

sportKeighley
Notes of Meeting No. 25

1. The 25th *sportKeighley* meeting took place at the Highfield Community Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 7th September 2005.

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| Attendance: | Mary Beanland Steve Bell Bryan Brooks Sue Carter John Coulton Danny Crabtree John Dennis Jo Drapier Deryck Feather Tim Garthwaite Liz Hanney Ian Hislop Kay Lindley Hannah Lindsey Allan Rhodes Darren Starkey Richard Taylor | Prime Movers Co-ordinator, KVC Oakbank Sports College Oakbank School Competition Manager Positive Futures Bradford MDC Sport & Leisure Keighley College <i>sportKeighley</i> Co-ordinator & Keighley & Craven AC Bradford MDC Sport Development Unit Dancing The Holy Family School Bradford Vision Bradford MDC Environment Headteacher, Victoria Primary School Airedale Primary Care Trust Keighley Town Council Bradford MDC NOF PE & Sport Manager Keighley Community Coach & Keighley & Craven AC |
| Apologies: | Craig Andrews Jayne Benson Stuart Culliford Darren deSouza Anthony Gill Mark Gladwin Zuby Hamard Simon Rowlands Michael Scarborough Pav Singh Dave Stevens | Highfield Community Association Bradford MDC Rights of Way Bradford Basketball Airedale Primary Care Trust Keighley Sports Development Officer Play Services Officer, Early Years & Childcare Service Bradford MDC Physical Activity Development Coordinator, Bradford NHS Chair, Keighley & District Regeneration Alliance (KADRA) CBMDC Community Cohesion & Urban Village Officer Sustrans |

- John Dennis (JAD) took the chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He also registered thanks to the staff at Highfield Community Centre for allowing *sportKeighley* to use the excellent facilities.

2. Summary of the last meeting

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

3. Information

3.1 sportKommunity

- Liz Hanney spoke about the “Big K” Community Cohesion Event to be held in Keighley during the last week of September. This will include a number of events including further development of the Keighley Tapestry, CommuniTEA events and an event at Holy Family School on Saturday 1st October, supported by the Linking Communities Fund.
- Liaison continues with the new Neighbourhood Action Areas in Stockbridge, Branshaw/Fell Lane, Braithwaite/Guardhouse, Hainworth/Parkwood and Eastwood. There is a Casey’s Corner Fun Day at Harrison & Clough in Stockbridge on 11th September to support the development of a playground in the area in memory of the young girl who was knocked down and killed a few months ago.
- Progress is still taking place with the Oakworth Urban Village Project and this is directly involving the sportK network, particularly with regard to the development of uses for Bronte School (see Facilities below).
- Work across Keighley with regard to young people continues. The next meetings of the Young People’s Forum in Keighley are as follows: Friday 28th October and Friday 16th December, all at 10am at the Keighley Disabled Centre in Temple Row.
- The meeting was reminded about the Bradford Vision district-wide “Vision Awards”. There are six categories of award to people who have shown their commitment to a vision for the Bradford district in various ways. Nominations for the awards close on 30th September. The awards will be made at a dinner to be held in Bradford in December.

