

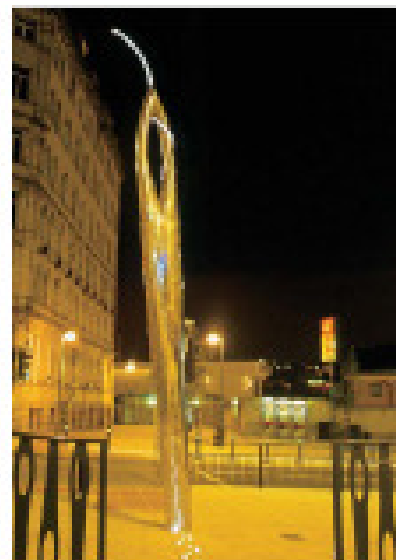
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Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan

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The Market Draft Neighbourhood Development
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Foreword

The Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan (BCCAAP) is being prepared by the City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council as part of the Local Development Framework for Bradford

There has been extensive public consultation on the future of Bradford City Centre over the last 5 years as part of the Bradford Centre Regeneration and the Councils Masterplanning and Neighbourhood Development Framework (NDF) Processes. Comments received to date on the draft Markets NDF have been considered by the Council Regulatory and Appeals Committee on 22nd May 2006 and at its Executive on 16th January 2007.

The Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan (BCCAAP) will bring all of this work together and will aim to address how development and change within the city can be delivered through the development plan system.

This document provides a record of the consultations and key messages associated with the draft Bowl NDF. This report is based upon the report prepared by the Strategic Director of Regeneration, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council presented to Executive Committee on 16th January 2007.

All of the comments received during the Markets NDF consultations will be fully considered as the Council prepares the Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan.

For more information about the Local Development Framework or for copies of the Bradford City Centre Area Action Plan Consultation documentation contact:

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Introduction

The Market Neighbourhood Development Framework (NDF) was produced in March 2006 by planning consultants Arup. Bradford Metropolitan District Council has since carried out a public consultation exercise into the NDF. This report will outline the procedures involved in the consultation exercise and also detail the responses received regarding the Market NDF.

This report will be used to inform Bradford Council Members of the outcome and content of the NDF Consultation and also provide evidence required for the Planning process involved in producing an Area Action Plan for the City Centre, which will eventually become part of the Local Development Framework for the Bradford District.

A team led by Arup and comprising Latham Architects, Civic Regeneration, Donaldson's and Mec-uk developed the Market NDF. The document presented recommendations for intervention in the Market Neighbourhood and was based on the Masterplan, the City Centre Design Guide and data gathered and analysed by the team.

The Market NDF (Draft for Public Comment version) was presented to Bradford Council and Bradford Centre Regeneration, early in March 2006, and 400 printed copies were ordered for the consultation exercise.

Public Consultation

Comment Form

A comment form was devised to allow people/interested parties to respond to the content of the NDF by answering questions. The form also provided basic facts about the NDF and how to get involved in the consultation process. The form was available on the Council web site and was given out during the Market NDF exhibition. Copies were also sent out to a list of consultees (see Appendix 1) together with copies of the NDF. Libraries and planning offices where the NDF could be viewed (see below under deposit locations) were also provided with comment forms for people to take away. The comment form could be returned to the Council using a Freepost address. A copy of Comment form is attached as appendix 2. Comments could also be sent in via an e-mail address.

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COMMENT FORM
The Market

The "Market" is one of four Neighbourhood Development Frameworks (NDF's) prepared to take forward the City Centre Master Plan

What's happening?
 Town planning consultants jointly commissioned by Bradford Council and Bradford Centre Regeneration (the Urban Regeneration Company formed by the Regional Development Agency Yorkshire Forward) have prepared detailed proposals for each of the four neighbourhoods in the Will Alsop City Centre Master Plan of 2003.

The neighbourhood areas are referred to in the Master Plan as the Market, the Valley, the Bowl and the Channel.

Bradford Council is inviting comments from the public on each of the consultants studies. These neighbourhood development frameworks (NDF's) will be major inputs into a new Action Plan the Council is preparing. Because this new plan will supersede the Unitary Development Plan for the City Centre and be the planning policy document against which all planning applications for new development in the centre will be tested, it is important to take the opportunity to comment on the NDF's at this stage.

