

AGENDA FOR

BURY WEST TOWNSHIP FORUM

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To: All Members of Bury West Township Forum

Councillors : M Hankey (Chair), J Harris, Kerrison,
S Nuttall, Susan Southworth and R Walker

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:	Tuesday, 8 March 2016
Place:	The Elton Centre, Alston Street, 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:	There will be a Market Place from 6pm when representatives from I will if you Will and the Bury Directory will be available to answer questions and give advice on a one to one basis.

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 WELCOME

2 APOLOGIES

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the 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.

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

5 MATTERS ARISING

6 POLICE UPDATE

An update will be given at the meeting

7 FIRST BUS UPDATE

Representatives from First Bus will attend the meeting to give an update on service provision and answer questions.

8 ADVISORY GROUP UPDATE

Verbal updates will be given at the meeting.

9 OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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

10 BURY WEST TOWNSHIP PLAN 2015 - 2018 - UPDATE **FOR INFORMATION** (*Pages 9 - 30*)

The updated Township Plan is attached for information.

11 TOWNSHIP FORUM FUNDING REPORT **FOR INFORMATION** (*Pages 31 - 38*)

The current funding report is attached for information.

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Minutes of: **BURY WEST TOWNSHIP FORUM**

Date of Meeting: 6 January 2016

Present: Councillor M Hankey(in the Chair)
Councillors J Harris, Kerrison, S Nuttall, S Southworth and R Walker

Also in attendance: Mr P Jones – Brandlesholme Residents Association
Reverend K Selby – Bolton Road Methodist Church

Public Attendance: There were 11 members of the public were present at the meeting.

Apologies for Absence:

BWTF.585 WELCOME

Councillor Hankey welcomed those present to the meeting.

BWTF.586 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Walker declared a personal interest in the item relating to First Buses as he was a regular user of their services.

Councillor Kerrison declared a personal interest in the item relating to First Buses as she was a regular user of their services.

BWTF.587 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was agreed:

That the Minutes of the last meeting be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

BWTF.588 MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Walker stated that he had sent his apologies for the last meeting of the Township Forum as he had been attending a School Governor's meeting. He asked that this be recorded as a clash.

BWTF.589 POLICE UPDATE

There were no police representatives in attendance at the meeting.

BWTF.590 2016/2017 BUDGET CONSULTATION

Councillor Rishi Shori, Deputy Leader of the Council and Steve Kenyon Interim Director of Resources and Regulation gave a presentation setting out the budget consultation for 2016/2017.

It was explained that funding received from central government would continue to reduce. It was reported that for 2016/2017 it was estimated that the Council will

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have to cut £11.6 million from its budget as core funding was being reduced by 10.75%. It was anticipated that the Council's funding would be cut by over 30% in the coming 4 years. This is in top of the £54million lost since 2010.

This is happening at a time when residents' needs are changing, demands are increasing and expectations are high. The Council and its partners will have to work differently to deliver the best outcomes with the resources available.

The Council will need to prioritise services covering its legal obligations and its priorities to look after the vulnerable; promote a strong local economy and be a good place to live and invest.

The impact of the reduction in budget was set out:-

- Service changes – can't rule out service closures and/or a reduced range of services in future years.
- Explore different ways of delivering services and greater use of partnership working.
- Increased waiting times and /or reduced quality of service
- Limits to what the Council can afford to provide and carry out
- A different relationship with residents – understanding what the Council can and can't do
- Greater use of technology

Steve Kenyon set out the cuts that the Council had experienced since 2011 and explained that these added up to £53.561million.

Steve also introduced a slide setting out where the Council spent its money with the top three areas being Older People – 30p per £1, Children's Services (non schools) – 24p per £1 and Cleansing, Refuse Collection and Disposal – 13p per £1.

It was explained that the way that the funding was allocated was based on a formula which looked at specific areas such as levels of deprivation and other demographics. This meant that Bury received £331pp compared to the national average of £387pp.