3.2 sportsKools

- The meeting reinforced its best wishes to Helen Plimmer, former Director of Sport at Oakbank Sports College in her new job as PE Advisor in Leeds. Helen has been an instrumental part of the development of sportKeighley and she leaves the district with the partnership’s thanks and very best wishes.
- Steve Bell confirmed the structure at Oakbank which is for Steve, Christine Buckley and Andrew Sharples to divide the duties of Helen between them and Rod Fletcher and Sarah Waddington tackle Head of PE role with a view to new appointments early in 2006.
- Steve Bell reported the following dates and events to the meeting: Primary Link Teacher partnership Meeting at Cougar Park on 22nd September (these events are an ideal way to communicate with all the primary schools in the wider Oakbank cluster, and Steve is happy to distribute information as appropriate); Orienteering Inset, Parkwood, 4th October; Key Stage 3/4 Girls Football Event at Oakbank, 10th October; KS2 Sportshall Athletics Final 17th October (individual cluster events to take place prior to this).
- Bryan Brooks introduced himself as the new Competition Manager, based at Oakbank. The DfES is funding 25 such posts nationwide, with 4 in West Yorkshire, so it is great to have one in Keighley. Bryan is the former Coaching Development Co-ordinator with West Yorkshire Sport, so brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience. Bryan will have responsibility for co-ordinating and rationalising competition between school and clubs/national governing bodies and encourage local high quality competition. Initial sports to be covered by the Competition Manager post in our area are Netball, Rugby Union, Racket Sports (generic for Key Stage 1 and 2) and Gymnastics. Swimming may also be involved in time, as will athletics.
- Oakbank is now the “Oakbank Pedal Power” Community Go-Ride Cycling Club, and Rod Fletcher had recently promoted a hugely successful hill climb and cyclo-cross event with over 100 young participants involved.
- Kay Lindley of Victoria Primary School reported on the progress of the Extended Schools Greenhead cluster has now extended to include Eastwood Primary School as well as Greenhead, Victoria, Our Lady of Victories and Guard House. Nazia Hussain, previously with Keighley Healthy Living Network, has started in the role of Extended Schools Officer, based at Victoria Primary School. Kay emphasised that as an extended school facilities at Victoria School are available to clubs and community groups and she is keen that they are used. Kay can be contacted on 01535 210110. Oakbank are also developing an Extended Schools scheme to involve primary schools in the Worth Valley. There is now clear action with a view to opening up school facilities in the evenings, at weekends and during school holidays more widely to the community under this scheme. This is very important in terms of overall facility availability in Keighley. Much work needs to be done, however, in making sure such facilities are affordable and managed, and the Kafe initiative that is evolving under sportK is intended to address this.

- The “Phunky Foods” healthy eating initiative at Victoria has started and involves 17 staff from the extended schools cluster. It will culminate in an “Eid Food Extravaganza” in November. The school is also starting a Family Fitness Club and a Staff Fitness Club.
- The Routes to School work is continuing and many schools still have the opportunity to get their Travel Plans in to qualify for DfES funding which has been extended for another year.

3.3 **sportKollege**

- Danny Crabtree (DANIEL_CRABTREE@keighley.ac.uk) was not at the meeting but the notes from the previous meeting are included in the following bullet points:
- Despite the reports of problems with land acquisition for the planned College redevelopment things are still moving forward.
- The College has also given the go-ahead for the re-building of the pavilion at Utley next year.
- Danny reported high success rates for students on sport and leisure-related courses at Keighley College.
- Students are involved in the recruitment of local community coaches.
- There is still the intention to arrange an annual *sportKeighley* Dinner with guest speakers. Details to follow.

3.4 **sportKouncil**

- Jo Drapier introduced herself as the new Big Lottery Fund Sites Link Manager. Based in Bradford, she will have a role in co-ordinating many of the NOF-funded facilities that are appearing across the Bradford district, including the Holy Family Sports Hall in Keighley.
- John Coulton circulated copies of the newly-published Sport and Leisure insert in “Community Pride” which lists some of the council-led activities across the Bradford District.
- Work on the Leisure Centre in Keighley is due to start imminently.
- The Council are currently undertaking a facilities review, including swimming. The Bradford Physical Activity & Sports Strategy has been re-drafted and re-structured and a draft should be available in November.
- Rosie Benson, who gave an update at the previous meeting on the Open Space, Sport & Recreation (PPG17) Study that is currently being undertaken by the Planning Department of Bradford Council, had thanked *sportKeighley* for its input into the study. Consultation will be on-going with a report due towards the end of the year.

