

sportKeighley Meeting 39 **Wednesday 9th January 2008**

1. Attendance & Apologies

Attendance:	Ash Alom	Keighley Voluntary Service
	Steve Bell	Oakbank Sports College
	Jayne Benson	Bradford MDC Rights of Way
	Dave Copeland	Greenhead School
	John Coulton	Bradford MDC Sports & Leisure Services
	John Dennis	sportKeighley Co-ordinator
	Paul Evans	Keighley Sports Development
	Mary Hebden	Oakbank Extended Schools Co-ordinator
	Kay Lindley	Victoria Primary School
	Hannah Lindsey	Bradford & Airedale PCT
	Jonny Noble	Keighley Leisure Centre
	Tammy Riley	Keighley Tennis Club
	Cllr Allan Rhodes	Keighley Town Council
	Darren Starkey	Bradford MDC NOF PE & Sport Manager
	Phil Wagner	Bradford MDC Education
	Chris Young	British Cycling

Apologies:	Jan Bradley	Princes Trust
	Viv Carnea	Keighley Healthy Living Network
	Abina Dorgan-Smith	Bradford Youth Services
	Tim Garthwaite	The Holy Family School
	Steven Lax	Cycling
	Nicola Leng	Website & Marketing Volunteer
	Ian Peaple	Keighley Voluntary Services
	Chris Sheryn	OlympiK Dream Martial Arts Centre
	Richard Taylor	Active Coaching UK
	Mick Wood	Bradford MDC. Marley

Many thanks to Mick Wood of Bradford MDC for making the Meeting Room at Marley available for the meeting.

2. Meeting Notes

Kay Lindley kindly volunteered to do the meeting notes.

3. Brief Updates and News from Partners

3.1 Darren Starkey (Bradford MDC NOF PE & Sport Manager)

- Breathing Places. Funding has been given for a project in Bradford. Bids for up to £10k can be made for funding.
- Natural England. Funding is available for accessing the countryside and this may link to the Go Dales project.
- Friends of the Outdoors. There is to be a launch at 1.30pm on 01/02/08 at Odsal. This will also serve to launch the Outdoor Learning Manifesto.
- Play Project. They are ready to go out to contract for the climbing wall. There is funding for holiday play activities and bids should be made to Karl Dalton.
- Partners will investigate how these initiatives integrate and the opportunities arising.

3.2 Jonny Noble (Keighley Leisure Centre)

- A letter has been sent out offering schools free usage of Marley & The Leisure Centre at certain times until the end of the financial year. Eastwood Primary School has already booked several sessions but others are still available.
- The Leisure Centre will have an open day 26/01/08.
- Copies of the b-Active newsletter were made available – further copies from the Leisure Centre.
- Along with other pools within the district, The Leisure Centre is offering junior swim sessions for £1 pp during January.

3.3 Paul Evans (Keighley Sports Development)

- There is a £500 grant available through b-Active for junior sports clubs. The deadline is 31/01/08.
- “Prop Idol”. This initiative is for children at risk of becoming obese or who are already obese. It will be held at The Leisure Centre and starts w/c 14/01/08. It is for ages 8 to 16 years.
- In conjunction with The Linking Schools Project there are 2 dates planned for activities in February and a further 3 in the summer at Marley.
- The annual schools football competition at Marley has already attracted 106 applications. This will be on the 19th – 22nd May inclusive.
- Paul now also helps to support the Wharfedale Activities Group in Ilkley which is one of the five local sports alliances in the Bradford district which now link in to the Bradford b-active Community Sports Network.
- Keighley Boxing Club. Paul has been speaking with KBC as their lease at Quinlan’s Mill has less than 12 months left to run and they are urgently seeking help either by way of a new venue and funding to help maintain an activity which is currently used by 60 children per week.

3.4 Phil Wagner (Bradford MDC Education)

- Parkside School now has a children’s gym – the third in the district. The gym caters for 8 – 15 year olds.
- Draft plans for the “Plus 3 Hour” initiative intended to bring levels of sport and physical activity up to a total of 5 hours per week are due in February 2008. There will be great reliance on clubs and community networks to facilitate the opportunity for these activities to be experienced after school

3.5 Jayne Benson (Bradford MDC Rights of Way)

- A joint bid with Bradford MDC, Calderdale & Kirklees has attracted £200k for re-vamping bridleways in the 3 areas. Some of these will be local to Keighley e.g. Oxenhope, Keighley to Bingley & the upper Worth Valley and will provide further opportunities for off-road cycling, walking and horse-riding.
- Great Northern Trail. There are hopes for further progress during this year. A section is now open at the Queensbury end.

3.6 Ash Alom (Keighley Voluntary Services)

- KVS is offering to help with networking and communication for groups in the area.

