

Meeting Bath and North East Somerset Local Strategic Partnership Board

Date Tuesday, 14th December, 2010

Time 2.00 - 4.00 pm

Venue Aix en Provence Room - Guildhall, Bath

	Subject	Presenting	Time
1.	Introductions and apologies for absence	Cllr Haeberling	5
2.	Declarations of Interest	Cllr Haeberling	
3.	<p>Note of the meeting of 21st September & Forward Plan (Pages 5 - 14)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) Actions outstanding (2) Minutes from previous meeting (3) LSP Board Work plan • Background material: <u>(1) Minutes of 21st September (2) LSP Board Work Plan</u> • Desired outcomes: LSP Board's (1) Agreement on minutes (2) Understanding of action item status (3) Noting and adding to the LSP Board Work Plan 	Cllr Haeberling	5
4.	<p>Strategy & Policy - Understanding the Implications of the CSR (Pages 15 - 18)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) Round table update from each agency on the CSR implications. Includes work of the LSP working group on emerging issues arising from the CSR and budget cuts. • Background material: <u>(1) Agenda Item 4 (Understanding the Implications of the CSR)</u> • Desired outcomes: LSP Board (1) Provide recent updates on any emerging implications for their agency / sector arising from the CSR and any subsequent Government announcements (2) Note and comment on the update from the LSP Working Group 	David Trethewey	20

5.	<p>Strategy & Policy - Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant Update (Pages 19 - 26)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) Update on discussions with the LSP Task Group on use of the Fund and next steps • Background material: <u>(1) Agenda Item 5(Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant Update) (2) Appendix 1 (Key Criteria and Principles for the Fund) (3) Appendix 2 (LAA PRG “Main Fund” Procedure Flowchart) (4) Appendix 3 (LAA PRG Timetable)</u> • Desired outcomes: LSP Board (1) To note and comment on the updates from the Task Group and LSP Executive, 2) To provide a steer on the proposed procedure mapped out in Appendix 2, 3) To note the next steps of the process in Appendix 3, 4) To recommend the process to the Council, who as the accountable body will be required to provide sign-off. 	David Trethewey	20
6.	<p>Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests - Theme Partnership Update (1) Economic Development & Enterprise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) Presentation and update on the work of the Economic Partnership & any requests they may have to the Board • Background material: <u>To be tabled</u> • Desired outcomes: LSP Board discuss the work of the Sustainable Growth Alliance and consider any requests the Alliance may make to the Board 	Stan Frith & John Wilkinson	20
7.	<p>Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests - Theme Partnership Update (2) Environmental Sustainability Partnership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) Presentation and update on the work of the Environmental Sustainability Partnership & any requests they may have to the Board • Desired outcomes: LSP Board discuss the work of the Environmental Sustainability Partnership and consider any requests the Partnership may make to the Board • Background material: <u>To be tabled</u> 	Cllr Charles Gerrish & Jane Wildblood	20

8.	<p>Performance & Risk Management - LSP Board Dashboard (Pages 27 - 28)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Covers: (1) An update across the LSP on: 'Resources', 'Updates and Progress' and 'Performance and Risk' from the period of May-August 2010. • Background material: Agenda item 8 (LSP Board Dashboard Report) • Desired outcomes: LSP Board notes and comments on the dashboard 	David Trethewey	10
9.	AOB		5

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Bath & North East Somerset LSP Board

21st September 2010

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A. Actions arising from 21st September 2010 Meeting

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
45	The Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership is revised to capture additional comments from Board members on the financial changes.	DTr	01.12.10	Completed
46	Health and Wellbeing presentation to be circulated	LBD	21.09.10	Completed
47	Establish a task group that will review the process of allocating Performance Reward Grant	DTr	14.12.10	Completed
48	The completed 'Implications of the Current Position' templates to be circulated to LSP Board members	LBD	31.10.10	Completed

B. Actions outstanding from previous meetings

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
39	A project update to be provided on options for the next stage of the Whiteway project	AT	March 2011	Work plan March 2011