What are the Neighbourhood Development Frameworks?
 The Will Alsop Master Plan set out a vision for the City Centre. Both Bradford Centre Regeneration and the Council recognised that there was a need to translate the visionary concept of the Master Plan into a detailed implementation plan and programme of action. Accordingly consultants were commissioned to prepare detailed implementation plans for four of the neighbourhoods of the Master Plan area, to flesh out its vision. Each study contains specific practical proposals for taking forward the visionary concepts originally presented in the master plan. They have been presented to the Council as recommendations to take forward.

Who's prepared the Neighbourhood Development Frameworks?
 Each neighbourhood development framework has been prepared by a private firm of consultants.

- The studies for the two areas referred to as the 'Markets' and the 'Channel' have been prepared by Arups.
- The study for the area referred to as the 'Bowl' has been prepared by Alsops.
- The study for the area referred to as the 'Valley' has been prepared by Urbed.

Bradford Council is consulting on all four of these studies in separate exhibitions. In addition copies of the NDF are available for inspection at the following locations:

- Bradford, Keighley, Ilkley and Shipley Planning Offices.
- Bradford, Keighley, Ilkley, Bingley and Shipley Libraries.

How do I get involved?
 Comment forms should be completed and returned to the Council's Freepost address (see overleaf) before 28th March 2006. The Council will also accept written comments by standard letter or by email. Although the Council will make every effort to take into account any comments made after the stated closing date, there can be no guarantee that this will happen.

What happens next?
 The Council's consideration of the comments made will in turn inform and influence the content of the new City Centre Action Plan.

(please turn over)

Comments can refer to any issue or proposal contained in the Neighbourhood Development Framework (NDF) or to proposals that are not included in the NDF but you feel should be included. The Council welcomes all your comments and if you require additional comment forms please contact The Planning Service, 8th Floor, Jacobs Well, Bradford BD1 5RW. Tel: 01274 437195 or download the form from Bradford Council's website at www.bradford.gov.uk.

Data Protection Act 1988 - Personal information provided as part of a representation cannot be treated as confidential as the Council is obliged to make representations available for public inspection. However in compliance with the Data Protection Act the personal information you provide will only be used by the Council for the purpose of preparing the Bradford City Centre Development Plan Document and associated reports.

<p>Please fill in your details below</p> <p>Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Postcode: _____</p> <p>Organisation (if applicable): _____</p>	<p>What is your main interest in the City Centre?</p> <p>I live in the City Centre <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I work in the City Centre (including visiting for business) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I am a student at Bradford College/University <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I shop in the City Centre <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I use tourist and leisure facilities in the City Centre <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other (please state) _____</p>
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1 In order of importance which three ideas/proposals in the NDF do you think are the best?

1st] _____ 2nd] _____ 3rd] _____

2 In order of importance which three ideas/proposals in the NDF do you dislike?

1st] _____ 2nd] _____ 3rd] _____

3 Do you think there is anything missing from the NDF? If yes, please detail

4 Overall, what do you think of the ideas/proposals contained in the NDF?

Dislike Like some parts and not others NDF is OK Like Like very much

Please use the space below to make any further comments regarding the content and proposals of the NDF (use additional sheet if necessary)

Please return completed forms to:
 Planning Implementation Group
 City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council
 Department of Transportation, Design & Planning
 FREEPOST BD818
 8th Floor, Jacobs Well
 BRADFORD BD1 1BR

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Web Site

A copy of the Market NDF (Draft for Public Comment version) was broken down into chapters and made available on the Councils web site from Thursday 2nd March 2006. The comment form could also be downloaded from the web site.

Press Coverage

Bradford 's daily paper the Telegraph and Argus was provided with a press brief on the planned forthcoming exhibition together with details of the NDF's content and how people could get involved. On 2nd March 2006 the paper issued a front page article with the headline "Have YOUR say as first detailed 'master' plan unveiled". A further page inside the paper gave more coverage of the process. Subsequent articles were issued by the T&A on the 6th March and 7th March 2006.

Deposit Locations

Copies of the NDF and comment form were made available from Friday 3rd March until 28th March at Bradford, Keighley, Shipley and Ilkley Planning Office Receptions and Bradford, Keighley, Shipley, Bingley and Ilkley Public Libraries.

