

## HSP STEERING GROUP MEETING

11 JUNE 07, THE CASTLE, WINCHESTER

### MINUTES

#### **Present:**

Cllr Roy Perry	HCC (Chairman)
Paul Batty	Environment Agency
Andrew Lloyd	HIOWLGA/HEP/LSC
Janet Blann	LSP Chairs representative
Steve Polden	Voluntary Sector
Alison Alexander	Hants CYPP
Andrew Mason	Portsmouth Housing Association (Voluntary sector)
Alan Chatfield	FSB
Sophie Evans	University of Southampton
Roger Lawes	HCC
Kory Thorne	Hampshire Constabulary
Peter Moyle	HIOW LGA
Sue Dovey	CAH

#### **Apologies received:**

Ross Smith	Youth Council
Simon Cole	Hampshire Constabulary
Steve Waring	University of Southampton
Cathy Evans	GOSE
Alison Alexander	Children's Services
Jonathon Montgomery	Hampshire PCT

#### **Item 2: Minutes and matters arising**

The minutes were agreed.

Paul Batty from the Environment Agency has sent back an updated version of the Community Strategy with changes to the chapter- Environment, Infrastructure and Transportation for section 2 Progress against the Community Strategy. This information is still to be received from Jonathan Montgomery in relation to the Health and well-being chapter.

#### **Item 3: Transition arrangements for the LAA**

Andrew Lloyd presented the Transition Paper which had been circulated with the agenda. Main points are as follows:

- White Paper sets out a duty to co-operate in agreeing LAA priorities and targets and to support their delivery.
- The White Paper and developing guidance herald new style LAAs which will take effect from April 08

- LAAs will be at the heart of a new performance framework for local authorities and their partners.
- The LAA will be the delivery plan for an updated *Sustainable Community Strategy* based on identified areas of risk of under-achievement
- A national set of 200 PIs will be published by the Government in the Autumn 07 as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review.
- Local partners will agree their priorities based on the risk analysis.
- The White Paper confirms LSPs as the over-arching strategic partnership for the area and introduces duties on local authorities and partners to co-operate in agreeing an LAA as “the delivery plan for the Sustainable Community Strategy.”
- The partnership landscape in Hampshire is already multi-layered and complex with a mix of statutory and commissioning and non-commissioning roles
- There is therefore a need for a fundamental review of strategic level partnerships to ensure that this new planning and performance and funding framework is effectively implemented, this review is being led by the HIOW LGA

### **Issues raised**

Why is the Highways Agency not included in the list of organisations included in the Bill

Concern expressed that the new set of PI's will be significantly more than 200

The new LAA should only include priorities that are beneficial for partners

Multi area agreements- should look at what would work in Hampshire a put a proposal to Gov, rather than wait for guidance

Will the Comprehensive Area Assessment be more complicated than the Comprehensive Performance Assessment

Additional local targets- should look at common issues in districts to develop local PI's

In the White Paper there is a steer to more democracy in LSPs, however in Hampshire a lot of the LSPs are non local authority chaired- is there now a move to go back to LA.

### **Actions**

Cllr Perry to write to Government to ask why Highways are excluded from the list of organisations in the Bill

#### **Item 4: Hampshire Observatory**

Roger Lawes presented the paper on the Hampshire Observatory, which had been circulated with the agenda. The Observatory has grown wider and has gathered more support as partners have recognised the value of a single source of data. This demand to extend the coverage to the geographical rather than the administrative area of Hampshire by including Southampton, Portsmouth and possibly the Isle of Wight extends the proposal beyond the remit of the HSP, this being the case the working group considers that the most appropriate 'home' for the Hampshire Observatory is to be managed by the HIOW LGA sub group the Hampshire Improvement Board (HIB). Informal approaches have been made to Will Godfrey who chairs the HIB.

E-lipse software, which has been developed for South East Forum for eGovernment with ODPM, is the likely basic IT platform for the Observatory. The background papers for the working group will be available on the HSP website. [www.hampshirestrategicpartnership.gov.uk](http://www.hampshirestrategicpartnership.gov.uk)

The group were asked to have a look at CityStats (Brighton and Hove) if they wanted to see an Observatory operating.

[www.citystats.org/](http://www.citystats.org/)

The group agreed that HIOW LGA would be approached for the HIB to take ownership of the Hampshire Observatory.

#### **Item 5: Hampshire Sustainable Community Strategy Review**

As agreed at the last HSP meeting, work in a number of areas has progressed. HCC have supplemented the work on the Quality of Life Report to carry out a further analysis of the sustainability assessment of Hampshire, which will include longer term projections and risks.

The work to date has included collating available information on 6 themes- Economic prosperity for all, healthy and safe communities, housing for all, environmental quality and climate change, mobility and access and demographic change. This information will be presented in the form of maps of the current data, with indications of particular hot spots, and the use of text boxes that explore current issues and anticipated future trends. This will be presented at the next steering group meeting.

Work has also progressed on the mapping of partners plans and strategies by Treasurer's Consultancy.

Consultation has been undertaken with the districts to establish the outcomes in their Community Strategies, the report will be presented to the LSP Chairs Network on the 12<sup>th</sup> June.

The key outcomes from the consultation are as follows:

The common priorities across the district Community Strategies which will set the vision and outcomes for a sustainable are as follows:

- community safety
- health and wellbeing
- environment issues access issues
- economy

The most important priorities across the district Community Strategies are as follows:

- **C&YP** - health, teenage pregnancy, reduce obesity, more facilities
- **Economy** - increase employment, increase skills, increase investment, regeneration of towns
- **Access** - safe and affordable transport, range of services that are accessible
- **Housing**- affordable, housing for YP and vulnerable people, sustainable communities
- **Community Safety**- reduce fear of crime, violent crime & ASB
- **Health and Wellbeing**- increase life expectancy, reduce inequalities, reduce teenage pregnancy, healthy lifestyles, older people
- **Environment**- reduce pollution, climate change, renewable energy, improving cleanliness of towns
- **Communities**- reduce poverty,/social exclusion, increase participation, healthy communities

The key drivers for the future, as recognised by the districts for the Hampshire SCS to focus on are as follows,

- Climate change
- Future growth and development and the infrastructure to support this
- Environmental issues- transport, congestion and access

The results of these three areas of work needs to be brought together to identify the issues to form the basis of a debate and further consultation in September.

## **Actions**

Members of the group were asked to have a look at the work of the plans and strategies and to feed back on whether there are any obvious ones which have been excluded.

The review of the Community Strategy needs to take account the outcomes from the Migrant Workers Seminar and the work on the Climate Change Commission.

Members of the group were asked to decide on the scope of the debate, suggestions included:

A web based consultation with a comments board  
Engaging young people- web based forum similar to Myspace  
Work with Youth Council to get their views  
Conference- for wider engagement with partners and general public  
Individual local authorities to engage with their own networks  
Needs to link in with the LAA seminars

### **Item 6: Any other business**

Migrant Workers Seminar held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May- Jane Goodwin will be preparing a report which will be presented at the next HSP Steering Group.

Janet Blann – spoke about a Community Day for migrant workers which had been held in Test Valley.

### **Date of next meeting**

The meeting scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> July has been cancelled, a date will be arranged for August/early September