C. Detailed note of the meeting

Members Present

Cllr Francine Haeberling (Chair)	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr Tim Ball	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr John Bull	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Gary Davies	Avon & Somerset Police
Amanda Phillips	Bath & North East Somerset NHS
Ros Brooke	Bath & North East Somerset NHS Board Member
Dave Salmon	Avon Fire & Rescue Service
Anne Slade	Police Authority
Janet Rowse	Bath & North East Somerset NHS

Chris Head	Representing the Voluntary & Community Sector
Ian Bell	Representing the Business Sector
Peter Duppa-Miller	Representing Local Communities

In attendance

John Everitt	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Angela Gascoigne	(Sub for John Bader) Community Housing Trust

Officers in attendance

David Trethewey (DTr)	Divisional Director, Policy & Partnerships
Luke Byron-Davies (LBD)	Partnership Development Officer, Policy & Partnerships
Mary Kearney-Knowles	Change for Children and Independent Quality Assurance Manager, Children's Services (For Agenda Item 8)

1. Introductions and Apologies for absence

Cllr Haeberling opened the meeting and asked each member to provide an introduction. Apologies were given by the following:

Cllr Paul Crossley	Bath & North East Somerset Council
John Bader	Somer Community Housing Trust

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Note of the meeting of 8th June and Forward Plan

The detailed note of the meeting held on 8th June 2010 was agreed as a correct record. Angela Gascoigne provided an update on the joining up of work on tenant and customer profiling work underway by Somer Community Housing and the Council. It was stated that this work is well underway.

There were no additions to the Forward Plan.

Strategy & Policy

4. The Changing Policy Agenda

David Trethewey introduced the agenda item. The first section of the agenda item focused on establishing what the financial changes mean to the area and putting these changes in to a national context. Information is currently being gathered by partner organisations and all of the details will not be known for several months. The Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership (Appendix 1 of the report) is seen as the first step to establishing the details in a local and national context. This work will be further developed and will be reviewed at the next LSP Board meeting on 14th December.

A request was made that the Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership can be circulated to the groups and networks that Board members represent. It was also requested that the Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership closely aligns with the Sustainable Community Strategy. The summary also needs to be clearer about the Council and PCT integration and any changes that will happen in the current financial climate.

The second part of the agenda item focused on the future of LSPs and what they will look like in the future. The Government's position is clear that it will be up to local areas to decide what is best for them. It was again emphasised that there are many gaps in information and it was recommended that this issue should be included at the next Board meeting on 14th December.

It was stated that Council Tax is likely to be frozen through 2011/12 and the rights for communities to veto Council Tax rises will be introduced from 2012/13.

The discussion ensued around the LSP not being in place for the sake of simply being another structure and that it is important to make sure that the Sustainable Community Strategy is a relevant document. One way of achieving this may involve the LSP having a role in leading as a place based or Total Place budgeting body. However it was emphasised that this will be challenging to achieve in the short term as there are several uncertainties.

Agreed that:

- **The Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership and the Future of the LSP will be further discussed at the LSP Board meeting on 14th December**

Key Actions

- **The Partnership Position Statement: Financial Messages across the Local Strategic Partnership is revised to capture additional comments from Board members on the financial changes (Action 45).**

Performance & Risk Management

5. Local Enterprise Partnerships

David Trethewey introduced the agenda item. Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) were announced with the letter from Government inviting applications on 29th June. West of England made a submission for a LEP on 6th September, and the Government is currently reviewing all the LEP applications.

Bath has a strong international brand and as such the LEP will reflect this strength. The LEP is about the areas working together and each of the four West of England local authorities are taking a role in this work. Therefore the LEP will not be focused around any one of the four local authorities.

The opportunity for consultation has been limited due to the narrow timescale. There will be chance for future discussions, but this will not be until after the Government's decision. There also needs to be dialogue around the role of the Big Society in LEPs and how the two work together. The governance mechanism of the LEP also needs to be developed. The LSP will also need to decide how to influence the LEP including clarifying the role of the Sustainable Growth Alliance.

The update was noted.

6. Local Strategic Partnership Annual Forum

David Trethewey presented the agenda item. The key note speakers at the event will be Neil Smith (Policy Manager, Cabinet Office) and John Everitt.

