

South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership

Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Co-ordination Group
Tuesday 2nd September 2008

at the South Derbyshire District Council Offices, Swadlincote

Present: Councillor Heather Wheeler (Leader – SDDC) LSP Board Chairman
Jo Smith (Vice Chairman of the LSP Board and Vibrant Communities Chairman)
Frank McArdle (Chief Executive, South Derbyshire District Council)
Vicki Price (Chairman of the Healthier Communities Group)
C/I A Smith (Safer Communities)

In attendance:

Mick Evans (Derbyshire County Council)
Mark Alflat (South Derbyshire District Council)
Stuart Batchelor (South Derbyshire District Council)
Mike Roylance (South Derbyshire District Council)
Martin Guest (South Derbyshire District Council)
Sarah Winfield (Safer South Derbyshire Partnership)

Meeting commenced 9.30 am, Councillor Heather Wheeler in the Chair.

SCG/76 Apologies

Apologies were received from: -

Sally Cope (South Derbyshire District Council)
Colleen Hempson (Sustainable Development)
Detective Superintendent Andy Hough (Safer Communities)
Faye Nicholls (Derbyshire County Council)
Maureen Evans (Connexions Derbyshire)

SCG/77 Approve the Minutes of the SCG Meeting held 14th May 2008

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

No matters arising.

**SCG/78 A Voice for the Voluntary Sector in Derbyshire
(Claire Thornber)**

This presentation would take place at the Board meeting.

SCG/79 LSP Communications Review

MG discussed the forthcoming project to assess the profile of the LSP. The project is planned to commence in December 2008 and a report will be produced by March 2009 with recommendations on the way forward.

AGREED that:

The process for the review be supported and a bid for £2,500.00 will be used to undertake the review.

SCG/80 Process for the Review of the Sustainable Community Strategy

A timetable of 6-9 months is envisaged for this process. The paper contained proposals to set up a project team made up of key partners across the District to project manage the production of the Sustainable Community Strategy. Policy team are putting together an evidence base for the District. A 3-month consultation period will be undertaken between September and December 2008. County and districtwide Forums, questionnaires and the National Place Survey are part of this consultation. At the end of the consultation period a number of key priorities should emerge, which will be the basis of the new Sustainable Community Strategy. A separate consultation plan has been produced which will be circulated as part of this paper to the Board.

FM discussed if any Partners wanted to join in the area meetings, they would be welcome. The timetable for the area meetings is currently being scheduled for the year ahead with opportunities for Partners to consult on key community matters. Will issue timetable of dates.

JS requested that we carry out a review of the current Community Strategy as part of this process.

SB confirmed Beverly Wagstaffe (Housing Strategy Manager) was missed off. The PCT would be represented by Jane Horton.

SCG/81 The Place Survey

MG discussed the Place Survey, which has replaced the BVPI User Satisfaction Survey. A total of 4,000 questionnaires will be sent out to randomly selected addresses across the District. Ipsos Mori have been commissioned to manage this survey at a cost of £15,000.00. The survey will be very focused on this area as a place. Additional questions will be on smoking habits and their impact on health, recruitment for the Citizens Panel and how the Council is perceived. The survey will go out on week commencing 25th September 2008. This will be launched with a press release supported with quotes from Cllr H Wheeler as Leader of the Council and Chair of the LSP.

The fieldwork ends in December and the results should be in by Spring 2009 to be promoted March/April 2009.

MG to send out copy questions with Agenda to Board.

SCG/82 Derbyshire County Council – Update on LAA Sustainable Community Strategy

ME advised that FN would be doing an update paper on this to the Board. Evidence is being drawn together on perceptions from different groups of the community and where a community is at, at any one time. An opportunity to feed in things distinctive about South Derbyshire and what it is like for the community at the moment. Evidence base will be shared out to the Board once prepared. This will be drafted in November and go to Partnership Forum in December.

AGREED that:

ME will liaise with FN and put together a paper for Board.

SCG/83 Performance Monitoring – Reports from Working Groups

Vibrant Communities

JS – Everything is green.

Keeping up the good work of the old Sustainable Group.

VC8.1 change from no progress to work being planned.

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership

SB – All Actions are green.

VAL Group has now met twice and is identifying premises with issues, test purchasing carried out and promoting co-ordination between Agencies.

SC3.1 – funding secured, venue is Newhall Boxing Club.

SC3.3 – no progress but will look at this in the Autumn.

Healthier Communities

VP – HC1.1 is amber – new staff appointed.

HC2.3 – starts October 2008.

HC2.6 – have had financial support.

HC3.1 – need to strengthen this. Requires another 2-3 objectives

Invite Denise/Beverly to next meeting

Sustainable Development

MR – All projects are green. Items SD6.1 and SD6.2 should be back on track as Andrew Massey has been appointed as the new Chair and Clive Keeble remains the Vice Chair.

Children and Young People Trust

Maureen Evans not present at the meeting.

Strategic Co-ordinating Group

A discussion was held on adding the word "officer" into "strategic co-ordinating group".

AGREED that:

It was decided to insert this matter as an item in the next Agenda for clarification.

SCG/84

Agenda Items for the LSP Board Meeting 24th September 2008

MG proposed a break-out session on emerging priorities (approx 15 minutes duration required)

Present the DPH Annual Report at the December meeting.
Elections for Board at the December meeting.

SCG/85

Any Other Business

SB discussed the recent National Lottery Sports Award for Get Active in the Forest and the impact of the Olympics on the area. Looking to hold a business lunch with distinguished guests.

FM discussed the increase of standards of facilities in South Derbyshire.

VP informed the group of a recent planning meeting attended for the 2010 Grand Prix at Donington Park. The importance to include all areas was pushed at this meeting including the promotion of walking opportunities. FM confirmed that there will be further liaison with all areas prior to this major event.

JS requested a copy of the last LSP Board Minutes to be available for the Co-ordinating Group meeting.

MG discussed the use of the LSP and SDDC logos for the Place Survey.

AGREED that:

It was decided to put forward a combined SDDC and LSP logo to Ipsos Mori for consideration.