

## ***ROYTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE Agenda***

Date Monday 12 October 2015

Time 6.00 pm

Venue Royton Town Hall, Rochdale Road, Royton, Oldham, OL2 6QG

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MEMBERSHIP OF THE ROYTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Councillors M Bashforth, S Bashforth, A Chadderton, Judge, Larkin (Chair) and Roberts

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 - 2)  
              The Minutes of the Royton District Executive meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2015 are attached for approval.
- 6            Report on Alleygate petition at Briton Street (Pages 3 - 4)  
              This is standing item related to petitions received for the Royton District Executive areas for consideration by the District Executive in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.
- 7            Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) (Pages 5 - 18)
- 8            Minutes of Royton Community Forum held on 14.09.15 (Pages 19 - 24)  
              To update DE on Royton Community Forum meeting held on 14.09.15
- 9            Minutes of District Executive Sub Groups (Pages 25 - 30)  
              To update Royton DE on Sub Group minutes
- 10          District Executive Budget Report and Appendix 1 (Pages 31 - 34)  
              To update Royton DE on budgets
- 11          Date of Next Meeting  
              The next meeting of the Royton District Executive will be held on Monday 23rd November at 6.00 p.m.



**ROYTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**  
**27/07/2015 at 6.00 pm**

**Present:** Councillor Larkin (Chair)  
Councillors M Bashforth, S Bashforth, A Chadderton, Judge and Roberts

Also in Attendance:

Michele Carr	AED Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning
Elizabeth Fryman	District Co-ordinator
Fabiola Fuschi	Constitutional Services Officer

1           **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence received.

2           **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3           **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

4           **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no public questions received.

5           **MINUTES OF THE ROYTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 8TH JUNE 2015**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Royton District Executive meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be approved as a correct record.

6           **PETITIONS**

There were no petitions to note.

7           **DEVELOPING DISTRICT PLANS 2015/16 AND 2016/17**

A presentation on District Planning was given by the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Cooperatives, Councillor Brownridge, and the Cabinet Member for Performance and Corporate Governance, Councillor Shah.

The Corporate Plan and the Oldham Plan were outlined. These two documents contained the objectives and the aspirations for Oldham and the values and the behaviours that inspire the work of the Council and its partner organisations. The Corporate Plan also linked with the Greater Manchester Strategy, as Oldham, with nine other local authorities, was part of the Greater Manchester city region. The District Plans would show how the objectives for Oldham could be delivered at local level.

It was explained that the District Plans would have to meet the aspirations of each district in Oldham. Residents were asked to actively participate in discussions with elected members and district workers to identify the priorities for their area and to decide how to use local resources efficiently.

It was added that the consultation process was an opportunity for residents to shape services in their area.

The timeline was given for the consultation and the delivery of the District Plans for 2015/16 and 2016/17.

The meeting was adjourned for five minutes to present Royton residents with the questions that formed part of a consultation exercise for 2016/17 District Plan.



**RESOLVED that:**

1. The information contained in the District Planning presentation be noted.
2. A consultation exercise with Royton residents on 2016/17 District Plan take place before September 2015. The following questions would form part of the consultation exercise:
  1. What are things that you like best about living in this area?
  2. What are the issues that affect people's lives the most in this area?
  3. What I do/can do to make a difference?
  4. What other people could do to make a difference?

8 **MINUTES OF THE ROYTON COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING HELD ON 8TH JUNE 2015**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Royton Community Forum meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be noted.

9 **MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE SUB GROUPS**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Royton Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Young People Sub-Group meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015 be noted.

10 **ROYTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BUDGET REPORT**

The District Executive gave consideration to a report of the Royton District Coordinator on the Royton District Executive budget. There were no new allocations to note.

**RESOLVED** that the Royton District Executive budget report be noted.

11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Royton District Executive will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 6pm.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.17 pm

# Petition Regarding Briton Street, Royton

## Issues around non-closure of Alleygates

## Update of progress to District Executive

29<sup>th</sup> September 2015

A petition was received on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2015 regarding the non-closure of alley gates at Briton Street, Royton by a named resident.

The lead petitioner was contacted on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 by the Community Safety Officer and a course of action was agreed with the petitioner, that the Community Safety Service would send letters to all residents reminding them of their responsibility in regards to the locking of gates.

The lead petitioner agreed to monitor the situation and was provided with the direct contact details for the Community Safety Officer and they agreed to contact the Community Safety Officer should the problems persist. To date no further complaints have been received.

