

Bradford District Assembly Health and Wellbeing Forum

Monday 17 August 2020 at CNet

Present: Helen Speight (The Thornbury Centre) (Co-Chair); Helen Davey (Mind in Bradford) (Co-Chair); Tina Butler (Relate Bradford); Peter Horner (Community Action); Sara Firth (Healthwatch Bradford); Rebecca Hewitt (BVCSA); Phil Hunter (Project 6); Melanie O'Hanlon (Bradford Trident); Jane Lees (Community Works); Wafaa Nawaz (INCIC); Soo Nevison (Community Action); Sonjia Peers (Hale Project); Rachael Berry (Mencap); Sue Crowe (BTM); Melissa Ryan-Thomas (Better Start Bradford); Alex Spragg (Better Start Bradford); Rejwan Malik (Hale Project); Aliya Fazil (Bradford Douglas); Michael Johnson (Voiceability); Sam Monk (Hale Project); Pam Knott (Thornbury Centre); Janet Ford (CNet); Anita Trikha (Hale); Jane Gregory – (Bradford Rape Crisis); Maureen Holmes (Ravenscliffe Community Centre); Ishtiaq Ahmed (Sharing Voices); Julie Stein Hodgins (Pennine Breast Screening);

In attendance: Collette Brauns & Polly Masson (Bradford District and Craven CCG); Wendy Collins (CNet – minutes); Michelle Taylor (Bradford Council)

Apologies: Jane Dale (Little Lane Tai Chi Group); Paul Stephens (Community Action); Adele Adams (Better Place); Andrea Allez (Equity Partnership);

Item		Action
1.	<p>Welcome and apologies Helen explained that HWB split into City work and wider work.</p>	
2.	<p>Declarations of Interest Helen Speight: Thornbury Centre is involved in Reducing Inequalities in City (RIC) (Item 3).</p>	
2.	<p>Reducing Inequalities in City (RIC) overview – Collette Brauns, Head of Commissioning for Self-Care and Prevention, NHS Bradford District and Craven CCG & Polly Masson, Senior Head of Population Health and Wellbeing, NHS Bradford District and Craven CCG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collette and Polly's presentation will be shared with the minutes. • The current thinking around RIC comes from lots of feedback that has been gathered and collated. • They are working to support 20 RIC projects. • Their ask to the VCS is that organisations help to promote services to the people they work with. • Sue Crowe mentioned the need for accessible messaging and offered to help with this. • Collette wants to speak to Sue about which projects would be useful for people with learning disabilities. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebecca mentioned that of the nine provider organisations for the welfare benefits advice service three support people with learning disabilities: Age UK, Cancer Support Yorkshire, and Equality Together. • A couple of projects are being led by the Mental Health Programme Board. Polly can link in with Sasha. • Ishtiaq asked if equality impact assessments have been carried out for projects. Polly said one was carried out for the RIC programme as a whole when it started. • Jane mentioned that there has been a massive reduction in community development over years and that a lot of the work happening now is about individuals changing their behaviours – but structural inequalities need to be tackled. Polly feels Covid may be making people talk about this more widely than they were. • It has been agreed in principle that 1% of the AWC CCG budget will go to VCS organisations for prevention work, increasing to 3% over the years. BVCSA has money for an impact measuring tool that will be linked to this — Soo and Rebecca to speak separately. 	
4.	<p>Covid-19 Test and Trace – Soo Nevison, Community Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Action are leading on delivering test and trace messages, with partners. Money has been given to a few organisations, including the Racial Equality Network (REN) who have established centres at Grange Interlink, Sangat, Karmand and BEAP these orgs have all been given £20,000 each and will be employing volunteer coordinators. Communications organisations, including CNet, have also been given funding. • The government is now allowing home testing and there is some money for this. The first step is a leaflet through doors saying someone will be coming to offer a test or they can also order from 431000; the second level is door-knocking asking if person wants to do a test, which a central courier will then collect; and the third element is organisations letting asymptomatic people do tests in their buildings. • The test is difficult and unpleasant to administer. There is an option to go to university testing site and they can administer the test for you if you don't want to do it yourself. • Two government officials visited Bradford to look into infection rates. One question asked of them was how to fund people in the gig economy or low wages who won't be able to not work – working through this. • Microgrants will be available around test and trace. If anyone thinks they could use, speak to Ben or a local anchor – aimed at really small and unfunded. 	
5.	<p>Flu vaccinations – Ben Cross, Bradford VCS Alliance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben joined the meeting at this point, having just attended a system flu meeting. • This year the eligibility for the flu vaccine will be increased to cover everyone over 50 and school year 7 pupils. This is aiming to prevent both flu and Covid case spikes in the winter. • With added Covid protections and increased numbers vaccinations could take eight times longer to carry out. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A non-porcine based vaccine will be available for the first time this year; this will hopefully lead to a higher take-up in the Muslim community. The porcine vaccine will be offered first and if this is refused the patient will be offered the non-porcine version. Sonjia mentioned that the non-porcine vaccine is non-injectable and asked when information will be available on how it is administered. Ben said that everyone is awaiting information on this from public health England. • Using community buildings to host vaccinations is being looked at as a means of trying to keep people out of GP surgeries. • Sue mentioned that she is speaking to Public Health about vaccination messaging for people with learning disabilities. • Alex mentioned that some work is needed around mistrust of health professionals and the issue of consent, especially for children. • Flu messages will be linked to test and trace messaging. 	
6.	<p>AOB Helen asked for feedback from people on the meeting format – keep at smaller level or go back to district wide?</p> <p>Dates of next meetings To be arranged</p> <p>Meeting ended at 12.00 pm</p>	

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