

FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE Agenda

Date Thursday 26 November 2015

Time 7.00 pm

Venue Failsworth Town Hall, Oldham Road, Failsworth, M35 0FJ

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Councillors Ames, Bates, Briggs, Dawson, Fielding, Garry (Chair), McMahon, Stretton and Williams

Item No

1 Apologies For Absence

- 2 Urgent Business

 Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair
- 3 Declarations of Interest

 To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.
- 4 Public Question Time

 To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.
- 5 Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

 The Minutes of the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive meeting held on 15th October 2015 are attached for approval.
- 6 Petitions

 This is a standing item regarding Petitions received, relating to the Failsworth and Hollinwood area, for consideration by the District Executive in accordance with the Council's Petition Protocol. No petitions have been received.
- 7 Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub and Early Help Offer (Pages 7 - 20)

 To receive a presentation on the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub and Early Help Offer.
- 8 Sisson Street/Tesco Update

 Verbal Update
- 9 Framework Relocation Strategy, associated with the proposed redevelopment of the Phoenix Mills Industrial Estate on Cheetham Street, Failsworth (Pages 21 - 24)
- 10 Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive Budget Report (Pages 25 - 30)
- 11 Failsworth and Hollinwood Partner Updates (Pages 31 - 48)
- 12 Date of Next Meeting

 The next meeting of the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive will be held on Thursday 28th January 2016 at 7.00pm.



Present: Councillor Garry (Chair)
Councillors Ames, Bates, Briggs, Dawson, Fielding, McMahon,
Stretton and Williams

Also in Attendance:

Emma Alexander	Executive Director Corporate and Commercial Services
Penny Kenworthy	Acting District Co-ordinator
Caroline Walmsley	Constitutional Services

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence received.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

One item of urgent business was tabled.

The Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive noted the planning approval for the Phoenix Industrial Estate.

It was felt that under current planning rules it wouldn't have been possible to refuse the application. It was acknowledged that the Planning Committee had refused a similar application which was overturned by the Planning Inspectorate on Appeal.

The Industrial Estate was home to a number of small local businesses and provided over 100 people with employment. The allocation of funds for professional support to assist relocation was welcomed.

It was accepted that the estate was privately owned and the Council was not involved in terminating the leases, however it was important that the Council sought confirmation that the relocation support promised was being carried out.

RESOLVED that a letter be sent to the Director for Economy and Enterprise requesting an update at the next meeting outlining;

- Full details of the business relocation support on offer
- Details of those where alternative premises have been found, and those without alternative premises identified or secured
- Confirmation from the owners that any statutory compensation payments are being honoured, where required

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Garry declared a personal interest in Item 8 – Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partner Updates, by virtue of her husband’s employment at GMP.



Councillor McMahon declared a personal interest in Item 8 – Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partner Updates, by virtue of his appointment as Lead Members for GMCA for Transport and Oldham Property Partnership.

Councillor Briggs declared a personal interest in Item 8 – Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partner Updates, by virtue of his appointment on the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee.

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PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were two public question received.

1. Mr Antony Cahill, Failsworth East Ward, Oldham

“Many people living around Roman Road have asked about the volume of traffic especially during school times. Because of the single carriage way on Oldham Road there seem to be a high volume of traffic going both ways on Roman Road. It appears that traffic is coming off Oldham Road and onto Ashton Road at one end and from Albert Street at the other end. It is supposed to be a 20 m.p.h. speed limit but very little notice of this is being considered by lorry and van driver's rushing to and from work. Residents on Roman Road are complaining about the additional noise but the main concern must be for the schoolchildren of Stansfield Road school. Can there be anything done about this?”

It was reported that a traffic survey had been undertaken on Roman Road and when comparing the traffic volume figures to a survey undertaken in 2000 there had been very little change.

Roman Road was part of a 20 mph school safety zone which aimed to reduce the mean speed of traffic to around 20 mph, which the traffic survey suggested had been achieved. However, the 85th percentile speeds were higher than expected for a 20 mph zone and there were a small number of motorists who were driving at inappropriate speeds. The matter had been forwarded to the Police for attention.

The Greater Manchester injury accident database revealed that in the 3 years prior to the year 2000, 7 injury accidents were recorded along Roman Road, but in the last 3 years, 1 injury accident had been recorded; this would suggest the traffic calming measures had been successful in terms of accident reduction. In view of this, Roman Road fell below current intervention levels for the provision of additional traffic calming features.

As Mr Cahill was not in attendance a written response would be sent.



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2. Mr Peter Davis, Bradshaw Avenue, Failsworth West Ward, Oldham

“At yesterday evening’s meeting of the Planning Committee, there were two items of the agenda concerning applications in Failsworth; one in each of the two wards.

The first item was in relation to compensation to be offered to businesses at the phoenix industrial estate in Failsworth East. Councillor Bates, Councillor for Failsworth West, chose to speak on this item and set out his opposition to planning permission for housing on the site – a matter that was not relevant as it had been decided more than 4 years ago. During his contribution he repeatedly referred to a business owner on the site who manufactures false teeth.

When plans for Failsworth West were considered, the construction of homes on the former Brookdale Pub site, Councillor Bates had left the meeting.

It is widely known that the business person Councillor Bates referred to during his contribution yesterday was the UKIP candidate in Failsworth East during last year’s local elections.

Does the District Executive feel that it was appropriate for Councillor Bates to use the Planning Committee to promote a former candidate from his own political party?

Can Councillor Bates explain why, as a Councillor for Failsworth West, he spoke on an application concerning a site in Failsworth East. Could he also explain why he then left the meeting when the application for planning in his own ward was considered – particularly when his contribution to the Phoenix Industrial Estate item was not even relevant?

As a resident on Bradshaw Avenue in Failsworth West I can say that I would expect my Councillors to be speaking on matters in their own ward and the Brookdale is a very important issue locally. It is sad that Councillor Bates doesn’t appear to appreciate that.”

Councillor Bates pointed out that as well as being a Ward Councillor, he was a Borough Councillor and as such had interest in borough wide issues. Councillor Bates provided an explanation on the points raised. Further to this the District Executive provided background information on the planning applications mentioned.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd July 2015 be approved as a correct record.

6 **PETITIONS**

No petitions had been received.

7 **FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BUDGET REPORT**

The District Executive received a report which advised of the budgets aligned for the 2015/2016 municipal year.

The following initiatives were requested to be considered for approval:-

1. Provisional allocation of £3000 from the Failsworth West capital budget for the resurfacing of Somerset Road.
2. The remaining balance of £943.67 from the Failsworth East revenue budget and £120 from the Failsworth East capital budget be ring-fenced for the media box at Ravenoak Drive.

RESOLVED that:

1. The funding allocated and the current spend to date of the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive for the municipal year for 2015/2016 be noted.
2. The provisional allocation of £3000 from the Failsworth West capital budget for the resurfacing of Somerset Road be approved.
3. The ring-fencing of the remaining balance of £943.67 from the Failsworth East revenue budget and £120 from the Failsworth East capital budget, for the media box at Ravenoak Drive, be approved.

8 **FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT PARTNER UPDATES**

The District Executive received updates on the following:

- a) Integrated Neighbourhood Policing – A report was submitted on crime statistics for the area and provided information on E-Watch, crime prevention, ASB issues, Police helicopter visit to Failsworth, Earls Lodge, Failsworth Citizenship class and transition days.

The District Executive noted the increase in antisocial behaviour and queried how best to engage with parents to help address issues. Greater Manchester Police reported that there had been a focus on antisocial behaviour and Local Resolution Officers now followed up on complaints and reports, which had impacted on crime statistics.

The Travel Safe initiative was highlighted with Special Constables working on buses and trams to address antisocial behaviour and fare avoidance.

The District Executive also queried violent crime figures and requested that a breakdown on arrest and detection figures.

- b) Citizens Advice Bureau – an update was given on the weekly debt advice sessions at Failsworth Town Hall and Limehurst Library.
- c) Highways and Engineering Services – A report was submitted which provided an update on issues raised by Councillors and members of the public and gave an overview of the current activity in Highways.

The District Executive noted with disappointment the update regarding Tesco, Failsworth. Numerous options had been offered to Tesco however a resolution to the proposals was still to be secured.

Safety of the car park was a major concern and crossing points needed to be considered as part of the plan.

It was proposed that a report be commissioned on the feasibility of closing the road through Tesco car park, unless there was significant progress in negotiations with Tesco within the next month. It was requested that Officers communicate the District Executive's position to Tesco immediately.