3.5 **sportKare**

- Work is continuing in order to develop the forthcoming co-operation for the promotion of health initiatives via football between West Riding County FA and Airedale PCT. Details of this scheme were attached to the last notes.
- The PCT physical activity database (**AK**tiveDirectory), which will form an integral part of the new *sportKeighley* web structure, is due imminently having been released on the PCT intranet. All partners are reminded to provide details of their physical activity sessions to feed into the database (Hannah’s contact details are at the end of these notes).
- Sport England intend to display the *sportKeighley* and PCT joint work at its stand at the forthcoming Leisure Industry Week at Birmingham NEC. This is a great accolade for *sportK* and will again help to put Keighley on the national map.
- Much work is going on with the school nurse network to ensure that the school nurses can deliver key activities and information, and this includes help with healthy travel as well as healthy schools and other initiatives, including the health clubs that are currently being set up in certain primary schools with NOF funding. There is a seminar on these issues at Keighley College on Friday 8th July at 9.30am.

3.6 **sportKlubs**

- *sportKeighley* has been invited to make a presentation to the Head of Sport from the DCMS and DfES on a forthcoming high profile visit to West Yorkshire to promote Sport England’s “Single System for Sport”. This is a tremendous vote of recognition for *sportKeighley* and a credit to all partners. More details at the next meeting.

3.7 **sportKorporate**

- JAD re-emphasised the recently published Airedale Masterplan, produced on behalf of the Airedale Partnership, Bradford Council and Yorkshire Forward. Keighley is described as follows: “*Keighley, as*

the largest town in Airedale, needs to be seen as the retail, leisure and cultural centre of Airedale, drawing on its heritage and wonderful surrounding area.”

- This accords well with the *sportKeighley* Physical Activity Action Plan (PAAP) and the Masterplan has already been helpful in terms of the Greenhead Athletics Track bid. Copies are available from Andy Taylor who can be contacted via andy.taylor@bradford.gov.uk.
- Keighley & District Regeneration Alliance (KADRA) is still moving forward with the proposed mapping exercise of Keighley's facilities and activities, which will include sporting facilities. This is being tied together with programmes from the Town Council and Bradford Vision and the Airedale Masterplan and will be fed into the Spatial Strategy planning exercise described by Rosie Benson at the previous meeting.
- Richard Taylor reported that Sport Camps had had another successful summer in providing large numbers of children with sporting activities throughout the holiday period, with the main Keighley base being at Bronte School.

4. Facilities Development

- The investment in facilities in the Keighley District is significant, and with the development of Extended Schools and Building Schools for the Future there really is a wide range of facilities available. However, the management and accessibility to such facilities is often severely restricted.
- Key *sportKeighley* partners are examining the establishment of a body or a trust that can help with the management of such facilities. This would be known as “Kafe”: **Keighley Active Facilities Executive** and would aim to help get all facilities open and available to as wide a range of users as possible. A discussion paper was attached to the notes of the May meeting and discussions are ongoing.

4.1 Holy Family School

- The new Sports Hall is still on schedule and due to be commissioned in December 2005. Expressions of interest for the use of the facilities should be made to Tim Garthwaite (01535 210212) as soon as possible.

4.2 Parkside School, Cullingworth

- The new development will include extensive arts and sports facilities which will be accessible by the community. There may be particular opportunities for the development of netball and hockey at the site among other activities.

4.3 Utley

- Progress reported under *sportKollege* above.

4.4 Keighley College

- Progress reported under *sportKollege* above.

4.5 Greenhead

- Progress reported under *sportKlubs* above.
- There are also plans for a full range of activities and facilities for the disabled to be integrated as part of the redevelopment of Greenhead School and also the Keighley Special Schools on the site.
- In the meantime Greenhead School and the associated City Learning Centre is open on Tuesday and Thursday nights for wider club and community use. The aim has been 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. **Please make use of this facility!** The CLC can be contacted on 01535 210500 or at info@clcgreenhead.net.

4.6 Bronte School Site

- Mary Beanland reported that there is much activity associated with the Oakworth Urban Village Scheme, the Keighley Area Committee and the *sportK* SKate initiative to increase the range of activities at Bronte in the near future.
- Hannah Lindsey of Airedale PCT is helping with the feasibility options for the site, with help from Cllr Allan Rhodes and Jeff Bennett.

