

ADULT SOCIAL CARE COMMONWEALTH GAMES

COMMONWEALTH GAMES, CULTURE AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OVERVIEW
AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
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Role of Adult Social Care

- Under the Care Act, local authorities have duties to make sure that people who live in their areas:
 - Receive services that prevent their care needs from becoming more serious, or delay the impact of their needs
 - Can get the information and advice they need to make good decisions about care and support
 - Have a range of high quality, appropriate care services to choose from

Adult Social Care Engagement Group

- Raise awareness, enthusiasm and engagement in all aspects of the Commonwealth Games (pre / during and post games legacy)
- Enable the Directorate to deliver against the key Corporate Objective of 'Birmingham residents gaining the maximum benefit from hosting the Commonwealth Games'
- Support the sharing of information, ideas and opportunities with relevant individuals and groups
- Organised Webinars so Citizens and community organisations could learn more about volunteering and other opportunities.



Accessibility

- Member of the Organising Committee (OC) Accessibility Forum
- ASC promotion of 'Accessibility' to Opportunities (Volunteering / Jobs / mass participation events such as opening and closing ceremonies)
- Part of group working to improve accessibility of venues and wayfinding both via OC and BCC



Adult Social Care (ASC) Reach Group

- Contact list of around 400 community based organisations / individuals who work with ASC to support adults in the community including
 - ASC Charities and Voluntary Sector Organisations (linked via Neighbourhood Networks)
 - Groups supporting people with Disabilities
 - Pure Project employment organisations
 - Parents and Carers Organisations supporting Preparation for Adulthood
 - Day Centres
 - Migration Forum members
- Developed to enable ASC to share information quickly and directly; and offer support to access the opportunities in the City associated with the games such as CWG grants, volunteering and cultural activities (e.g. via email / webinars).

AccessAble and Accessible tourism

- Worked with AccessAble and linked to internal and external Birmingham City Council Leisure Services to sign up to development of guides for people with disabilities to facilitate access.
- Have arranged for Alexandra Stadium to have full guide developed once games overlay removed and stadium handed back to the Council.
- Working with AccessAble to look at work to identify further opportunities for improvement in accessible venues within the City
- Linking in with work commissioned by BCC Tourism Team around making city sites accessible to people with disabilities.

Changing Places



- Put in bid for a number of changing places to improve the availability of facilities within the City.
- Successful in being awarded grant bids to support a number of sites to upgrade facilities to changing places standards.

Cultural and Community Programs

- Officer seconded from Culture to ASC 1 day a week to support Neighbourhood Networks (NNS)
- Promoting opportunities for Adult Social Care Users to experience and join in the cultural festival
- Promotion and support to community organisations (via NNS and Culture Officer links) to apply for grants





Volunteering and Job Opportunities

- Accessibility Advice to OC
- Promotion of opportunities via ASC Engagement Group and Reach Network
- Series of Webinars for ASC Network to promote opportunities
- Linking Pure Project and Preparation for Adulthood employment organisations into wider Jobs and Skills academy



Queens Baton Relay

- Identified organisations representative of people with disabilities to be part of the committee considering applications for baton bearers to help ensure diverse representation
- Identified sites across the city to be put forward as stops for the QBR to increase viability and access for people with disabilities.
- Included a wide range of our community organisations delivering Neighbourhood network support, Preparation for Adulthood services, Refugee and Asylum, Young Carers, people who are homeless.
- Promoted engagement and applications from our citizens to be baton bearers.

Change Kitchen and Accessible Cycling

- Legacy funding used to support preparation for adult hood services to deliver a number of 'change kitchen' programs to help young people in transition learn how to cook health on a budget.
- Looking at also support an increase in Accessible Cycling opportunities utilising remaining funding.