3.7 Cllr Allan Rhodes (Keighley Town Council)

- Central Hall in Alice Street, Keighley. There is still a need for this provision and support is needed for future planning and funding applications.
- The Friends of Oakworth Park has been granted £35k to improve woodland areas. The funding has come from Yorventure – Landfill Tax. It was pointed out that this source of funding is dwindling and so anyone else wishing to apply should do so sooner rather than later.

3.8 Kay Lindley (Victoria Primary School & XK1 Extended Schools Cluster)

- The school's climbing wall is about to be installed and this is the final part of the outdoor activities development at the school.
- A residential is being arranged in the Dales during February half term for 8 mums each bringing 1 child. Further such projects are being planned for the Easter holidays.
- The programme of February half term activities is being finalised.
- The primary schools within XK1 are planning to employ suitable workers to offer projects and activities to primary aged pupils at risk of involvement in the current Gang Culture issues.

3.9 Dave Copeland (Greenhead High School)

- A meeting took place earlier today with the architects for the new school planned under Building Schools for the Future and the Public Funding Initiative. The plans are now deemed to meet the requirements of the programme. It is now thought that the opening dates for the school could be September 2010.
- Within the plans for the new school, Greenhead and Bradford MDC are looking to retain part of the existing building close to the running track. This area would provide a multi ability athletics centre which will be available for use by local groups to establish their base on a shared cost basis. The project is currently costed at £390k and funding is being sought.

3.10 Tammy Riley (Keighley Tennis Club)

- The club is keen to expand and develop and meetings and negotiations are ongoing with Trustees regarding the possibility of moving the club to The Holy Family School.
- A valuation is being sought for the possible value of the club's current land.

3.11 Mary Hebden (Oakbank Extended Schools Co-ordinator)

- 01/02/08 sees the launch of the K1 Academy for children aged 12 – 15 years to become engaged in diversionary activities.
- There is to be an over 50's taster activity day which it is hoped may be supported by B & Q.
- The Skateboard park – to be known as the "Oakbank Urban Sports Facility" – is progressing subject to final approval by the school's Governors. Funding so far has been £50k from the Big Lottery Fund; £55k Section 106 funding and there is an application submitted for £25k to Landfill Tax funding. The activities to be offered will include In Line Skating; BMX; Cycle Tracks as well as skateboarding. There will be a period for planning and consultation with a view to contracts being given in June for building work to start in the summer holidays.
- The leaflet is available detailing activities planned for the February Half Term break.

3.12 Steve Bell (Oakbank Sports College)

- The Oakbank Partnership has won a National Award for work with Key Stages 1 & 2.
- The PESCCCL results are very positive and show that 85% of primary schools have now been awarded the Active Mark. The 2 special schools have received the Active Mark and Sportsmark.
- W/c 10/03/08 – Sport Relief. There are plans for a Cross Country event for primary schools and a Golf Event for secondary schools, leading up to and supporting the BIGK 10K and the Sport Relief BIGK Mile on Sunday 16th March (see below).

3.13 Chris Young (British Cycling)

- There are increasing numbers of competitions for bikes in schools and an increasing number of participants in the Keighley area.
- Bronte Wheelers is now getting established, along with the Just Ride Club in Keighley.
- Up to 30 children attended various cycling sessions during summer schemes.

3.14 Hannah Lindsey (Bradford & Airedale PCT)

- There is a training session for Level 2 coaching in cycling to be held at Oakbank on the 15th & 16th March. Funding has come from Streets Ahead and the Local Authority to offer subsidised fees for 25 people.
- Mapping Post for Physical Activities. This is a joint post between the PCT & Local Authority. The job description is being finalised to enable advertising to go ahead for this 1 year post.
- The Just Ride Cycle Club is holding a Family Cycle Ride on 20/01/08.

3.15 John Dennis (*sportKeighley* Co-ordinator)

- Ian Peale had sent some information about Sport Relief funding which may be of interest to partners. Details will be put on the *sportKeighley* website.
- Jan Bradley has sent some information about Prince's Trust funding which is available for young people in our area. Details will be put on the *sportKeighley* website.

4. Community Sports Network /Community Investment Fund Update

- Following a request by James Purnell, Secretary of State for Culture Media and Sport, Sport England has been asked to review the way it is working in terms of developing a world-class community sport system. In the meantime it is "business as usual" with respect to the Community Investment Fund bids that are being submitted via the Bradford b-active Community Sports Network (see bullet point below). JAD reported that it is felt that Keighley and now Bradford are particularly well-placed in terms of this review given the established systems of working together that have already been developed. JAD had been due to meet with James Purnell to discuss some of these issues on 4th January but this meeting is now set for 7th March.
- JAD reported that the Bradford b-active Community Sports Network (CSN), which is District wide and includes *sportKeighley* and the other five Local Sports Alliances, will have its first meeting at the end of January 2008. JAD is to chair this group. Details of the role of the CSN and its terms of reference will be circulated after the initial meeting, but in general terms the idea is to bring together and help to co-ordinate the tremendous amount of work going on across the district at every level and to ensure that this is co-ordinated and helps to meet the targets of the b-active Sport and Physical Activity Strategy. A facilities draft plan is due in soon.
- John Coulton confirmed that a Bradford District Facilities Report is due at the end of January – this will be important in terms of future planning for the provision of sport and physical activity opportunities across the district.
- JAD is to meet with Sports Minister and Bradford South MP Gerry Sutcliffe MP on 11th January and a visit is planned from Sue Campbell of the Youth Sports Trust on 21st January at Oakbank Sports College.

