

Minutes of Local Strategic Partnership Executive Board

Wednesday 14 October 2009

2.00pm in Room 2, Civic Offices, Central Milton Keynes

Executive Members Present:

Sam Crooks	Milton Keynes Council (Councillor) (Chair)
Colin Fox	Milton Keynes Economy & Learning Partnership
Nick Hicks	NHS - MK
David Hill	Milton Keynes Council
David Livermore	Milton Keynes Council of Voluntary Organisations
Cheryl Montgomery	Milton Keynes Partnership
Terry Ridgley	Buckinghamshire & MK Fire & Rescue Service
Rita Spada	MK Chamber of Commerce

Apologies:

Alan Baldwin	Thames Valley Police
Bryan Dugdale	Buckinghamshire & MK Fire & Rescue Service
John Lewis	Milton Keynes Partnership
Ruth Stone	Milton Keynes Council of Voluntary Organisations

Also in Attendance:

Jeremy Beake	Milton Keynes Council (Item 3)
Tina Butterwick	Milton Keynes Council
Di Morrish	GOSE
Geoff Snelson	Milton Keynes Council
Phil Winsor	Milton Keynes Council (Item 5b)

LEAD

LSPE 35/09 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2009 were received and agreed.

LSPE 36/09

The Outstanding Matters List was also received and noted.

Matters Arising:

LSPE 24/09 MK Community Safety Response to Domestic Violence – this has been referred to the LSPE Financial Directors to consider at their next meeting in the context of reviewing the approach to the Area Based Grant.

LSPE 37/09 TOWARDS A SET OF EQUALITY GOALS

PURPOSE:

To receive a report and presentation on the project to map inequalities in MK and assess organisational priorities.

NOTED:

1. It was reported that this is work in progress and further analysis is required of the available data.

2. That many of the issues are linked and a holistic approach is required.
3. There are gaps in available data particularly in relation to the Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transsexual population.
4. The data needs to be considered by public sector organisations that have a duty to understand the local population and consider in the context of service planning.
5. It would be extremely useful to develop a standard method of Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) for use by LSP partners.
6. It was noted that not all of the thematic partnerships are resourced to respond to a request to undertake additional goals; but that it would be more helpful to consider the equality issues in the context of current indicators and targets.

ACTION:

It was agreed that Jeremy would bring back a report containing more specific recommendations to the December meeting that will include:

- After appropriate consultation with relevant groups an overarching equality statement for adoption by the LSP
- Goals aligned to the existing goals/targets of the thematic partnerships
- Refined analysis of statistics as discussed at the meeting
- Data presented in context for organisations to share within their own organisations

Jeremy requested to work with representatives from the LSPE organisations to develop a standard EIA method.

To develop the MKi Observatory to provide real time picture and include contextual information to support the data.

Jeremy
Beake

LSPE 38/09 COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT**PURPOSE:**

To receive a verbal update on current position.

NOTED:

1. Geoff reported that since the last meeting when Robert Hathaway informed the LSPE that the assessment contained red flags in relation to skills and children's partners have provided a great deal of information to support progress and the latest draft has these red flags removed and replaced with red tags. These two areas still require a great deal of attention, but the change to the flag status is positive in terms of public and peer perceptions.

LSPE 39/09 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT OF THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY**PURPOSE:**

Feedback from the LSP Performance Group – Verbal update from meeting held on 6 October.

NOTED:

1. Geoff Snelson has now taken over as Chair of the LSP Performance Group. The group undertook a high level risk assessment across the LAA NIs. It will now focus its attention on the LAA NIs at greatest risk. In undertaking the assessment it excluded the Children and Young People's NIs as they are already being heavily scrutinised and monitored by the DCSF. The next stage is to undertake a more detailed analysis of the red indicators to understand the issues and action required to move to amber/green status.

PURPOSE:

To receive an update on the LAA Annual Review and Refresh Process

NOTED:

1. Last year the review focus was on how the LAA was working. This year's refresh will take a light touch approach. It will look at those target at risk - currently not on track and whose likely outturn is to not achieve the target. The discussion will take place at the performance group and will include discussion on planned actions and any support required. The refresh will cover two areas; targets not locked down for reward - including housing and skills and those covered by the Place Survey where the validated data is significantly different from that used to agree the target. The results of the review and progress on refresh will be discussed at the January LSPE.

