



# STRATFORD DISTRICT PARTNERSHIP

## Minutes of the LSP Core Group Meeting held at Elizabeth House, Stratford-upon-Avon on Wednesday 17 February 2010

### Present:

Alan Bartlett	LSP Vice Chair
Trevor Honychurch	Stratford Community Forum
Jayne Longfield	Healthy Communities and Older People
Julia Phillips	Stronger Communities
Trevor Russel	Stour Community Forum
Deb Saunders	NHS Warwickshire
Ian Whiting	Warwickshire Police
Chris Williams	Warwickshire County Council

### Support Officers:

Dave Nash	Stratford-on-Avon District Council
Lizzie Price	Warwickshire County Council

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<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies for absence were received from: Graeme Betts - Warwickshire County Council Mike Brain – Economic Development & Enterprise David Close – Wellesbourne/Kineton Community Forum Charles Goody – LSP Chair Simon Jackson – Climate Change & Environment Jenny Murray – Warwickshire County Council Stephen Thirlwell – Henley and Studley Community Forum Elisabeth Uggerloese – WALC David Wise – Southam/Feldon Community Forum	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2009</b>  The minutes were accepted as a true record.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
<b>3.1</b>	<b>Programme of action - NEET</b>  It was requested that an update from the CYPF Group be presented to the next meeting.	Martin Penny
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Community Forums</b>  It was requested that an update from the lead officer be presented to the next meeting.	Jenny Murray
<b>4.</b>	<b>Warwickshire Partnerships Peer Review</b>  The update by way of the papers circulated for the meeting was noted.  The Group discussed issues that it considered should be raised with the Peer Review Team. One issue was highlighted, namely the apparent dislocation between the county and district level theme groups. It was considered that the relative responsibilities are not well defined, that there exists a potential for duplication and that the	

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	<p>lack of joined up working tends to lead to problems such as the recent unease about the allocation of funding resources within the Safer Communities block.</p> <p><b>Agreed</b> that the Stratford representatives attending the Localisation Workshop be asked to raise these matters.</p> <p>Arising from this item it was <u>requested</u> that WCC report to the next meeting on how its widely publicised budget reductions can be expected to impact on partnership working and the delivery of improved outcomes across Stratford District.</p>	<p>Dave Nash</p> <p>Jenny Murray</p>						
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Future structure of the LSP</b></p> <p>Alan Bartlett presented the report as circulated with the agenda papers. During the ensuing debate the following points of view were accepted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o all theme groups should be firmly focused on delivery;</li> <li>o caution must be exercised to ensure that the South Warwickshire CDRP covers the full remit of work envisaged as being delivered under the Safer Communities section of the District Sustainable Community Strategy; and</li> <li>o the Theme Co-ordination Group be viewed as a transition group, its remit be further clarified at the April meeting and its lifespan be agreed initially as not exceeding 12 months.</li> </ul> <p>Subject to the above, it was <b>AGREED:</b></p> <p>That the LSP structure as proposed in the appendix to the report be adopted.</p>	<p>Ian Whiting</p> <p>Alan Bartlett</p>						
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>2010-2012 Outline Project Proposals</b></p> <p>The six theme groups had been invited to consider what projects should be taken forward over the next two years should additional funding be available to the LSP (eg via potential LAA Reward Grant). A total of nine outline project proposals were presented. Each proposal contained an indication of the objectives, expected outcomes, estimated cost and strategic relevance. The Core Group's observations were as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 1527 1235 2076"> <thead> <tr> <th><b>Project:</b></th> <th><b>Comments:</b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Renewable energy for all</td> <td>Acknowledged as a clear priority and thus supported as a potential project. Some concern that, as a clear priority, this project should be delivered via one of the statutory partners' core budget rather than wait for potential partnership funding.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gypsies and travellers</td> <td>Supported as a potential project, although it was noted that the envisaged timescale would need reconsideration. Recommended that the proposal be developed further via the Stronger Communities Group/Equality and Diversity Forum to ensure clear links with work already planned and a sharpening of focus.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<b>Project:</b>	<b>Comments:</b>	Renewable energy for all	Acknowledged as a clear priority and thus supported as a potential project. Some concern that, as a clear priority, this project should be delivered via one of the statutory partners' core budget rather than wait for potential partnership funding.	Gypsies and travellers	Supported as a potential project, although it was noted that the envisaged timescale would need reconsideration. Recommended that the proposal be developed further via the Stronger Communities Group/Equality and Diversity Forum to ensure clear links with work already planned and a sharpening of focus.	<p>Simon Jackson</p> <p>Julia Phillips</p>
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	<p><b>AGREED:</b></p> <p>That the relevant theme group leads be asked to progress the projects as indicated above.</p>																	
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Key Strategies for the LSP</b></p> <p>The written report was considered. The Core Group welcomed the updated diagram and agreed that this now provides a clear indication of the strategic framework relevant to the Group. The lead officer for each of the statutory agencies was asked to ensure that major developments relevant to any of the eight policy areas identified be brought to the attention of the LSP as and when necessary.</p> <p><b>AGREED:</b> that the report be received.</p>	<p>Dave Nash/ Jenny Murray/ Ian Whiting/ Deb Saunders</p>																
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Key Issues from the Community Forums</b></p> <p>There was nothing specific to report.</p>																	

