

***sport*Keighley**  
**Notes of Meeting No. 16**

1. The 16<sup>th</sup> *sport*Keighley meeting took place at Keighley Leisure Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2004.

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| Attendance: | Steve Bell       | Oakbank Sports College                |
|             | Helen Berry      | Airedale PCT                          |
|             | Christine Binks  | Keighley Leisure Centre               |
|             | Sue Carter       | Positive Futures                      |
|             | Danny Crabtree   | Keighley College                      |
|             | Stuart Culliford | Bradford Basketball                   |
|             | John Dennis      | <i>sport</i> Keighley Co-ordinator    |
|             | Paul Evans       | Marley Coaching Centre                |
|             | Deryck Feather   | Old Time Dancing                      |
|             | Tim Garthwaite   | The Holy Family School                |
|             | Zuby Hamard      | Bradford MDC Arts Heritage & Leisure  |
|             | Hannah Lindsey   | Active Communities Co-ordinator (PCT) |
|             | Val Mills        | Keighley Healthy Living Network       |
|             | Tobias Neale     | Sport Camps & Airedale Hockey Club    |
|             | Cllr Alan Rhodes | Keighley Town Council                 |
|             | Will Smith       | Sport Camps & Keighley & Craven AC    |
|             | Darren Starkey   | Bradford MDC NOF PE & Sport Manager   |
|             | Richard Taylor   | Keighley & Craven AC                  |

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| Apologies: | Andy Bailey       | Keighley Leisure Centre              |
|            | Jayne Benson      | Bradford MDC Rights of Way           |
|            | Bryan Brooks      | West Yorkshire Sport                 |
|            | Mark Gannon       | Education Bradford                   |
|            | Sharmila Ghandi   | Bradford Vision                      |
|            | Phil Green        | Education Bradford                   |
|            | Roz Hall          | CoBMDC Regeneration                  |
|            | Christophe Hamard | Education Bradford                   |
|            | Nigel Hughes      | Airedale Primary Care Trust          |
|            | Malcolm Longsdon  | Education Bradford                   |
|            | Cllr Glen Miller  | CoBMDC                               |
|            | Lorna Palmer      | Walking for Health                   |
|            | Clair Pember      | Bradford Common Purpose              |
|            | Helen Plimmer     | Oakbank Sports College               |
|            | Paul Royston      | Workouts Fitness Centre              |
|            | Steve Warner      | Bradford MDC Arts Heritage & Leisure |
|            | Jonathan Whalley  | Oakbank Sports College               |

John Dennis (JAD) took the chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He also registered thanks to the staff at Keighley Leisure Centre for allowing *sport*Keighley to use the facilities.

2. **Summary of the last meeting:**

- JAD summarised the issues from the last meeting, the notes of which have been distributed and which are available on request or via the *sport*Keighley website (see below).

### **3. Matters Arising and Partner Updates**

#### **3.1 sportKouncil**

- Zuby Hamard confirmed that the re-organisation of Bradford Council's Leisure Services is moving forward. The interviews for the post for a generic sports and leisure development officer for Keighley will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Zuby Hamard, Christine Binks and Steve Bell will be on the panel. This post will be for a full-time development worker and will be very flexible, and will be based away from Council facilities for at least part of the time, most notably at Oakbank Sports College. The post holder will also be the line manager for the new Community Sports Coach (see below).
- Zuby also confirmed that Bradford will have a Young People's Officer, probably based at Bingley Pool, serving the whole district and working on activity, health and also Key Stage 2 Swimming targets for young people. There is also a bid to employ a Community Cohesion Sports Development Officer serving Bradford's outer urban areas. This is in conjunction with the FA and the Youth Offending Team and Zuby is optimistic for its success.
- Bradford's Physical Activity and Sports Strategy is still to be finalised, although this is understood to be imminent.
- Paul Evans reported that the improvements to Marley via the Football Foundation funding are underway and are due to be finished by late April for the Valley Parade Memorial Football Tournament which will involve teams from across the world. He also described the development plan for Marley which aims to increase participation under the general "b-active" initiative.
- Christine Binks stated that the renovation work for the Leisure Centre is still planned. She also drew attention to a number of initiatives, including half-price swims and slides as part of "March Madness", Dance for Life classes for 9-14 year olds on Mondays from 4.30-5.30pm, and "Extend", and exercise class to music for the over 60's and for less able people of all ages starting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm.
- Mark Gannon, who has been working on the client (council) side of Education Bradford to help with all sorts of school/council/club interfaces, is moving on to a key role with the Youth Sport Trust. The good news is that Mark's post will continue to be jointly supported by Education Bradford and Bradford Council Arts Heritage & Leisure. It is currently being advertised, and will become a key role in the district.
- JAD reported correspondence with Cllr Allan Rhodes of Keighley Town Council (KTC) regarding preservation of playing fields and the potential role of the National Playing Fields Association (NPFA). Allan confirmed that KTC are very keen to preserve Keighley's facilities, and agreed that all would be best placed to decide future strategy once KADRA's mapping exercise of Keighley facilities is complete later this summer (see *sportKorporate* below).