There would also be cuts to a number of grants that the Council receives as well as new concerns such as Apprenticeship Levy, Employers National Insurance and the Living Wage. It was also explained that there was uncertainty around the localisation of business rates and how this would impact on the Council.

Work had been carried out to address the cuts and the following measures had been or would be carried out :-

- Alternative Service Delivery Models
- Grant Optimisation
- Grants to Voluntary Sector
- Income generation
- Better use of buildings and Assets
- Procurement saving
- Service Redesign

- Staff Restructuring
- Use of new technology

The consultation had been launched on 10 December 2015 and was asking residents to consider how savings could be made and suggest new ways of working.

The consultation was due to close on 9 February 2016 and all findings would be fed into the budget setting process. The budget was due to be debated at the full Council Meeting on 24 February.

Comments could be sent via e-mail, letter or to a dedicated telephone number.

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

- Councillor Harris referred to the business rates and asked whether the council would be able to set the rates.

It was explained that businesses would be valued by the Valuation Office Agency and the rate in the pound set nationally.

- Councillor Hankey asked whether the Council could award discounts as an incentive to businesses to keep them in the borough.

It was stated that the Council has introduced a scheme providing discounts for new business in certain parts of the Borough, and also further powers would be available under GM devolution.

- A member of the public referred to Councils receiving penalties for raising Council Tax by more than 2% and asked whether this was still the case.

It was explained that this was still the case and the Council would not be able to raise the Council Tax by more than 2%, but it was reported that a 2% Social Care Precept could be added on top of any rises to help pay for social care needs which were increasing as the population got older.

- A member of the public referred to the living wage and the fact that you have to be aged 25 to receive it. He referred to the need to bring younger people into certain services to get them trained before the living wage kicks in.

Steve explained that the Council do have a very successful apprenticeship scheme which covers all areas of council business from manual to office settings.

- A member of the public asked what the collection rate for Council Tax was.

It was reported that the Council collected 97.5% in year and the rest was recouped later. The Council have very high rates for collection.

It was agreed:

That Councillor Shori and Steve Kenyon be thanked for their attendance at the meeting.

BWTF.591 FIRST BUSES

Dave Brotheridge, Steve Shaw and Dwayne Wells from First Bus attended the meeting to report on First Bus services across the borough and to answer questions relating to First Bus and the bus services they provide.

Dave reported that First Bus would be holding a customer event on 27 January at Bury Interchange between 11am and 1pm outside the Travel Shop.

Dave also stated that representatives from First Bus would be more than happy to attend the Township Forum meetings regularly to update their customers and listen to concerns or ideas.

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

- A member of the public referred to the 472/474 Ramsbottom service which should be every 10 minutes and stated that sometimes you could wait for half an hour without a bus and then 3 would arrive at once.

Dave explained that the high frequency services such as this were prone to bunching if there was a problem on the route. The company had undergone redevelopment and an advanced vehicle location tracking device had been introduced which could see where all first bus vehicles were when out on the road. This would help with issues such as bunching. It was also explained that Ramsbottom is a very popular place to live with just single track roads in and out. If there was any disruption this would have a knock on effect to the whole service.

- Councillor Walker referred to the 98 service which was every 15 minutes and ran from Manchester to Bury via Whitefield, Radcliffe and down Ainsworth Road. The service was not very reliable and was problematic every day. Councillor Walker asked if consideration could be given to some of the buses turning back at Whitefield.
- Mr Berry explained that he spend £50 a month for a bus pass only to receive a very unreliable service. The 7.29am 98 service which went past Whitehead Park was 5 minutes early more often than not. If the 7.29am bus was early the next bus after was 7.49am which was mostly late and always a single deck and therefore very busy.

It was explained that the tracking device would be able to highlight these issues and would show up where vehicles were persistently early.

- Mr Berry also stated that the First Bus app did not show in real time where the buses were and this had meant that he had missed buses on occasions.

Mr Brotheridge stated that he was aware that the 98 service could be better than it was currently and it was hoped that the tracking would show where problems were and then these could be looked at.

- Mr Berry suggested that information could be provided at bus stops informing when the next bus was due as was done at tram stops.