The balance of the event was questioned and it was felt that there was not enough emphasis on the local picture. However, it was agreed that providing the national policy key note speech includes information on the context of changes, The Big Society and the Localism Bill (national finance) that thirty minutes will be sufficient for the local agenda key note presentation.

It was requested that information on the financial cuts are made clear in the Annual Forum. However it was acknowledged that by 11th November the full picture will not be known

The update was noted.

Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests

7. Theme Partnership Update (1) Health & Wellbeing

Janet Rowse introduced a presentation on the Health & Wellbeing Theme Partnership. It was stated that changes to Health and Wellbeing would have taken place regardless of the changing political and economic developments. A major reason for the requirement for change is in response to the ageing population of the area.

It was agreed that the update was helpful, however it was stated that more information was needed around juvenile alcohol abuse, homelessness and mental illness. Janet Rowse offered to clarify particular topics outside of the meeting.

A discussion ensued about the presentation forming a view of what each individual is expected to do in terms of keeping healthy. It was clarified that those who are unable to conform to this model and need help will receive the assistance that is appropriate. It was stated that there is a lack of join-up between the 'Liberating the NHS' paper and the Department of Work and Pensions paper in terms of capturing the anticipated increased unemployment and the anticipated rise in mental illness that this will bring. This is likely to be an issue in the area, as there is a large reliance on public sector employment.

The update was noted.

Key Actions

- **Health and Wellbeing presentation to be circulated (Action 46)**

7. Theme Partnership Update (2) Children & Young People

Mary Kearney-Knowles presented the agenda item. The Children's Trust is no longer a statutory body; however it will remain in place. The Children's Trust is leading on the Children & Young Person's Plan (CYPP) 2011-2014. The six priorities have been now reduced to five. This reduction is due to 'a positive learning experience' being incorporated as cross-cutting issue across all the priorities.

Discussion focused around the level of consultation that has taken place. Mary Kearney-Knowles offered to provide details of the questionnaires analysis if required. The LSP Annual Forum will be used as an opportunity to provide further feedback on the draft CYPP. All members agreed to endorse the CYPP.

Agreed that:

- **The Children & Young People's Plan is endorsed.**

9. LSP Board Dashboard

David Trethewey introduced the agenda item. It was explained that the dashboard will be included as a standing item at each meeting. The purpose of the dashboard is to give a high level picture of the Partnership's activities.

The allocation of the Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant (PRG) was discussed and in particular the process for reviewing ways to allocate the PRG. It was felt that it is necessary to capture comments from the Civil Society and the Business Community. To do this a task group will be established to develop the criteria for allocating PRG.

Key Actions

- **Establish a task group that will review the process of allocating Performance Reward Grant (Action 47)**

7. AOB

Cllr Haeberling gave a reminder that the Chairman of Bath & North East Somerset Council is encouraging nominations for the Chairman's Community Award 2010/11. This year the Awards have been organised in conjunction with the Student Community Partnership and Somer Community Housing Trust, and have launched the new category of "Good Neighbour". The deadline for nominations is Friday 15th October 2010, for more information contact: Sara Dixon, B&NES Community Projects Officer, Policy & Partnerships.

Peter Dupper-Miller informed that there will be an exhibition of Parish Plans in the Guildhall on 27th October.

A request was made by Chris Head that the templates provided by Board members titled 'Implications of the Current Position' are circulated.

Key Actions

- **The 'Implications of the Current Position' templates to be circulated to LSP Board members (Action 48).**

D. Actions completed from previous meetings

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

No	Action	Resp	Target	Status
43	Join up work on tenant and customer profiling work underway by Somer and the Council	DTr / AG	Sept 2010	Completed
42	Include contextual narrative in the performance section of the dashboard.	SB	Sept 2010	Completed
44	Look at ways for the Voluntary & Community Sector LSP Board representative to engage with sector members in advance of the LSP Board meetings	CH / SB	Sept 2010	Completed

Bath & North East Somerset LSP Board Work Plan

Meeting	Category	Item	Purpose	Lead
23 rd March 2011	Strategy & Policy	Refreshing the Sustainable Community Strategy	Discussion on the drivers for change assessment and emerging priorities for the Partnerships set against the evidence base.	
	Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests	Theme Partnership Update (5) Safer Communities	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
		Theme Partnership Update (6) Stronger Communities	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
	Performance & Risk Management	LSP Dashboard	Update on progress across the LSP including performance, risk, achievements and resources	Council
TBC June 2011	Strategy & Policy			
	Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests	Theme Partnership Update (1)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
		Theme Partnership Update (2)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of

