

Older Peoples Partnership – Overview Briefing

- Until early 2018 a formal Older People's Partnership (OPP) was facilitated by Bradford local authority. This was alongside 2 other partnerships – the Strategic Disability Partnership (SDP) and the Learning Disability Partnership (LDP).
- In early 2018 all of the partnerships were disbanded. The SDP has continued some of the previous work and is currently facilitated by BTM.
- The organisation BOPA (Bradford Older Peoples Alliance), which was formerly 'the voice of older people' was also disbanded after the funding ceased in March 2018.
- In March 2018 Positive Minds and Age UK Bradford District discussed the possibility of reviving the OPP.
- Providers of services supporting older peoples are vast across the district and a number faced significant challenges following the 'reimagining days' changes to funding for day opportunities and the new grant process which launched in late 2018.
- The purpose of 'reviving' the partnership was initially to:
 - 1) Have a collective 'voice of older people' (either through organisations representing older people or enabling people to have their own voice)
 - 2) Offer strategic input and influence into the districts high level strategies
 - 3) Act as a supportive mechanism for smaller providers (**older peoples provider network**)
 - 4) Feed in through an agreed 'infrastructure' – as agreed by partners
 - 5) To be independent voice – not aligned to any one organisation
 - 6) To be an inclusive partnership of all providers and individuals
 - 7) To act as a 'gateway' for older peoples providers for engagement / consultation etc

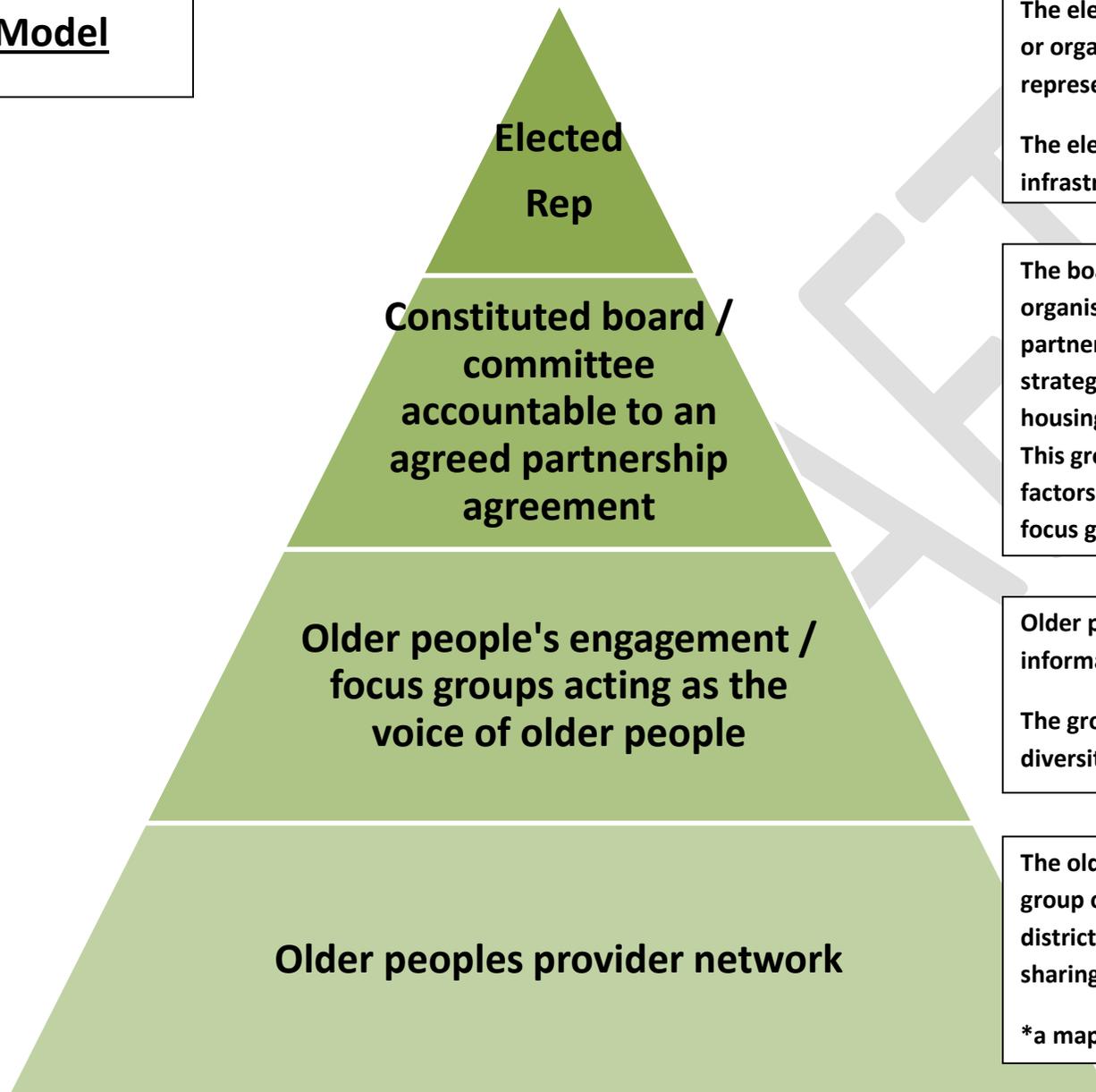
The actions to date have included:

- 4 meetings have been held which were open to all organisations and individuals (minutes available on request)
- An agreed model has been devised (attached)
- Meetings have been held with : Bradford Council / Leeds OPP / Bradford Alliance (Ben) / other partnership leads
- The partnership has agreed to re-brand under a new name (TBC)
- A relaunch will be held during Older People's Week 2019 (SAVE THE DATE Tuesday 1st October)
- A meeting has been arranged for 19th July to review the purpose and function of the partnership inc TOR etc
- Confirmed Partners to date include: Age UKBD, Positive Minds, Open House, BCB, BD4 Community Trust, HALE, CABAD, Equality Together, Carers Resource, Bradford District Senior Power (BDSP)
- New partners are always welcome and once the partnership documentation is complete a circulation will be send to make as many providers across the district aware of the partnership (via briefing Bradford, Cnet, BDMC)

Call to Action (HWF members):

- To identify any groups / organisations individuals that would like to receive information
- To comment on the proposals / make recommendations / ask questions

**Older People
Partnership –
Draft Model**



The elected representative will be an individual person (either public or organisation based) who will be elected to act as the representative for the issues addressed in the OPP at all levels.

The elected representative will feed in thorough an agreed infrastructure as agreed by the partnership (e.g the VCS assembly)

The board / committee will be made up of individuals / organisational representatives who have been agreed within the partnership agreement. The board / committee will focus on the strategic issues that affect older people across the district (e.g housing, transport, being an age friendly city, safety etc as agreed). This group will be responsible for agreeing a plan to address these factors in line with feedback from the Older People's engagement / focus groups

Older peoples focus / engagement groups will meet to provide information and consultation around the issues that affect them. The group will be open to all citizens of Bradford and represent the diversity of the district.

The older peoples provider network will consist of any organisation, group or individual who engages or works with older people in the district. The network will provide mutual support and information, sharing best practise and where appropriate resources.

*a mapping exercise is required to achieve this part of the model