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**Report to the Royton District Executive**

## **Briefing note: Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)**

**Officer Contact:** Director Community Services

**Report Author:** Bruce Penhale, Head of Service MASH,  
Stronger Communities and Oldham District  
Team

**Ext.** 4196

**12 October 2015**

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### **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



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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 Childrens 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](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](http://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.

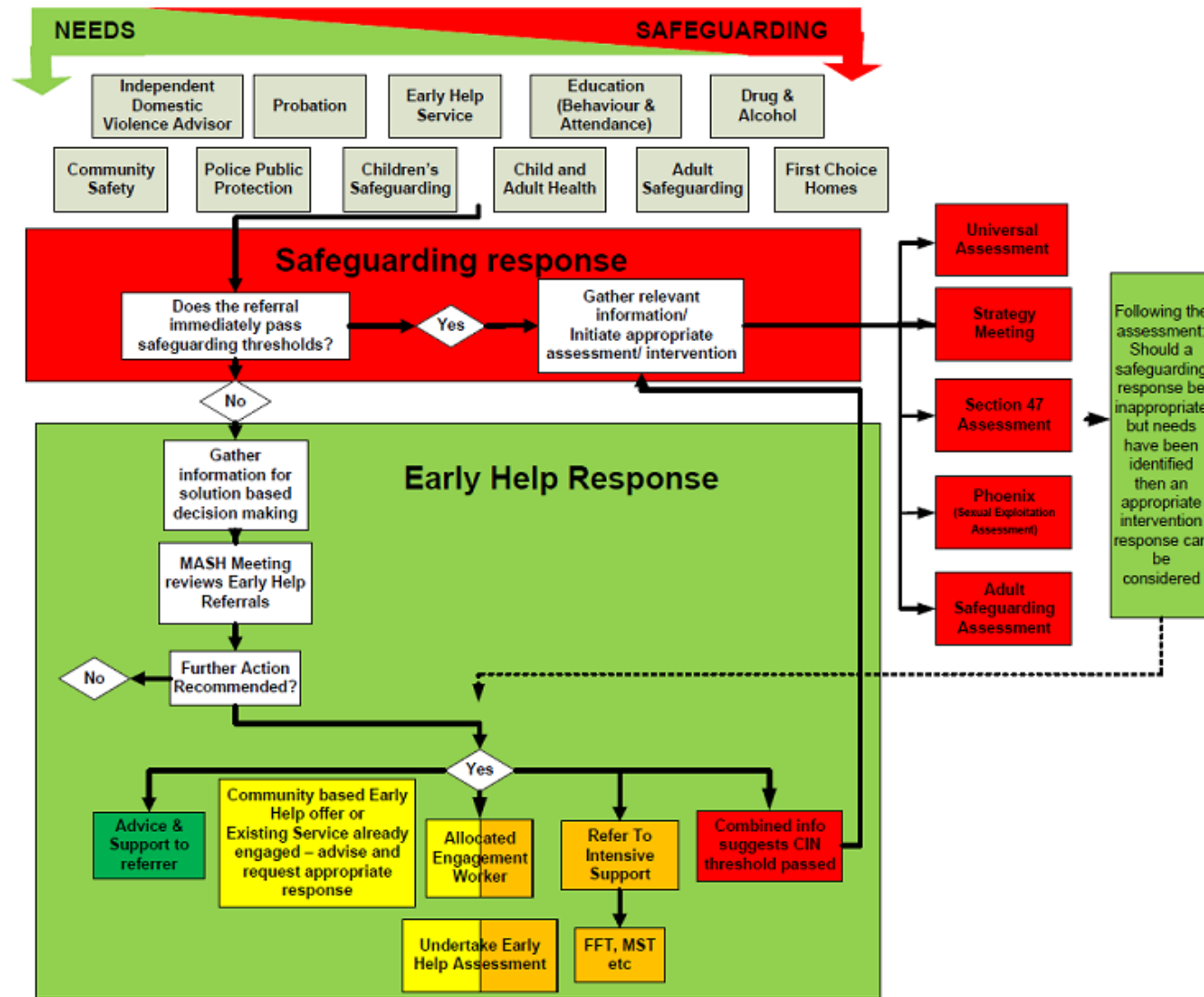
2.10 When an early help referral is received, information is gathered from partners to inform decision making about the most appropriate support or intervention. This is gathered through an electronic system (Mosaic) which can be accessed by a range of partners. The information is reviewed at a weekly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