It was explained that this type of service would have to be provided by Transport for Greater Manchester. It had been trialled on a few occasions but the funding hadn't been enough to cover the cost.

- A member of the public stated that there were also issues with the 471 service being late and more than one vehicle turning up at the same time.

Dave explained that there were three main junctions in Bury:-

Heap Bridge, Bury Bridge and Moorgate. If any of these junctions were experiencing problems this would have an effect on the buses and if all three were experiencing problems it could cause gridlock across the town centre which would have knock on effect on the network across the town and further. It was also explained that the removal of the bus lane on Rochdale Road was causing issues with the buses running to time.

It was also reported that any incidents in Manchester could have an effect on other areas due to drivers not being available.

- A member of the public explained that there was a lot of different information available in relation to timetables. When you looked online the information was different to that provided at the Travel Shop.
- A resident from Brandlesholme explained that she had recently had the need to attend the Moorgate Medical Centre on a number of occasions whilst using crutches. To do this on public transport she had to get off the bus (474) at the interchange and then get back on to continue to the Moorgate or catch the other bus (472) and go through Ramsbottom and then down Walmersley Road to get off at the Moorgate. She asked whether it would be possible to make the 474 a true circular route.

It was stated that this would be considered as an option.

- A member of the public stated that some of the buses currently in operation were old and very uncomfortable.

It was anticipated that the older buses would be phased out.

It was agreed:

That Dave, Steve and Dwayne be thanked for their attendance

BWTF.592 ADVISORY GROUP UPDATE

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Councillor Hankey welcomed Reverend Kathy Selby to the meeting in her capacity of Advisory Group Member.

Mr Phil Jones representing Brandlesholme Residents reported that the signs for Brandlesholme had been ordered and would be installed as soon as they were ready.

The defibrillator at Tesco on Brandlesholme Road had been installed.

It was hoped that funding would be available to install a bench near to the shops on Brandlesholme Road.

It was agreed:

That Mr Jones be thanked for the update

BWTF.593 OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A resident from Mile Lane asked if there was an update on the old Jolly Carters site on Bolton Road. The site was turning derelict and there was a big green container in the car park that had been there for some time.

Councillor Walker explained that he had written to Mr Fowler at the Council to ask that action be taken at the site. He had asked four specific questions;

- What is the green container located on the car park;
- Why are there are traffic cones and barriers at the entrance to the site;
- How bad does the site have to become before a Section 215 notice can be issued;
- Who owns the land and buildings?

Councillor Walker also reported that the Planning Enforcement Officer had attended the site a few months previously but had not felt it was at a level requiring a S215.

BWTF.594 TOWNSHIP PLAN - FOR INFORMATION

It was agreed:

That the contents of the report be noted

BWTF.595 FUNDING REPORT - FOR INFORMATION

It was agreed:

That the contents of the report be noted

BWTF.596 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was reported that the next meeting of the Bury West Township Forum would be held on Tuesday 8 March at The Elton Centre at 7pm

COUNCILLOR
Chair

(Note: The meeting started at Time Not Specified and ended at Time Not Specified)

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Bury West Township Forum

Our Township Plan:
2015-18

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Action Plan	9-22	Details of the priorities and projects we will focus our work on over the next year
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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.

Position at: June 2014 there were 282 claimants in Bury West which is 9.1% of the total of claimants in Bury. 35.5% of claimants are aged 16 – 24; Elton Ward has 60 claimants who are aged 16 – 24 and Church has 40.