Highway work on Lord Lane was raised, as following the carriageway resurfacing no road markings were currently in place. However the investment in Lord Lane and Somerset Avenue was welcomed. The District Co-ordinator was requested to follow up on the road markings issue.

RESOLVED that:

1. The updates be noted.
2. Greater Manchester Police provide a breakdown on violent crime detection and arrest figures to the District Executive.
3. A report be commissioned on the feasibility of closing the road through Tesco car park, unless there was significant progress in negotiations with Tesco within the next month; and the District Executive's position to be communicated to Tesco immediately.
4. The District Co-ordinator request an update on Lord Lane road markings.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting be noted.

The meeting started at 7.00 pm and ended at 7.59 pm

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Report to the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive

Briefing note: Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)

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26 November 2015

Summary of the issue:

The report sets out details of the operation of Oldham's Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub, and will be supported by a presentation to the District Executive.

Recommendations to District Executive:

The District Executive are recommended to note the information in the report and presentation, and to contribute to the discussion about the MASH and its operation.

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub

1 Background

- 1.1 Prior to the formal implementation of the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) in November 2013, referrals to Children's Social Care were made via the Children's Assessment Team (CAT) which is staffed by qualified social workers with experience in safeguarding. A daily duty system was in operation and referrals were scrutinised and assessed by qualified social workers. All referrals which indicated a child may be 'in need' (Children Act, 1989) were the subject of an assessment undertaken by the CAT.
- 1.2 In Adult Social Care all new referrals where there was a concern for an individual, or individuals in the case of a group setting such as a care home, would go through the Adult Contact Team (ACT). If there was any hint of a safeguarding concern it would be passed to the Safeguarding Team for investigation.
- 1.3 The health protection services for children and adults, and the Police Public Protection Unit were all based separately within their relevant organisations. This arrangement reduced the timeliness of response, created unnecessary barriers to arranging strategy meetings and delayed decision making.
- 1.4 Formal approval to set up the MASH was given by the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) in the Summer of 2013. The aims of the MASH were to promote effective and timely information sharing, to strengthen the partnership approach to decision making and to enable that to happen at the point of referral.
- 1.5 In parallel with this, the Public Service reform approach in Oldham was starting to focus on reducing demand in high cost specialist services by providing support at the earliest opportunity. The aim was to enable individuals and families to develop the skills and confidence to become independent, self-reliant and able to care for themselves and their families.
- 1.6 Combining these approaches, it was agreed that the focus of the MASH was not just to be about safeguarding but to provide support and intervention for those individuals and families who clearly had unmet need but did not meet safeguarding thresholds. This was our response to "Early Help" recommendations from the Munro Review of Child Protection (May 2011) to provide support at the earliest opportunity to prevent escalation of issues to the point of crisis.
- 1.7 Within the Council there were already a range of co-located services, which included Community Safety, Community Cohesion, Victim Support and Independent Domestic Violence Advisors. It was felt that the greatest benefit would be achieved by co-locating safeguarding services with these teams.
- 1.8 The MASH was formally established by co-locating a range of professional and administrative staff from different agencies on Level 9 of the Civic Centre. The services

brought together had responsibility for safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, managing the Family Common Assessment Framework (CAF) supporting early intervention for families, and other services where there were clear links to broader safeguarding. Bringing together this range of services enables the MASH to cover the whole spectrum from safeguarding of children and adults experiencing, or at significant risk of, harm to early intervention work with individuals and families.

2 How the MASH operates

2.1 The MASH is Oldham's central point of contact for:

- Safeguarding referrals relating to children, young people or adults;
- Early help referrals for individuals or families to help meet their long-term needs and reduce dependence on public services

It is a multi-agency team which shares information, makes timely decisions and makes referrals to the appropriate services to undertake safeguarding or early help work. The functions and services in the MASH are summarised at Appendix 1.

2.2 The design of the MASH has streamlined the routes for referrals and notifications of concern into the Council. It provides a safe environment in which safeguarding partners share information in a dynamic way in order to identify and assess risk, allowing partners to quickly take informed decisions which lead to appropriate, proportionate and timely interventions.

2.3 The diagram on page 6 below summarises the referral pathways for the MASH.

Safeguarding referrals

2.4 When a safeguarding referral is made into the MASH, Adults or Children's Social Care staff decide whether it passes safeguarding thresholds. In relation to children, if a child is believed to be suffering, or is likely to suffer, significant harm the MASH would initiate a (Section 47) child protection enquiry. Information would be gathered from police and health safeguarding colleagues in the MASH, and a multi-agency strategy meeting held. These are chaired by the MASH Team Leader, but also involve the social worker from the Children's Assessment Team (CAT) who will then take forward the investigation and assessment process (a recommendation from the recent Ofsted inspection).

2.5 If the threshold for child protection is not met, but there is believed to be a high risk of a child's health and development being impaired without assessment and intervention, the MASH would gather information from partners, and then pass the referral to CAT for a (Section 17) Child in Need assessment.

2.6 The processes and lines of accountability for children's safeguarding are clearly documented on the Local Safeguarding Children Board website in the "Thresholds of Assessment" document at:
http://www.oldham.gov.uk/lscb/downloads/file/18/thresholds_for_assessment

2.7 A similar process applies to adult safeguarding referrals into the MASH. Under the Care Act 2014 the local authority has a safeguarding duty to an adult if the person :

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- (a) has needs for care and support (whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs),
 - (b) is experiencing, or is at risk of, abuse or neglect, and
 - (c) as a result of those needs is unable to protect himself or herself against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it.

If it is believed an adult meets these criteria the Council must undertake, or cause others (such as the police, health services or a care provider) to undertake a (Section 42) enquiry to establish whether any action needs to be taken to prevent or stop abuse or neglect, and if so, by whom. Consent is a key principle in adult safeguarding, and the Council is committed to supporting the principles of “Making Safeguarding Personal”. This involves working with individuals towards the safeguarding outcomes that they want – “doing with” them rather than “to them”.

Early Help

2.8 If it is decided that a referral does not meet safeguarding thresholds, the referral can be passed to Early Help which provides an alternative source of support to individuals and families where there are complex dependencies, vulnerability or emerging needs (a “Step Down” referral). Early help referrals can also be made directly into the MASH, and there is an on-line form at: www.oldham.gov.uk/early_help_referral

2.9 Early help support and/or intervention is provided to families or individuals who are experiencing, or are likely to experience, social and/or environmental factors which negatively impact on their physical, intellectual and emotional wellbeing. These have been described as complex dependencies. Typically individuals/ families would be considered ‘complex’ where they are experiencing a number of issues such as:

- Crime or anti-social behaviour;
- Emotional or mental health problems;
- Alcohol and/or drug use;
- Domestic violence or relationship issues within a family;
- Parental learning disability (mild);
- Unemployment;
- Poor school attendance, persistent absence or disruptive behaviour in schools;
- Exhibiting risky behaviour that increases their own and/or peer vulnerability (e.g. at risk of sexual exploitation, social media bullying, association with inappropriate social groupings).