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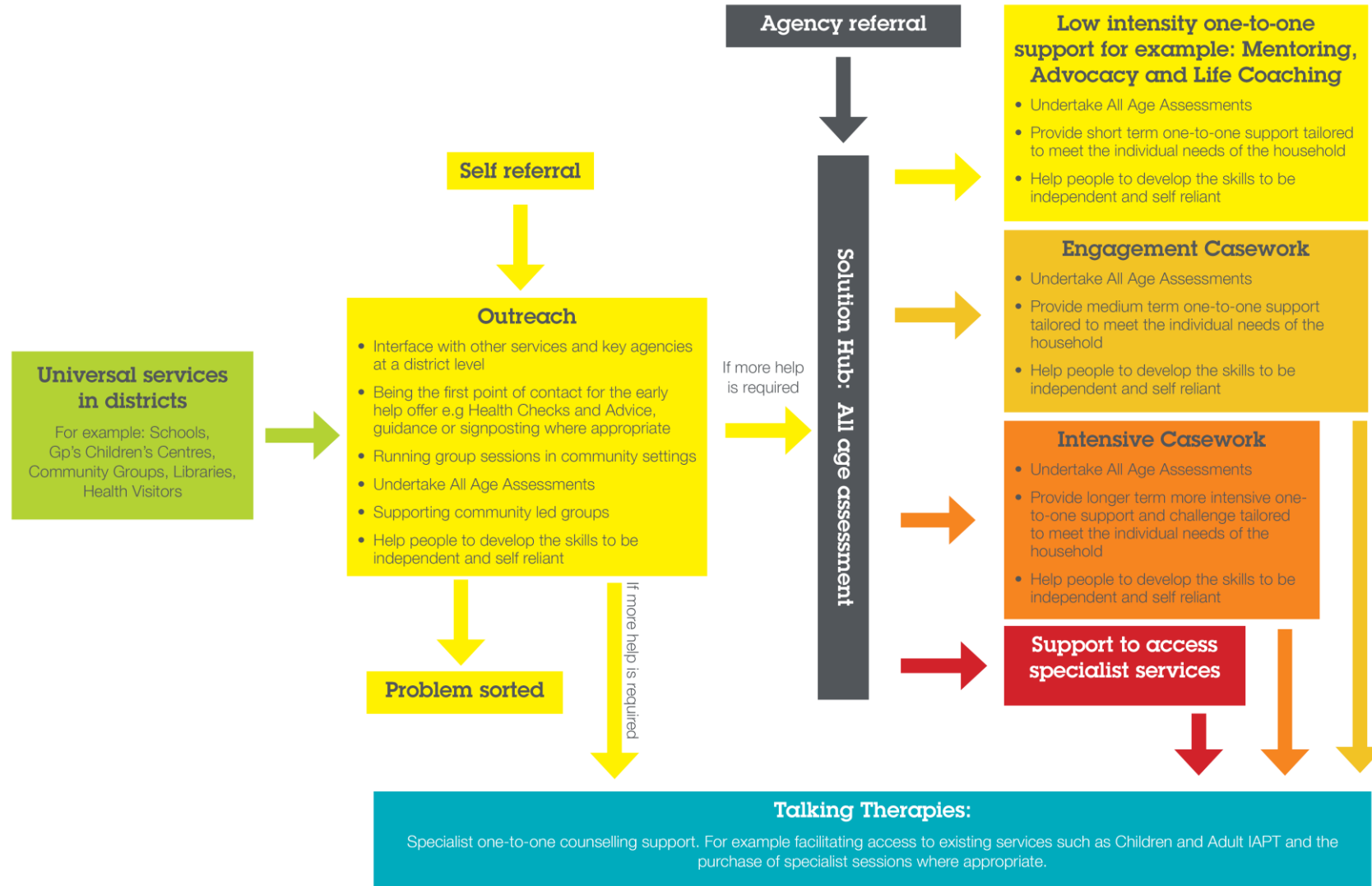
appropriate response, support and early intervention. This meeting has now completely replaced the Family Panels which used to take place in each district.

- 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?



