

sportKeighley
Notes of Meeting No. 19

1. The 19th *sportKeighley* meeting took place at Keighley Leisure Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 8th September 2004.

Attendance:

Craig Andrews	Highfield Community Association
Franco Biancardo	Keighley Youth Services
Peter Bramham	Leeds Metropolitan University
David Copeland	Deputy Head & CLC Manager, Greenhead School
Danny Crabtree	Keighley College
John Dennis	<i>sportKeighley</i> Co-ordinator
Chris Evans	Crank It Up Cycling Organisation
Anthony Gill	Keighley Sports Development Officer
Kay Lindley	Headteacher, Victoria Primary School
Hannah Lindsey	Active Communities Co-ordinator (PCT)
Helen Plimmer	Oakbank Sports College
Cllr Allan Rhodes	Keighley Town Mayor
Darren Starkey	Bradford MDC NOF PE & Sport Manager
Richard Taylor	Keighley Community Coach & Keighley & Craven AC
Phil Wagner	Bradford MDC
Martin Whiteley	Keighley Cougar Cubs

Apologies:

Mohammed Amran	Greenhead School Community Cohesion Manager
Steve Bell	Oakbank Sports College
Helen Berry	Airedale PCT
Christine Binks	Keighley Leisure Centre
Jayne Benson	Bradford MDC Rights of Way
Janice Bradley	The Princes Trust
Bryan Brooks	West Yorkshire Sport
Sue Carter	Positive Futures
Ann Cryer MP	MP for Keighley
Stuart Culliford	Bradford Basketball
Darren deSouza	Airedale Primary Care Trust
Tim Garthwaite	The Holy Family School
Zuby Hamard	Bradford MDC Arts Heritage & Leisure
Tricia McCarthy	Headteacher, Greenhead School
Val Mills	Keighley Healthy Living Network
Neeta Mistry	Walking for Health
Lesley Normanton	Greenhead School
Danny Philpott	West Riding County FA
Paul Royston	Workouts Gym
Will Smith	Sport Camps & Keighley & Craven AC

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 *sportKeighley* to use the facilities.

2. **Notes from the last meeting:**

- Most people had received notes from the last meeting in July. Copies are available on request or via the *sportKeighley* website www.sportkeighley.com.

3. Matters Arising and Partner Updates

3.1 sportKouncil

- Anthony Gill reported on a talent-spotting initiative currently running in Leeds where testing of all Year 7 pupils is taking place and children are matched to a talent camp for various activities. This is followed by a 10-week generic training course followed by taster sessions for each sport. Anthony is to look into doing something similar in Keighley.
- Richard Taylor, Keighley's Community Coach, reported that now the summer holidays are over he is aiming to go into as many primary schools in Keighley as possible this coming year. As well as working with children he will deliver session plans for teachers and each child will receive a list (from the *sportKeighley* website) of all the sports and activities that take place in the Keighley area. Hannah Lindsey discussed the possibility of developing taster sessions with the PCT to overcome the natural reluctance of some to join clubs "cold". This idea was welcomed by the meeting and is a challenge to local clubs.
- **Key Activity – Development of Local Coaching and Activity Pathways.**
- JAD gave an update on Bradford Council's Sport and Leisure Section's Strategy for Sport and Physical Activity. Feedback on a draft version had been provided via an assessment framework that has been developed for Sport England by Sheffield Hallam University. This highlighted a number of elements that need refining and this work is underway.
- It was reported to the meeting that Paul Evans, the manager at Marley, has left to take up a post with the Sport action Zone in Bradford. The meeting agreed to thank Paul for his contribution to *sportKeighley* in the past and wishes him well in his new post. The new pitch at Marley is now open, and is due at Easter 2005 to host a massive Bradford Schools 5-a-side soccer tournament. Any potential sponsors for this event should contact Anthony Gill. The local authority is also developing a "turn-up-and-play" soccer scheme at Marley to encourage kids who do not belong to a team to come down and have a game. There is also a "Kick Racism Out of Football Week" event on 9th October which teams can enter via Marley.
- Cllr Allan Rhodes of Keighley Town Council (KTC) stated that the use of planning gain monies to support the development of local leisure and sports facilities is being actively pursued by KTC. There are possible monies from such a proposed development at Bracken Bank and this may help support the Oakbank bid for cycling facilities.
- KTC had funded the production of a Summer Activity information sheet, via the PCT, that incorporated as many of the summertime initiatives in the area as possible. Many of these had been successful but the meeting was reminded that the aim was that this will form the basis of discussion in the autumn for co-ordinating such activities in 2005 to ensure maximum coverage and availability of high quality activities for all in the district.
- **Key Activity – Summer Activities Planning for 2005.**
- KTC is liaising with a number of other groups in the town, via JAD, to organise a walking event in the autumn. This will coincide with National Autumn Walking Week between 4th and 8th October. Groups will be invited to walk the new Walkways routes on Wednesday 6th October and meet back near the centre of town. Details will be circulated to partners.
- **Key Activity – Walking Week and Walkways launch in October.**
- Allan Rhodes reported that skate boarding requests are still very prevalent at present to KTC. JAD reminded everyone of the proposed SKate initiative brochure which has been produced in response to the discussion about trying to establish such facilities in the town. This will be taken forward over the next few months.
- **Key Activity – SKate project development.**

