

networkfareham

Fareham's Community Partnership

MINUTES of a meeting of the networkfareham Board held at the Civic Offices, Fareham on Tuesday 4 March 2008.

Present:

Board members	
Councillor Sean Woodward	Fareham Borough Council
Councillor Trevor Cartwright (Chairman)	Economic Development Partnership
Councillor Ray Ellis	Hampshire County Council
Paul O'Beirne	Community Engagement Partnership
Noreen Kickham	Health and Well Being Partnership
Hazel Warwick	Housing Partnership
Chief Inspector Steve Wallace	Community Safety Partnership
Revd Frank Wright	Children and Young People's Partnership
Dr Pauline Holmes	Planning and Sustainability Partnership
Support Officers	
Margaret St George	Hampshire County Council
Peter Grimwood	Fareham Borough Council
Phil Rayner	Fareham Borough Council
Jo Hamilton	LSP Coordinator, Networkfareham
Tony Mundy	Fareham Borough Council
Linda Jewell	Fareham Borough Council
Pam Buckingham	Fareham Borough Council

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the (networkfareham) Board held on 6 December 2007 were circulated at the meeting and agreed.

2. UPDATES FROM THEMATIC PARTNERSHIPS

Each of the thematic partnership representatives gave an update report on progress since December 2007 (*copies of feedback reports circulated with agenda*). In addition, the Community Engagement Partnership circulated a

draft list which mapped out what has already been done in terms of community engagement, with the aim of enabling organisations to see what areas of collaboration are possible

Linda Jewell gave a verbal update on progress concerning the Planning and Sustainability Thematic Partnership. The group had recently received a presentation on the Local Development Framework (LDF) and had put forward specific comments to be taken into account as part of the LDF process. The Board was informed that it was felt most appropriate for LDF matters to be taken to each thematic partnership so each could submit comments accordingly. At the next meeting of the Partnership it was intended to consider specifically the group's priorities and aims.

Matters arising from discussion were:-

- difficulties in obtaining allocated government funding from the County Council;
- a proposal that lead officers from the PCT give a presentation to future Board meetings on specific work being undertaken in respect of the three priority areas;
- consideration be given to ways of making linkages with work undertaken by individual thematic partnerships, for example regarding alcohol misuse/alcohol reduction

It was AGREED:-

(a) that each representative be thanked for their update report and the information and outcomes noted; and

(b) that Councillor Cartwright, in his capacity as Chairman of both networkfareham Board and the Community Safety Partnership, write to Hampshire County Council regarding funding difficulties created by the Area Based Grant and the impact this has at the local level.

4. DRAFT STATUTORY GUIDANCE – CREATING STRONG, SAFE AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES

The Board received for consideration a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) concerning the draft document, Creating Strong, Safe and Prosperous Communities which provides guidance to local authorities and their partners on creating strong safe and prosperous communities, specifically relating to new legislation introduced in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007. The view was expressed that the actions of the networkfareham Board were in line with the guidance provided in the document.

It was AGREED that the report be noted.

5. TOWARDS A NEW SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY (SCS)

The Board received a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) which set out a suggested format for the strategy and the proposed next steps towards the development of the strategy. A draft of the proposed first three elements of the strategy was contained in Appendix A attached to the report. The report was accompanied by a presentation from the Head of Performance and Improvement. Members were referred, in particular, to paragraph 8 of the report regarding the proposed next steps in the development of the strategy the final version of which was to be submitted to the Board in early 2009. A number of members expressed interest in taking part in the facilitated workshops.

It was AGREED that the format and proposed development of the strategy as detailed in the report be endorsed.

6. INDICES OF DEPRIVATION 2007

The Board received a briefing report (*circulated with agenda*) which detailed the results of the index of Multiple Deprivation 2007 (IMD 2007), which was published by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) in December 2007. It was intended that each thematic partnership should take account of the results in the development of their associated tranche of the Sustainable Community Strategy. The Head of Performance and Improvement answered specific questions on the information contained in the report with particular relevance to the area identified in figure 3 in the report.

It was AGREED that the information in the report be noted and that the Head of Performance and Improvement be requested to provide further details on the causes of deprivation in the area .

7. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT UPDATE

The Board received a briefing paper (*circulated with agenda*) which described current progress towards the new Local Area Agreement (to be established in June 2008) and also indicated the actions required by networkfareham in response to the Local Area Agreement. It was noted that the timescale for response to Hampshire County Council on the preferred 35 indicators was short as district LSPs will be consulted from March onwards and the formal submission of Hampshire LAA will take place on 2 June 2008. Each thematic partnership was advised to make their individual response to the consultation.

It was AGREED that the actions required by networkfareham Board, as summarised in the report, be noted.

8. WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The Board received a demonstration of the new website from Jo Hamilton, LSP Co-ordinator. The Board was shown the proposed "home page" of the

LSP website which was being developed for launch in March 2008. It was anticipated that agenda and minutes of meetings of each thematic partnership would be put on the website for other partnerships to access. Representatives of partner organisations were requested to make reciprocal links on their own organisation's websites. It was also requested that website links to the Hampshire Police Authority and Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority be added.

It was AGREED that Jo Hamilton be thanked for her presentation and that links to the Hampshire Police Authority and Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority be added to the website.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Jo Hamilton informed the Board that the Audit Commission has recently written to LSPs on the subject of Managing Performance in LSPs. The commission had requested a list of certain members of the Board and it was anticipated that these members might be contacted in the future.

10. FUTURE MEETING DATES

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

Tuesday 3 June 2008 - Collingwood Room, Fareham
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 5.25 pm)*