

networkfareham

Fareham's Community Partnership

MINUTES of a meeting of the networkfareham Board held at the Civic Offices, Fareham on Tuesday 3 June 2008.

Present:

Board members	
Councillor Seán Woodward	Fareham Borough Council
Councillor Trevor Cartwright (Chairman)	Economic Development Partnership
Councillor Ray Ellis	Hampshire County Council
Paul O'Beirne	Community Engagement Partnership
Neil Luckett (on behalf of Noreen Kickham & Kathryn Rowles)	Health and Well Being Partnership
Chief Inspector Steve Wallace	Community Safety Partnership
Revd Frank Wright	Children and Young People's Partnership
Dr Pauline Holmes	Environment and Transport Partnership
Support Officers	
Peter Grimwood	Fareham Borough Council
Phil Rayner	Fareham Borough Council
Jo Hamilton	LSP Coordinator, Networkfareham
Tony Mundy	Fareham Borough Council
Des Hobson	Hampshire County Council
Colin Mitchell	Independent Adviser
Pam Buckingham	Fareham Borough Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Noreen Kickham and Kathryn Rowles (Health and Well Being Partnership) and Hazel Warwick (Housing Partnership)

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the (networkfareham) Board held on 4 March 2008 were agreed (*copy circulated with the agenda*). Arising from their consideration of the minutes, the Board was informed as to the following:-

- Minute 6 – Indices of Deprivation 2007. The Head of Performance and Improvement stated that work was progressing on obtaining the detailed information the Board had requested and expert advice, help and support was being sought.
- Minute 8 – Website Development. Jo Hamilton reported that links to the Hampshire Police Authority and Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority had now been made on the (networkfareham) website.

3. UPDATES FROM THEMATIC PARTNERSHIPS

Thematic partnership representatives gave an update report on progress since March 2008 (*copies of feedback reports circulated with agenda*).

Matters arising from discussion were:-

- Reference to the recent Social Inclusion Partnerships paper on Child Poverty
- Safer Schools Partnership has been recognised at a national level
- Police allocation of a PC to work in two local schools in term-time
- Reference to the national schools alcohol plan – possible opportunities for cross-cutting project to address alcohol misuse
- Progress in making linkages with other partnerships/agencies regarding PCT alcohol related data was reported.

It was AGREED that each representative be thanked for their update report and the information noted.

4. FUNDING

The Board received for consideration a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) concerning funding. The report identified the amounts received and allocated for project funding. It was noted that an unallocated amount of £9330 was available for bids from each thematic partnership but to date no bids had been received. Thematic partnership members were invited to give this matter further consideration.

The Board was also requested to approve the proposed Expenses Claims Policy attached as Appendix A to the report.

It was AGREED that the networkfareham Expenses Claims Policy, as detailed in Appendix A, be approved, subject to the deletion of the tables of various mileage rates and their replacement with one single rate of 40p per mile for all journeys inside and outside the Borough.

5. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY (SCS) PROGRESS REPORT

The Board received a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) which updated members on progress since the matter was last considered at the meeting on 4 March 2008. The report outlined the next steps being taken towards the development of a draft strategy for consideration at the meeting in September 2008. Reference was made to the two workshops which had taken place since the last Board meeting and the outcomes/feedback therefrom.

The report was presented by Colin Mitchell, the LSP's independent adviser. He highlighted four key issues for the Board to consider at this stage :-

- Adoption of a statement of vision and aims and the form of words this might take.
- The format of the strategy. It was considered that value would be added by (i) an emphasis on cross-cutting issues; and (ii) use of the strategy as a lobbying tool in order to influence the wider regional/subregional strategies to take account of the issues and priorities identified in Fareham
- The proposed consultation process and methods
- The timetable for the development of the Strategy with a view to its final approval by the Board in March 2009

Members were asked to note that since the Board's last meeting, the Planning and Sustainability Partnership had been redefined and renamed the Environment and Transport Partnership. This was done to reflect the partnership's change of emphasis from the LDF and more towards issues relating to improving the quality of the environment, improving transport infrastructure and congestion and towards a more sustainable borough.

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that progress on the development of the Sustainable Community Strategy be noted;
- (b) that a draft Sustainable Community Strategy be prepared for consideration by the Board at its meeting on 9 September 2008; and
- (c) that a draft paper on proposals for consultation on the Sustainable Community Strategy be prepared for the Board's consideration at its meeting on 9 September 2008.

6. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT UPDATE

The Board received a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) which updated members since the matter was last considered by the Board at its meeting on 4 March 2008. Members were particularly referred to the list of priorities and indicators shown in Appendix A attached to the report.

It was AGREED that:-

- (a) each thematic subgroup be requested to specifically review the LAA indicators/targets under their relevant theme and recommend to the Board whether any influencing needs to be done to ensure that Fareham is fully involved in the LAA process; and
- (b) the Board uses its lobbying and influencing role to ensure that any feedback from the thematic partnerships is fed back to the relevant leads in the LAA process.

7. COMMUNITY ACTION TEAMS FUNDING

Councillor Woodward informed the Board that the fourth round of Community Action Team (CATs) meetings was now in progress. The public meetings took place on a quarterly basis in five areas across the borough, involved other partners and partnerships and had proved to be a useful consultation platform with residents and local interested groups. Funding for the 2 year trial period had been provided by the Council at a cost of £265,000. For the CAT meetings to continue after 2009, additional financial support would be needed from other sources. Partnership members were requested to give early consideration to a pooling of resources to enable the future continuation of the programme of meetings. Members were advised that dates of the CAT meetings were available on the Council's website.

It was AGREED that the matter be noted and that the dates of the CATs meetings be circulated to LSP members.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Details of future meeting arrangements up until December 2009 were notified as follows:-

Tuesday 9 September 2008 - Collingwood Room, Fareham
Tuesday 2 December 2008 (AGM) - Collingwood Room, Fareham
Tuesday 3 March 2009 - Collingwood Room, Fareham
Tuesday 2 June 2009 - Collingwood Room, Fareham
Tuesday 8 September 2009 - Collingwood Room, Fareham
Tuesday 1 December 2009 (AGM) - Collingwood Room, Fareham
All meetings to be held from 4.00 pm until 6.00pm.

(The meeting started at 4.00 pm and ended at 5.05 pm)