in Tottington and asked whether Inspector Crossman had passed the information on.

Inspector Eddison explained that he hadn't received any information regarding this issue and it sounded like more of an issue for the Council. Inspector Eddison reported that he would be happy to attend a site visit to view the issue first hand.

- Dr Binns reported that there had been a number of shopkeepers bothered by people coming into their shops asking for change and then dealing cannabis in the town.

Inspector Eddison asked that the shopkeepers report this directly to him in order that he can follow it up.

- A member of the public representing Holcombe Brook Methodist Church referred to Woodhey Road which was unadopted and the double yellow lines that had been painted there. The church congregation had in the past parked on this road and it had never been an issue. This was now causing issues as people attending the church for services as well as events were having to park miles away.

Councillor Gunther explained that work was being done to try to find out who owned the road so that they could be contacted. Councillor Bevan stated that he would report back at a future meeting.

RTNM.930 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- Alistair Waddell explained that 20mph road markings had been installed at the top of Denedin Road. Mr Waddell stated that he had not been consulted on this and asked how this could be done without the residents' knowledge.
- Brenda Headley reported that there was an issue with dogs fouling in the Peel Brow area of Ramsbottom.
- Mr Brian Fowler referred to the fact that there were two MPs representing the borough, one in the north and one in the south. Mr fowler asked whether there should be two planning committees in the borough also.

It was explained that the number of MPs that a town had was linked to the number of residents within the town. The Planning Committee was constituted by the Council and therefore only 1 committee was required.

COUNCILLOR I BEVAN
Chair

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

Title:	Community Funding Report
To:	Ramsbottom, Tottington and North Manor Township Forum
Date:	3rd July 2014
Contact Officer	Liz Saunders Bury Council Programme Support Manager 0161 253 6357 e.saunders@bury.gov.uk

1.0 Introduction

The Council has allocated £1,000 per ward to support the work of voluntary and community groups. The application funding decisions will be made by the relevant ward councillors. Individual grants to the **"ward" fund** are available for a maximum of £250. Additionally, a borough-wide allocation of £13,000 is available for **"cross-ward"** applications from third sector organisations, with a maximum individual grant of £750.

2.0 Ward Funding 2014/15

North Manor

<i>Group</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Allocated</i>
Rotary Club of Ramsbottom	Summer concert & Blackpool trip	£250.00
Bury Dragons Diving Club	Trampoline & Pool hire	£250.00
Tottington Holiday Play Scheme	To continue holiday play scheme	£250.00
Fund Remaining		£516.00

Ramsbottom

<i>Group</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Allocated</i>
Rotary Club of Ramsbottom	Summer concert & Blackpool trip	£250.00
Bury Dragons Diving Club	Trampoline & Pool hire	£250.00
The Enterprise Centre	Hire of tractor and purchase of stone	£250.00
Fund Remaining		£516.00

Tottington

<i>Group</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Allocated</i>
Rotary Club of Ramsbottom	Summer concert & Blackpool trip	£250.00
Christ Church	Parts & repair to clock tower	£250.00
Tottington & District Townswomen	Guest Speaker Events	£250.00
Making Space	Further develop Choir	£250.00
Tottington Holiday Play Scheme	To continue holiday play scheme	£250.00
Fund Remaining		£16.67

3.0 Cross Ward Funding 2014/15

<i>Group</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Allocated</i>
PUPILS	`Encourage independent living' trip	£ 750.00
Bury Dragons Diving Club	Diving Event	£ 750.00
Hard of Hearing	Tutor classes	£ 750.00
The Enterprise Centre	Purchase stone & hire of tractor & labour	£ 500.00
Unsworth South Social Club	Signage and posters	£ 722.86
Bury District Angling Society	Plywood sheets & roofing sheets	£ 250.00
23 rd Prestwich & Whitefield	Tents, benches, pans & utensils	£ 750.00
Bury Society for Blind	Develop a sensory garden	£ 703.06
Fund Remaining		£ 7,824.08

4.0 Small Grants Panel 2014/15

Bury Council has an annual allocation of £37,800 for the Small Grant's Fund. The current funding priority is to encourage and support grass-root community activity. This means small, community-based and locally controlled groups that manage themselves, encourage active participation from volunteers, and have minimal cash reserves and limited access to funding support.

The next round of funding for this financial year closes on 2nd September and the Panel will meet on 23rd September. Application forms for the new round of funding are available from Liz Saunders 0161 253 6357 or e.saunders@bury.gov.uk

The small grants panel met on the 23rd June to approve applications. Details of approvals will follow.