3.2 sportKollege

- Danny Crabtree reported that sports-related courses at Keighley College are proving very popular.
- Unfortunately an "Equity in Coaching" course planned at the College had to be cancelled due to lack of numbers. Notwithstanding this, the College will be moving forward with a database of local coaches so that the most can be made of local resources in this respect.

- The College is moving ahead in renovating its cricket and rugby facilities at Utley. Unfortunately the site at Utley has recently been damaged by joyriders. However, a meeting had taken place earlier today with rugby union and rugby league representatives and momentum is building to develop a significant improvement in all facilities at the site for these sports and also for cricket.
- Architects are drawing up plans for the new college building in Dalton Lane.

3.3 **sportKare**

- Hannah Lindsey reported on the production of the PCT physical activity database. This will shortly be on-line and will be available at various contact points and will also link through the *sportK* website. The PCT will update the database, probably at 6-monthly intervals. All partners are requested to provide details of physical activity sessions to feed into the database.
- The PCT has made an initial contact in encouraging club-community links at Haworth Cricket Club.
- The PCT has been assisting with a Sport England “Active England” bid with Highfield Surestart (covering 0-4s and their families).
- Funding has been obtained from Malcolm Longsdon at Education Bradford for the PCT to work in partnership with Keighley College and KHLN to create out-of-school-hours health clubs in 15 local primary schools. There have been 7 responses so far. Schools need to contact the PCT by the end of this term to be included and the project is designed to run until the end of July 2005. It was suggested that Denholme Primary School might be interested and Hannah Lindsey was given appropriate contact details. A development / research project on this scheme will be carried out by Keighley College.
- The PCT is actively involved in the proposed Walkways launch event to be held on 6th October as part of the funding by the Bradford Environmental Partnership described in the July notes. A series of initiatives (see Key Activity below) will be launched and/or progressed via this route over the next few months.
- **Key Activity: Promote School Health Clubs, Walkways, CyKle, AKtiveHoppa and Skate initiatives.**

3.4 **sportKlubs / sportsKools**

- Cougar Cubs reported that their “Active England” funding bid for development at Utley has not been successful. This is probably for a number of reasons, including the fact that the bid was ambitious and that the funding round in Yorkshire had been massively oversubscribed. Nonetheless, things are progressing and discussions are ongoing between the Cougar Cubs, Keighley RUFC and Keighley College with a view to submitting a new, co-operative bid. Ann Cryer MP is supportive, and the meeting recorded the support of sportK and the support of Keighley Town Council. Clear lines of communication are needed with various bodies to co-ordinate such support.
- Helen Plimmer reported that the Headteacher from a highly successful primary school, St Leonard’s, in Lancashire will be speaking at Oakbank shortly. Details from Helen on 01535 210111.
- Helen also reported upon feedback from many clubs as a result of the successful Oakbank Sports College “Club Links” event in March. There is now a list of proposed activities that will be moved forward. Some of these will be submitted to Malcolm Longsdon in terms of potential funding for creation of new ideas.
- **Key Activity: Development of clear player/participation pathways in the district.**
- Football Foundation funded pitch drainage works are underway at Oakbank.
- Plans are moving forward to develop an area of the school campus as a cycling area plus skateboarding that was part of an unsuccessful bid to Active England for a cycling development. In the meantime there may be a chance to work with local providers (eg, the Princes Trust and Keighley College Construction students?) and .develop the idea at the forthcoming initial meeting of the Keighley “CyKle” on 17th November to help in this respect.

