



STRATFORD DISTRICT PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the LSP Core Group Meeting held at Elizabeth House, Stratford-upon-Avon on Wednesday 2 November 2011

Present:

Charles Goody	LSP Chair
Mike Brain	Stratford-on-Avon District Council
Justin Kerridge	Stratford-on-Avon District Council
Trevor Honychurch	Stratford Community Forum
Elisabeth Uggerloese	Warwickshire Association of Local Councils
Chris Williams	Warwickshire County Council
Sue Main	Stratford-on-Avon District Council
Dave Kettle	Warwickshire Police

Support Officers:

Jenny Murray	Warwickshire County Council
Simon Purfield	Stratford-on-Avon District Council

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1.	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <p>Alan Bartlett – Vice Chair Paul Lankester – Stratford-on-Avon District Council Chris Saint – Stratford-on-Avon District Council Graeme Smith – Warwickshire County Council Kathryn Millard - NHS Warwickshire Emily smith – NHS Warwickshire Julia Morris - Chair - Stratford Area CYPF Group</p>	
2.	<p>Where do we go from here?</p> <p>The Chair requested feedback from the LSP Conference that took place the same morning – the following was given:-</p> <p>Chris Williams – I already understood the position of LEP and sub group – clear point that we need to avoid duplication. Question is where do we go from here.</p> <p>Justin Kerridge – Lot of enthusiasm. What can we actually do? Lot of talk about whether we should have an LSP.</p> <p>Dave Kettle – Stratford angle new to me as I am Sergeant in Warwick. Seems to be a lot of enthusiasm and same sort of duplications that Warwick experience.</p> <p>Charles Goody – Pleased with attendance and enthusiasm. Need to resolve issue about confusion about who is doing things out there. Left hand and right hand is doing. Chairman of the LEP was not aware that the LSP Groups across the county existed. Have spoken to Stratford Vision as they don't feel there is much of an overlap as they focus on driving businesses, feel we compliment what they are doing.</p>	

