

Horfield and Lockleaze Neighbourhood Partnership
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Title: NP Progress Report

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1- Neighbourhood Partnership Plan Update: To note progress

2- Equalities Review 2016: For discussion

1.0 Neighbourhood Partnership Plan Update

1.1 The Neighbourhood Partnership Plan complete with updates can be found here goo.gl/StoSVr under Neighbourhood Partnership Plan (not the summary). A presentation on this will be given at the meeting.

2.0 Equalities Review 2016

2.1 During April, May and June 2016 all Neighbourhood Partnership related events and activities included an Equalities monitoring element to capture information about the participation levels of different sections of the community by recognised Equalities Communities.

2.2 The exercise captured for the first time a snapshot to provide a baseline of participation on Neighbourhood Partnership work. The full report comparing the data captured to the 2011 Census data can be found www.bristol.gov.uk/neighbourhood-partnerships/neighbourhood-partnerships-toolkit-and-charter.

2.3. For Horfield and Lockleaze we had a monitoring return of 43.6% (average return was 23.9%). The main results of that quarter's monitoring are:

- Age – under 50 engagement: was higher than the Census proportion
- Disabled People engagement: was higher than the Ward Census proportion
- Non-British White engagement: was the same as the Ward census proportion
- Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic engagement: was half the level of the Ward Census proportion
- Gender engagement: males and females were engaged at the same level as each other but males engaged at lower levels than the Census proportion, females are about the same
- Sexual Orientation: there was no breakdown of sexual orientation by NP area because of low numbers. 5.09% of monitoring returns across the city were from Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community. There are no Census statistics available for sexual orientation; however, the estimate for the City is 6%.

2.4 Obviously a three-month monitoring provides a variable level of the overall picture of engagement. It is affected by specific pieces of work taking part in that time and by how efficient the completion of monitoring is and who chooses to complete it. However, this exercise provides the first concrete information which the Neighbourhood Partnership can use to set a baseline on its engagement and plan work to bring engagement closer to the real population groupings in our Neighbourhood Partnership area as evidenced by the 2011 Census.

2.5 Nick Stephenson also carried out an Equalities Analysis of the Grants for which monitoring forms had been received during 2015-16. This included Green Capital and Wellbeing funds. The 2011 and 2016 reports can be viewed here goo.gl/StoSVr under Wellbeing Grants.

2.6 The Neighbourhood Partnership are invited to consider this information at this meeting to plan how the Neighbourhood Partnership (and the wider neighbourhood) can ensure on-going improvement in engaging all its residents.

2.7 Some suggestions made by Nick are:

- to work with local organisations to reduce the isolation of Equalities groups
- to advertise the Wellbeing fund to specific Equalities groups and offer support to write their applications
- to look at the outcome for Equalities groups, rather than the statistics – perhaps a presentation rather than paperwork
- other suggestions about how to take this forward?