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:

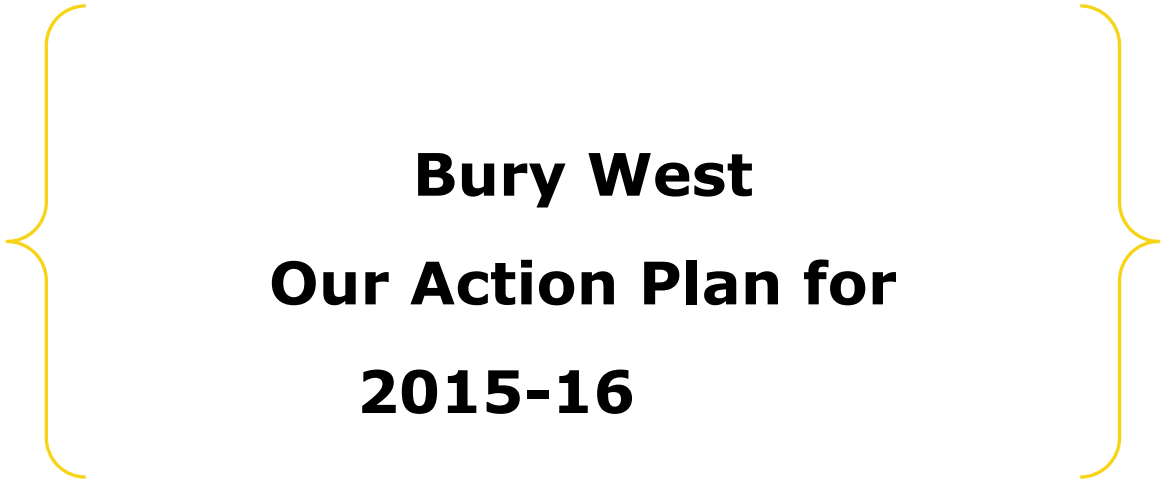
- We will monitor the action plan which will support delivery of these outcomes (an updated action plans will be shared at each Township Forum meeting)
- Bi-annual performance reports in relation to the above outcomes (presented to our Township Forum)

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
2015-16

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
Helping young people in Bury West to get into work	Raise awareness amongst young people of the apprenticeship vacancies available	Bury Connexions With Support From: Township Co-ordinator	Send out weekly email showing the apprenticeships that are available	June 2015 Ongoing 2015/16	AMBER
Support young people into work	Explore possibilities for Job Fairs/ Job Clubs and ways to help prepare people to get into work.	Bury College With Support From: Township Co-ordinator	Collected material and emailed to Bury West database contacts Promotion of the Bury College Apprenticeship Jobs Fair	25 th June 2015 8 th July 2015	GREEN

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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 Joint partnership formed between St Stephens & Bolton Road Churches to move the project forward The youth centre to be up and running by end January 2013 Youth club runs fortnightly on a Thursday evening	24 th April 2012	GREEN
	To look at the possibility of setting up a youth club in Church Ward		Talks underway with Redeeming our Communities (ROC)	July 2012	GREEN
	Weekly Joint Enforcement Team (JET) meetings established to identify and quickly deal with potential offenders. Report to Township forums re actions and successes with partner work. Name changed to Joint Engagement Team	Police With Support From: Anti Social Behaviour team Youth Services/Education Six Town Housing Township Co-ordinator	Monthly Partnership Action Group Meetings replaced by weekly JET Meetings July 2014 Township Co-ordinators invited to join the group and attends weekly meetings at the police station	1 st full meeting held 2 nd July 2014.	GREEN
	Attended from 06/08/2014 Ongoing	AMBER			

	November 2014			throughout the year 2015/16	AMBER
	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 events	18/06/15	GREEN
				October 2015	AMBER
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 No more joint PACT meetings due to changes in policing structures.	GREEN
Reduce Anti Social Behaviour by Early Intervention and Prevention.	To look at the possibility of setting up Market Place prior to Township Forum Meetings. Inviting Police, Community Organisations and Local Authority Departments	Police Organisations With Support From: Township Co - ordinator Township Forum Members Members of the public	Discussions held with Chief Inspector held 23 rd June 2015 Trial Police attending Township Forum 30 minutes before the start of meeting	Completed 1 st Market Place 21 st July 2015	GREEN AMBER

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 2015	AMBER
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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 joint Advisory/Management Group	January 2012 Completed	GREEN
			Meetings to be arranged with CC Leads	September 2015	AMBER
			Action Plan Agreed	November 2015	AMBER