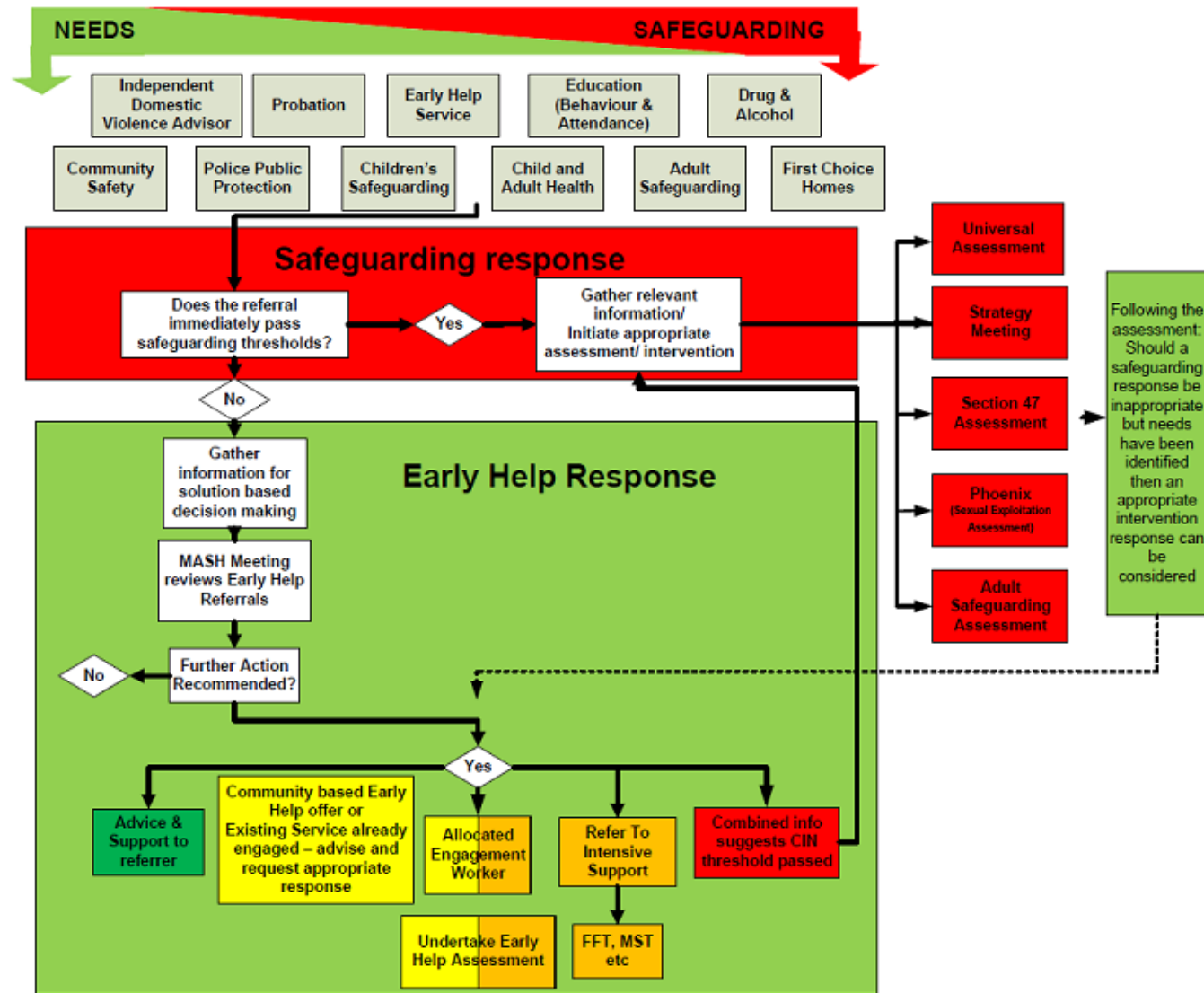
The MASH does not take referrals when there is only a single issue that an agency could deal with itself, or where the sole presenting features are the result of an acute exacerbation of a health condition.

2.10 When an early help referral is received, information is gathered from partners to inform decision making about the most appropriate support or intervention. This is gathered through an electronic system (Mosaic) which can be accessed by a range of partners. The information is reviewed at a weekly multi-agency meeting, which agrees the most

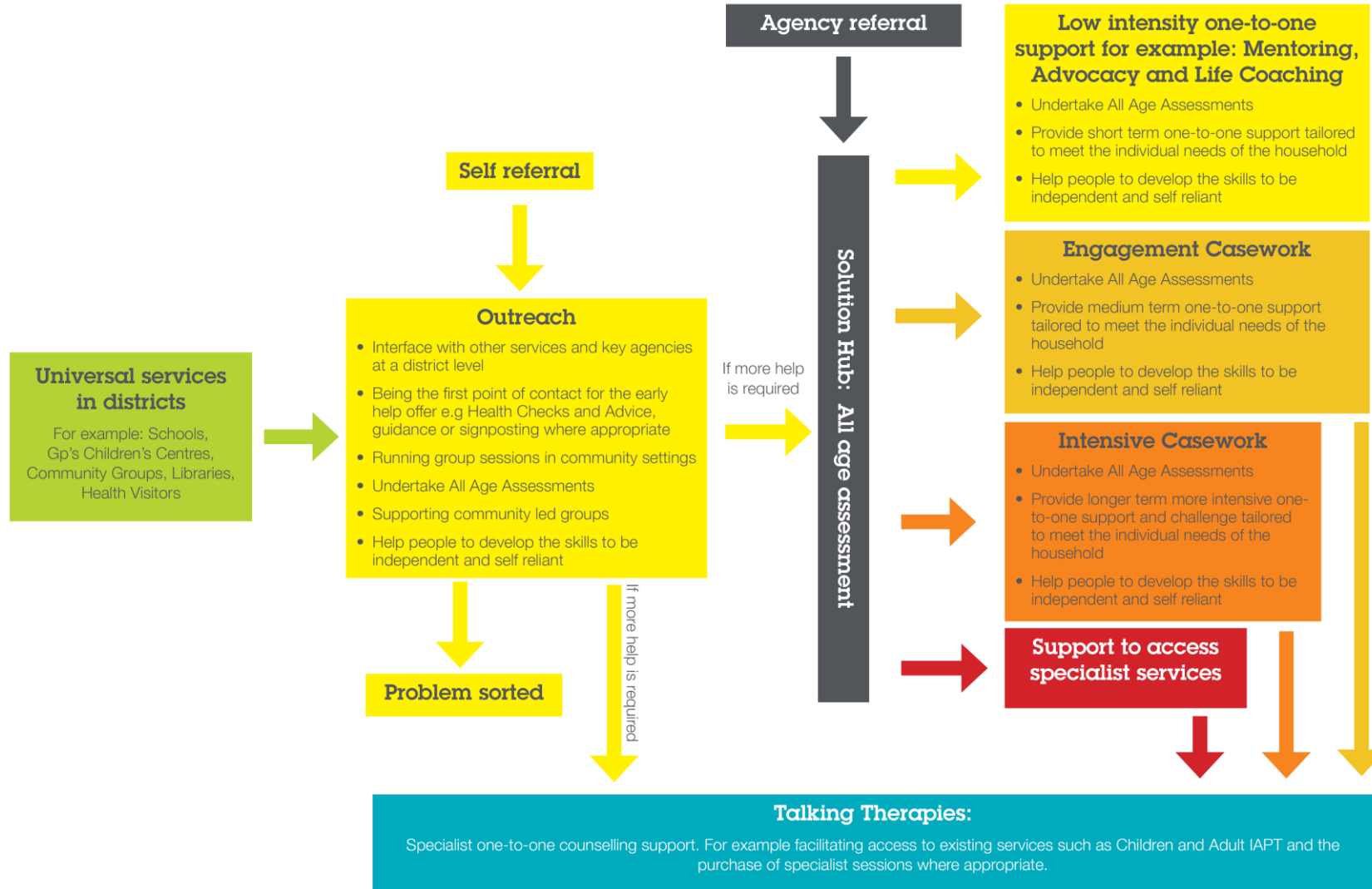
appropriate response, support and early intervention. This meeting has now completely replaced the Family Panels which used to take place in each district.

- 2.11 On occasion, when information is shared by partners through the early help process, it becomes apparent that the level of risk requires a safeguarding response. In these circumstances the referral would be escalated to Children's or Adult Safeguarding as appropriate (a "Step Up" safeguarding referral).
- 2.12 The Early Help offer is summarised in the diagram on page 6 below.

Referrals into MASH



What will be available to people?



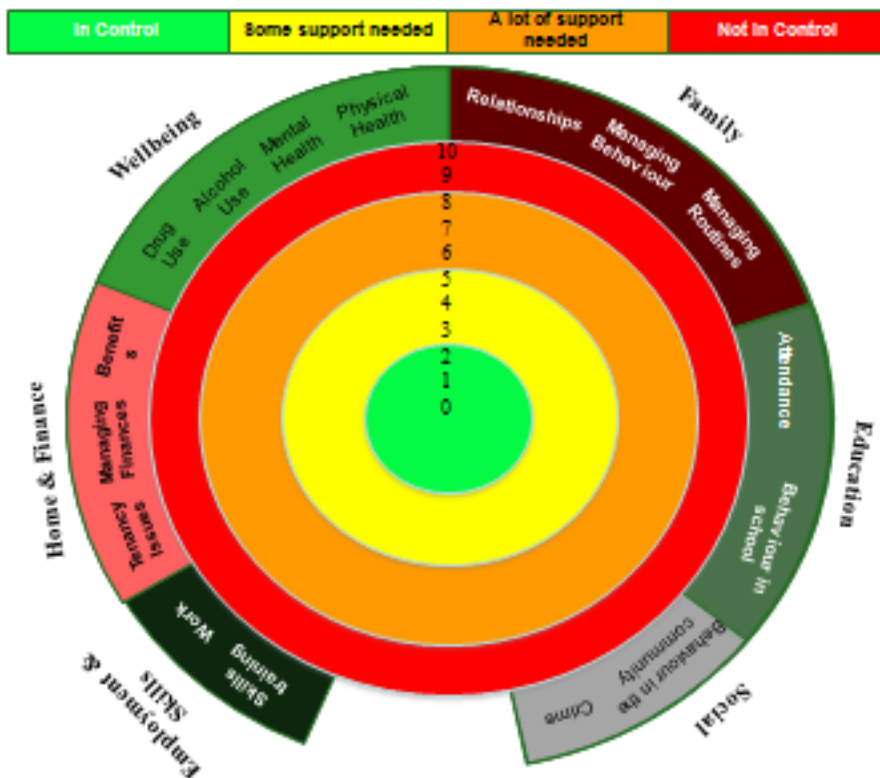
2.13 The Early Help Offer was recommissioned during 2014/15 and went live on 1st April 2015. It will work with 3,500 households and 4,000 people per year either in group activities or by individual appointments. Early Help is for individuals, households and families of any age who:

- Have some problems or issues that need support in order to stop them getting worse or reaching crisis point;
- Have had problems or issues that mean they have needed involvement from specialist services and now just need some further help to develop their support networks.

Early Help assessment

2.14 Integral to the operation of Early Help is the assessment process. This adopts a whole family approach which considers all aspects of people’s lives. The Early Help assessment has replaced the previous Common Assessment Framework (CAF). The assessment tool aims to help individuals and families to understand what their needs are, where they have strengths and where they may need help and support to plan how to make the changes they want to their lives. It is therefore focused upon building independence and self-reliance. The assessment tool is shown below. It results in scores on a scale of 0-10 on different dimensions, based upon a conversation with the individual/family about the extent to which they feel in control of the different aspects of their lives. Staff have been trained in the effective engagement needed to hold these conversations.

Early Help Assessment



I cannot resolve this situation	10	Specialised Support
I cannot resolve this situation unless someone does something for me	9	
I need someone to work with me intensively to ensure I can resolve my own problems	8	Intensive support
I need someone to show me how I can change some things, in order to enable me to do things for myself	7	
I need someone to help me understand why I might feel I can't do this for myself	6	
I need a lot of practical support to help me solve this problem for myself	5	Engagement Caseworkers Outreach workers
I need some practical support to help me solve it for myself	4	
I need some guidance to help me solve this problem for myself	3	
With a little direction I can find a solution for myself	2	Self Help & Universal Services
I can usually find a solution myself	1	
This isn't an issue for me	0	

2.15 The profile of the individual / family's needs enables a tailored support plan to be developed with the appropriate intensity of support. Problems or issues might include, for example: mental wellbeing; need for practical support with housing advice or help in managing household finances; assistance with low level drug and alcohol problems; or enabling individuals to move towards being ready for work. Early help also offers health checks so people can check their overall health, and provides health advice and support for people who want to stop smoking.

Linkages to other areas of work

2.16 Arrangements are in place linking the MASH to a range of other inter-related areas of work. For example, where a concern about child sexual exploitation (CSE) is identified this is initially referred to the MASH to initiate information gathering from partners, but then transferred immediately to the Phoenix Oldham team who undertake the CSE risk assessment and then initiate the appropriate response. This could also include actions delivered through early help.

2.17 There are similar linkages in relation to other specific issues, including:

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- the Channel safeguarding process addressing the risk of extremism and radicalisation into terrorism;
 - Operation Challenger which tackles involvement in organised crime (including safeguarding from immediate harm and longer term work to prevent future involvement as well as enforcement activity);
 - Work in relation to domestic abuse including Multi-Agency Risk Assessment conferences (MARAC) and the STRIVE project which is providing an enhanced response for standard risk (as opposed to medium or high risk referrals);
 - Project Solution which seeks to reduce repeat demand on the emergency services; and
 - Integrated Offender Management.

3 MASH performance and accountability

- 3.1 Performance of the MASH will be monitored on a quarterly basis through the Councils performance recording system (CORVU). The MASH is accountable to the LSCB and the Safeguarding Adults Board, and quarterly reports are to be provided to these linked in with wider safeguarding reporting arrangements. Work on Early Help is reported through the Early Help and Early Intervention Board. Periodic updates will also be provided to the Community Safety and Cohesion Partnership and Health and Wellbeing Board because of the linkages to their wider work programmes.
- 3.2 Performance measures are still in development. The current numbers of referrals per month are around: Children's safeguarding 300+; Adult Safeguarding 50-60 ; Early Help 60-70. While it is useful to measure the numbers, sources and actions which result from referrals, the key challenge is to understand the outcomes of referrals – for example: do safeguarding arrangements keep people safe? Are people satisfied with the outcome? Is the risk of future referrals reduced? Does early help prevent the escalation or recurrence of problems?
- 3.3 The Early Help Assessment tool is particularly valuable in relation to this because it provides a means of quantifying changes over time. Scores are recorded in an electronic case management system (Holistix) which is used by all partners delivering interventions, but managed centrally by the Council. It is in the process of being implemented as part of social work assessments in Children's services, which will potentially assist in evaluating the impact of care plans for children in need.
- 3.4 The Council's Head of Stronger Communities was seconded for 6 months into a role co-ordinating the operation and development of the MASH. This arrangement commenced in June and management arrangements will be reviewed later in the year.

Data sharing

- 3.5 An Information Sharing agreement is already in place, but this is being reviewed and updated. Systems and processes are in place to make sure that data is shared appropriately and legally within the MASH. Statutory partners can, if necessary, share information without consent in order to safeguard individuals or, under the Crime and Disorder Act, to prevent or detect crime. The MASH operates in accordance with the principles of the Data Protection Act.

3.6 Consent is required in order to share information in relation to early help referrals, It is explicitly asked about within the referral process, and is an integral part of the early help assessment. Where there are children in households, parental consent is sought and clearly documented.

4 Feedback from the Ofsted inspection

4.1 Some of the work in the MASH was within the scope of the Ofsted inspection of Services for children in need of help and protection, children looked after and care leavers which took place during 22 May - 10 June 2015. The report was generally very positive about the MASH and Early Help Services, though it identified some areas for improvement. Some of the feedback was:

- That the (MASH) responds promptly to contacts and concerns, which are swiftly allocated to either early help or children's social care as appropriate. The increased volume of contacts was attributed to an increased understanding and positive impact of the MASH.
- Physical co-location of a wide range of agency representatives supports prompt and effective information-sharing and joint planning.
- Early help and preventative services are increasingly effective. Inspectors were positive about: the interface between early help and social care, the accessibility of the system for agencies and the public, and the coordinated multi-agency responses being provided to families which meet their needs.

4.2 The MASH plays a key role in delivering a number of areas of partnership work about which Ofsted were positive.

- There is a good strategic response to major criminal activity such as child sexual exploitation, human trafficking and drug distribution. These issues are becoming increasingly better understood and this is enabling partners to protect children and young people more effectively.
- There is effective information-sharing in relation to children who go missing, those who may be at risk of child sexual exploitation and those at risk of domestic abuse. Work to tackle domestic violence is well coordinated. Services for victims of domestic abuse have improved and independent domestic violence advisers (IDVAs) can now offer support to all victims, not just those at the highest risk.
- Partner agencies are positive about the support and guidance they are able to access, for example in relation to early help, safeguarding, radicalisation and child sexual exploitation.

5. Making a MASH referral

5.1 Contacts for the MASH are as follows:

Safeguarding referrals

- **Childrens Safeguarding** 0161 770 3790 (answered in the MASH on Level 9) between 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. E-mail: cat-duty@oldham.gov.uk
- **Adult Safeguarding** (and other adult social care enquiries) 0161 770 1122 between 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. This is the Adult Contact Team number at Southlink. Choosing option 2 for concerns about abuse or neglect transfers calls to the Adult Safeguarding staff in the MASH. E-mail: safeguarding.adults@oldham.gov.uk
- **The Emergency Duty Team** (EDT) for social care operates at all other times on: 0161 770 6936 and other phones transfer to this outside office hours.