- A strategy and feasibility study for the premises (“GoBronte”) is being drawn up essentially free by JAD and the *sportK* partnership so that monies set aside for a study can instead go to opening up the facility for activity.
- A sKate partnership to be known as “Vertego” is being established, formed by interested youngsters, and KVC and the PCT are helping to co-ordinate an Awards for All bid to help with development.
- The site is to host some free-running “Parkour” training sessions as part of the Haworth Arts Festival.

4.7 Keighley Leisure Centre

- Plans to redevelop the Leisure Centre including the moving of the Tone Zone and sauna and steam room to the upper level are imminent, with the café moving to the foyer. The existing Tone Zone room will become another activity area.
- The new facility to improve disabled access to the swimming pool will also be constructed soon, and further DDA funding will make the whole centre more accessible and help gain “Increase in Fitness Initiative” (IFI) Accreditation.

4.8 Victoria Hall

- The hall has been completely re-decorated and now looks much better. Work on the entrance and the bar area is to follow.

4.9 Marley

- It is still hoped to gain an extra classroom at Marley via Football Foundation funding.
- JAD had had a constructive meeting with Mark Pover, the regional FA Facilities Development Officer, about future ideas for Marley

4.10 Guard House Primary School MACA

- This is now complete and is available for community use via the headteacher, Mrs Sandra Firm via guardhouse6@hotmail.com or 01535 210666.

4.11 Holycroft Primary School MACA

- This is now complete. Contact headteacher Andrew Neal on 01535 604183.

4.12 Hothfield Primary School MACA and Youth Centre

- This is now complete. Acting head Ruth Leech can be contacted on 01535 210666.

4.13 Oakbank

- It is now intended that an early start will be made on converting the south-east corner of the site into a cycling facility.

4.14 Parkwood Orienteering Course

- The fixed orienteering course in Parkwood is now ready and maps are now available. Contact Darren Ongley on 01274 435496 for details.

4.15 Outdoor Centres

- Ingleborough Disabled Classroom and Outdoor Classroom are complete; Buckden Annex complete and Rope Courses pending on planning; and Nell Bank Amphitheatre and Changing Block are complete.

5. Transport Infrastructure

5.1 Ki (Keighley Integrated)

- The folder containing the various leaflets under the Ki banner, which has been developed under the auspices of Airedale PCT and many *sportK* partners with the help of funding from the Bradford Environment Partnership, has been distributed widely.
- Details of each initiative are contained in the sections below and are now available on the *sportK* website.

- The Ki proposals were submitted to the Local Transport Plan, the Airedale Masterplan and have been taken up by Sustrans for their planning in the area. A potential “Cycling Towns” Demonstration Project foundered because of lack of support from Bradford Council Highways Section.
- Ian Hislop updated the meeting on the developing “Bradford Greenways” initiative and the development of a Pedestrian Charter both of which were supported by those present.

5.2 Walkways

- Progress is being made in marking out the five Walkways routes marked out, especially in conjunction with Jayne Benson and Danny Jackson at Bradford Council Rights of Way Section. Malcolm Hanson who does many of the historic walks and activities with schools is helping with this.
- Progress is being made on tying the system into the Routes to School initiative.
- A separate section for Walkways on the *sportKeighley* website has now been set up.
- Partners are encouraged to use the routes and feedback on the state of them and any issues that need addressing.
- There have been initial discussions with Keighley College with a view to using construction students to effect minor footpath repairs as part of their vocational courses.