Member Briefing

All members of the Council were invited to a pre exhibition launch on the 3rd March between 12pm and 2 pm, where they could raise issues and ask questions regarding the NDF. Seven members of the Council attended this launch. Members of the Councils Executive Committee, Regulatory and Appeals Committee (plus alternatives), Elected Members of the City Ward, the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council together with Opposition Leaders and the two MP's with representing the City Centre Area were all sent personal copies of the NDF and Comment Form.

Exhibition

An exhibition at the Oastler Centre, John Street, Bradford displaying exhibition boards indicating the main interventions proposed by the NDF took place between March 6th and March 8th 2006. The exhibition was open for 2^{1/2} days and attracted 225 visitors.

Consultation Responses

In total 22 responses regarding the Market NDF were received. The following text summarises the comments received.

- Don't like footbridge.
- Put money into hospitals or housing.
- Lake will collect rubbish.
- Canal and housing good ideas.

- I think Bradford should succeed with Bradford Plans.
- All the money spent on these daydreams would be far better spent on urgent and practical ideas. I don't think majority of Bradfordians desire a garbage filled canal and a rodent infested lake, bridges from which dangerous objectionable objects can be thrown, or the glorification of mosques and casinos.
- I would like to see a city that will look futuristic in 20 years time. Buildings should look good 50 years from now not boring. Newcastle, Birmingham and Maastricht have awesome buildings – why can't Bradford?. 3 billion can make a great City – don't build bland buildings.
- To maintain vibrancy traffic flow is key as you have already identified, but parking will become an issue if parking areas are reduced.
- Introduction of mini tram with public transport box would be a great idea to tie the top and bottom of city with a good internal transport system.
- In grand designs and plans like the NDF disabled people need re assurance that all the features discussed will be accessible to them. Street furniture, features and buildings must not become barriers. The document should mention that design would incorporate disability access.
- Residential areas would include design for life concept.
- Retail and leisure areas would be built for disability access.
- The traffic that goes through the City Centre needs to be kept to a minimum, at present there is too much traffic going through centre.
- The railway stations need to be linked up.
- More investment should be put in to park and ride schemes on outskirts of Bradford.
- The Odeon should be used for concerts and conferences.
- Promotion of Market NDF not very good. Central Library and Jacobs Well Planning Reception didn't know what and where NDF was.
- Ring Road should be completed by crossing Westgate straight across. Old housing could be rebuilt on Infirmary site between Lumb Lane and Westgate. Then continue new road to cross Sunbridge Road at Traffic Lights down to Thornton Road (largely dilapidated property) then continue diagonally to the site of old Imperial Hotel, pass old Windsor Baths (now a bar) to join existing ring road above ice rink.

- Empty shops in Rawson Square would indicate planning for specialist shops on White Abbey Road would not be necessary.
- Get rid of pigeons in Rawson Square.
- The proposed footbridge would be ideal for dropping missiles on to traffic in Drewton Road.
- Through traffic must be moved away from the area. It is imperative that a new road is constructed to take traffic from Drewton Road through to Manchester Road. There is little point in improving the Markets Area if traffic is still to transverse Westgate and down onto Godwin Street. Godwin Street needs to be traffic free to bring the T J Hughes store more into the whole equation.
- The proposed new “Northgate Footbridge” would appear to be an attractive feature that would link areas together more easily. However, that does not take away the need for the new road.
- I feel that Victorian style canopies over shops and markets would be both desirable and attractive.
- The proposal to create a new entrance to the market using the old Kirkgate Market gates has my approval. The return of the old John Street Market name would also be welcomed.
- I would not want to see pedestrian areas being open to vehicles.
- Sufficient cheap accessible parking should be provided at various entrances to the Market neighbourhood area.
- There should be good quality, secure, car-parking facility that is easy to find. Results from an “overall parking study” via the context of a city centre transport strategy would maintain and improve car-parking facilities. On street parking (both paid and free) is very important and we do not support proposals in the NDF which would remove or reduce amount currently available.
- We have shown long term interest and support for the return and use of the former Kirkgate Market gates to be used as envisaged in the Market NDF.
- Support is also given to the proposed Northgate footbridge, as it would provide a good pedestrian link between the city centre and Manningham.
- Whilst the perception of an open public space could seem attractive we feel the identified necessary compromises to traffic flows for anything

other than public transport will prove too inhibiting to surrounding businesses. These businesses and their customers require more than “local access and determined delivery times” to function. We feel to implement proposed changes to the surrounding road infrastructure to accommodate Rawson Square proposals would be to the detriment of existing businesses and as such we cannot support them.

