Bath & North East Somerset LSP Board

23rd March 2011

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Cllr Francine Haeberling (Chair)	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr Paul Crossley	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr John Bull	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Gary Davies	Avon & Somerset Police
Dave Salmon	Avon & Somerset Fire & Rescue
Angela Gascoigne	Somer Community Housing Trust
Janice Fortune	Representing the Voluntary & Community Sector
Peter Duppa-Miller OBE	Representing Local Communities

In attendance

Tony Crouch	Chair of the Stronger Communities Delivery Partnership
	(Agenda Item 7)

Officers in attendance

David Trethewey (DTy)	Divisional Director, Policy & Partnerships
Helen Edelstyn (HE)	Strategy & Plan Manager, Policy & Partnerships
Luke Byron-Davies	Partnership Development Officer, Policy & Partnerships
Susan Bowen	Funding & Programmes Manager, Policy & Partnerships
Andy Thomas	Group Manager Partnership Delivery

1. Actions arising from 23rd March Meeting

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
50	Individual meetings to be held with LSP Board members to develop the future of the Partnership	HE DTy	July	Agenda Item X

2. Actions outstanding from previous meetings

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
None.				

3. Introductions and Apologies for absence

Apologies were given by the following:

John Everitt	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Janet Rowse	NHS Bath & North East Somerset
Chris Head	Representing the Voluntary & Community Sector
Ian Bell	Representing the Business Sector
Janet Rowse	Primary Care Trust
Anne Slade	Police Authority
Ros Brooke	Bath & North East Somerset NHS Board Member

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Note of the meeting of 14th December

The detailed note of the meeting held on 14th December 2010 was agreed as a correct record.

There were no additions to the Forward Plan.

Strategy & Policy

4. Refreshing the Sustainable Community Strategy and a review of the Local Strategic Partnership Framework

A discussion and presentation on national and local change that will have an impact on the LSP and the way it works. Housing was raised as a key issue that needs to be added in our Partnership approaches.

A commitment was made to continue to work with LSP member organisations to review and update LSP priorities, the Sustainable Community Strategy and the LSP partnership framework.

Organisations within the LSP will have to increasingly engage the public, as power in many instances is now being devolved to communities. Communities can include communities of place and interest.

There is an opportunity for the LSP to be proactive and lead on specific areas of community enablement. The challenge moving forward will be to develop which areas to work on.

Action

Individual meetings to be held with LSP Board members to develop the future of the Partnership (Action 50)

5. Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant Update

The funding has now been formally confirmed by the Department of Local Government. The only change to previous reports that the Board has received

is the change in the split of revenue / capital funding. The new split is 70% revenue and 30% capital.

The Council (as the accountable body) has decided to align the LAA Performance Reward Funding with other funding streams such as the Ward Councillors' Initiative. This wider funding scheme is to be known as the 'Community Enablement Fund'. The Small Grants Fund has now launched, with significant interest already being generated. It was noted that when submissions for funding are received, all funding streams will be reviewed to maximise all possible external and internal funding streams.

Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests

6. Theme Partnership Update (1) Responsible Authorities Group (RAG) Anti-social behaviour is one of the key areas that the RAG is working towards reducing. Avon & Somerset is one of eight national government pilot sites to develop new ways of dealing with anti-social behaviour. The RAG is working on a three pronged approach to reducing crime (offender, location, victim). First, an 'integrated offender approach', which involves focusing on offenders who are likely to reoffend. secondly, 'local tasking' that uses the available evidence base to reduce crime through such methods as PACTs and thirdly, increasing work with vulnerable people and victims.

PACTs are in general a good system of engagement but some are working better than others. It was agreed that working together in partnership has made this agenda much more tangible than in the past.

7. Theme Partnership Update (2) Stronger Communities Delivery Partnership

The Village Agents scheme is progressing well but there is more work to be done in rural areas. The RE:generate scheme has been a major success for the Delivery Partnership. The RE:generate projects have helped to give an evidence base on ways to engage with communities. The Community @ 67 pilot scheme (Keynsham) is also progressing well.

A key challenge for the Delivery Partnership is developing meaningful relationships with other delivery partnerships within the LSP. Some links for example with Environmental Sustainability Partnership have taken place.

The representation for the Delivery Partnership was noted and it was agreed that a Somer Community Housing representative will attend the next Delivery Partnership meeting.

8 LSP Board Dashboard

It was explained that the new performance review framework is being developed and the old system of LAA based performance no longer being reported.

9. AOB

Cllr Haeberling thanked all members for attending and closed the meeting.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 7th July in the Council Chamber, Bath Guildhall.

Actions completed from previous meetings

(Actions will be shown once, then removed from subsequent minutes)

No	Action	Resp	Target	Status
48	Health and Wellbeing Theme Sponsor to consider if a broader partnership response to excess winter deaths is required	JR	March 2011	Complete
49	Linkages with the Environmental Sustainability Partnership (ESP) and Primary Care Trust to be further developed	Jane Wildbloo d / RB	March 2011	Complete
39	A project update to be provided on options for the next stage of the Whiteway project	AT	March 2011	Complete