<p>To increase participation in sport and physical activity amongst women and girls aged 14 plus across Bury West</p>	<p>Ensure appropriate activities are delivered in Bury West to engage women and girls</p> <p>Encourage existing sessions to become IWIYW branded incorporate increase awareness and benefits and participants</p> <p>Ensure appropriate activities are delivered in Bury West to engage with women and girls</p>	<p>I Will If You Will team</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Sports and Physical Activity Service (SAPAS)</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum</p>	<p>Applications submitted for Sportivate funding</p>	<p>June 2014</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>GREEN</p>
			<p>I Will If You Will activities being delivered across Bury West via the Children Centre and other venues</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>2015/16</p>	<p>AMBER</p>
			<p>Township Co-ordinator is a member of the Bury West IWIYW Locality Group</p>	<p>October 2015</p>	<p>AMBER</p>
<p>Help promote understanding and awareness Welfare Reform</p>	<p>Support the work of Bury's Welfare Reform Board, including implementation of the Borough's Poverty Strategy.</p> <p>Invite relevant speakers to talk to the township forum on key aspects of the reform agenda</p>	<p>Bury Welfare Reform Board</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum</p>	<p>Members of the Team attend Welfare Reform Board Meetings</p>	<p>April 2014</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>GREEN</p>
			<p>Presentation to the TF forum on Welfare Reforms</p>	<p>14th March 2014</p>	<p>GREEN</p>
			<p></p>	<p>Ongoing 2015</p>	<p>AMBER</p>

Outcome: 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

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"	Support for parents in most need and encourage reading from an early age Book Start Initiative	Children Centre With Support From: Reaching Families Bury Library Service	Material have been delivered to the Children's Centres and distributed.	June 2012	GREEN
	BOO (Bags of Opportunity) project for nursery children – transition stage	Health Visitors Township Co-ordinator / Forum	Delivery of projects via the Children Centre reporting back via TF Co-ordinator	March 2016	AMBER

<p>Promote learning opportunities for Bury West Residents</p>	<p>Improve information sharing between local community and central organisations re learning needs locally</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 2016</p>	<p>RED</p>
<p>Joint learning for Bury West residents</p>	<p>Look at the feasibility of setting up an IT Intergenerational project with Elton High School</p>	<p>Elton High School</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Township Forum members</p> <p>Members of the public</p>	<p>Meeting to be arranged with the Head Teacher of Elton High School to discuss the project</p>	<p>September 2015</p>	<p>RED</p>

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

<p>ISSUE – What needs to be achieved</p>	<p>ACTIONS/OUTPUTS – How can we work towards addressing this issue?</p>	<p>LEAD AGENCY- Who should take responsibility?</p>	<p>MILESTONES</p>	<p>By When?</p>	<p>CURRENT STATUS</p>
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To address traffic issues and repairs on the roads in Bury West	Re – establishment of the Highways Sub Group	<p>Chair of the Highways sub group</p> <p>With Support From:</p> <p>Councillors</p> <p>Township Co-ordinator</p> <p>Highways Section</p> <p>Police</p> <p>Advisory Group</p> <p>Democratic Services</p>	<p>Discussion to be held at the Township Forum Meeting on 30th May 2012 regarding re establishing the sub group.</p> <p>Note It was agreed to resurrect the group</p>	<p>July 2012 then ongoing throughout the year</p>	AMBER
			<p>Cllr Walker was nominated as chair and Cllr Southworth said she would like to join the group.</p>	<p>10th July 2012 Completed</p>	GREEN
			<p>1st Meeting to be arranged in July 2012</p>	<p>16/07/12 Completed</p>	GREEN
			<p>Cllr Walker to give an update from the first meeting at the Bury West TF meeting in July</p>	<p>Completed</p>	GREEN
			<p>Next Meeting 10th October 2012</p>	<p>Completed</p>	GREEN
			<p>8th January 2013</p>		GREEN
			<p>16th May 2013</p>		GREEN
			<p>October 2013</p>		GREEN
			<p>February 2014</p>		GREEN
			<p>9th June 2014</p>		GREEN
<p>8th September 2014</p>		GREEN			
<p>January 2015</p>		GREEN			
<p>June 2015</p>		GREEN			
<p>October 2015</p>		GREEN			
			<p>January 2015</p>	<p>Ongoing 2015/16</p>	AMBER

