

## Jobs for Bradford

Hundreds of new jobs are to be created in Bradford following a boost from the Government to enable a modern office development in City Park.

The new office block, on the site of the former Tyrls police station, is to be known as No 1 City Park, and will mean another piece of the City Park jigsaw is slotting into place.

Creating 5,500sq-metres of office space, it is expected to bring in 450 permanent jobs and 400 construction jobs.

Leeds City Region is to get £72.8m of new investment in its first year from the Growth Deal, with further funding adding up to £573m from 2016 to 2021.

## Curry Capital

Food lovers are being asked to help the city keep its Curry Capital of Britain title for the fourth time.

Bradford Council's tourism team, Visit Bradford are asking curry connoisseurs in the Bradford district to vote for their favourite restaurant, to represent Bradford in the national competition.

People can vote by emailing details of their favourite curry restaurant in the Bradford district to [vote@fedrest.com](mailto:vote@fedrest.com) or fill in a form at Bradford Visitor Information Centre. This year you can also tweet @VisitBradford and use the hashtag #BFDCurry to cast your vote.

The public has until 14th August to vote and then the votes will then be counted and the four restaurants with most votes will go forward to represent Bradford as the 2014 Curry Capital of Britain team.

## Could you foster a child?

More long-term foster families are urgently needed in and around Kirklees so that local children can enjoy a better quality of life.

That's the warning from Kirklees Council, who need to find permanent homes for 85 children in their care until they reach adulthood, or are able to live independently.

The council has launched a new appeal so that local children in need of permanent foster care can settle with one family instead of having to be moved from place to place.

Long-term placements can have massive benefits for the child, keeping them closer to their friends, their family and everything they know.

For more information about fostering please visit [www.kirklees.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/fostering) or speak directly to someone from Kirklees Fostering Team at 0800 389 0086.

