

# Radcliffe Township Action Plan

2015-16:

Performance Report

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## **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 This report outlines the performance of the Radcliffe Township Forum and the progress on each of the themes contained within the Radcliffe Township Action Plan for 2015-16. The information provided has been gathered from a number of qualitative and quantitative sources including Bury Insight, Index of Multiple Deprivation, Area Profile Data and various local community intelligences.

1.2 There are currently 6 key thematic priorities contained within the Radcliffe Township Action Plan for 2015/16:

- Improved Employment Opportunities
- Improved Community Safety
- Improved Health and Wellbeing
- Improved Educational Attainment/Learning Opportunities
- Improved Public Transport Links
- Improved Community Pride and Belonging

This report provides a summary of the overall performance for each of the themes and the projects which contribute to their delivery.

1.3 Where possible both quantitative and qualitative data sources have been used to demonstrate the progress that has been made by the Township Forum on each theme.

1.4 The detail of this performance report can be viewed on the Township Forum web pages at [www.bury.gov.uk/townshipforums](http://www.bury.gov.uk/townshipforums). If you require copies of the report please contact Christine Maksymowski on 0161 253 7941.

## IMPROVED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Project Overview (Aims & Outputs)

### Project Updates

#### What We Promised

- To raise Aspirations for 16-24yr within Radcliffe
- Support actions to help get young people into work
- Get young people/people ready and into work

#### What We Did

- Engaged with local businesses to sponsor and support employment programmes such as “Backing Young Bury”
- Supported the Backing Young Bury Career and Skills Event

#### Successes to Date

- Promotion of the Bury College Apprenticeship Fair 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015. Event very well attended.
- Promotion of Job Clubs and volunteering opportunities
- Circulation of weekly apprenticeship vacancies

#### Areas of Concern/Next Steps

- Continued support of initiatives to help young people into work
- Continued distribution of weekly apprenticeship vacancies
- Promotion of Job Clubs and volunteering opportunities and try to get people back to work

## IMPROVED COMMUNITY SAFETY

### Project Overview (Aims & Objectives)

### Project Updates

#### What We Promised

- Continued support to the youth club at the ROC Centre
- Continued support for the Friday night football scheme
- Set up Partnership meetings to identify and deal with potential offenders
- Make Radcliffe Safer (MRS) campaign
- To look at the possibility of setting up regular partnership meetings to identify and quickly deal with potential offenders
- Invite the police to attend Township Forum Meeting and hold their Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings prior to the Township Forum Meetings

#### What We Did

- Joint partnership work with the police to set up the MRS campaign
- Supported the Be Safe Be Cool Initiative
- Worked with Police Inspectors and Anti Social Behaviour (ASB) Team to establish partnership meeting to address ASB
- Promotion of Dark Nights Project

#### Successes to Date

- ROC youth club still well attended
- Friday night football scheme still up and running, over 130 youths registered.
- TF Co-ordinator attended ROC conversation event July 2015 highlighted the need for a ROC Cafe in Ainsworth
- Safe plating and property marking days set up
- Dark night project leaflet distributed
- Monthly police surgery held at the ROC Centre
- Be Safe Be Cool Initiative delivered during October 2015
- TF Co-ordinator attends weekly Joint Engagement Team meeting (JET) to discuss individuals causing ASB
- Police regularly hold PACT meetings prior to the Township forum meetings and attend TF meeting to give updates on crime trends
- Successful Bury Homewatch Conference October 2015

#### Areas of Concern/Next Steps

- Continued support with the ROC Youth club
- Continue with the MRS campaign
- Continue to attend weekly JET meetings to address issues of ASB
- Work with ASB Team on the Safe4Summer/Operation Treacle schemes targeting young people in Radcliffe
- Homewatch Conference October 2016

## IMPROVED HEALTH & WELLBEING

### Project Overview (Aims & Objectives)

### Project Updates

#### What We Promised

- Joint working with Children's Centres
- To encourage more families to get active and take part in health related activities
- Promotion of the Little Bill Scheme
- Support the Healthier Radcliffe Pilot

#### What We Did

- Regular visits to Children's Centres to maintain good working relationships
- Healthier Radcliffe Pilot discussed at the Township forum
- I Will if You Will Team attended the TF Forum
- Bid for Police STRIVE Innovation fund £98,000 - £10k awarded for projects to work with standard risk victims of domestic abuse
- Informed relevant groups of the application process and criteria
- Funding Panel set up to award the funding

#### Successes to Date

- Township Co-ordinator sits on the Advisory Groups for the Radcliffe Children's Centres Cluster
- TF Co-ordinator supported and promoted the I Will If You Will project. Local initiatives taking place in Radcliffe
- Successful delivery of Ladies only Health and Wellbeing event in conjunction with Radcliffe Children's Centres
- Awarded £10,000 of Police funding – 4 projects in Radcliffe working with victims of domestic abuse

#### Areas of Concern/Next Steps

- Continued work with the Children's Centres to tackle health inequalities
- Work to reduce obesity levels in Radcliffe
- Get Radcliffe active
- Promote healthy eating across Radcliffe
- Continued support of the Healthier Radcliffe project

