

MINUTES

MEETING NAME: FAREHAM PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY PARTNERSHIP

Date: Tuesday 13th May 2008
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Council Chamber

Attendees: Dr Pauline Holmes, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust
Councillor Swanbrow, Fareham Borough Council
Caroline Dibden, Campaign for Protection of the Rural England
Brenda Clapperton, The Fareham Society
Nicola Jane, Radian
Andy Maclean, Transport Team South, Hampshire County Council
Chris Payne, Gosport Borough Council
Phil Rayner, Head of Performance & Improvement, Fareham Borough Council
Linda Jewell, Head of Planning Policy and Development, Fareham Borough Council
Selina Crocombe, Principal Planning Officer, Fareham Borough Council
Andy Viccars, Head of Engineering and Transportation, Fareham Borough Council
Heather Cusack, Environmental Health Manager, Fareham Borough Council
Emma Clarke, LDF Support Officer, Fareham Borough Council - minute taker

Apologies: Matt Kitchin, First Group
Charlotte Brown, Miller Homes Ltd
Mike Jeffery, Gosport Borough Council

ACTION

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from :
Matt Kitchin, First Group
Charlotte Brown, Miller Homes Ltd
Mike Jeffery, Gosport Borough Council

2. Notes of last meeting

Notes of the previous meeting were accepted. Brenda Clapperton expressed her thanks for the more detailed notes.

3. Redefining the Partnership

A briefing paper was prepared for the Planning and Sustainability Partnership by Colin Mitchell.

- The briefing note explains that the partnership was set up primarily to look at the LDF and its influence upon the Sustainable Community Strategy. It was felt that the LSP needs to guide the LDF and set the agenda.

The Terms of Reference are set in the appendices, making sure priorities are within the SCS. The TOR will need to identify three key priorities.

Details of the membership are set out in the final section. The group discussed whether these members should be invited on a regular basis or when particular topics arise for discussion. LJ has received an email from Jim Weeks who represents local cyclists and would like to be involved in the partnership.

The group felt that it would be useful to have an officer from WCC or the Wickham Society for the Fareham Strategic Development Area. LJ explained that a project board has been set up to discuss these issues and proposals have been put forward for a consultative forum. FBC are currently looking at what further evidence is currently required for the SDA. LJ to circulate information on members of the SDA project board and who will be represented.

The group felt that there should be a regular item on the agenda on PUSH as they are reconstituting themselves in terms of groups. It would be useful to have information on where they have got to, what is on their agenda.

LSP meetings currently feed into PUSH meeting, i.e. Green Infrastructure Study.

PH explained that the Hants loW Wildlife Trust has been involved with this study along with the Integrated Water Management Study, which has included workshop participation.

It was felt that some of the wording of the briefing paper should be amended,

Transport for South Hampshire should be added to 'undertake a lobbying role'.

It was also agreed that the name of the partnership should be changed to Environment and Transport partnership, as this could influence more officers to attend from the transport sector.

PR reported that the main role of the thematic partnerships is lobbying and to try and influence the PUSH agenda and Hants LAA. Therefore we need a sound SCS to push changes within Fareham. PR to identify tangible objectives that are pro-active.

PR - Hants have agreed areas for improvement and national indicators to measure areas of achievement. Deadline for negotiating targets is the end of June. PR to forward draft priorities for EC to circulate with minutes.

PH - need to set realistic targets for transportation issues that are achievable.

PR agreed point and felt that evidence need to be made clear to gain positive results.

PH aims to influence HCC and set the agenda. What is our lobbying role in terms of influencing the hierarchy and setting targets?

LJ and PR to work on streamlining the Terms of Reference and circulate outside of the partnership meeting for comments. TOR will then be added as an item on the agenda for the next meeting and will then be signed off.

It was agreed that meetings should still be held on a quarterly basis and special meetings should be set up when required.

4. Sustainable Community Strategy

PR - Re-organisation of the LSP statutory requirement to produce SCS on behalf of the LSP and partnership with the LSP board and thematic partnerships.

The last board produced a draft vision for the strategy. Workshops were held where lead officers and the lead person from each partnership attended to discuss various issues and feedback into the SCS. The target is to show what life is like in Fareham in the strategy and key areas that need to be addressed.

A meeting will be set up in late June/early July to look at ideas for the Partnership. EC to circulate a date.

Brenda Clapperton asked for some clarification with regards to the SCS and the Sustainability Appraisal produced by Fareham Borough Council's planning policy team, as she felt she had been overwhelmed with consultation documents. LJ explained that the SCS sets out sustainability objectives for the community in general whereas the Sustainability Appraisal is linked in with the Core Strategy.

5. Indicators - National and Hants LAA

LJ has examined a new set of 180 national indicators that have replaced the BVPI. This currently includes access of services by public transport, CO2 reduction, coastal erosion and risk management, etc.

National targets have been set and monitoring is being collected by government and local authorities.

PR stated that this information can be collected from the Hampshire Observatory. This is being held accountable for 62 of the figures - this information can be found on the National Data Hub - it is currently not clear what level of data will be retrieved - HCC are leading on this project.

PR explained that this information is available on the DCLG website under local government heading and National Performance Framework.

Hants LAA

There are currently 35 priority targets, which excludes Southampton and Portsmouth, group to concentrate on indicators relevant to Fareham.

CD - PUSH are developing a Multi Area Agreement draft which relates to the PUSH area. CD to forward EC a link to the website.

5. Date of Next Meeting

EC to organise a meeting to be held at the end of June/beginning of July, and circulate new TOR in the meantime.

Tuesday 12th August 2008 - 10am - Council Chamber

Thursday 6th November 2008 - 10am - Council Chamber

Tuesday 3rd February 2009 - 10am - Collingwood Room