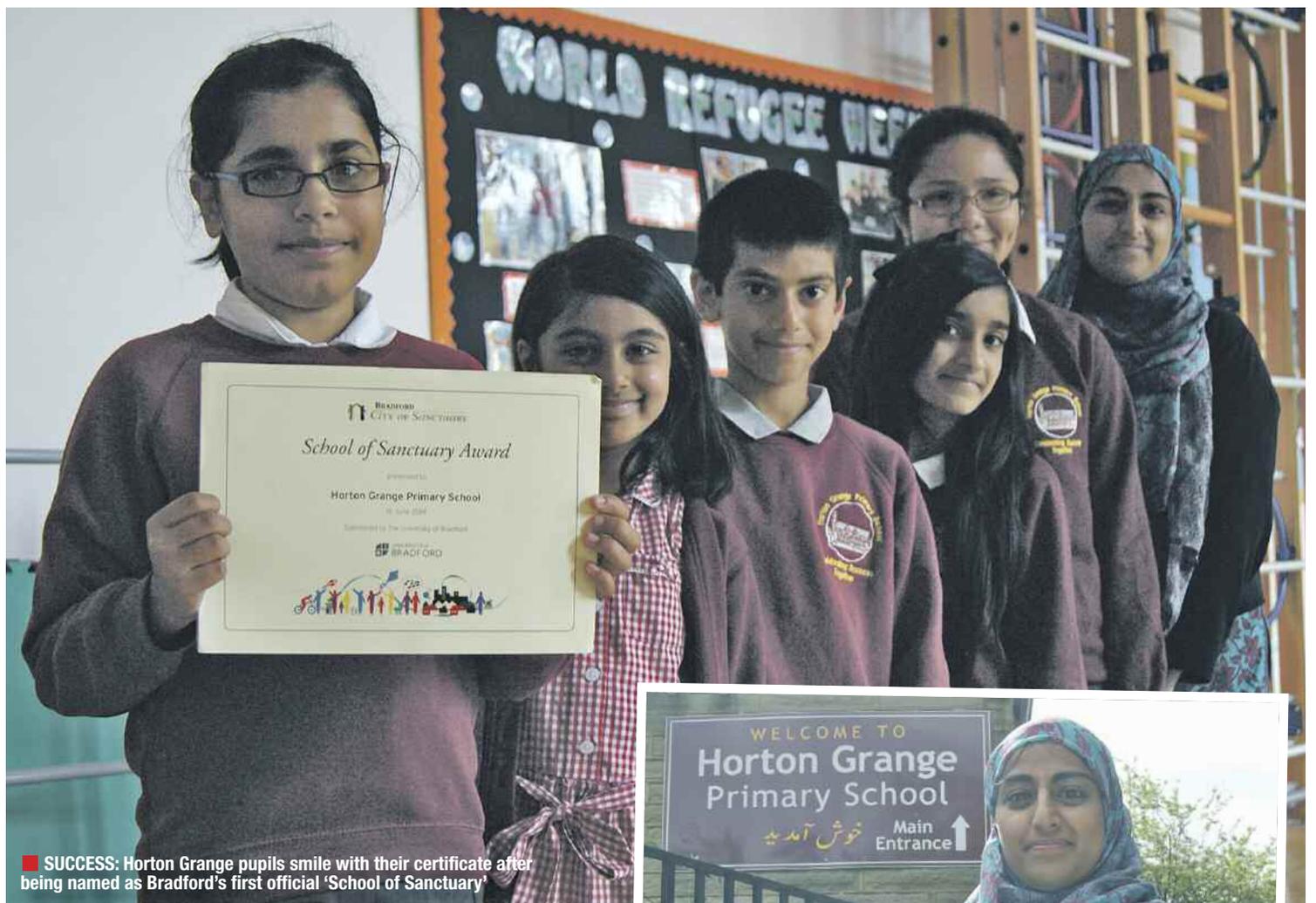
## £200k fine

A Shaw Cross man has received a substantial confiscation order from Leeds Crown Court for using greenbelt farmland to store and sell vehicles.

Norman Hargreaves of Lees House Farm, 996 Leeds Road, Shaw Cross, Dewsbury was prosecuted by Kirklees Council for offences under S179 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for ignoring a planning enforcement notice and continuing to store and sell vehicles on the land between January and August 2012.

He pleaded guilty to the offence at Kirklees Magistrates on 5th February 2012 but the case was committed to Leeds Crown Court for sentencing and confiscation under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

He was sentenced at Leeds Crown Court on Monday June 30 after the confiscation proceedings brought by Kirklees Council had been concluded, and ordered to pay back £223,390.



■ SUCCESS: Horton Grange pupils smile with their certificate after being named as Bradford's first official 'School of Sanctuary'

# School of Sanctuary

## Cohesion is champion at local primary school

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A school in Bradford has been commended for its promotion of 'cohesion, diversity and anti-racism' after becoming the first educational establishment in the city to receive a prestigious award.

Horton Grange Primary scooped the School of Sanctuary Award last month in recognition of their hard work around refugees and asylum seekers.

Pupils at the school demonstrated a passion for learning about the subject whilst the teaching staff provided a curriculum which helped reinforce aims and visions promoting social cohesion.

As part of the criteria to gain the award, Horton Grange had to provide a portfolio of work for evidential proof that they were working towards making the site a welcoming and safe place for all.

Sanctuary in Schools project development worker, Mary Blacka, praised the school as she handed over the award, saying the pupils and staff had really gone the extra mile.

"Normally the portfolios are one well-stuffed lever-arch file but when I turned up at Horton Grange I found four enormous, crammed lever-arch files," she said.

"I think that is typical of the way the school addresses issues around diversity and cohesion and this award is very richly deserved."

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The school has already been praised for its work in promoting racial equality; becoming the first in the country to receive the Stephen Lawrence Award at Level Two first time.



■ PROUD: R.E and Equality co-ordinator, Niela Ahmed, was delighted to see the school receive the award

For their latest award, the school held a number of events which culminated in the national Refugee Week where pupils were involved in extra workshops around asylum seekers and refugees.

A giant canvas project was completed in conjunction with the Human Relief Foundation and Sewing Bradford, whilst a special play was performed by pupils, showing the struggles of asylum seekers, produced alongside the Zephaniah Trust.

Niela Ahmed, R.E and Equality co-ordinator, explained further: "We've been working towards this for so long and it was actually during Refugee Week that we got the award."

"After the canvas was unveiled in the morning we had a separate ceremony after school at the Fabric Gallery where we were presented with the certificate for a School of Sanctuary award."

"We were all really proud, firstly, because we are the first school in Bradford to get it, and secondly because of all the hard work put in over the last year."

The school is now working towards obtaining the Stephen Lawrence Award at Level Three as it continues to promote cohesion in a multicultural society.

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