<b>IMPROVED EDUCATION ATTAINMENT/LEARNING</b>	
<b>Project Overview (Aims &amp; Objectives)</b>	<b>Project Updates</b>
<p><b><u>What We Promised</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure children in Radcliffe are 'school ready' by supporting parents and encouraging reading from an early age</li> <li>• Promote learning opportunities for Radcliffe Residents and Businesses</li> <li>• Support for the Radcliffe Carnival</li> </ul> <p><b><u>What We Did</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent out book start information to people registered on the TF database</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Successes to Date</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading materials have been distributed to the identified families in Radcliffe</li> <li>• Funding awarded to support the Radcliffe Carnival</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Areas of Concern/Next Steps</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued work to ensure that the children living in Radcliffe are 'school ready'</li> <li>• Continued support for the Radcliffe Carnival</li> <li>• Develop learning opportunities for Radcliffe residents</li> </ul>

<b>IMPROVED PUBLIC TRANSPORT LINKS</b>	
<b>Project Overview (Aims &amp; Objectives)</b>	<b>Project Updates</b>
<p><b><u>What We Promised</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To look at the lack of transport links from Ainsworth to the Tottington Health Centre</li> <li>• Promotion of the Safer School Parking Campaign</li> <li>• Implementation of the Streetsafe Initiative</li> </ul> <p><b><u>What We Did</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Township Forum Advisory Group representative raised the issue with Transport for Greater Manchester via the Bury Rural Inequalities Forum (BRIF)</li> <li>• Disseminated information on the School Parking Campaign</li> <li>• Streetsafe (SS) initiative presented to the TF Forum</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Successes to Date</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing work with Transport for Greater Manchester but not much progress being made at the moment</li> <li>• Red, amber and green advisory banners being displayed outside schools</li> <li>• Streetsafe 20mph zones implemented across areas of Radcliffe</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Areas of Concern/Next Steps</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor public transport issues</li> <li>• Parents still parking on the zigzag lines outside school in front of the banners</li> <li>• Work with Highways to identify further areas for the Streetsafe initiative</li> </ul>



<b>IMPROVED COMMUNITY PRIDE and BELONGING</b>	
<b>Project Overview (Aims &amp; Objectives)</b>	<b>Project Updates</b>
<p><b><u>What We Promised</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active promotion of activities and groups in Radcliffe</li> <li>• Maintain and update the Radcliffe contact database</li> <li>• To encourage more young people to take part in community activities</li> <li>• Support Radcliffe Empty Properties initiative</li> <li>• Support for Parks Groups</li> </ul> <p><b><u>What We Did</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information shared with all members on the TF database</li> <li>• Advisory Group members update now a standard agenda item</li> <li>• 254 contacts currently on the Radcliffe database</li> <li>• Encouraged young people to get involved in community activities</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Successes to Date</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advisory Group Members actively involved in the Township forum.</li> <li>• All events have been shared with the Communication Team and members of the Township Forum</li> <li>• Empty property pilot embedded in the Township Area Plan</li> <li>• Regular feedback to Township Forum</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Areas of Concern/Next Steps</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous promotion of the Radcliffe area</li> <li>• Further increase numbers on the database</li> <li>• Continued support of the empty properties pilot</li> <li>• Continued support of Community Groups</li> </ul>

## Summary of Township Forum in 2015-16

### Area Plan

Over the past year, Radcliffe Township Forum produced a Township Plan, to identify priorities where, by working together with local councillors, community representatives, residents, local groups, and partner agencies, they can make a difference to improve life for all residents. The Township Plan includes an annual action plan that has been reported on at Township Forum meetings. This action plan includes the key projects and actions to be delivered over the coming year which contribute towards delivery of the over arching local priorities agreed by the Township Forum.

The Township Plans was developed through active engagement and discussions with Township Forum members - including both Councillors and Advisory Group members. 'Round table' discussions were held to provide an opportunity for wider community representatives, partner organisations and residents to get involved in agreeing local priorities.

### Attendance

Radcliffe Township Forum figures for attendance are below.

<b>Radcliffe</b>	<b>June 2015</b>	<b>July 2015</b>	<b>Sept 2015</b>	<b>Nov 2015</b>	<b>Jan 2016</b>	<b>Feb 2016</b>	<b>Average</b>
	8	15	18	30	110	7	31

## **Advisory Group involvement:**

Each Township Forum appoints Advisory Group members to contribute and speak on relevant issues. They help to improve the range of knowledge and expertise on the Township Forum and provide an inclusive approach to improving the outcomes for each area. In particular, they champion or lead projects within Township Plans.

## **Presentations / Consultation with Township forums**

The value of the Township Forums is recognised in major public consultation exercises. During 2015/16 this has included:

- Waste Management
- Healthier Together
- The Bury Directory
- Healthwatch Bury
- 2016/17 Budget Consultation
- Children's Centre Consultation
- I Will If You Will Consultation
- Healthier Radcliffe Pilot

## **Community Fund 2016/17**

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 July, September, January and March. A maximum of £500 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.