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	<p>Chris Marsh – It was good that people were looking for a way forward for the LSP and were willing to embrace idea of value for time they will put in. Was an enjoyable event.</p> <p>Simon Purfield – Better than was expecting. More positive. Need to take on 2-3 issues and set up Task & Finish Groups to look at them.</p> <p>Jenny Murray – Positive event. Received positive feedback – better than last year. Stratford Vision has a short term aim where there are duplications and we need to do something about that.</p> <p>Elisabeth Uggerloese – Need to try and get 2-3 important local issues and do something about them. Disappointed that the role out of the Studley Total Place has not taken place.</p> <p>Trevor Honychurch – Sat on a table with primarily voluntary sector people. Appears to be a lack of communication – they are all doing good work but in isolation. LEP appears to be business driven which is different to what the LSP is going. Need to consider 2-3 issues and get them finished and go to the press and promote what we has been done.</p> <p>Next Steps Following LSP Conference</p> <p>A number of discussions took place and these are summarised below:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Marsh started by giving his personal perspective. If we are looking for a mandate the LSP needs to go into a new phase need to have a new radical approach which he felt we have. Felt we had listened and engaged with partners. Need to get a proposal which is for the good of the local community. Need new model and focus on fewer issues which critical. Need to involve a range of partners which have been distilled from discussions that took place today. Advised LEP has a shared agenda as areas they are looking at are housing and skills for the local economy. All public sector partners can play a part in this. There are other issues raised at the conference which don't need as much support from the LEP but needs to be collaboration on things we do. Young people activities is another area where there is a role for nearly every public service. Group needs a short list of issues to focus on. Consider whether opportunity to have discussion about collaborative working with the LEP. Need to work on method – take any issue, undertake a detailed analysis, including cost and implications of issue. Need to come up with ideas of what needs to change and then implement it. Needs to be a time limited job with clear mandate from agencies. Need to ensure adding value. Takes partnerships to new place. Whole Place Community budgets will have to have cost benefits to project. Need to understand your costs, benefits that everyone will get, and partners need to know what they gain from it. Enabling factors – research and intelligence is required to back up. Commissioning – what is the role of the community and voluntarily sector and volunteers 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSP grew out of LAA. Feels that the LSP is dragging into the future now that the LAA has gone. To continue LSP needs buy in from all partnership – WCC are sitting on the fence. Number of pilots are taking place across the County on early intervention so no need for LSP to duplicate. There is no money to support the LSP. Need buy in from partners but they do not appear to be engaging. • Objective of the LSP when it was set up was to get partners working together to avoid duplication and gaps. Other Warwickshire authorities are continuing with their LSP partnership groups as there is still a need for a partnership group in some form. Problem is that LAA was modelled on unitary authority. Failure of PSB was that it did not pull together the County. • Some felt that LSP has produced a lot of paper – not done a lot. Need to co-ordinate activities with voluntary bodies – don't know how fits together. In past we have tried to do too much and not achieved much. What stops people working together? Communication – needs overarching body that connects them together. • Still critical to line up mainstream funding. Suggestion that if looking for new role for LSP could be to look at where we can obtain funding from different places. Still think there is a job for LSP. • If LSP is to continue it needs to deliver extra things but there was concern about who is going to do the work. • 50% of people in Stratford are retired that may be willing to help. • Could the Studley work be rolled out? Felt that template is essentially there but legal issues that needs to be resolved before it can. • Some 'sticky' issues were identified at the conference. Need to consider what issues are being missed and falling through the crack and would have the most high impact. Needs to consider the results of the Citizens Panel and Residents Survey. Activities for teenagers, transport and affordable housing are issues that came out on top. A piece of work which is already being undertaken is on community transport at the request of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee. Part of the scope of work is talking to the supermarkets and NHS. There are empty buses after children are dropped off to school and Moreton Morrell. Activities for young people – nothing being done holistically. It would felt that parents and young people have a different view on what they want. • The model that is being talked about here isn't supported well by how traditional LSPs work. Model looking for needs to have commitment of agencies in finding solutions to an issue or problem. Commitment needs to be a on short term basis. Need to have people that can strip down approach and need more expertise to help by those that have a stake in making service/system better. Really need a service design team to deliver. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to choose an area, get the support from other agencies to three days to roughly shape service and ensure there is the incentive for agencies to get involved. Will then need to do piece by piece as it will be difficult to get resources up front. • Questioned whether we are providing the wrong activities for young people or is it that the transport to get to these activities are not available? • Felt there was no new money out there. Consideration should be made for agencies that currently bears the cost of the problem investing upfront to find a solution to resolving the issue/problem. • Reported that the Community Transport Task & Finish Group already in place is looking at why transport is being used for single journeys, use of post office vehicles not just for delivery to rural areas. The elderly don't want groceries delivered as they use their trip as a social visit as well. Suggestion that focus should be community transport, although the LSP had already requested the Task & Finish Group to include in their work the role out of the Studley Total Place Project. This would link in with the keys issues residents have identified. Considered that this would be two days work and requested a resource commitment from those at the meeting. It was felt that a report on where we are should be requested so that the LSP Core Group could consider if they could take this forward. • Felt that the LSP could add another dimension to work of the Community Transport Task & Finish Group. • There is currently a working group at WCC looking at partnership working to consider whether they should disengage from this – outcome due mid December. • LSP District support is currently being discussed – will feedback when decision is made. • Need to consider whether community transport Task & Finish Group is correct method. Felt that need to consider exploring design solutions. LSP should put resourcing in place to respond to solution. Ensure money works for them. Consider requesting Dave Webb to provide report back to LSP. • Is the membership of the LSP correct? Need to considered whether on occasion the bringing in of another knowledge base is require – could be done when required. • The LSP needs to find new way of working. Needs to find one issue to work through to find a solution. Discussion took place on whether it is too early to bring in Stratford Vision – confusion over the old group that were also known as Stratford Vision. Felt that we needed them in as soon as possible to get their views. Need to consider whether we invite the commercial sector to future LSP meetings as some people felt they were the ones with money although Charles advised they are under the same pressures as Councils. Parishes also have money – had heard that they were providing £50 per households for broadband. 	

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	<p>It was <u>agreed</u> that:</p> <p>To ask the Community Transport Group that Dave Webb has set up to provide the LSP Core Group with feedback on where the Group has got to and consider challenging them and requesting that their remit is extended. Consider setting targets and producing an action plan.</p> <p>Request Stratford Vision to attend a future meeting and share their objectives.</p>	
3	<p>Any Other Business and Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Agreed that next meeting should take place 2/3rd week of January. Early in the week requested.</p>	