Bath and North East Somerset Local Strategic Partnership Board (Private Meeting)

Thursday, 17th November, 2011 Floor 3 Lewis House - Room 1 - Manvers Street, Bath

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Chair	Representing	
Councillor Paul Crossley	Bath & North East Somerset Council	

Full Members	Representing		
Councillor John Bull	Bath & North East Somerset Council		
Peter Duppa-Miller OBE	Representing Local Communities		
John Everitt	Bath & North East Somerset Council		
Councillor Francine Haeberling	Bath & North East Somerset Council		
Chris Head	Representing the Voluntary & Community Sector		
Simon Ellis	Avon & Somerset Police		
Anne Slade	Police Authority		

1. Introductions and apologies for absence

Officers In Attendance	Representing
Helen Edelstyn (HE)	Bath & North East Somerset Council
David Trethewey (DTy)	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Jane Wildblood	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Andrea Wolfenden	Bath & North East Somerset Council

2. Actions arising from 17th November Meeting

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
51	Make the agreed changes to the proposed partnership ready for decision by the Council's Cabinet	HE DTy	Spring 2012	In progress
52	Officers to review next steps for the allocation of PRP funding; developing a simple and streamlined approach ready for further discussion by Group Leaders and LSP Board in December. Officers to communicate these next steps to the 75 POP contacts.	DTy	December	Agenda Item 6

3. Declarations of interest

Board members were asked to declare a conflict of interest to the Performance Reward Programme: Main Fund (Agenda Item 6). No conflicts of interest were reported.

4. Note of the meeting of 23rd March

The detailed note of the meeting held on 23rd March 2011 was agreed as a correct record.

5. Strategy & Policy - Future Partnership Development

A presentation was given on the new proposed partnership model. Support was shown for the proposed annual community assembly, and the importance of linking with local geographical groups.

A suggestion was made to change the title of the 'Big Society Partnership' to 'Communities Partnership'. It was also agreed that the number of delivery partnerships should reduce over time through merging/amalgamating (i.e. Children's Trust and the Health and Wellbeing Board), and that that should be communicated as a direction of travel.

The draft proposal for the 'Big Society Partnership' was agreed subject to title change and further development of the membership section. This includes more detail on the responsibilities of the Independent Chair and how best to appoint an individual to this position. Further work should be done of the role of the three funder representative positions to recognise conflicts of interest.

Action

Officers to make the agreed changes to the proposed partnership model ready for decision by the Councils Cabinet early in Spring 2012.

6. Performance Reward Programme: Main Fund

An update on the Performance Reward Programme (PRP): Main Fund was presented, outlining a 'community hub' approach. Concern was raised that the process has become overly complex, and that the 'community hub' approach further complicated things.

It was noted that the process needed better management of expectations and that confusion has arisen over the Project Outline Proposal (POP) forms, with some organisations believing that these were bids.

The Board agreed:

- That a simple process should be developed to take the PRP Main Fund forward
- That geographical fairness should be stressed
- That for the next stages, the council should work with the 75 POPs that have already been submitted.

<u>Action</u>

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7. Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests - Bath and West Community Energy (BWCE) Verbal Update

A presentation was given on the current status of BWCE. Before Christmas it is expected that solar panels will be installed on the following schools: St Martin's Garden Primary; Peasedown St John Primary; Oldfield Park Infants; Newbridge Primary and Ralph Allen Secondary. A discussion also took place around the importance of other renewable technologies (wind, hydro, renewable heat) and the potential key role of BWCE in delivery of the Green Deal with the Council and Somer Housing.

The impact of the Feed-In Tariff on BWCE was also discussed, although it was stressed that the BWCE business model is not dependent on any one technology.

8. AOB

Chris Head noted his concern on the Cabinets decision not to match BDUK funding aimed at improving B&NES broadband infrastructure.

Cllr Paul Crossley thanked all members for attending and closed the meeting.

A continuation of this meeting in order to discuss the Performance Reward Programme: Main Fund took place on the 13th December 2011 from 14.00-15.00.