

networkfareham Board Meeting Tuesday 3 March 2009

Item 5 Briefing Paper Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation

INTRODUCTION

1. Network Fareham has now completed its Sustainable Community Strategy. The final version of the strategy will be published both on the Network Fareham and Fareham Borough Council websites (www.networkfareham.org.uk and www.fareham.gov.uk) from the beginning of March 2009.
2. The partnership now wishes to consult the residents of Fareham, along with related organisations on the strategy. This consultation will focus on asking individuals and organisations what they think the partnership's future priorities should be, as well as appealing for ideas on how improvements in communities can be made.
3. It has been agreed that the Sustainable Community Strategy consultation period will run from Tuesday March 3 2009 to Friday 30 May (twelve weeks). There is the possibility that the consultation period will be extended until the end of June.
4. This report sets out the channels Network Fareham will use to consult on the strategy.

CONSULTEES and CONSULTATION CHANNELS

5. Network Fareham has identified a number of audiences, along with the consultation channels to be used during to hear their views. These are identified in the table below:

Audiences	Consultation Channels
Fareham residents	Network Fareham E-Panel Network Fareham & FBC websites Media release Fareham Today (If consultation extended to end of June)
Community and voluntary groups	Fareham Community Action newsletter
Elected Members of Fareham Borough Council	Members' Newsletter Letter to all Members
Elected Hampshire County Council Members	Letter
LSP partners (police, health, etc)	Letter

Fareham Youth Council	Meeting and presentation
Neighbouring local authorities	Letter
FBC staff	Intranet/CXMT
Equality Forum	Letter

FAREHAM E-PANEL

6. Network Fareham, through its Community Engagement Partnership, has constructed a panel of residents who have volunteered to take part in regular e-consultation. The panel comprises over 900 members and has been balanced to reflect the demographic and socio-economic profile of the borough of Fareham.
7. The Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation will be the first piece of consultation undertaken with the E-Panel.
8. Members of the panel will be sent an email alerting them that the first consultation is 'live' and asking them to complete the on-line survey.

OTHER CONSULTATION CHANNELS

9. All other consultation channels will be activated during March, April and May, with the work being carried out by Alistair Tait and Amanda Mahoney of Fareham Borough Council.

CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

10. Feedback from the consultation will be collated during the summer. It will be reported to the Network Fareham Board in September 2009.
11. The following table highlights how those consulted will receive feedback.

Consultee	Feedback method
Fareham residents	Article in winter edition of Fareham Today (distributed early December) Network Fareham and FBC websites E-Panel members email to alert them to the consultation findings
Community and voluntary groups	Fareham Community Action newsletter
FBC elected Members	Article in Members' Newsletter (end Sept 2009) Email alert directing to website
HCC Members	Letter (end Sept 2009)

LSP partners	Network Fareham Board meeting September 2009
Fareham Youth Council	Letter (end of Sept 2009)
Neighbouring local authorities	Letter (end of Sept 2009)
FBC Staff	Intranet/cascade (Sept 2009)
Equality Forum	Letter (end Sept 2009)

CONCLUSION

12. Network Fareham is keen to hear the voices of the communities of the borough of Fareham and keen to understand what they see as priorities for the partnership.
13. In addition, the partnership is keen to hear of any ideas people or organisations may have to improve the Borough. Equally, it is interested in learning about successful actions already taken to improve individual communities.
14. The Sustainable Community Strategy Consultation will enable Network Fareham, to achieve this.