Meeting	Category	Item	Purpose	Lead
				Theme Delivery Partnership
	Performance & Risk Management	LSP Dashboard	Update on progress across the LSP including performance, risk, achievements and resources	Council
TBC Sept 2011	Strategy & Policy			
	Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests	Theme Partnership Update (3)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
		Theme Partnership Update (4)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
	Performance & Risk Management	LSP Dashboard	Update on progress across the LSP including performance, risk, achievements and resources	Council
TBC Dec 2011	Strategy & Policy			
	Governance, Other Business & LSP Board Requests	Theme Partnership Update (5)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor / Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
		Theme Partnership Update (6)	Discussion and scrutiny of Theme Delivery Partnership by the LSP Board	Theme Sponsor /

Meeting	Category	Item	Purpose	Lead
				Chair of Theme Delivery Partnership
	Performance & Risk Management	LSP Dashboard	Update on progress across the LSP including performance, risk, achievements and resources	Council

LSP Board members are invited to add items to the work plan at any time.

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Understanding the Implications of the CSR

<p>What is your request of the LSP Board?</p>	<p>The LSP Board is asked to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide recent updates on any emerging implications for their agency / sector arising from the CSR and any subsequent Government announcements 2. Note and comment on the update from the LSP Working Group
<p>What do you want from the Theme Delivery Partnerships?</p>	<p>The Theme Delivery Partnerships are asked:</p> <p>(1)To input into the work of the LSP Working Group on changes arising from the CSR affecting their partnership working.</p>
<p>Background material</p>	

Background:

Previous discussions at the LSP Board on the Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR) have identified the need for a joined up picture of impacts of the CSR, particularly where there are emerging changes or cuts to service provision and changes in policy and strategic approach. There is also a need to understand the impacts on specific groups of people or places across the public sector partners of the LSP so that the work of any one agency does not adversely impact upon another, and collectively, we do not all impact on the same parts of the community.

Progress to Date:

At the LSP Board meeting on 21st September, discussions took place around the changing policy agenda. Subsequently, an officer level working group was convened, representing agencies across the Council and Partnership in order to identify potential issues and opportunities.

Some issues are beginning to be identified for the working group to take forward where there could be the potential for changes in approach to impact across the Partnership. For example:

- **Carers and an ageing population:** Aging carers caring for an increasingly elderly population therefore meaning increasing support needs.
- **Young men:** This is a potentially vulnerable group, especially where unemployment is an issue, often clustered around particular communities where social housing is more prevalent, whose needs involve the Police, Children & Adult Services.
- **Vulnerable Groups of Housing Association Tenants:** Changes to benefit payments may impact on a number of housing tenants, for example there is the potential for growing incidents of rent arrears, also potentially impacting on the Revenues & Benefits service.
- **Skills to engage with vulnerable groups and communities:** Networks, relationships and trust are particularly important when targeting services to particular communities and when services are changing. The skills in how to engage is often a gap in most public service agencies
- **Increased on-line service provision:** Government are increasing the number of transactions that have to be conducted on-line, such as Revenues & Benefits Services yet there is the potential for the provision of on-line facilities, such as through Libraries to diminish with cuts to Council services. Opportunities exist for agencies to work together to identify the best ways / best places to offer these sorts of on-line services collectively
- **Low income families:** Those who are either already experiencing child poverty or at risk of falling into it could be more at risk from service cuts and changes to benefits – more work is needed on understanding the impacts of changes on this group
- **Impacts of Council cuts in Children's Services** (for example abolition of Healthy Schools Grant) is leading to a review of priorities within Public Health as complimentary programmes cannot continue (such as Healthy Schools Plus)

Next Steps:

- Although it is too early to be specific in terms of impacts, the Working Group will continue to identify risk areas and use a common language to describe this across the Partnership so that we are all clear on what each agency is planning and any potential implications across the LSP.
- Further discussions will take place after the publication of the Government budget in December and a number of key Government White Papers such as on Health and the Localism Bill.
- There will be ongoing discussions through the LSP Executive and on to the LSP Board as necessary through the budget setting processes of each agency how to manage any emerging risks.