Early Help referrals

- **Early Help** 0161 770 6672 between 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.
- **On-line Early Help referral form:** www.oldham.gov.uk/early_help_referral

5.2 All safeguarding referrals by agencies need to be followed up in writing.

APPENDIX 1

Functions within the MASH

Services	Function within the MASH
Children's Assessment Team social care	Receive safeguarding referrals, provide advice on safeguarding to other professionals and make a decision to either carry out an initial assessment or, if the referral does not meet the criteria, they can refer into the MASH Early Help team for alternative support
Adult Safeguarding Team	Receive safeguarding referrals regarding vulnerable adults, undertake triage of referrals to determine appropriate action, provide safeguarding advice, review safeguarding responses and make referrals to MASH Early Help when appropriate.
Health Safeguarding Children and Adults team	Receive referrals when there are safeguarding concerns about children or vulnerable adults from primary care, residential homes, hospitals (both local and national), the police and ambulance service. Provide advice and support to Pennine Care health practitioners in relation to Safeguarding issues and members of the MASH team in relation to health issues
GMP Public Protection Service	The Police Public Protection Investigation Unit is based in Chadderton, but have an officer based in the MASH. They investigate crime and provide public safeguarding. They offer support, advice and guidance on public protection matters such as domestic violence
GMP strive Team	STRIVE is improving support for families who report standard (as opposed to medium or high) risk domestic incidents. STRIVE recontact victims following initial Police attendance and attempt to identify any issues, offer support and refer them to other appropriate agencies. STRIVE also liaise with partners sharing information, identifying investigative opportunities for any disclosed offences.
Early Help	<p>Works with families/individuals referred into the MASH. They undertake Early Help Assessments and deliver a graduated response according to need, through teams of engagement and intensive case workers.</p> <p>The Early Help team now incorporates the Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs) who work with victims of domestic abuse, particularly focusing on those at high and moderate risk of harm. They provide support during crisis and plan safety management strategies. The team will help improve skills of the wider Early Help team in supporting domestic abuse victims.</p>
Community Safety Services	The team work with local partners and communities to reduce crime and disorder and tackle anti-social behaviour. They work closely with each of the Council's District Teams.
Criminal Justice Co-ordinator	Co-ordinates implementation of the Drug and Alcohol strategy, with a particular focus on drug services within the criminal justice system (courts, probation, police and prison). Also working on the potential support of Early Help to Integrated Offender Management (IOM).
Stronger Communities team	Work to prevent and manage risks to good race and community relations in the Borough. Produce the weekly Community Tension Assessment and lead Council work on preventing extremism. Also commission a range of

	activity from the voluntary, community and faith sector.
Shared Analytical team	Collect and analyse partnership data and information coming into the MASH. The team produce problem profiles, and identify hotspots and linkages between intelligence to highlight issues for intervention.
Oldham Alcohol Delivery Plan Co-ordinator	Co-ordinates delivery of the Alcohol Plan for Oldham as part of a wider Greater Manchester approach, addressing the crime and health related harm caused by alcohol.
Business Support	Providing support to enable the effective functioning of the other teams in the MASH.

Other services without staff based in the MASH but participating in information sharing and Early Help meetings

- Schools Behaviour and Attendance Team
- Positive Steps
- National Probation Service
- Greater Manchester Community Rehabilitation Company
- Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)
- First Choice Homes Oldham
- Oldham Clinical Commissioning Group

Briefing Note

Ref. bfn.MP.07920024
Date: 29 September 2015
Subject: Phoenix Mills

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Relocation Strategy

This Framework Relocation Strategy has been prepared following detailed discussions with officers at Oldham Council associated with the proposed redevelopment of the Phoenix Mills Industrial Estate on Cheetham Street, Failsworth.

Tenants will be entitled to statutory compensation through the Landlord and Tenants Act 1954.

This Framework Relocation Strategy provides an updated framework for the relocation of the existing tenants at the estate following the amendments to the agreed Heads of Terms and S106 Agreement, associated with the outline planning application. The Framework sets indicative timeframes and actions associated with future relocation.

Timescales for Development

At this time, it is difficult to provide specific detailed timeframes for the relocation of the tenants from the site as the outline planning application is yet to be determined. Permission was granted on 12 March 2014 however following further negotiation requirements the application is to be considered at planning committee in October.

Working on the basis that the application is approved at the committee meeting on 14 October 2015 the following stages will then need to be progressed, prior to development. Indicative timeframes are set out in brackets against each task:

Stage 1 (3-4 months)

- Finalisation and completion of the S106 Agreement and issue of the formal decision notice (1-2 months); and
- Expiration of Judicial Review period (6 weeks).

Stage 2 (6-12 months)

- Marketing of site for residential development; and
- Negotiation and agreement of land sale.

Stage 3 (10 – 11 months)

- Preparation of a detailed scheme by consultant team (2-3 months);
- Preparation of reserved matters application (2-3 months);
- Submission and determination of reserved matters application (3 months); and
- Expiration of Judicial Review period (6 weeks).

Stage 4 (4 months)

- Preparation and submission of application to discharge pre-commencement conditions (2 months); and
- Determination of application to discharge pre-commencement conditions (2 months);

Stage 4

- Preparation of construction team and commencement on site.

Stage 5

- Relocation of tenants.

The above indicative timeframes show that development would be unlikely to commence on site until around 23 months from the grant of planning consent at the earliest and this is still dependent on a quick sale of the site to a developer. As such, an indicative start date would be October 2017 if the above timescales are met.

Furthermore, this timeframe provides a 'best case scenario' of all the above stages being undertaken in shortest time possible. As such, the timescales could be pushed back further providing tenants with a longer time period before relocation. Therefore, there will be ample time for liaison and working with tenants to find and move to a suitable alternative premise.

During these stages, regular updates will be provided regarding the timescales to inform tenants of the progress of the development. The first update will be provided following the approval of planning permission. This update will also include a questionnaire for tenants, which will obtain an overview of their business requirements. Questionnaire responses will be provided by each tenants preferred method of communication. The findings and subsequent actions will be made available to the Council and will feed into the relocation strategy action plan.

After the first update, subsequent updates will be provided at a frequency of every six months.

Current Retention of Tenants

Prior to the commencement of development, Investec will not be removing tenants from the site as this would be counterproductive.

To ensure a continuous stream of income from the site, prior to the commencement of development, Investec Bank will retain existing tenants on site for as long as possible.

It would be counterproductive to relocate tenants from the site, following approval of planning permission, as this would result in a vacant and derelict site for a lengthy period of time. This would not benefit the Bank or the surrounding area. As such, the tenants will not be asked to vacate the site when the outline application is approved, but will be retained until as close to the commencement of development as possible.

Approach to Relocation

Investec Bank is committed to helping the existing tenants relocate from the Phoenix Mills site.

As set out above, regular updates will be provided to tenants regarding any changes to the timescales and keep them fully informed of the progression of the development. Once the timeframes for the development of the site have been confirmed the Bank, or the future developers/owners of the site will commit to providing a notice period in accordance with the Landlords and Tenants Act 1954.

A brochure has been prepared that identifies available and suitable alternative premises within the surrounding area and this can be updated as necessary. This is currently available to view on site and can be obtained from the site agent John Nuttall of Nuttall & Co.

When the next update is provided, following the planning decision, a copy of the property brochure will be given to each tenant by their preferred method of communication. After this, the brochure will be updated every six months and a copy supplied to tenants.

The brochure will also provide guidance for tenants on how to access and use the existing online property database hosted on the Council's website. This will enable tenants to carry out a bespoke premises search independently should they wish.

In addition, if further assistance is required following receipt of the brochure; tenants can contact officers at Oldham Council. Members of the Council's Investment Team and the Strategic Regeneration Team will be available to assist with queries from tenants.

John Nuttall (Agent) will remain as the first point of contact for any tenants wishing to relocate from the site. John will assist tenants in the first instance providing information on the units available in the surrounding area.

The agent will also commit to offer to meet with each individual tenant in order to discuss their individual relocation requirements at the appropriate time.

Any tenants wishing to relocate can claim compensation through the provisions of the Landlord and Tenants Act 1954 and as such John Nuttall can provide information in this regard.

Investec Bank is committed to working with the Council throughout the process, in order to assist tenants in identifying new premises prior to the commencement of development at the Phoenix Mills site.



Report to Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive

Failsworth & Hollinwood Budget Report

Portfolio Holder:

Cllr B Brownridge, Cabinet Member for Cooperatives & Neighbourhoods

Officer Contact: Helen Lockwood, Executive Director, Cooperatives & Neighbourhoods

Report Author: Penny Kenworthy; Acting District Coordinator, Failsworth & Hollinwood
Ext. 4289

26th November 2015

Reason for report

To advise the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive the budgets aligned for the 2015/2016 municipal year.