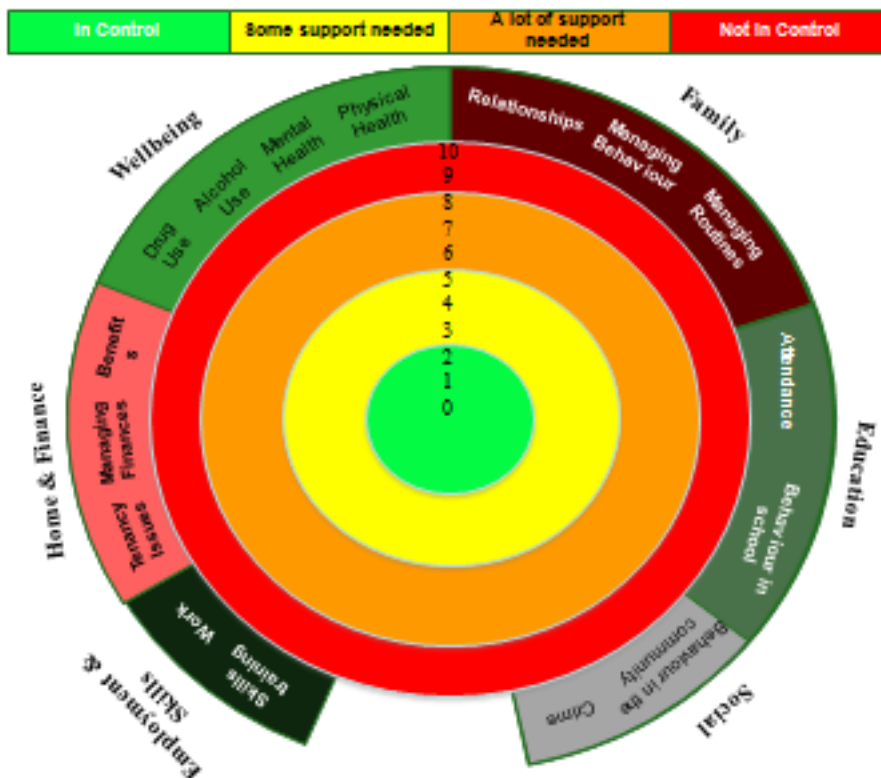
2.13 The Early Help Offer was recommissioned during 2014/15 and went live on 1st April 2015. It will work with 3,500 households and 4,000 people per year either in group activities or by individual appointments. Early Help is for individuals, households and families of any age who:

- 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



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

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:

- 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.



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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.

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## 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](mailto:cat-duty@oldham.gov.uk)
- **Adult Safeguarding** (and other adult social care enquiries) 0161 770 1515 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](mailto: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](http://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

<b>Services</b>	<b>Function within the MASH</b>
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	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.  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.
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

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	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



**ROYTON COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING**  
**Monday 14 September 2015**  
**6.30pm**  
 Royton Town Hall, Rochdale Road, Royton

## Minutes

<b>Councillors in attendance</b>	
Cllr T Larkin	Royton North
Cllr M Bashforth	Royton South
Cllr B Judge	Royton North
Cllr A Chadderton	Royton South
Cllr S Bashforth	Royton South
<b>Partners in attendance</b>	
Liz Fryman	R, S&C District Coordinator
Carol Watterson	R, S&C District Caseworker
Lynda Winrow	Youth Development Officer
Jill Beaumont	Director of Community Services
PS Clem Jones	GMP
PCSO Sue Hoyle	GMP
Members of the public x 9	
<b>Apologies</b>	
Cllr H Roberts	Royton North
Linda Cain	Business Support Officer

### 1. Welcome and Apologies:

Cllr Tony Larkin opened the meeting and thanked those in attendance.

### 2. Minutes of the last meeting for approval:

Agreed

### 3. Action Updates from previous Royton Community Forum:

3.1 OCLL has agreed to return web can when new Leisure Centre opens.

### 4. Police Update:

More residents are using Facebook to inform Police – A recent success was a “missing from home” posted on Facebook and very quickly returned home. Keep up the good work.

### Regular Police Surgeries are held at:

Trinity Methodist Church, Radcliffe Street, Royton  
 Thursday 10am-12pm

### 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 area that you should be aware of. You are also able to email us with any information you want to pass onto us.