- Ikram Butt is co-ordinating with Peter Wroot, the School's Cycling Officer on such issues, and contact needs to be made to progress the CyKle ideas.
- JAD reported that much work is going on in conjunction with Dave Stevens, the Safe Routes to School Officer, to co-ordinate local school Travel Plans which it is intended will form an integral part of the CyKle and Walkways initiatives.
- Kay Lindley reported that Victoria School pupils are now well on with cycling training at the school and pupils tested so far have a 100% pass rate. Lessons started again this early in September (Saturday mornings) as part of a Cycle Club at the school. The School Travel plan has revealed a clear demand for bike access – the rule is that only pupils who have passed their training can ride to school. They now need safe routes for this, and this will be addressed by the forthcoming "CyKle" initiative. JAD pointed out that Sustrans have some £10M nationwide for linking schools with the national cycle network, and thus there is a clear incentive to develop such work.
- Kay also reported that Friday afternoons are set aside for "enrichment time" and from October Greenhead JSLA and CSLA students will lead this. The school has extended to KS1 opportunities for after school sports clubs. Keighley Majorettes use the school's facilities, and a dance exercise club will hopefully start soon.
- Work is progressing on creating opening of Greenhead School for wider club use and is nearing fruition. £6000 from Education Bradford has come in to help this. David Copeland, the new Deputy Head and City Learning Centre Manager told the meeting that he is optimistic for the future of this initiative. The aim is to guarantee opening of the community wing of the school via the City Learning Centre and by increasing the number of activities reduce the unit rate for usage to make the facilities much more affordable. Keighley & Craven Athletic Club has been leading on this, with tremendous help from Tricia McCarthy the Headteacher, Bradford Council and Malcolm Longsdon at Education Bradford.
- As reported at the last meeting, some schools are to get "ZoneParks", play areas which create zones for activities (including "Quiet Zones"). JAD reported on some ideas from athletics for school playground markings and agreed to contact Mark Gladwin at Bradford Council to assess the newly prepared draft Bradford Play Strategy and arrange a meeting to discuss the ideas, which also fit well with Oakbank's funding of dinner lady and playground supervisor training in activities for lunchtime periods ("Huff 'n Puff!").
- **Key Activity: co-ordinated programme for town policy to mark playgrounds.**
- The meeting was advised of Family Learning Activity Week between 11-17th October. Allan Clark from the Russell Street Project is leading on this. Ideas are welcome, maybe along the lines of inviting parents to come and watch various kinds of learning activities that children are taking part in.
- Stuart Culliford sent the following notes to the meeting:
- *NBBDC, incorporating Bradford Dragons, going from strength to strength. Now started twice weekly training at Woodhouse Grove sports centre and have entered U16 and U14 national league, U18 in Bradford league and senior teams in Yorkshire, Leeds, and Bradford leagues.*
- *Many players from Keighley, particularly the U14's. We plan to invite in coaches to training sessions from athletics, rugby union, rugby league, fitness trainers, dance instructors etc to broaden the training curriculum.*
- *£5k sponsorship from Sportserve in Ilkley now matched with £5k by Sportsmatch, total £10k. Local Network Fund have given £7k for 2004/5 league programme. Dragons now EBBA accredited as a 3 star club [first one in district]. RAF Development Fund have given £725 for the season.*
- *Summer 5 day 'Eurocamp' with Dr Laszlo Nemeth of Keighley was a great success with 55 girls and boys in attendance. We will be running a 5 day, 10am to 4pm, 40 place bball camp at Nab Wood Sports centre during half term 25-29 October, and 14 18 February for girls and boys ages 11 to 20, price £60. An expanded Summer 2005 Eurocamp of 85 ages 11 to 21 will be run based at Nab Wood, Beckfoot and Baildon recreation centre from 25-29/7/05 with Laszlo and several international coaches and players.*