Decision

The Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive to approve spend assigned to the district.

Recommendations

1. To note the funding allocated and the current spend to date for the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive for the municipal year for 2015/2016.

Failsworth & Hollinwood Budget Report**1 Background**

- 1.1 The Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive has been assigned the below budget for 2015/2016:

	Revenue 2015/2016	Capital 2015/2016
Failsworth East	£10,000	£10,000
Failsworth West	£10,000	£10,000
Hollinwood	£10,000	£10,000

- 1.2 The Failsworth & Hollinwood Councillors will have an individual budget of **£5000** for 2015/2016

2 Current Position**2.1 Revenue Budget****Failsworth East - £10,000**

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
4th June 2015	Event Budget - Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team	£333.33
4th June 2015	Citizens Advice Bureau - District Sessions	£4598
4th June 2015	Summer/Winter Planting within Failsworth	£2375
4th June 2015	Failsworth Carnival 2016	£750
4th June 2015	Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team - Apprentice	£1000
15 th October 2015	Project: Ravenoak Drive Virgin Media Box Removal	£943.67
Total Allocated		£10000
Remaining Balance		£0.00

Failsworth West - £10,000

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
4th June 2015	Event Budget - Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team	£333.33
4th June 2015	Citizens Advice Bureau - District Sessions	£4598
4th June 2015	Summer/Winter Planting within Failsworth	£2375
4th June 2015	Failsworth Carnival 2016	£750
4th June	Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team - Apprentice	£1000
Total Allocated		£9056.33
Remaining Balance		£943.67

Hollinwood - £10,000

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
4th June 2015	Dressing of Christmas Tree - Oasis Academy	£400
4th June 2015	Event Budget - Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team	£333.33
4th June 2015	Citizens Advice Bureau District Sessions	£4598
4th June 2015	Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team Apprentice	£1000
23 rd July 2015	Hollinwood Hanging Baskets 2016	£3669.00
Total Allocated		£10000.00
Remaining Balance		£0.00

2.2 Capital Budget

Failsworth East - £10,000

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
4th June 2015	Wesley Street Alley Gates	£680
4th June 2015	Daisy Nook safety improvements to the Boat Play Area	£1200
4th June 2015	Moston Brook Lower Memorial Entrance	£5000
4th June 2015	Failsworth Tree Planting Scheme	£3000
15 th October 2015		
Total Allocated		£9880.00
Remaining Balance		£120.00

Failsworth West - £10,000

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
4th June 2015	Failsworth Tree Planting Scheme	£6000
15 th October 2015	Resurfacing of Somerset Road	£3000
Total Allocated		£9000.00
Remaining Balance		£1000.00

Hollinwood - £10,000

Date agreed	Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Total Allocated		
Remaining Balance		

2.3 Councillor Individual Budget - £5000

Failsworth East

Cllr D Dawson - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Woodhouses Cricket Club Grant	£500
Failsworth Christmas Lights Celebrations 2015 Tree and Infrastructure	£2050.00
First Response Security for Higher Memorial Park – Summer 2015	£2450.00
Total Allocated	£5000
Remaining Balance	£0.00

Cllr N Briggs - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Failsworth Dynamos - Grant	£400
Woodhouses Cricket Club Grant	£500
Improvements to Ravenoak Drive	£1477.52
Failsworth Christmas Lights – Ice Skating Rink; 12.12.15	£748.75
Total Allocated	£3126.27
Remaining Balance	£1873.73

Cllr J McMahon - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Failsworth Carnival 2016	£500
Westminster Garden Party, Westminster Gardens 11.07.15	£1000
Alley Gate signage (joint project with Chadderton)	£203.12
Woodhouses Cricket Club Grant	£500
Failsworth Christmas Lights – Ice Skating Rink; 12.12.15	£748.75
Improvements to Ravenoak Drive	£1477.52
Total Allocated	£4429.39
Remaining Balance	£570.61

Failsworth West

Cllr S Fielding - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Oldham Brass Band – Grant	£350.00
Alley Gate signage (joint project with Chadderton)	£203.12
Alley Gating Old Road	£400.00
Failsworth Christmas Lights Celebrations 2015 Tree and Infrastructure	£2050.00
Failsworth Christmas Lights – Ice Skating Rink; 12.12.15	£748.75
Total Allocated	£3751.87
Remaining Balance	£1248.13

Cllr W Bates - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Alley Gating Old Road	£400.00
Total Allocated	£400.00
Remaining Balance	£4600.00

Cllr E Garry - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Contribution to Failsworth Youth Zone	£1000
Alley Gating Old Road	£400.00
Fishers Farm, Mobile Petting Zoo 26.09.15	£540.00
Failsworth Choir - hire of equipment and uniform	£250.00
Failsworth Christmas Lights – Ice Skating Rink; 12.12.15	£748.75
Social Isolation Project; Failsworth West	£100
Total Allocated	£3038.75
Remaining Balance	£1961.25

Hollinwood

Cllr B Ames - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
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Summer Holiday Activities, Hollinwood Cricket Club	£600
Clough Gate House Resident Group	£166.66
Ambitions Community Group	£116.66
Hollinwood Christmas Lights – additional support for event	£225.00
Total Allocated	£883.32
Remaining Balance	£4116.68

Cllr J Stretton - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Equipment for maintenance at Hollinwood War Memorial	£70.20
Summer Holiday Activities, Hollinwood Cricket Club	£600
Clough Gate House Resident Group	£166.66
Ambitions Community Group	£116.66
Hollinwood Christmas Lights – additional support for event	£225.00
Total Allocated	£953.52
Remaining Balance	£4046.48

Cllr S Williams - £5000

Project/Scheme/Initiative	Amount
Equipment for Avenues & Hollins Tenants Association	£1000
Summer Holiday Activities, Hollinwood Cricket Club	£600
Hollinwood Festival	£1000
Clough Gate House Resident Group	£166.66
Ambitions Community Group	£116.66
Total Allocated	£2883.32
Remaining Balance	£2116.68

3. Recommendations

To note the funding allocated and the current spend to date for the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive for the municipal year for 2015/2016.

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Oldham Borough INPT 2

District Executive Meeting Police Report

Failsworth & Hollinwood

Oldham Division, Integrated Neighbourhood Policing

Report Dates 1th October 2015 – 12th November 2015

Prepared by: Ps 12564 Clem Jones & O.S.O. 62279 Diane Bradley

Date: 13th November 2015

Report Dates 1st October 2015 - 12th November 2015

Anti-social behaviour

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) includes a range of issues. Behaviour can be anti-social because it is capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to both individuals and the wider community.

Within the Borough of Oldham we have a strong partnership lead approach to tackling ASB and the causes of it preventing it from reoccurring. This partnership approach includes police, local authorities and social landlords. These agencies have wide ranging powers to effectively tackle this problem.

REPORT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY RINGING 101

ASB Related Statistics		
	1st October 2014 - 12th November 2014	1st October 2015 - 12th November 2015
Rowdy Or Inconsiderate Behaviour	168	150
Motor Cycle / Mini Moto	5	4
Alcohol Related Incidents	55	57
Youth Related Under 18	98	61

Victim Based Crime

Crime Statistics		
	1st October 2014 - 12th November 2014	1st October 2015 - 12th November 2015
Robbery	0	6
Theft from person	4	4
Burglary Dwelling Including Aggravated	25	23
Burglary Other Than In A Dwelling	27	19
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	8	6
Theft From Motor Vehicle	20	21
Theft Of Pedal Cycle	4	12

Violent Crime

Violent Crime Statistics		
	1st October 2014 - 12th November 2014	1st October 2015 - 12th November 2015
Violent crime (includes GBH, and sexual assault and harassment)	37	46
Assault Without Injury	32	34

Anti Social Behaviour Issues

Failsworth Neighborhood Policing Team in partnership with Oldham Council



The anti-social behaviour issues continued to be monitored to give reassurance to the various outlets on the retail zone and also to members of the public both living in the area and visiting the various retail outlets and Public Houses. We also continue to stifle the supply of alcohol that the youth groups are clearly obtaining by close liaison and visits to the Off-Licences within Failsworth. We have been passing posters to display both at entrances and behind the till area outlining legislation.

Our Policing style will be open, firm and fair and in proportion to the situation / Incident that we are facing at the time.