5. BIGK 10K/ Sport Relief Mile/ Community Cougar Foundation, Sunday 16th March 2008

- Bradford Council, the Keighley News, Keighley Town Council, Keighley & Craven AC, *sportKeighley* and many others are behind a plan to stage a unique "BIGK 10K" run in Keighley on Sunday 16th March. The event will be to raise money for Manorlands. The event will start and end in Victoria Park where there will be stalls etc. and the route will follow many of the walkways routes to link the four main parks in Keighley (Victoria, Lund, Devonshire and Cliffe Castle) as well as Burgess's Field (Highfield). There will be 2 intermediate "staging posts" at Lund Park & Highfield. The event is designed to encourage local participation, and JAD asked partners for help & support in the planning, publicity and on the day itself in the form of participants, marshals, stewards & first aid posts etc.
- The 16th March is also Sport Relief Day and the "BIGK Mile" has been registered with Sport Relief to take place the same day. There will be a mile event at Victoria Park, immediately

following the start of the BIGK 10K, and there will be additional mile events at Lund Park and Highfield, triggered by the arrival of the 10K participants.

- Participants will be able to have a free swim at the Leisure Centre after their exertions tanks to Bradford Council Sport and Leisure.
- A fantastic day of sport in Keighley will continue from lunchtime when events associated with the public launch of the Community Cougar Foundation will commence just across the road from Victoria Park at Cougar Park. The Foundation is a charity that has been established to help fund and expand much of the community development work through sport with which the Keighley Cougars have always been associated as groundbreakers. JAD is a trustee and vice-Chair of the Foundation which includes Neil Spencer (Chair), Ann Cryer MP and David Yates (Connexions West Yorkshire) as fellow trustees. The events (more details to follow) will lead up to the Cougars match against Workington at 3pm, when the official public launch will take place.

6. sportK Olympic Fund & Dinner 2008

- There has been a lot of activity associated with the development of support for local Olympic-aspiring athletes and their families. The *sportK* Olympic Fund raised just over £1,000 at the inaugural annual dinner at Oakbnak last March, and discussion have gone on to ensure that this can be effectively used alongside other funding streams. Bradford Council is proposing to match fund SportsAid funding for local potential Olympic and top athletes.
- There has also been work on the development of a b-active “Free Access for National Sportspeople” (FANS) Scheme and Bradford Council is taking a lead in giving free/reduced access to local facilities to assist potential Olympic athletes with their training. It is likely that this will go West Yorkshire-wide and tie in with similar schemes in North Yorkshire, and it is also hoped to bring in a range of partners in the public and private sector to offer assistance via their services/products to help our local athletes.
- The second *sportK* Olympic Fund Annual Dinner is being planned for Friday 25th April 2008 with a Chinese theme to mark the 2008 Olympics in Beijing in August. The venue is to be Holy Family School in Keighley and it is tremendous to be able to announce that for government communications director and keen sportsman Alistair Campbell (who was born in Keighley) has agreed to be the guest speaker.

7. Website & sportK Marketing/Awareness.

- The website is to be re-vamped asap. The first stage will be an increase in the material available on the site with further work to follow on the layout and make up of the site. When this has been achieved more work will be done on marketing and raising awareness. It was agreed that the website could be/is a very useful tool in keeping people up to date with developments and also challenges and obstacles affecting local clubs and groups.

8. A.O.B.

- David Copeland mentioned that Keighley & Craven AC is hosting the Yorkshire Veterans' Cross Country Championships on Sunday 13th January at Greenhead High School with the course being set up in Cliffe Castle grounds. There will potentially be 400 runners.

9. Date of Next Meeting (No. 40!)

- **Wednesday March 5th 2008 at Marley Meeting Room, 7pm.**
- **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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Please pass these notes on to people in your network for who they may be of interest.

The **sportKeighley** initiative is a partnership structure that connects the key sectors that have an interest and/or involvement in sport and physical activity in our locality. The initiative is not funded and indeed **sportKeighley** is not constituted: the idea is that resources and efforts go straight to the “coal-face” via the partners.

Partnership in **sportKeighley** is **OPEN TO EVERYONE**.

This partnership meets on a regular basis (every other month), and positive progress is being made in improving communication and infrastructure, and in putting Keighley at the centre of the sporting map, locally, regionally, nationally and beyond.

See www.sportkeighley.com for more details.