Recommendations:

- 1. LSP Board Members are asked to provide recent updates on any emerging implications for their agency / sector arising from the CSR and any subsequent Government announcements.**
- 2. The LSP Board is asked note and comment on the update from the LSP Working Group**

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Local Area Agreement Performance Reward Grant (PRG) Update

What is your request of the LSP Board?	The LSP Board is asked: 1) To note and comment on the updates from the Task Group and LSP Executive 2) To provide a steer on the proposed process mapped out in Appendix 2 3) To note the next steps of the process in Appendix 3 4) To recommend the process to the Council, who as the accountable body will be required to provide sign-off
What do you want from the Theme Delivery Partnerships?	To play an active part in the PRG Process by submitting applications.
Background material	Appendix 1- Key Criteria and Principles for the Fund Appendix 2- LAA PRG “Main Fund” Procedure Flowchart Appendix 3- LAA PRG Process Timetable

Recapping the Local Area Agreement (LAA)

- LAA 1 was a 3-year agreement between the Council, partners and Government that set out key outcomes for our local area.
- Throughout the life of the LAA it was subject to management and monitoring through the LSP and its associated governance arrangements. LSP partners were responsible for delivering the targets.

Current Position

- The majority of targets within LAA 1 concluded on 31st March 2010.
- Since September 2010 an audit has been conducted by the Council to ascertain how much PRG can be claimed.
- Current estimates based on ongoing internal audit work required to verify the claim indicates that the anticipated maximum PRG we can claim will be **£1.2m (this includes a 50% reduction imposed by Government as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review)**.
- There is no PRG available for LAA 2.

LSP PRG Task Group

- The LSP Board agreed on 21st September that an LSP Task Group be established to review the process for the PRG Fund. The Task Group met on 22nd November to discuss the process and had representation from Avon & Somerset Police, The Civil Society, Business and Community sectors as well as NHS B&NES.
- The Task Group reviewed the Key Criteria and Principles of the Fund (**Appendix 1**).
- The Task Group felt that there should be two funds as follows:

1) Main Fund (3 year programme)

£1m focusing on larger project bids that will enable the building of capacity in the community in order to create real change.

2) Community Chest (2 year programme 50/50 revenue/capital split)

£200k focusing on building capacity in the community through small projects between £2- £5k

Update from the LSP Executive

- The LSP Executive met on 29th November and provided an additional steer on the process for the fund.
- The LSP Executive agreed with the Task Group that there should be two funds and also agreed that the Key Criteria and Principles (**Appendix 1**) should be followed.
- The LSP Executive also agreed in principle to the process for the fund that is articulated in **Appendix 2**.

Next Steps

- The Task Group will meet again on 4th January and will discuss the detailed application criteria including what will not be funded and the communication activity for the fund

Request of the LSP Board

- 1) To note and comment on the updates from the Task Group and LSP Executive**
- 2) To provide a steer on the proposed procedure mapped out in Appendix 2**
- 3) To note the next steps of the process in Appendix 3**
- 4) To recommend the process to the Council, who as the accountable body will be required to provide sign-off**

Appendix 1 Key Criteria and Principles for the Fund

Key Criteria of the Fund

The Fund should be used for ***building capacity in the community*** and in achieving this there is a need to show how the proposed project supports delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy. The proposed projects will also have to show how they will be sustainable in the long term. Particular focus should be given to:

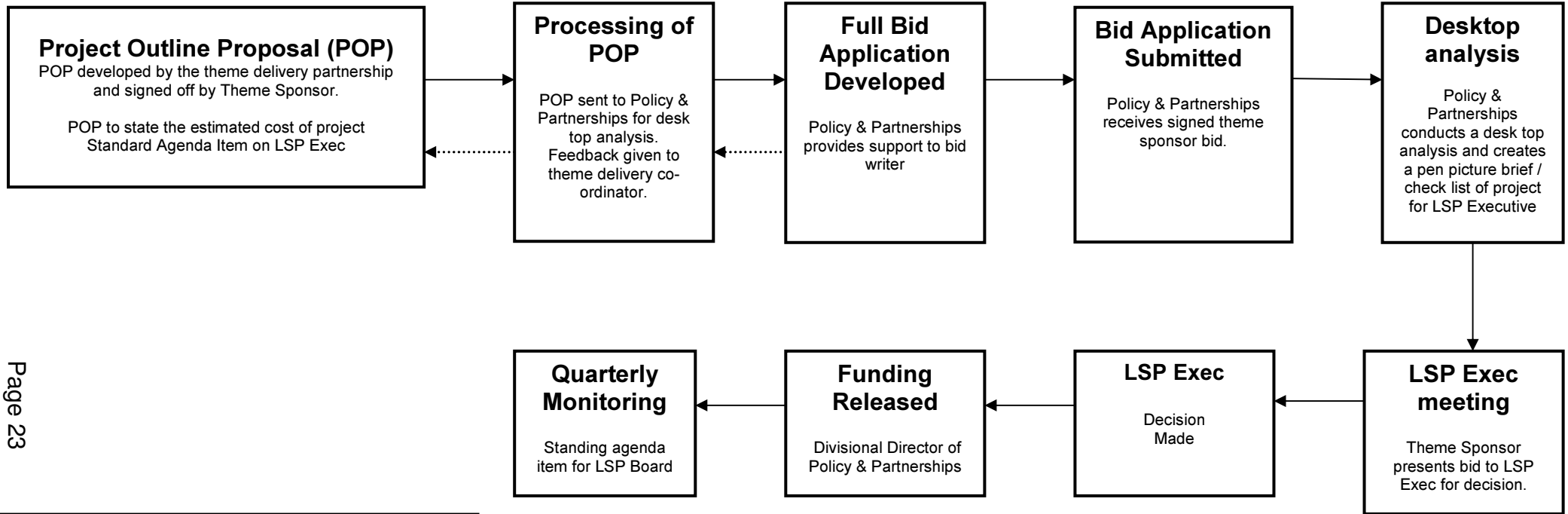
- Increasing the capacity of the Civil Society
- Increasing the capacity of Communities
- Public Sector capacity / collaborative working
- Technology and infrastructure
- Local Business capacity
- Supporting vulnerable people

Principles of the Fund

- It should be used to **build capacity in the community**
- Any projects funded should be aware that this is **one-off funding**
- It should be used to **Pump Prime activity** which becomes **sustainable** in its own right
- It should be used to reduce the need for future funding and be built around **Invest to Save** principles
- Any projects funded should have an **exit strategy** in place
- Applications should include **realistic milestones**

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LAA PRG "Main Fund" Process Flowchart



LAA PRG Fund

Total anticipated amount
£1.2m

**Main Fund (3 year programme 50/50
revenue/capital split)**
£1m

**Community Chest (2 year programme 50/50
revenue/capital split)**
£200k
This fund will be used to build capacity in the
community through small projects up to £5k.

Management fee
£40K

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Appendix 3
Timetable

Date	Action	Purpose /Notes
14 th December	LSP Board meeting	Task Group and LSP Executive's recommendations to be discussed at the Board
4 th January	LSP LAA Task Group	Task Group to have second meeting in advance of Council meeting
15 th February (Council)	Council meeting	Formal sign-off for the scheme is required by the Council as the accountable body.
February- March	Updates and promotion given at relevant public agency and theme delivery partnerships	Scheme publicised via theme delivery partnerships
Late February	Launch	Note: scheme launch may be delayed until after election depending on legal guidance given on election period
Quarterly through 2011 - 12	LSP Board	LSP Board will receive quarterly updates on project progress

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Local Strategic Partnership Board Dashboard (Prepared November 2010)

RESOURCES

<p>Performance Reward Grant Fund Update</p> <p>The claim for PRG is being finalised with two targets still being resolved. The maximum claim is anticipated to be around £1.2m (including 50% CLG reduction).</p> <p>Next Steps: The claim will be formally submitted via GOSW before 1st February 2011.</p>

