

BOARD MEETING OF THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE
PARTNERSHIP

South Derbyshire District Council
on Wednesday 23rd September 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT:-

Local Authority Sector

District Councillors Wheeler (Chairman), Rhind and Mrs Coyle, Sheila Jackson (Derbyshire Association of Local Councils) and Stuart Batchelor representing Frank McArdle (South Derbyshire District Council).

Other Public Sector

Chief Superintendent Jack Atwal (Derbyshire Constabulary), Mary Hague (Derbyshire County Council – Public Health), Sarah Drew (Burton & South Derbyshire College), Chris Lavelle (Derbyshire County Council – Social Care & MAT).

Private Sector

No representatives in attendance.

Voluntary/Community Sector

Michelle Skinner (South Derbyshire CVS), David Symcox, Jane Swindall, Alison Barnes (South Derbyshire CAB).

Also in Attendance

Mike Roylance, Vicky Smyth, Chris Smith and Sally Cope (South Derbyshire District Council), Clare Talati (Derbyshire Education Business Partnership).

SDP/77. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from:

Councillor Kevin Richards, Councillor Trevor Southerd (South Derbyshire District Council), Ailsa Daykin (East Midlands Housing Group), Helen Dillistone and Emma Barradell (Southern Derbyshire CCG), Mike Haynes (South Derbyshire District Council), Tracey Harris (Homestart), Steve Spear (SV2), John Everitt (The National Forest Company), Nick Freeman and Helen Hydes (Toyota UK Ltd), Fred Cox (S D Tenants & Residents Forum), John Beaty (Burton & South Derbyshire College), Ian Philliskirk (Sharpe's Pottery Museum), Colleen Hempson (East Midlands Airport), Wayne Brooks (Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service).

MATTERS ARISING

SDP78. **INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES**

Introductions took place.

Apologies were noted.

SDP/79. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR**

Councillor Bob Wheeler was appointed as Chairman.

Michelle Skinner was appointed as Vice Chairman.

No other nominations were received.

SDP80. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd June 2015 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

SDP/81. **MATTERS ARISING**

Membership updates are:-

Tony Hurrell has handed over the Chair's role at Sharpe's Pottery Museum to Ian Philliskirk. Cllr Hilary Coyle has been elected as Vice Chair.

Cllr Wheeler to write a letter of thanks to Tony Hurrell for his support of the SDP. **ACTION: BW/SB**

Invite the Pingle School Headteacher to attend the Board. **ACTION: SB**

SDP/82. **DIG-IT PRESENTATION**

Jane Swindall and Alison Barnes from South Derbyshire CAB gave a presentation on their new Dig-IT Service which offers free help to get residents using digital technology. All partners will very soon have a direct referral route.

SDP/83. **RAISING ASPIRATIONS UPDATE**

Clare Talati from Derbyshire Education Business Partnership gave an update on the progress of the 'Raising Aspirations' project. The current delivery was discussed which includes William Allitt and Granville Schools – due to additional funding the project now includes Granville Sports College. Pingle School is also keen to be included and funding is currently being sought.

A discussion took place regarding students arriving at College with a lack of English and Maths. It was suggested by the Chairman that the Raising Aspirations project could be extended to younger students (key stage 2).

SB noted that the Raising Aspirations project engaged a lot of partners around the table and recommended that a major amount of the SDP's annual budget be put into this project. This could include primary education in future.

ACTION: SB

SDP/84. **OPEN SPACE, SPORT & COMMUNITY FACILITY PLAN**

Stuart Batchelor, the Director of Community & Planning gave a presentation on the Open Space, Sport & Community Facility Plan; the background of the strategy; the current initiatives and the next steps to meet future sporting and physical activity needs.

SDP/85. **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY – QUARTER 1**

The Partnership Newsletter gave an overview of the theme group's latest developments on their projects. The three theme group leaders gave a verbal update on their actions to date and an overview of Quarter 1 – April to June 2015/16.

Safer Communities

Kate Bateman is the new Inspector for Swadlincote.

A tender for the domestic violence services across the county is currently being undertaken. An update to be given of the new service provider at the next meeting. **ACTION: CS**

SDP/86. **VOLUNTARY SECTOR UPDATE**

The Thriving Communities Agenda item has been deferred to the next meeting. **ACTION: SB/SC**

Michelle Skinner was unable to give an update on the potential funding cuts – the issue was still ongoing and an update would be given at the next Board meeting. **ACTION: MS**

SDP/87. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

SDP/88. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 20th January 2016 – 10:00 am

Venue: Sharpe's Pottery Museum, West Street, Swadlincote, Derbyshire,
DE11 9DG.

R. WHEELER

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 11:15 am.