

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of a Meeting of the **Strategic Co-ordinating Group**
Thursday 14th January 2010 at 2:00 pm.

At the South Derbyshire District Council Offices, Swadlincote

Present: Councillor Heather Wheeler (Leader – SDDC) SDP Board Chairman. (Chairman).
Jo Smith (Vice-Chairman of the SDP Board and Vibrant Communities Chairman).
Mary Hague (Healthier Communities Representative).

In attendance:

Stuart Batchelor (South Derbyshire District Council).
Chris Smith (South Derbyshire District Council).
Sally Cope (South Derbyshire District Council).
Mick Evans (Derbyshire County Council).
Martin Guest (South Derbyshire District Council).
Ian Bowen (South Derbyshire District Council).
Mike Roylance (South Derbyshire District Council).

SCG/21 Apologies

Apologies were received from: -

Maureen Evans (Children and Young People Trust).
Mark Alflat (South Derbyshire District Council).
Vicki Price (Healthier Communities Chairman),
Frank McArdle (South Derbyshire District Council).

SCG/22 Minutes of the SCG Meeting 16th September 2009

The Minutes of the Strategic Co-ordinating Group Meeting held on 16th September 2009 were agreed as a true record.

SCG/23 Minutes of the LSP Board 22nd October 2009

The draft Minutes from the LSP Board of the 22nd October 2009 were circulated for information. No actions to progress.

Matters Arising

No matters arising.

SCG/24 A Partnership Approach to Infrastructure Planning

Ian Bowen, Planning Policy Manager gave an update on 'A Partnership Approach to Infrastructure Planning', and advised SDP Partners to take a joined up approach to planning for new infrastructure. The provision of new and improved infrastructure will be essential in achieving Sustainable Community Strategy objectives. The SCG to recommend to the Board that a South Derbyshire Partnership Infrastructure Group be set up as a means of developing and maintaining an Infrastructure delivery plan for the District.

Janice Morphet, a Consultant from the IdeA will be providing an overview at the Board Meeting on the 28th January 2010.

Appendix 1 - Note - that the word 'Health' to be added to the list - *'to identify the health, social, economic and environmental infrastructure requirements'*.

Appendix 2 - Outlines the Potential Participants in the SDP Infrastructure Group, it was noted that the business community were not represented on the list. It was noted that the National Forest Company had expressed an interest.

Ian Bowen left the meeting at 2:20 pm.

SCG/25 Funding Bids

SB presented a report from the Vibrant Communities Theme Group requesting funding support for three projects: -

- Rural Sports Project
- Cleaner South Derbyshire Campaign
- Swadlincote Woodlands Community Action

After a brief overview of each project it was agreed to recommend the approval of the Swadlincote Woodlands Community Action and the Rural Sports Project (subject to a successful bid).

It was recommended to delegate the responsibility to the Chair of the Vibrant Communities Theme Group to either accept or reject 'The Cleaner South Derbyshire Campaign' project once checking and research had been undertaken by the Theme Group.

ACTION: JS

SCG/26 Sustainable Community Strategy – 3rd Quarter Monitoring

A report was submitted detailing the Sustainable Community Strategy performance for the 3rd Quarter. Any action showing 'Amber', a progress report was given by the Chair of each Theme Group.

Further information was provided by Theme Group chairs as follows: -

Vibrant Communities

JS informed the SCG of a recent exercise to request volunteers to help older/disabled people having trouble getting out of their homes in the bad weather. The final number of volunteers making themselves available to help during the bad weather exceeded 60. The Chair requested JS/MG to present to the Board. **ACTION: JS/MG**

Following on from the successful 'Donate Don't Dump' Project JS informed the group of a Charity Fashion Show. Ideas/suggestions for the Show were discussed: - Gresley Old Hall – a possible venue, Matt Hinks, Arts Officer to be contacted to support the Show. To hold the event either the week before the Festival or Leisure or during Volunteering Week in June. JS and MG to discuss further. **ACTION: JS/MG**

A Compact Workshop on Equalities/Launch Local Compact Awards to take place on 11th March 2010 at Milton Village Hall.

Healthier Communities

MH informed the group that ROSPA would be donating 280 sets of child safety equipment.

SCG/27 Agenda Items for the SDP Board Meeting 28th January 2010

It was agreed that the following items to be put on the agenda for the next Board Meeting: -

An initial draft programme for the Partnership Board Meeting 2010/2011 was discussed/agreed to include the programme on the next Agenda.

Regular Standard Agenda Items were put forward: -

- Staying Healthier and Inequalities Board – Regular update by Vicki Price.
- Derbyshire Partnership Forum
- Compact Update – Regular update by Jo Smith.

A version of the SDP Newsletter will be available at the Board Meeting.

It was confirmed that Jackie Spencer, from South Derbyshire Citizens Advice Bureau had been elected to represent the Voluntary/Community Sector on the SDP Board. It was also confirmed that Fiona Francis from the Derbyshire Association for the Blind would be requested to attend in the absence of Jackie Spencer. Jo Smith to co-ordinate representation at any Board meetings.

SCG/28 Any Other Business

MG reported that the IdeA would be undertaking a Peer Review on the Equalities Framework during 2nd/3rd/4th February 2010. Two members of the SDP are to be interviewed by the IdeA. MG to confirm details with Vicki Price, PCT or Mary Hague and Mike Evans, DCC. **ACTION: MG**

SCG/29 Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will take place on Tuesday 20th April 2010 at 2.00 pm in the Committee Room, South Derbyshire District Council.

Meeting closed 3:20 pm.