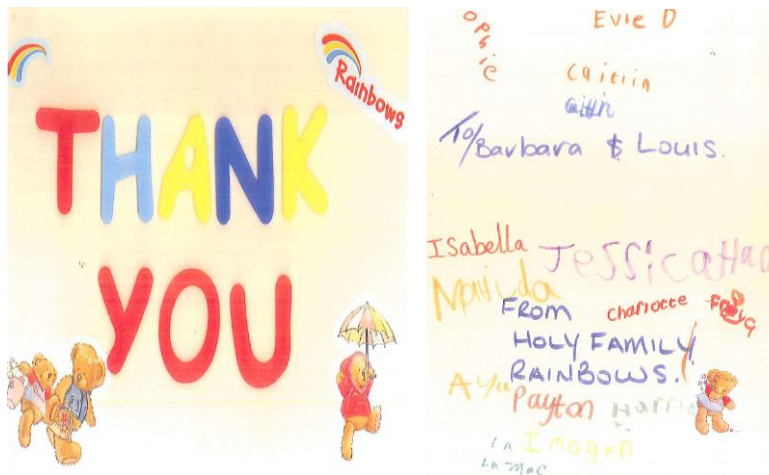
The Street pastor team and the detached youth workers are our partners and should be viewed by all staff participating in this initiative as essential components supporting the overall objective of reducing ASB. In effect we have around 10 extra pairs of eyes out on the ground and they are a valuable resource.

GOOD NEWS

We were blown away by the following act of generosity and I am sure you will be too. A lady had her 'Kindle Fire' stolen by an intruder recently. Well yet again the generosity of the Failsworth Community has come through. Following our appeal for witnesses a Failsworth resident came forward and offered to replace the Kindle for the lady. The very kind generous male resident did not and does not want any fuss about what he has done. This is typical of the local community. Stepping in at a time of need and helping each other out. Local Police Officer Lee Cullen took the Kindle to Jacquie and both she and her husband David were literally blown away by this selfless act of generosity.



A thank you card was given to local Pcsos Louis Baistow-Davis & Pcsos Barbara Pearson following a 'Stranger Danger Talk' given to the Rainbows Group at Holy Family on Monday 12th October 2015. This is a yearly talk given by Louis & Barbara to the new young recruits as a way of getting the girls to know and gain a trust in the police. The leaders and Rainbows presented Louis & Barbara with a box of 'Hero's' chocolates each cause they are their Hero's.



E-WATCH JOINING DETAILS

E-Watch is a database created by the Oldham Borough Neighbourhood Policing Team

It is a collation of email addresses submitted to us by residents and businesses so that Greater Manchester Police can contact you with our monthly newsletter, general information and incidents in your immediate area that you should be aware of.

You are also able to email us with any information you want to pass onto us.

We do not supply your email address to any other party and you can request to be removed from the database at any time.

If you wish to be part of the E-Watch database please send us an email titled E-Watch to:

oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk

And include the following information.

NAME, ADDRESS & TELEPHONE

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ENGAGEMENT

OLDHAM POLICE CADETS

We're recruiting for year 9 students

Closing date for applications 23.11.15

If you would be interested in joining the cadets please send your name, address, date of birth, school attended and telephone number by email to:
Gareth.durose@gmp.police.uk

twitter



Follow us **@gmpfailsworth** to get updates as they are posted



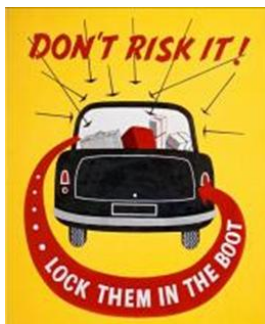
And Click **LIKE** on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/gmpfailsworthhollinwood

Seasonal Threats

BE AWARE - At this time of the year we see a spike in certain types of crime and there are things you can do to prevent this, help us to help you.



BE AWARE – YOUR INSURANCE MAY NOT PAY OUT IF YOU LEAVE THE KEYS IN THE IGNITION AND THE VEHICLE UNATTENDED



DON'T GIVE THEM AN INVITATION TO RUIN YOUR CHRISTMAS



Light timers will help deter burglars while you are out.

What do you store in your shed, garage or outbuilding prior to Christmas? Burglars target these premises because they are quite often away from the property and have poor security. Padlocks, shed alarms and recording your property at www.immobilise.com will all help to protect your property and deter burglars.



REVIEW YOUR SECURITY NOW AND LOCK UP YOUR VALUABLES DON'T LEAVE IT TO CHANCE.

Print the notice below and put it on your door/window/letterbox

PLEASE PUSH ALL MAIL AND NEWSPAPERS
THROUGH THE LETTER BOX

NO COLD CALLERS

THE NIGHTS ARE DRAWING IN

Homes with no security measures in place are five times more likely to be burgled than those with simple security measures, and by following a few simple steps you can greatly reduce the chances of your property being targeted

Burglars love the dark so follow these tips to keep your home safe:

- Burglars tend to be opportunists and they will look out for certain things to indicate if a home is empty. For a penny a day you can leave a low energy light bulb on mid-afternoon to late evening. Use a timer switch to help manage when the light comes on.
- Keep ladders and tools stored away; don't leave them outside where they could be used to break into your home
- Always close your curtains at night, and store valuable items (including passports, driving licence, cash, wallets and bank statements) out of view.
- Keep ladders and tools stored away
- Keep your doors and windows locked, and ensure you have the back door locked when answering the front door. Don't give someone the chance to sneak in while you are distracted.
- Make sure the fences around your garden are in good condition and that access to the rear of your property is secure – Lock your garden gate.
- Consider installing outside security lighting

FREE anti-tamper number plate screws

Don't let a thief steal your number plates. Email oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk and state your name address, make and model of your vehicle and we will send you or ring us on 0161 856 8825



Further Crime Prevention Advice

Visit our website www.gmp.police.uk for lots of useful ways to protect yourself and your property. Contact our crime reduction advisor Paul Dearnley on 0161 770 4302 paul.dearnley@gmp.pnn.police.uk

HOMEWATCH



We are currently updating our records, if you run a Home Watch scheme please let us know – oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk or telephone 0161 856 8825

Neighbourhood staff holds regular surgeries where crime prevention advice is available

Regular Surgeries are held at:

Failsworth Health Centre

Cloughgate House, Hollins Road

School House Flats, Incline Road

Asda, Hollins Road

The Oldham Borough INPT is based at

Oldham Police Station, Divisional HQ

Barn St, Oldham OL1 1LR

Direct line: 0161 856 8825

INPT: Oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk

Call CRIMESTOPPERS Anonymously On 0800 555 111

As part of our service promise we will continue to listen to the community so it's really important that people tell us what they think about the work officers are doing to keep them safe

Contact Us

By telephone on 0161 856 8825

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BRIEFING TO THE FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Highways & Engineering Service Update

Portfolio Holder: David Hibbert

Report Authors: James Woodhead, Peter Kiely, Richard Edwards & Sarah Robinson

November 2015

Purpose of Report

To provide the District Executive with an update on issues raised by Councillors and members of the public and to give an overview of the current activity in Highways.

1 UPDATE ON ISSUES RAISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The following issues have been raised by members (feedback in *italics*):

- 1.1 The Cabinet Member for Housing, Transport and Planning was looking to develop a strategy to deal with potholes and a feedback mechanism. *Ongoing*

2 UPDATE ON PROGRAMMES OF WORK

- 2.1 Highways Capital Programme 2015 - 2016

Update November 2015: The Highways Capital Programme work is now complete.

- 2.2 Wickentree Lane Accident Reduction Scheme

A new project is being developed on Wickentree Lane as part of the 2015/16 Capital Programme.

Numerous complaints have been received regarding the speed and volume of traffic using Wickentree Lane and Wrigley Head, Failsworth. A study has therefore been undertaken to try and resolve these issues.

The majority of concerns received are connected with Oldham bound traffic on the A62, choosing to use Wrigley Head and Wickentree Lane as an alternative, to avoid the congestion that can be experienced along the A62 at peak times. Concerns have also been received from residents and the owners of Housing Units regarding the speed of traffic particularly in the Wickentree Lane area and have requested that measures are introduced to address this issue.

A scheme has therefore been designed which will prohibit traffic from driving along the full length of Wrigley Head and Wickentree Lane, in a north easterly (Oldham bound) direction. Motorists will be able to drive along the full length of Wrigley Head and part way along Wickentree Lane, but a prohibition of entry restriction and a restricted road width will be imposed prior to the Croft Street junction which will prevent access to Oldham Road. This location has been chosen as it has less impact on the majority of residents and will hopefully reduce vehicle speeds where there is a higher concentration of pedestrian crossing movements i.e at the Housing Units entrance. Motorists will still be permitted to drive the full length of both streets in the opposite direction (Wickentree Lane – Wrigley Head)

In addition to restricting traffic movements, it is also proposed to introduce traffic calming measures on Wickentree Lane where residents are experiencing anti-social driving problems.

