

**Minutes from the Airedale Partnership Board Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> December  
2005 2:00pm at Keighley College**

**Present:** Cllr Simon Cooke, (Chair) CBMDC  
William Jowitt, Carnaud Metal Box  
Mick Milner, Leach & Thompson  
David Gates, Bradford Vision  
Jean McAllister, Learning Partnership

**In Attendance:** Andy Taylor, Regeneration Manager CBMDC  
Robert Brough, Brokerage & Network Coordinator  
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**1. Welcome & Introductions:**

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. Apologies:**

2.1 Received from Bob Gomersal (Bradford Technology Group Ltd), Trevor Higgins (BT), Cllr Lynne Joyce (CBMDC)

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting:**

3.1 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2005 were agreed as correct and would be placed on the website.

**4. Matters Arising:**

4.1 Discussions had taken place with the marketing & communications team, an e-bulletin has been agreed along with promotional links with the City Centre and Manningham Masterplans. Promotion of the work being undertaken in Airedale would continue.

**5. Declarations of interest:**

5.1 These would be given at appropriate times during the meeting.

**6. Masterplan Progress report:**

6.1 The Board considered progress with the implementation of the Masterplan.

6.2 The Board was informed that:

- a) The Keighley College relocation plans to Dalton Lane continue to make progress with last minute negotiations on land and property acquisition taking place.
- b) The Chief Executive of the Advanced Digital Institute, Ged Powell is now working with local companies and developing the business plan. His appointment was recently featured in the local press.

- c) That it was understood that there had been good developer interest in the Coolgardie Farm site in Bingley when it was put to the market by its owner. 6 developers had been shortlisted to work up final bids.
- d) Feasibility work was continuing with the Shipley East Link Road. The scheme would have to compete for limited resources for major schemes in the LTP2.
- e) Since the last Board meeting the Council's Executive had agreed the delivery plan and structure for the implementation of the masterplan. The bid for funding was progressing through Yorkshire Forward's appraisal process and would be considered in the Council's budget process.

6.3 There was discussion regarding the submission of a planning application on the former Charlie Brown's site on Otley Road in Shipley. This site had been identified as the location of the Bus/rail interchange and Shipley College's Cultural and Digital Industries Learning Centre. The Board agreed that a letter be sent to the Shipley Planning Panel expressing its concerns and the view that any development on the Otley Road site should protect the proposed route of improved pedestrian links between the town and the railway station. It was also agreed that Mike Kirby, Head of Development Control be invited to the next meeting of the Board to discuss how best we can work with planning officers to ensure that the ideas and aspirations of the Airedale Masterplan are supported when planning applications are considered.

## **7. Update from the Rural Workshop:**

7.1 The Board considered a report on the recent Rural Backdrop Workshop. Over 50 people representing 25 different organisations attended the workshop on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Working in groups the delegates gathered information on current projects and activities in Airedale, had discussions to see how these projects would meet those proposed in the masterplan, worked to identify the key projects to take forward and identify funding opportunities. The next steps in developing the rural backdrop of the masterplan would be agreed once the information gathered from the day had been analysed.

## **8. Board Members page:**

8.1 Board members now have access to their own webpage to monitor progress on the masterplan and a Bulletin Board.

## **9. AOB:**

9.1 The Board had received a letter from David Gates announcing his resignation from the Board following his resignation as Principal of Keighley College. David was thanked for the work he has done both as a board member and his contribution to the development of Keighley as Principal of the College.

- 9.2 It was agreed that Mick Milner would replace David Gates as The Airedale Partnership representative on the Keighley Town Centre Association Board.
- 9.3 It was also agreed that John Henkel (Director of Passenger Services, Metro) should be invited to speak at a future Board meeting.
- 10.0 The next Board meeting will be held on 19 January at 2:00pm at Newmason Property Developers Offices Board Room, Masonsmill, Victoria Mill Shipley.