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<b>9</b>	<p><b>Local Transport Plan 3</b></p> <p>WCC is currently conducting a second stage consultation to inform the new Local Transport Plan. A questionnaire had been circulated with the agenda papers. The response deadline is 26 March. The following approach was <b>AGREED</b>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. that individual members of the Core Group be encouraged to submit comments and to copy any such comments to Jenny Murray;</li> <li>2. that Jenny Murray analyse any questionnaires received to identify whether any common themes emerge; if there are common themes, then Jenny be tasked with submitting a composite reply on behalf of the LSP.</li> </ol>	<p>All</p> <p>Jenny Murray</p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Social networking</b></p> <p>Jason Lorenz and Simon Hume of SDC attended for this item. Their presentation demonstrated the way in which social networking exchanges (via mediums such as Facebook and Twitter) have revolutionised information giving and gathering. Many organisations are now routinely using these mechanisms to publicise news and events, to recruit staff, etc. This has had an appreciable impact on communication with younger people in particular.</p> <p>The meeting welcomed the presentation and agreed that social networking is a potentially important means of developing community engagement.</p> <p>Jason and Simon were thanked for their presentation.</p>	
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Public Service Board</b></p> <p>In the absence of the Chair there was no formal report back from the PSB meeting held on 26 January. It was noted that the main items in the agenda were a presentation on Sustainable Development and Construction and reports on the Building Schools for the Future programme and the Economic Downturn.</p>	
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Partnership Forum: 22 March 2010</b></p> <p>The Group noted the draft agenda for this event and confirmed its satisfaction with the way the day is shaping up.</p>	
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>Reports from Theme Groups</b></p>	
<b>13.1</b>	<p><b>Safer Communities</b></p> <p>Ian Whiting tabled a report which confirmed that, except for a slight rise in house burglaries/theft of vehicles, the recorded levels of crime in the District continue to fall. The reductions in serious violent crime and anti-social behaviour are particularly marked and are reflected in generally improved perceptions of the way in which the Police and the local councils are working together to protect communities.</p> <p>The report was received with thanks.</p>	

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<b>13.2</b>	<b>Stronger Communities</b>  There was nothing to report.	
<b>13.3</b>	<b>Children, Young People and Families</b>  No report.	
<b>13.4</b>	<b>Healthier Communities and Older People</b>  There was nothing to report.	
<b>13.5</b>	<b>Economic Development and Enterprise</b>  No report.	
<b>13.6</b>	<b>Climate Change and Environment</b>  No report.	
	The Core Group noted that this was the second meeting in a row when no report had been received from the Children and Young People and Climate Change/Environment Theme Groups and requested that each group should ensure that a report is presented to the next meeting.	Martin Penny/ Simon Jackson
<b>14.</b>	<b>Future Items</b>  The following items were noted:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Narrowing the Gap six-month progress report (Julia Phillips) – April 2010.</li> <li>o Core Strategy Task &amp; Finish Group (Alan Bartlett) – April 2010.</li> <li>o Streamlining of Single Action Plan (Charles Goody) – April 2010.</li> <li>o Disaggregated LAA Targets – as soon as possible.</li> </ul>	
<b>13.</b>	<b>Dates of future meetings</b>  14 April 2010 – 2pm ( <b>Please note</b> change of time; this is to enable the Core Group Development Workshop to be held during the morning of 14 April starting at 10am) 9 June 2010 – 10am 15 September 2010 – 10am 10 November 2010 – 10am 19 January 2010 – 10am.	

Dave Nash  
Strategic Director