<p>To address the issues of the availability and frequency of bus services within Bury West</p>	<p>Raise concerns with the bus companies about the infrequency of bus services in Bury West</p>	<p>Chair of Township Forum With Support From: Councillors Township Co-ordinator Advisory Group</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>September 2012 then ongoing October 2012 November 2012 March 2014 Ongoing 2015/16</p>	<p style="background-color: #00FF00; text-align: center; color: black;">GREEN</p> <p style="background-color: #FFA500; text-align: center; color: black;">AMBER</p>
<p>Speeding traffic in residential areas</p>	<p>Work with schools and local communities to endorse and assist in implementation of</p>	<p>Highways With Support From:</p>	<p>Successful implementation of 20mph schemes</p>	<p>2013-15</p>	<p style="background-color: #FFA500; text-align: center; color: black;">AMBER</p>

School Parking Issues	Streetsafe 20mph in residential areas	Township Co-ordinator Highways sub group Road Safety Teams	Banners now being displayed outside schools	January 2014	GREEN
	Encourage schools to participate in "Safer School Parking Charters"	Township Forum members	Successful implementation of charters	Ongoing 2015	AMBER

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	GREEN
Land adjacent to		Township Co -			

<p>Woodbank cricket club reported as overgrown.</p>	<p>Contact Community Payback (CP)</p>	<p>ordinator</p>	<p>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 Ongoing project throughout the year</p>	<p>May 2012 20/21 July 2012 Completed Ongoing 2015/16</p>	<p>GREEN AMBER</p>
<p>Encourage residents to take pride in their neighbourhood by increasing recycling rates in Bury West</p>	<p>Working with community groups and individuals to take part in the Right Stuff Right Bin Campaign</p>	<p>Recycling Team With Support From: Township Forum Members TRA's Local residents</p>	<p>Increase recycling rates across Bury West to contribute to the 55% target for Bury Recycling Centre open day leaflet sent to Township Forum Database Waste Management Presentation to Township Forum Road shows to promote recycling Promotion in Schools Promotion of waste collection services with local businesses Specific action in hotspot low performing</p>	<p>March 2015 18th August 2014 24th September 2014 Ongoing 2015/16</p>	<p>AMBER GREEN GREEN AMBER</p>

			areas Promotion of brown food recycling bins		
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Bury Council Township Forum Report



The Council has allocated £8,000 to each Township Forum to be allocated through a sub group of the Township forum four times a year in June, September, November and March. A maximum of £250 individual grant is available for formally constituted organisations.

Additionally, a borough-wide allocation of £8,000 is available for "cross-ward" applications for activity that takes place across more than one ward. The "cross-ward" applications are determined by the Council's Small Grants Panel.

Organisations applying for funding should be running projects which address at least one of the following priorities or one of those detailed in the Township plans:

- Improved employment opportunities
- Improved Community and Safety
- Improved Health and Well being
- Learning Opportunities for local residents
- Community Cohesion, Community Pride and belonging
- Environmental improvements

This report details the applications received to date including the October round of funding. The first round of applications was approved by the Small Grants Panel as there was insufficient time to form sub group of the Township Forums before the applications had to be approved.

Please note there have been no planning meetings since the last Township Forums.

Bury East

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Beasties Junior Youth Club	Big Jubilee Lunch	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
New Springs Community Project	Community awards evening	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	05.10.15
		£ 500.00	£ 500.00	
		Available	£7500	

Bury West

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Peoples Voice	To improve site sensory garden and beds	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Walshaw Park Football Club	Junior Team Kit	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Brandlesholme Residents Association	Welcome signs North & South boundaries	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
		£ 750.00	£ 750.00	
		Available	£7250	