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

Crime statistics 28/07/15 to 11/09/15		
	2014	2015
Robbery	3	4
Theft from person	0	0
Burglary dwelling including aggravated	10	29
Burglary other than a dwelling	16	14
Theft of a motor vehicle	2	2
Theft from a motor vehicle	15	53
Theft of a pedal cycle	2	3

**Of note:**

Items stolen from vehicles include: MP3 players, various tools, football, bow and arrow, bags, Apple tablet, sunglasses, shoes, cash, ID cards, mobile phones, SAT NAV, wallet, laptop, medicines, pram, drinks and food. **Think! If you usually leave these types of goods in your vehicle you could be targeted.**

Thieves are entering vehicles and conducting a full search including the glove box, and boot – **Don't get caught out remove all items from the vehicle.**

6 Vehicles had their number plates stolen – Criminals then use the plates on their vehicles to commit further crime. **Anti-tamper screws are available FREE OF CHARGE from your Neighbourhood Police Team**

11 of the 29 burglaries occurred because the property was insecure – **PLEASE LOCK UP**

Thieves are now using hook and cane techniques to steal keys from open windows and letterboxes – **Please don't leave keys where they can be accessed**

ASB related statistics 28 <sup>th</sup> July to 14 <sup>th</sup> September			
	2014	2015	Reduction on last year
Royton	23	20	-3

As you can see when compared to the same period last year ASB in Royton has decreased slightly.

**REPORT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY RINGING 101**

### **BE AWARE - Telephone Scam**

An unknown male phoned an elderly female claiming to be from the 'Senior Citizen Centre' in Woking. The male convinced the elderly victim that she is eligible for benefits that she hasn't been receiving, even transferring her to another 'department' to convince her. The male has then obtained the victims bank details and removed money from her account.

Our Fraud Department believe many more elderly people may be targeted.

*Anyone falling victim to the scam should report to Action Fraud on **0300 123 2040** or **www.actionfraud.police.uk**.*

*Anyone with any information that may be useful in our investigations is asked to call Police on **101**.*

### **CADET UPDATE:**

August Bank Holiday weekend, the cadets went to summer camp at The Kingswood Centre, Colomendy, Loggerheads, NR Mold Flintshire. Chief Constable Sir Peter Fahey attended and presented Kathryn Hornby with a certificate for her outstanding personal commitment to the Volunteer Police Cadet Scheme.

Activities to promote problem solving and team building included wall climbing, zip wiring, Jacobs Ladder and canoeing. Other sports activities took place on the fields and there was a camp fire in the evening.

### **5. Councillor Updates:**

Cllrs gave a flavour of the work they have been involved in since the last meeting.

#### **Cllr Judge:**

- Met with NHS and Clinical Commissioning Group Devo Man Prevention. Need to invest in work on developing drugs in Greater Manchester.
- Met with Eon to discuss new street lights – no major problems. Also discussed Christmas lights on the Precinct.
- Park House – no refugees living there at the moment.
- Met with Churches Together to discuss what we can do to help.
- Music Awards – would like to help young people by offering some funding.
- GM Fire – more firemen taking early retirement, need to encourage more young people to join.
- Bethesda Chapel now has a food bank - helping people in the community.
- O & S Meeting – discussed 20mph zones. Need to raise awareness. Plans to introduce a trial in Oldham
- Constant problems with dog fouling. Next year compulsory micro chipping of dogs to be introduced. Following that, compulsory DNA testing will be introduced to help find dog owners and hopefully cut the problem.
- Full Council Meeting – discussed the closure of Oldham Magistrates and the impact it will have on police time having to travel further.

**Cllr S Bashforth, Cllr A Chadderton and Cllr M Bashforth:**

- St Phillips Drive – Residents’ parking has now been approved and signs and passes ordered. Should be ready in 4 weeks.
- Jamie Heaton’s Memorial Garden – very successful open day to launch the new play park in Bulcote Park – well worth a visit.
- White lines and road marking in Royton – still not quite finished but is a work in progress
- Park Street traffic issues – meetings still in progress – no updates yet.

**6. Royton Regeneration Projects:**

- The Leisure Centre will open on 28 September.
- Old swimming pool will close on 26 September. It will then be demolished and the site will become a car park.
- A temporary car park may be on Byron Street site until the new one is open
- Lidl – this is still on course and should open in spring next year

**7. Public Questions**

**Q: Firbank Road, The Mews – mail is still getting mixed up and an ambulance turned up at a resident’s house which should have gone to the Mews.**

**Action: Carol to contact Royal Mail again**

**Q: Bottom of High Barn Street – work has started on new housing development. Blue lines on floor, is this going to be an entrance?**