A consultation exercise is currently underway where we are seeking feedback to the proposals ahead of undertaking the statutory consultation for the introduction of the necessary traffic orders and finalising the detailed design.

Update November 2015: The consultation took place with residents and businesses during the first two weeks in October.

Approximately 470 consultations were delivered and 36 responses have been received; 26 from residents and 10 from businesses.

It is clear from the responses received there is support for the introduction of traffic calming measures, due to the high speeds that residents feel they are experiencing, but the support for the prohibition of entry is not as high.

Residents are concerned that if the prohibition of entry is introduced, motorists will attempt to use the residential side streets as access to the A62, therefore displacing the problem.

Some residents are also concerned that not being able to access the A62 from Wickentree Lane will have a detrimental effect on their journey to work.

The businesses do not generally support either the traffic calming or the prohibition of entry proposals; comments have been received that the businesses use Wrigley Head and Wickentree Lane to avoid the congestion along the A62.

Recommendation to be put back to the ward members:

- In view of the lack of support for the prohibition of entry and the problems of displaced through traffic perceived by residents within the side streets, it is suggested the scheme be amended to remove this proposal from the scheme and retain two-way traffic. This would result in the introduction of a junction plateau only at the Croft Street junction.*
- The traffic calming measures are amended to take into account the concerns of residents regarding noise and parking. The Features be changed to junction plateaux which generate less noise for vehicles and should not affect current parking arrangements.*
- The waiting restrictions proposed within the Crown Street / Mitre Street / George Street area are amended to maintain as much on-street parking as possible to help avoid displacement.*
- Consideration is given to the introduction of residents only parking along Crown Street.*

2.3 LTP

2.3.1 Tesco, Failsworth

As a result of recent feedback the design was revisited to include extra features. As a consequence of that the scheme would cost more than the available LTP funding in 13/14 so a revised bid was submitted for LTP 14/15 and an extra 53k of funding was secured. Unity is now in the process of refining the design. Construction stage is planned for December 2014.

Update November 2014: Detailed design is now complete so Regeneration and Brookhouse are negotiating the improvements with Tesco. Tesco will need to agree to the improvements as part of their lease agreement. Construction work is scheduled for after the Christmas embargo i.e. mid-January 2015.

Update January 2015: The scheme is currently on hold pending further discussions with Tesco concerning their initial request that the 'through route' is adopted by the council prior to them agreeing to the proposed improvements.

Update March 2015: The scheme is still on hold. The road in its current form / alignment would not meet adoption standards. Significant realignments, installation of new signalised junctions and structural work to the existing canal bridge would be required to make the link to an adoptable standard. An outline cost estimate for the works would be up to £3m.

Update July 2015: Discussions are ongoing with Tesco to secure a resolution to the proposals.

Update October 2015: Discussions are still ongoing with Tesco to secure a resolution to the proposals.

Update November 2015: Discussions are still ongoing with Tesco to secure a resolution to the proposals.

2.4 Utility works

- 2.4.1 The most recent quarterly Utilities Co-ordination meeting was held on 6 March 2015 and no planned works were noted for the Failsworth & Hollinwood area at this time.

Update October 2015: At the Co-ordination meeting held on 4 September 2015 no major planned works were noted for the Failsworth & Hollinwood area.

Update November 2015: No major works proposed. Embargo on road works on main corridors in District Centres for Christmas comes into effect on Tuesday 1st December until Sunday 10th January 2016.

BRIEFING PAPER FOR FAILSWORTH AND HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Community Safety Officer Update

16th November 2015
Officer Contact: Michael Fleming
Ext. 1591

Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to update the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive on Community Safety initiatives including alley gating projects.

Community Safety Officer – Area Changes

Due to ongoing capacity issues for the Community Safety Officers there have been area changes. Michael Fleming is now responsible for Failsworth, Hollinwood, Saddleworth and Lees; Phil Bonworth will cover Royton, Shaw, Crompton and Chadderton. The situation still remains however that ultimately all members of the team are a borough resource and can be called upon to work in any area if the need arises.

Alley gating schemes

CSS 638 – 27-33 Wesley Street

Consultation commenced and is currently on hold whilst enquires continue with regard to land ownership.

CSS 647 – 39-47 Old Road /2 Hardman Lane

In progress - residents asked if local elected members would support an alley gating scheme due to ongoing anti- social behaviour issues. Consultation reached 100% support and the gates have been ordered at a cost of £1199.20.

Gating Order 40– Brookdale Street/Oldham Road

Petition received from local residents regarding the alley gates being constantly left insecure. Consultation was commenced with a view to replace the current Gating Order with a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO). Unfortunately the level of support only reached 33%; therefore we cannot proceed with the Order.

Other initiatives

Operation Tuscan – This is still ongoing; dependant on available resources.

Home Watch – The Community Safety Officer in partnership with the Neighbourhood Policing Team are continually encouraging residents to join a Home Watch scheme. Your local Home Watch Meeting is held on the second Thursday of every month at Broadbent Luncheon Club Lord Lane, Failsworth.

Burglary Victims - Security surveys are offered to vulnerable and repeat victims of domestic burglary. Crime Prevention Advice is published on our social media sites and more information can be obtained from the Community Safety Officer.

Social Media – is a good tool for picking up seasonal threats and messages from the Police and District Team via facebook and twitter.

Darker Nights Initiative

Homes with no security measures in place are five times more likely to be burgled than those with simple security measures, and by following a few simple steps you can greatly reduce the chances of your property being targeted. Therefore a Darker Nights initiative is launched at this time of year to combat this. Please refer to the police update for further information.

Intel Meetings – There are now weekly Intel Meetings held at Oldham DHQ chaired by Inspector Trevor Harrison. This identifies our top targets for criminal matters and ASB issues with a view to enforcement and disruption.

Community Safety Cohesion Partnership (CSCP) Meeting

The CSCP Delivery Group will meet every month and will now be a focussed meeting based on current intelligence products which will focus for our partners, on priority targets for action.

ASB – There has been an increase in anti-social behaviour within Failsworth and Limehurst libraries over the last few months involving young people.

This has resulted in a number of warning letters being sent to parents. Four youths have had warning interviews at the police station due to their behaviour. One youth has had an Acceptable Behaviour Contract (ABC) interview. This is a voluntary agreement for a youth to change his or her behaviour and receive appropriate support before formal proceedings to apply for a Civil Injunction/Criminal Behaviour Order.

Where a youth is causing anti-social behaviour at school and within the local community the schools participate in the interview process along with any Housing Association if appropriate.

The police in partnership with other agencies/local businesses continue to invoke a policing plan which covers 4 zones and encompasses certain areas which have been identified as hotspots for anti-social behaviour on Friday and Saturday evenings. Officers and partner agencies patrol these areas and engage with the youths.

Failsworth Town Hall is still utilised on Friday evening between 6.00pm and 10.00pm to assist with the youth provision in conjunction with Mahdlo.

There are a number of complex neighbour disputes currently being dealt with, involving extensive partnership working which require appropriate support and intervention.

Higher Memorial Park – Over the summer months the park was patrolled by First Response and is now locked at the appropriate time.

Signage for Alley Gates – This has now been purchased.

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Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partnership

November 2015

Money management, 1st October 2015 to 31st October 2015

1. Background

- 1.1. Oldham CAB delivers debt advice sessions on a weekly basis in the Failsworth and Hollinwood District. These sessions alternate weekly between Failsworth Town Hall and Limehurst Library, complementing CAB sessions funded by Oldham Council that also alternate weekly ensuring weekly provision in both.

2. Performance

- 2.1. For the Month of October we have helped a total of 67 people. This is made up of 40 in Failsworth and 27 in Limehurst. This is a 34% increase in demand compared to the three months covered in the previous October report.
- 2.2. The amount of debt rescheduled for this 3 month period is £40,002. The additional income raised through identifying eligible benefit payments totalled £16081.

3. Further development

We have been told that the activation of the Freephone access to our Adviceline service in libraries is imminent, it may already have been done. This will ensure free access to from Monday to Friday (possible future extension to Evenings and weekends) within their community and fit seamlessly with the face to face service that will be focused on those that require more complex support.

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