<p>LAA 1 Pump Priming Grant</p> <p>The remaining £20,180 of PPG is now being used by Connexions for the NEET target. This means that 100% of the PPG has now been used and will no longer be reported.</p>

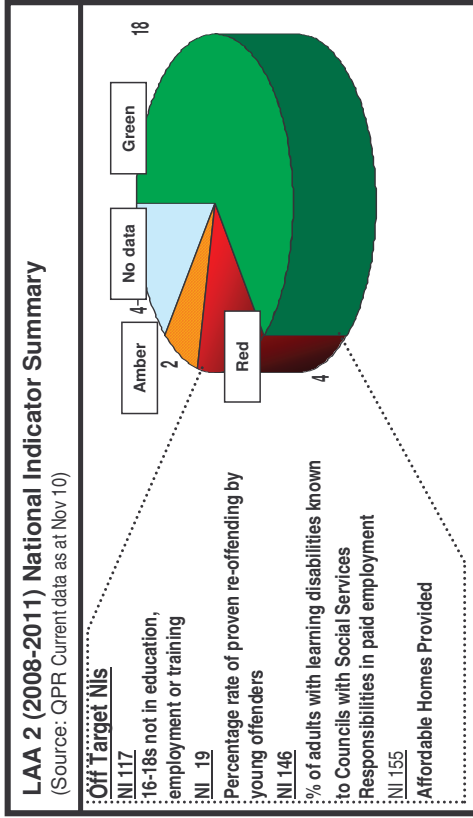
<p>Funding News from 'Grant Advisor'</p>	<p>Current Searches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home safety checks and safety equipment for private / rented homes where there are vulnerable children or elderly people. Flood mitigation improvement Investigation into Thermal Spa usage Swimming Pool refurbishment (Paulton) Possible Community Garden in Bath
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UPDATES & PROGRESS

LSP Exec Sponsored Projects Update	
Project Name	R/A/G
Localism / Community Engagement Strategy	G
Core Strategy	G
Intelligence Project	G

<p>LSP Achievements and Updates</p> <p>LSP Annual Forum (11th November) This year's event featured workshops focused around the drivers for change. Speeches were given from John Everitt and Neil Smith (Cabinet Office). Attendance from 79 colleagues across the LSP. The output will be used in the refreshing of the Sustainable Community Strategy.</p> <p>Stronger Communities: Village Agents in the Chew Valley area have made over 80 home visits and 200+ referrals made to other agencies this year. Success of the pilot has attracted PCT funding for project for a further six months.</p> <p>Safer Communities: "Student Watch" is a new joint campaign between police, universities and the Council to increase safety awareness for students living in halls and private accommodation. Over 30 volunteers signed up for the scheme at Bath University's Freshers' Fair.</p> <p>Environmental Sustainability Partnership: Launched community energy monitor lending scheme via libraries Launched Local Energy Champions scheme and competition</p> <p>Children's Trust Board: B&NES Children Trust has agreed that it will continue as a non-statutory partnership B&NES Children Trust and Council will produce a joint non-statutory CYPP 2011-2014 New vision and priority areas agreed with a draft CYPP currently being developed. The draft will be widely distributed in January 2011 for consultation</p>

PERFORMANCE & RISK



LSP Risks			
#	DoT	Name	Actions Taken / Planned
1	R	There is a lack of effective engagement from LSP Board partners of time / resources / capacity due to changes in government policy resulting in inefficient use of resources, reputational loss, loss of confidence in LSP and lack of delivery of SCS	-Terms of Reference for the LSP Board developed with sign up by Board members -Regular reporting of SCS and board work plan in place -Policy & Working Group formed
2	R	There are reductions in housing and economic development related funding for B&NES from the Government which could impact on major capital schemes resulting in lack of delivery of the SCS, and lack of delivery of LSP committed priority schemes.	-Focus on tracking and understanding implications of emerging cuts – -The actions for this will be reviewed once the CSR implications are fully understood
3	A	Partnership governance arrangements are not robust leading to lack of clarity over what LSP is achieving, financial arrangements and who is accountable for delivery resulting in reputational loss, and inefficient use of resources	-Terms of Reference for the LSP Board and all theme delivery partnerships are developed now. -Governance robust but need to review role and purpose of the LSP in light of changing agenda.

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