**A: No, they are for the utilities.**

**Q: Question re likelihood of an abattoir returning to Royton?**

**A: Very unlikely than an abattoir will be coming to Royton, there would be too much resistance**

**Q: OAN – very bad language coming from football players. Happens every week.**

**A: The Councillors will look into it once again although they have very little powers as the School is private.**

**Action: Cllrs to arrange a meeting with the School and invite the school governors. Cllr Chadderton will take it to the full Governors meeting in next few weeks.**

**Q: OAN - Residents said that some trees have been planted in the school grounds and want to know why.**

**A: Cllrs said they were planted in order to keep noise levels down but they will look into it.**

**Action: Cllrs to look into this**

**Q: It has recently come to light that there is £20m in unpaid Council Tax. Why was this not discussed at the last Full Council Meeting? How has it got to this state and why is it not collected?**

**A: It is to do with the changes in the way benefits are paid. Oldham is one of the better run councils.**

**Action: Cllr S Bashforth to find out details and if they are being chased for payment.**



**Q: Are we having more refugees?**

**A:** Cllrs expressed their concern that they did not know about the asylum seeker accommodation in the first place. The Council has nothing to do with accommodating asylum seekers as the Government employs private companies to house asylum seekers throughout the country. Serco is the company who are managing the Park Lane property on behalf of the government.

Although there are no Asylum Seekers living at Park Lane House at the moment, we cannot say what Serco's plans are for the building in the future. Serco are using other areas other than Oldham and Rochdale to place these people.

Cllr Judge said that Cllr McMahon, Leader of the Council, has stated that Oldham Council will do their bit as long as the rest of the country is doing theirs.

**Q: What will happen to the unaccompanied children coming into the area? Will normal Fostering and Adoption checks be overlooked?**

**A:** No, that won't happen and they will not be given priority over local children.

**Q: Why were residents not asked to vote for the new Mayor of Manchester?**

**A:** The Government wants to devolve powers to local councils so they can decide how to spend money locally. To do this, you need a Mayor but there wasn't enough time to go to the public to vote. Hence, the leaders of AGMA voted in Tony Lloyd rather than lose this opportunity. He is not being paid extra money and continues to carry out his Police Commissioning role.

**Q: Old Health Centre – Can boarding come down and make a car park?**

**A:** No, to clear the site and make safe for use would cost too much as it would then have to be marked out correctly. It will be marketed as a retail site in the future.

**Q: How is work on the Precinct progressing?**

- Old Co-op – still being negotiated between the Co-op and potential new retail company.
- Lidl – still on course

**8. Any Other Business**

None

**9. Date of Next Meeting:**

Date: Monday 12 October 2015

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Royton Town Hall

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## MINUTES

In Attendance	
Liz Fryman	District Coordinator
Phil Bonworth	Community Safety
Lynda Winrow	Youth Development Officer
Cllr D Murphy	Crompton Ward
Insp. Trevor Harrison	GMP
Apologies	
Cllr B Judge	Royton North Ward
Cllr R Blyth	Shaw Ward
Cllr S Bashforth	Royton South Ward
Ian Meynell	District Environmental Manager

### 1. Welcome and Apologies:

Liz Fryman thanked those in attendance and gave apologies.

### 2. Update on actions and progress:

#### 2.1 Graffiti –the project is still ongoing and sessions continue.

- Agreed with Dave Hudson that the art work can go into Crompton Library.
- Young people are still managing the graffiti on site
- Grind rail has now gone in. The young people assisted in the adjustments to the grind rail
- Target group has been engaged.

#### 2.2 Ashworth Court bin store – Doors are being made

**Action: DM to chase up doors for Ashworth Court bin store**

#### 2.3 CCTV – ‘How to’ sheet has been completed

#### 2.4 Library outside lighting – DM will liaise with Sheena

### 3. Managing ASB within the districts

Identifying young people causing ASB

- Persistent ASB – some warning interviews have been completed. Others will go forward for ASB action
- The ranking system is again being utilized to track individuals
- Collating intel on each individual
- 18 names for Crompton, all different levels

**Action: Shirley Bradsell needs to be engaged in process – PB to contact.**

- Organise the young people into 3 identified levels
- Agree actions at all levels – CSS/GMP/Early Help

**Action: CSS – Phil to speak with Lorraine about good practice from other areas in ID young people**

- Youth Club started last week at Shaw United Reform Church

**4. Police Update**

Pub visits

All pub visits to pubs in Royton, Shaw and Crompton are now complete  
Vast improvement on violent crime  
Pro-active management by landlords following advice from the Police

Burglary

Increase in burglaries, down to better reporting. Getting a clearer picture of our base line.  
Royton and Crompton being targeted for burglary (2 in 1 crimes)  
Burglaries appear to be occurring in the early hours – Trying doors, looking for jewellery and cash.