5.3 CyKle

- Dave Stevens of Sustrans could not make the meeting but reported that the National Cycle Network route along the Aire Valley is now complete in terms of surfacing works on the canal towpath from Silsden to Apperley Bridge (and pretty much on to Leeds). Signposting (to, from and along) is the next significant task. Extending the route to Skipton depends upon obtaining support from North Yorkshire CC, and the Glusburn / Crosshills / Eastburn Parish councils.
- The one year “Bike IT” project has concluded in Bingley. It has been a great success with the numbers of children regularly cycling (in summer) to school rising from 0 - 20 at Myrtle Park Primary and from 4 - 80 at Crossflatts Primary School. Both schools would welcome support from their neighbours in the *sportKeighley* partnership as they look to continue their work and share their best practice.
- The first phase of the Great Northern Trail at Cullingworth is complete, completing the next phase (extending the route to Denholme) will require some additional funding from Bradford Council. Some lobbying will be needed to get this approved.
- A draft plan of proposed cycle routes across Keighley has been produced and a diverse audience has already committed to attending. This has initially focused on creating routes across the town and also linking schools with the National Cycle Network (Leeds-Liverpool Canal) and creating routes for children to cycle to school.
- Things are moving forward with proposals to set up a steering group to develop the proposed Worth Valley Cycleway between Keighley, Haworth and Oxenhope. A meeting was held during the summer with representatives of the Planning Department and KWVR and the first section of this route will be created as part of the Skipton Properties Grove Mills development site at Ingrow.

5.4 AKtiveHoppa

- Considerable further negotiation has been ongoing with various bus companies to get this service running as soon as possible, including possible adjustments to the original route to ensure that the Greenhead Extended School Cluster is included.
- A separate section for AKtiveHoppa on the *sportKeighley* website has now been set up.

5.5 West Yorkshire Metro Route Planner

- Attention is again drawn to the excellent and newly-revised Journey Planner via www.wymetro.com.
- This has now been updated to be even more user friendly.
- This site forms a key link on the Access page of the *sportKeighley* website.

5.6 SKate

- Work is ongoing to create an indoor facility, hopefully initially at Bronte School (see above). There is also a developing network of outdoor facilities across the district.

6. Activities

- Most details of activities reported at the meeting are contained in the relevant sections elsewhere in these notes.
- The Tour of Britain Prologue Event at Victoria Park on Thursday 1st September was a great success. Many thanks to everyone who helped and/or participated, especially Anthony Gill, Hannah Lindsey, Aire Valley Cycles and the Crank-It-Up Team. It is hoped to make the event even bigger and better next year.
- As mentioned above the Airedale PCT Activities Database is ready to receive details of activities going on in the district. Please make a note of all activities and email to Rachael.Wood@bradford.nhs.uk.
- This link forms a key link on the revamped *sportKeighley* website, and it is important for it to be of use that people update Rachael on any changes or new activities.
- Airedale PCT also produced a comprehensive Keighley Summer Activity Database, and funding for this was provided by Bradford Vision. Feedback has been positive so many thanks again to everyone who has contributed to this.

7. Coaching and Delivery

- It is clear from the preceding notes that many new coaching and delivery posts are soon to be created in Keighley to add to the forthcoming Community Sports Coach posts and the existing deliverers.
- In order to rationalise and co-ordinate delivery of coaching and leadership across the area, a group of physical activity deliverers has been formed known as: Keighley & Airedale Physical Activity Deliverers (KEAPAD).
- This group is due to meet for the second time on 19th September 2005. In light of the developing posts this group will prove to be an extremely useful forum and it is planned to have regular co-ordination and support meetings in between full *sportK* meetings. There is also a developing coaching database for Keighley. All are welcome (and new postholders are encouraged to attend) and should contact Hannah Lindsey for more details. The group will work closely with the proposed Kafe structure described above (details attached).
- Coaching opportunities in the form of Community Coach jobs and coach training courses in the district and in West Yorkshire in general are co-ordinated by West Yorkshire Sport. Details can be found on the West Yorkshire Sport website at www.westyorkshiresport.co.uk.

8. Keighley Festival / *sportK*arnival 2006

- It is likely that next year's Keighley Festival will move to a new date in July and will take place over a fortnight rather than a single week. Planning for the event will start much earlier than previously in November 2005.
- There are some developing ideas for sport-related events in a new-look *sportK*arnival event which will be discussed at the next meeting.

9. Any Other Business

- There was no other business.

10. Date of Next Meeting

- **Wednesday 2nd November 2005, 7pm at Marley**

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE!!!! 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.