#### **3.2 sportKollege**

- Danny Crabtree stated that the funding for the new College campus on Dalton Lane is now fully confirmed. The new development will not, however, have extensive sports facilities, so Danny stated that the College is therefore looking for on-going partnerships with other facility owners in the town.
- The College is moving ahead in renovating its cricket and rugby facilities at Utley, including plans to connect to mains electricity. The site is currently used by Keighley Technical College Cricket Club, which is not formally connected to the College.
- A mini-gym facility will shortly open at the existing central College Site, possibly in conjunction with Workouts Gym.
- A new curriculum is in development that will include an emphasis on new areas including leisure, tourism and heritage.
- Danny continues to develop the sport and physical activities of College students, which now includes soccer, cricket and athletics. The College is keen to arrange fixtures with local teams.

- Danny confirmed that courses leading to an Award in Coaching Studies will be on-stream from September 2004. This will reinforce the developing coaching resource centre that the College is helping to construct, whereby details of all local coaches and qualifications are assembled, as well as comparisons between different areas of sports coaching, leadership and childcare qualifications, all tied into the National Qualifications Framework. All at the meeting agreed that this would be most useful, and Will Smith and Zuby Hamard are to arrange a meeting with Danny and Steve Bell to push things forward.

### **3.3 sportKare**

- Hannah Lindsay introduced Helen Berry who has joined the PCT Community Health Team as the new Physical Activity development Worker, based at Millennium Business Park in Steeton. Hannah also has a new assistant, Rachael Wood, who will also help with some of the administration associated with *sportK*.
- Hannah described on-going activities with SureStart at Highfield and Guardhouse, and new physical activities that have taken place at Eastburn School.
- There is now a regular meeting for people involved in all aspects of the PCT physical activity work, and the notes of these meetings will be put on the *sportK* website under the Partnership *sportKare* section.
- Hannah confirmed that a regular informal meeting of new post-holders from all sectors is being initiated, under the auspices of Keighley College, to ensure that in these specific areas people are not re-inventing the wheel, competing against each other or unaware of each others' activities. The group will feed back news to the regular *sportKeighley* meetings.
- Hannah described an initiative involving many of the *sportK* partners (including Healthy Schools and the SSC partnership) to create some health and physical activity programmes and clubs in primary schools. An application has been made to Malcolm Longsdon on this, and feedback is relatively positive. The PCT would be contributing significantly to such a scheme.
- Lorna Palmer is changing roles slightly and some of her walking activity work will be undertaken by Neeta Mistry and John Dennis. There are a number of initiatives underway and these will be updated on the *sportK* website and the forthcoming PCT updated website.
- Liaison between Lorna, John, Jayne Benson of Bradford Council Rights of Way and Dave Stevens of Bradford Council's Walking Team has led to the shortlisting of a length of the Worth Way up to the WASK factory for up to £20K of renovation work. The length has been chosen because it is part of the Worth Way, it is part of a Walkways route, and forms the Keighley end of the proposed Keighley to Oxenhope Cycleway.
- Val Mills, manager of Keighley Healthy Living Network (KHLN), reiterated the offer to act as a fundholder for NOF and other monies. Further discussions are required to set up this mechanism so that community groups can access small amounts of funding for physical activities easily (see also *sportKommunity*).