Vehicle crime

Vehicle crime appears to be increasing again including theft from motor vehicle  
Analysis has been commissioned  
Tools are being targeted  
Vehicles are being left insecure

Local Resolution Officer

Takes calls and tries to resolve them with resident. Can also 'Crime' incidents immediately.

Darker Nights

Work is about to start on the Darker Nights project – Led by PCSO's  
Engagement with timers and leaflets

Home Watch

New Home Watch in High Crompton  
Dave M is arranging and setting up in Surrey Avenue area. Up to 15 residents are interested to date. PCSO Sharon is working with Dave M.

**5. Fire Team update – Phil Bonworth**

- Kingsland went well as previously reported, the school is very supportive.
- Next co-hort needs to be identified – Kingsland good but pupils can move on pretty quickly.
- Suggest go back to Royton and Crompton School
- Identify where the top 19 young people go to.

**Action: Phil to liaise with Craig Beezley to identify 12 individuals for final cohort.**

**6. Any Other Business**

Hate Crime

- Reports of incidents on Oozewood Road – but these have not been reported
- Insp Harrison reports that scanning but has not seen anything to raise concerns

**Action: LF to ask Bernard to check that the resident has complained to the Police**

Alleygate Signage

- Funding devolved to DP budgets many years ago
- Councillors can fund if they want to
- PB to get costings

**Action: LF to check for any carry forward from previous years' budget**

**7. Date of Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, Royton Town Hall, 5.30pm

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## ROYTON SHAW & CROMPTON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT GROUP

# Minutes

Councillors in attendance	
Cllr Howard Sykes	Shaw ward
Cllr Diane Williamson	Crompton ward
Cllr Tony Larkin	Royton North ward
Glenn Dale	Group Manager, Environmental Services
Liz Fryman	District Co-ordinator
Apologies	
Cllr Amanda Chadderton	Royton South ward
John Hall	Parish Cllr
Cath Conroy	Asset Management

### 1. Welcome and Apologies:

The meeting was chaired by Cllr Howard Sykes who thanked those in attendance and apologies were given.

### 2. Minutes and Update on Actions from the last meeting:

*Refuge Street litter bin –*

- Agreed only one new bin would be installed, and this has now been done and is located by the footpath.
- Agreed to leave it at one for the moment, but this will be monitored by Street Cleaning team.
- Bin at the car park area is in and is fine.

### 3. Refuge Street – Glenn Dale

Now that Refuge St site is complete, Glenn reported that there is some underspend in the budget.

<b>Budget £44,365</b>
Spent to date £31,682
Current Balance £12,683
<b>Fencing (Tendered) £3,587</b>
Final Balance £9,095

### Outstanding works are:

1. Timber Board walk
2. Viewing platform
3. Reed planting

A discussion took place regarding what the balance should be spent on.

Agreed to wait until all settles down and discuss at another time – **but** – Glenn needs to check if the budget is time limited and if it has to be spent on this site or can be used for another.

**Action 1: Glenn to check budget restraints. Liz to organise a walk about to identify possible projects**

**4. Issue regarding open spaces e.g. Tandle Hills, Crompton Moor etc.**

Dogford Park

Garages at the top end are in very poor condition.

**Action 2: If garages at Dogford park are not owned by the council, refer to environmental enforcement.**

**5. Discussion of improvements that can be made to our area**

Land Registry

**Action 3: Enquire who in the council is registered to do a land search and could do on our behalf.**

**6. Any other business**

6.1 Community Payback

Glenn updated that Community Payback can still do small pieces of work

6.2 Wildflowers

Milnrow Road – Agreed to go ahead

Oldham Road – Agreed to do ahead

**Action 4: re-send Diane the addresses of who was consulted on Oldham Road re. Wild flower planting**

6.3 Winter months programme

Councillors were asked to inform Glenn if they know of any new areas that may need attention in the winter months

6.4 Summer work

Work in the summer period other than grass cutting

**Action 5: Agreed that if work cannot be done by the District Environment Team, to inform Glenn who will procure externally**

**7. Date of next meeting:**

08 December 2015, 5.30pm, Shaw Lifelong Learning Centre





## **Report to Royton District Executive**

### **Budget Report**

**Officer Contact:** Liz Fryman, District Co-ordinator  
Ext. 5161

**12 October 2015**

### **Reason for Decision**

For the District Executive to approve budget allocations.