Prestwich

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Prestwich Carnival	Carnival Event Insurance	£ 250.00	-	
Village Greens Community Co-op	To increase chillers area for provision	£ 250.00	-	
Big Knit	Purchase wool	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Albert Avenue Allotments	Setting up bee hives	£ 250.00	-	
Seaforth Explorer Unit	Purchase new tents and pans	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.09.15
St Margaret's Bowling Club	Update Kitchen facilities	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.09.15
Simister Village Community Assoc.	Hold family social event for all the village	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.08.15
Prestwich Methodist Youth Association	Youth Workers	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	12.11.15
		£ 2,000.00	£ 1,250.00	
		Available	£6750	

Radcliffe

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Withins Community Association	To purchase raised planters & soil	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	16.09.15
Radcliffe Heritage Society	Promotional Calendars History of Radcliffe	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	16.09.15
The Rotary Club of Radcliffe	Annual over 70's Christmas Party	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	18.11.15
Radcliffe Business Group	Servicing for tree LED lights for 2 years	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	18.11.15
Red Bank Tenants	Good quality soil	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	18.11.15
		£ 1200.00	£ 1200.00	
		Available	£6800	

Ramsbottom Tottington and North Manor

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Tottington & District Townswomen's guild	Organised Speakers at events	£ 250.00	-	
Soroptomist	Provide a Tea Party for Ramsbottom elderly	£ 250.00	-	
Tottington Park Bowling and Social Club	Purchase new equipment	£ 250.00	-	
Greenmount Village Community	Signage	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	26.11.15

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Nangreaves Residents Association	Towards repairs of wall	£ 250.00	-	
		£ 1,250.00	£ 250.00	
		Available	£7750	

Whitefield and Unsworth

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Whitefield Community Graveyard	Purchase equipment & Soil	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	
Victoria Youth	Job Club	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
North M/c Ladies Jewish Drama Grp	Drama piece for the group	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	08.09.15
Bill Lane Improvement Scheme	Improvements & clean up on Bill Lane	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
		£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	
		Available	£7000	

Cross Township

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
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Eden Garden Allotments	Equipment & items for area in allotments	£ 500.00	£ 300.00	23.06.15
Tottington Holiday club	Provision of Holiday club and activities	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	23.06.15
Bury Archaeological Group	Member training, Newsletter & Excavations	£ 500.00	-	23.06.15
Tottington Sports Club	Tottingtons 'Big Day Out'	£ 500.00	-	23.06.15
Prestwich Book Festival	Host Event for book lovers, £300 returned	£ 400.00	£ 300.00	23.06.15
Hard of Hearing	Tutor and room hire	£ 500.00	£ 265.00	23.06.15
Bury Widows	Towards cost of Railway lunch & day out	£ 500.00	-	
Bury and Districts Home Watch	Annual Home Watch Conference	£ 500.00	£ 200.00	15.09.15
Unsworth Cricket Club FC	Full size foldable goal post	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	15.09.15
Bury Carers Group	To run variety of activities for carers	£ 500.00	rejected	
Little Britain Anglers	Lawn mower	£ 450.00	deferred	
Buddy's for Children with Autism	fixtures and fittings for new shop	£ 500.00	rejected	
The Rotary Club of Ramsbottom	Trip for young carers to Blackpool	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.08.15

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Bury Diabetic Support Group	To organise information events	£ 500.00	rejected	
Bury Archaeological Group	Equipment	£ 500.00	rejected	
Well Arty	Too match fund music pilot for young people	£ 500.00	rejected	
SupportiveStem Community Growth	Marketing Campaign to raise awareness	£ 470.00	rejected	
Its Time 4 Change	Room Hire for Breakfast Club	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Bloco Ashe	Marketing & room hire for workshops	£ 500.00	£ 240.00	17.11.15
Bury Voluntary Ranger Service	To line and insulate container for storing tools	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Langley Allotments	Part payment for replacement building	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Whitefield Horticultural Society	Centenary event	£ 480.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
Bury Diabetic Society	Running costs	£ 500.00	withdrawn	
Little Britain Anglers	Lawn mower	£ 480.00	deferred	
		£ 11,780.00	£ 4,555.00	
		Available	£4380	

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