### **3.4 sportKlubs / sportsKools**

- These two categories were combined in the discussion primarily because of a number of positive moves that are being made to improve links between the sectors in Keighley.
- Steve Bell outlined the "School/Club Link" evening that is to be held at Oakbank Sports College on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March between 5.30 and 7pm. A flyer was distributed that is already on the *sportK* website. This will provide an opportunity for schools and clubs to get together and to start to implement some of the aims in the *sportKeighley* Physical Activity Action Plan (PAAP), namely "matching" key clubs with key facilities and also developing clear participation pathways between schools and clubs.
- Stuart Culliford updated the meeting on several positive initiatives involving basketball. There will be trials for U13 and U14 boys and girls on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April to select squads for the West Yorkshire Youth Games on 27<sup>th</sup> June: Bradford won this last year.
- Following a successful summer camp at Beckfoot, there will be a camp in the first week of the summer holidays at Nab Wood involving some 60/70 youngsters. The cost is £50 for 5 days.

It is hoped that there will be the opportunity at lunchtimes to bring in guest presenters from other sports, etc, to give advice on different aspects of fitness and preparation.

- Stuart also mentioned the forthcoming “Barmy3” event in Centenary Square in Bradford which builds on two successful prior years. Stuart has recently applied successfully to the Local Network Fund for help with hiring of courts and coaches. This fund gives grants of up to £10,000 for a variety of activities and is run by Bradford CVS and QED.
- Darren Starkey updated the meeting as to progress with NOF-funded projects across the district. Because a couple of schemes have now dropped out of the funding as they are part of the Building Schools for the Future PFI programme, there is more money to be spread around existing schemes. This is good news for Keighley, because some of the money will be available in revenue format and will also pay for a further full-time post to help develop the NOF-funded projects. There is also scope to help develop the proposed AKtiveHoppa service.
- Tim Garthwaite announced that the Holy Family NOF Sports Hall bid is now virtually complete, and is turning out to be a model bid for this sort of facility. Reference can be made to the bid by others who are in the same process.
- JAD reported that Keighley & Craven AC is hosting the prestigious North of England Men’s 12-Stage and Women’s 6-Stage Road Relays at Lister Park in Bradford on Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup>. There are children’s 1M fun runs taking place immediately before the main relays, all free.
- JAD and Darren Starkey reported on presentations they had made to School “Cluster Conferences” that were held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, bringing together key staff from the six Oakbank Cluster schools (Oakbank, Greenhead, Holy Family, Parkside, Bingley Grammar and Ilkley) to exchange ideas and generally learn of good practice examples. One of the exercises during this session was to explore the number of existing school and club links, and an astonishing number of good examples were identified in less than 10 minutes. It is proposed to publicise this more widely, starting with the event on 30<sup>th</sup> March described above.

### 3.5 **sportKorporate**

- Keighley & District Regeneration Alliance (KADRA) is moving forward with the proposed mapping exercise of Keighley’s facilities and activities, which will include sporting facilities. This will help to assess a baseline against which future participation can be measured. A trainee graduate, Muserat Ahmed, will soon be helping with this process. There is a considerable amount of practical work going on in terms of creating a positive image and vision of Keighley, within which the *sportKeighley* network is a key partner, linking in with the overall regeneration of Keighley and indeed the whole Aire Valley.
- Partnerships are continuing to develop between local private sector companies (eg, Sport Camps, Workouts) and other *sportKeighley* sector organisations, creating a wide range of opportunities that include the development of employment pathways in the leisure sector.

### 3.6 **sportKommunity**

- Val Mills of KHLN welcomed moves to establish lists of accredited clubs and leaders/coaches (described above), as accessing these and being sure that things are right is a constant problem for community groups.
- Val also suggested a donation scheme for spare or unused sport equipment for the use of community groups. This idea was welcomed, and Hannah Lindsey offered to co-ordinate such a scheme, bearing in mind that the PCT already has some relatively new equipment that is available for use to community groups.
- Deryck Feather emphasised the enthusiasm to promote dance, especially traditional dance, in Keighley, and the benefits for all sportspeople. He will run a series of sessions starting in April, probably now on Friday evenings, to teach all ages to dance. Contact JAD for more details.
- JAD described an athletics session that he had conducted at Parkwood Flats during half term with a number of youngsters that had gone well. An earlier soccer session had also been very popular, and JAD has put them in contact with Kath Rickaby of Long Lee Juniors to see if there are opportunities for developing this. The kids are of course also welcome to come down to Keighley & Craven Athletics Club.