### **Recommendations**

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- 1. For the District Executive to note the report**

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## 1 Current Position

### 1.1 District Executive Ward Budgets

The District Executive has a total allocation of £40,000 (£10,000 revenue per ward and £10,000 capital per ward) which is available to help meet the priorities set out in the District Plan.

Decisions on this funding will be made by the District Executive.

### 1.2 Individual Councillor Allowance

Each Borough Councillor has an allowance of £5,000 on which they may take decisions. Councillors may also decide to pool their individual allowance in order to joint fund agreed projects.

## 2 Ward Budget allocations

There are no allocations from the ward budget for approval at this meeting.

## 3 Individual Councillor Budget allocations

Cllrs have not made any allocations since the last meeting.

## 4 Financial Implications

	<u>Ward Revenue</u>	<u>Ward Capital</u>	<u>Councillor 's Budget</u>	<u>Total</u>
Budget Allocation	20,000	20,000	30,000	70,000.00
Previously approved spend	8,551	0	2,751.98	11,302.98
Proposed Spend	0	0	0	0
<b>Remaining Allocation</b>	<b>11,449</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>27,248.02</b>	<b>58,697.02</b>

Royton District Partnership 2015-16														
Reference	Approval Date	Project/Initiative	Project Lead	Project Cost	Councillor Budget						Royton North revenue	Royton South revenue	Royton North capital	Royton South capital
					£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 5,000.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00
					Royton North			Royton South						
		Councillor Budget £5k per Cllr	Cllr Budget	Committed	Bernard Judge	Hannah Roberts	Tony Larkin	Amanda Chadderton	Marie Bashforth	Steven Bashforth				
				£30,000.00										
1.1		Royton Christmas Lights Committee - £1,200 (£200 per Cllr)	All Cllrs	£ 900.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00	£ 150.00					
1.2		AYC room hire	All Cllrs	£ 180.00	£ 30.00	£ 30.00	£ 30.00	£ 30.00	£ 30.00					
1.3		Family Activities at Royton Food Market	All Cllrs	£ 560.00	£ 93.33	£ 93.33	£ 93.33	£ 93.33	£ 93.35					
1.4		Heyside HNC Sports Day September (Donkeys)	RS Cllrs	£ 216.30				£ 72.10	£ 72.10	£ 72.10				
1.5		Grit bin Kirkdale Dr / Wensleydale Cl (4 refills x £74.64)	RN Cllrs	£ 298.56	£ 99.52	£ 99.52	£ 99.52							
1.6		Grit bin Dendbydale Way / Harewood Dr (4 refills x £74.64)	RN Cllrs	£ 298.56	£ 99.52	£ 99.52	£ 99.52							
1.7		Grit bin Rainshaw St / Cecil St / Church St (4 refills x £74.64)	RN Cllrs	£ 298.56	£ 99.52	£ 99.52	£ 99.52							
			Councillor Budget Total	£ 2,751.98	£ 571.89	£ 571.89	£ 571.89	£ 345.43	£ 345.43	£ 345.45				
			Remaining	£27,248.02	£ 4,428.11	£ 4,428.11	£ 4,428.11	£ 4,654.57	£ 4,654.57	£ 4,654.55				
		<b>Ward revenue budget £10k per ward</b>	<b>£20k total</b>											
2.1		Christmas Tree Broadway Royton (30ft Tree) 2015 price tbc, allocation based on 2014 cost.	Matt Suett	£ 971.00							£ 485.50	£ 485.50		
2.2		Christmas lights 2015 charge tbc, allocation based on 2014 costs	John McAuley	£ 3,880.00							£ 1,940.00	£ 1,940.00		
2.3		Royton events	Anne Fleming	£ 3,700.00							£ 1,850.00	£ 1,850.00		
2.4														
				£ 8,551.00										
		<b>Ward capital budget £10k per ward</b>	<b>£20k total</b>											
				£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 4,275.50	£ 4,275.50		
		<b>Cllr Remaining Budget</b>			£ 4,428.11	£ 4,428.11	£ 4,428.11	£ 4,654.57	£ 4,654.57	£ 4,654.55	£ 5,724.50	£ 5,724.50	£ 10,000.00	£ 10,000.00

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