- Whilst we support the World Mile, we have concerns about the intended changes to the road infrastructure, which may be necessary to accommodate proposals. Adequate access for car borne customers to the existing central shopping area as well as the world mile is needed. We would like to know more about the proposed traders association, which would help achieve the world mile as a priority intervention.
- We support residential proposal at Cliffside.
- We support mixed use development at Highpoint.
- Our support of the Market NDF is dependant on due consideration being given to existing businesses.
- A public transport system running through the core of the city centre, travelling on pedestrian route without disrupting pedestrians would help new visitors orientate themselves and also help everyone climb and descend the steep hill in the city. This could be a free service funded by local businesses.
- It is important to improve or replace some of the buildings in Bradford that give a bad image.
- The exterior of the Kirkgate Centre needs to be totally redesigned; its image cannot be solved by replacing a few new signs.
- It is very important that Bradford sees these plans to completion, to change negative attitudes towards the city.
- The lack of strategy on how this area is to be served particularly by the motor car. The whole issue of car parking is left to another study but it is fundamental to the development of the area. If regeneration is to be successful the integration of the motor car and ease of access for shoppers is vital.
- Areas on the periphery of the study are ignored. I am concerned about the Upper Godwin Street, Barry Street and Sunbridge Road triangle, which has been ruined by heavy traffic for many years. This area is underused and has some fine buildings – there is no strategy for regeneration in this area.

- The NDF shows a lack of understanding on how traffic will move around and feed into the city centre – any strategy cannot ignore the motor car.
- We support idea of a bus loop around the City Centre. This service is needed now rather than when City Centre redevelopment has been completed. People need to be able to access The John Street/Darley Street area for the shop and post office. A frequent mini bus service from the Interchange via Market Street, Forster Square Station, the Valley Road retail parks, Hamm Strasse, Darley Street, Kirkgate Centre, Godwin Street and back to the Interchange is suggested. This would help shoppers particularly elderly and disabled. Other places the route could include are Colour Museum, Museum of Photography, St Luke's Hospital, Bradford College and University and their Halls of Residence.
- I broadly support the proposed bus loop in the City Centre. If the bus loop is to be a success the private car needs to be restricted on Sunbridge Road and John Street. The mini interchanges are to be welcomed. Northern Rail needs to keep the school Street entrance to Foster Square Station open at all times to ensure the transition between road and rail.
- Busses may have difficulties in turning from John Street into Westgate.
- All busses should use Interchange.
- There should be a more direct entrance/route from Forster Square to Valley Parade to encourage fans to leave their cars at home.
- I support the Bus loop proposals for the City Centre with the following concerns.
- If at all possible the road layouts should enable reduced journey times for buses in the City Centre, the current journey times are too long due to the volumes of traffic and excessive number of traffic signals.
- Traffic signals should give more priority to buses. Could the traffic signals at Aldermanbury and Market Street/Bridge be replaced with mini roundabouts?
- Bus lay-bys would be beneficial to prevent buses being delayed by other buses in front loading and unloading passengers.
- The section of the proposed loop along Barry street and Westgate/Godwin Street is extremely busy all day- if the loop causes Market Street to become one way then all the buses going to interchange will have to use Westgate /Godwin Street adding to the congestion, increasing journey times and dissuade people to travel by bus, or to travel into the City Centre at all.

- The traffic signals at Rawson Square cause queues of traffic on John Street and Westgate mainly from cars going to Kirkgate Centre. I hope the rerouting of traffic to the Kirkgate Centre will not increase the traffic queuing on Westgate/Godwin Street.
- If the city Centre roads get much busier this will cause difficulties for the emergency services.
- Bradford and District Senior Power fully support the city centre bus loop.
- A public transport loop is essential, as is removing all vehicular access within the loop (except loading to be done at off peak times). Cars should be removed from the centre.
- Bank Holiday International Market was a success because when the stalls took over the streets people were not having to avoid buses lorries and taxis.

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