- *Summer outdoor Keighley scheme was badly effected by rain or the fear of rain, see attached report. Braithwaite was the big success.*
- *All being well, Bradford Council will be appointing a full time 3 year contract Community Basketball Coach to operate across the district by Xmas*
- *We hope to open a Keighley base for basketball in the new build sports hall at Holy Family circa January 2006, other things being equal.*
- *Currently our cost of court hire is between £50 per hour [Council] and around £30 an hour - schools] for a full size hall. As we are hiring a hall for 12 hours a week now [£420 per week], this drains most of our money and means we have to charge £2.50 a session to kids which keeps a number of kids away as their parents cannot afford it. The other big blockage is availability of quality coaches. Anything SK can advise about available and affordable full size courts and good coaches will be welcome.*
- *JAD reported that the draft strategy for athletics across Bradford which has been written as part of a consultation between all athletic clubs in the district is developing. This builds upon the proposals for generic skills development and the initiatives in primary schools and at Greenhead (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.*
- *This will feed into the developing Airedale Masterplan which is currently being developed by consultants Arup on behalf of the Airedale Partnership (funded by Yorkshire Forward). In addition, the sportKeighley PAAP and the Walkways, CyKle, AKtiveHoppa and Skate initiatives (draft brochures for which can be found under the "Access" link on the sportK website) will be incorporated and enhanced by inclusion in such plans.*
- *There are a number of links with private sector firms in the town that are working between various groups, including Willis Walker discounts for Youth Services, links between the PCT and Speaks and Fitness First, and the possibility through Chris Evans for trade and better terms from Giant, the cycle manufacturers.*
- *Will Smith reported with his apologies on the activities of Sport Camps during the summer.*
- *Ran 24 camps at 9 venues throughout the Yorkshire area.*
- *Camps included an Olympics theme where kids competed and were even given Athlete Pasta Meals! Seemed to go down really well with the kids.*
- *Also ran a Marathon Challenge in conjunction with 'Children with Leukaemia'. Raised £5000 and proud to say that the Keighley camp raised more money than any other venue (including Ilkley, York and Chesterfield). Say's a lot for Keighley Folk!! Article and pictures in the Keighley News.*
- *Over 1000 children attending the camps this summer and 40 young people working as Sport Leaders and Volunteers.*

3.6 **sportKommunity**

- *Youth Services reported that 37 youngsters have undertaken the JSLA and DoE award during the summer. 10 young women (U16) qualified in football leadership and it is intended to broaden this. Links have been developed with Keighley United 16+ Youth Services and the Bracken Bank Arms is helping with this.*
- *There have been two very useful meetings at Greenhead organised by Mohammed Amran that have pulled together many groups supporting various sectors of the community, and the activity planning will described below will help this. More such meetings are planned.*
- *KHLN are concentrating on healthy diet initiatives and are a source of reference for these aspects.*
- *Craig Andrews reported that the new Highfield Centre has been open since April, and he is now concentrating on building links with the community and with partners across the district. Although equipment is being built up, spare equipment is always needed: eg, spare boots,*

trainers, etc. This might link in with a *sportKeighley* spare equipment initiative that will develop over the next few months. Community liaison, along with the KADRA maps described above, will be vital in framing the next stages of the various action points.

- The feasibility study for the future use of Keighley Central Hall was recently adjourned but Bradford Council is supporting a positive community use.
- The Activity Co-ordination leaflet for summer, funded by Keighley Town Council and Airedale PCT was successful. This now needs to be followed up. The training of volunteers is needed and people need to be aware of minimum training standards in various sectors.
- Youth Services will be co-ordinating some volunteer training this September with some sports specialism included.
- Youth Services are also taking young people from Keighley to Bolton Abbey on Wednesdays, including kayaking activities
- Hannah Lindsey stated that Airedale PCT will pull some of these strands together.

4. Action Points - Progress

- These points have been covered elsewhere in the notes.

5. AOB (mainly funding)

- Darren Starkey had produced a summary sheet about the “Big Lottery Fund”. There will be some £200M annually nationally on various themes open pot grants. The Sport England website contains details and further information will be available at the next *sportK* meeting.
- Awards for All funds go up to £10k in April but they are now discouraging schools from applying direct and evidence of a strong community component is very important. Malcolm Longsdon is heading up the Young People’s Partnership and more work will be done via this.
- North Yorkshire is providing funding to get kids into the Dales on trips out.

6. Date of the Next Meeting

**Wed 3rd November 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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