- Karen Wadsworth, who helps with the Parkwood project, and Julia Lindsey at Haworth are planning a mini-Olympics this year, and sportK partners are invited to help out with this.
- 4. NOF Club/School Activity Funding**
- As described above, Hannah Lindsey has put together a proposal for generating physical activities in schools that she has discussed with Malcolm Longsdon.
  - JAD also met with Malcolm to promote the development of new activities at Greenhead, and Malcolm has agreed to make available £6K per year for two years to help underwrite these proposals. Work is now ongoing to co-ordinate all potential partners to establish this initiative, which is open to all sportK partners.
  - It is likely that KHLN will act as a fundholder for any monies that could be brought to Keighley in this respect.
- 5. Community Coach for Keighley**
- After a considerable amount of work by a number of partners, the job description for the sportKommunity Coach has been finalised and the job is out to advert. The closing date for applications is 22<sup>nd</sup> March with interviews on 30<sup>th</sup>, induction on 31<sup>st</sup> and a potential start on April 1<sup>st</sup>!! Steve Bell proposed a vote of thanks to Zuby Hamard for helping to pull it all together.
  - There will be opportunities for a number of further posts in the near future, hopefully including another full-time community coach and possibly three or four part-time coaches after September 2004. This represents tremendous investment in Keighley and a real opportunity to move things forward in conjunction with the coaching initiatives described in sportKollege above.
- 6. Local Facilities Developments**
- 6.1 Bronte School**
- Will Smith had chased up information on the school from Bradford Council, and received the following response from Brian Dobson:  
*“All I can say is that the building still resides with Education and there are no plans at the moment to dispose of it or demolish it. There are currently no discussions taking place about the possibility of demolishing part of the building and retaining part of it, nor any discussions about providing new Sports and Arts provision on the site. I think that it will be several months before the situation is considered again”.*
  - Will Smith stated that Sport Camps, who run holiday activities at the school, are proposing to tidy up the site, and place banners to cover some of the broken and boarded windows. They are in discussion with the council about this.
- 6.2 Greenhead**
- The project to develop new activities in the existing school, ahead of the redevelopment and ahead of the extended schools programme due next year, to ensure wide community use of facilities and activities, is discussed in Section 4 above. There is a meeting between key parties scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> March. Further details will be provided at the next sportK meeting.
- 6.3 Marley**
- As mentioned above, refurbishment work is underway at Marley. Possibilities for a wider scheme in the future remain under general discussion.
- 6.4 Utleigh**
- See sportKollege above.
  - An application from Cougar Cubs for a clubhouse at Utleigh is still ongoing.
- 6.5 Holy Family**

- As mentioned above, the final part of the NOF application for the new Sports Hall is virtually complete.

**6.6 Other Sites**

- Developments at other sites, including cycling and walking routes and MUGAs at other school sites, are described elsewhere in these notes.

**7. *sportKeighley* Website and Communication**

- The *sportKeighley* website [www.sportkeighley.com](http://www.sportkeighley.com) has now been revamped to make it much more accessible and navigable, and is now online. Please make full use of it and make available any information that can be put in PDF format for display in the relevant area.
- A copy of these notes and notes of past meetings are available on the website.

**8. *sportKarnival* 2004**

- Peter Halliwell has already done a lot of work for the *sportKarnival* to be held at Marley on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2004.
- There are a number of proposals arising including a 24-hours of Sport proposal and the use of the day to hold practice runs/walks for the Race for Life and SportAid events.
- A meeting between JAD and Paul Evans was arranged, and partners will be updated soon. If there are any ideas please let JAD know asap.

**9. AOB**

- There was no further business.

**10. Date of the Next Meeting**

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> May 2004,  
7pm at  
Keighley Leisure Centre**

All are welcome. Please feel free to attend and raise any sporting or active leisure issues or contact John Dennis or Hannah Lindsey with relevant information.

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