ACTION:

The LSP Performance Group will undertake the review on behalf of the LSPE and will present to the Board at January meeting for sign off.

Geoff
Snelson

Di Morrish to bring details of review to next LSP Performance Group meeting to commence discussion.

Di Morrish

LSPE 40/09 MILTON KEYNES CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAMME

PURPOSE:

To seek the continued support and commitment of the LSP Executive Board to the further development and delivery of Milton Keynes Carbon Reduction Programme.

NOTED:

1. Phil Winsor tabled an update to the report in the form of a diagram mapping the carbon reduction projects underway and planned, and the funding streams.
2. There is an opportunity to build on the current enthusiasm and energy for the climate change agenda.
3. Partners were requested to consider their input in terms of providing resources whether it is funding, expertise, personnel.

4. The governance arrangements were noted and proposals agreed in principle subject to minor streamlining.
5. The programme provides an opportunity to involve and obtain the commitment of the wider LSP in order to achieve a reduction in MK carbon footprint.

ACTION:

It was agreed that Phil Winsor will take forward the proposals as per the recommendations subject to agreement with Nick Hicks and consultation with Andy Lane, Chair of Strategic Environmental Partnership. A report will come back to the Board in due course to cover governance arrangements, revised climate changes statement, and proposals for engaging wider LSP in delivery of strategy.

Phil Winsor

LSPE 41/09 GOVERNANCE**PURPOSE:**

In order that communications are improved between the LSPE Board and the LSP and to strengthen the accountability arrangements it was proposed that the Chair of the LSP and the Chair of the LSP Performance Group be invited to LSPE Board meetings as ex officio members.

NOTED:

The Board agreed the proposal.

ACTION:

The Chair of the LSP be informed of proposal and invited to attend future meetings.

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The LSP Protocol to be amended to reflect new arrangements.

LSPE 42/09 MK2050 MASTER VISION – STRUCTURE FOR DELIVERY**PURPOSE:**

To present a process and timetable for the development of an MK2050 MasterVision for completion by 2011.

NOTED:

1. The LSP considered an outline timetable at its meeting on 8 October.
2. The Board were invited to contribute their views on how a high level prospectus (an expanded 'Story of Place') that would incorporate the key thematic areas such as carbon management and health inequalities might be developed and consulted upon.
3. It was agreed that as a result of the World Cup Bid, MK is in a positive place in terms of partnership working and current energies should be harnessed and momentum maintained in order to deliver the MK 2050 MasterVision.
4. The Board acknowledged that this work would have to be delivered creatively with limited resources. Opportunities exist to engage with existing groups and processes as widely as possible.

5. It is important that the 'prospectus' should be evidence based, existing data and information will assist in informing the debate.
6. The creation of the MK2050 MasterVision will provide a great opportunity for the LSP to work more closely together.
7. Proposals for engagement should explore use of media and technology to ensure as wide an input as possible.

ACTION:

The LSP Performance Group will develop proposals for 'Prospectus' and present to the Board for approval.

Geoff
Snelson

LSPE 43/09 ECONOMIC UPDATE**NOTED:**

1. The Bulletin (Issue 14, October 2009) produced by Milton Keynes Economy and Learning Partnership provided a synopsis of the current economic climate in Milton Keynes, drawing on information provided from a range of our partners.
2. MK unemployment remains at 5%; national data published suggests unemployment is plateauing.

LSPE 44/09 HIGH LEVEL VISITS**NOTED:**

1. A constructive breakfast meeting with Sir Robert Kerslake was held on 5 October. He was reminded of the need to provide support for regeneration in some of Milton Keynes's older estates and areas.
2. The Jonathan Shaw visit on 6 October went really well, and feedback from the Minister on the programme has been very positive. The programme format is being replicated elsewhere in the South East.
3. Australian Ministerial Delegation from Canberra will be visiting Milton Keynes on 29 October during their stay in the UK. They are particularly interested in growth, town planning and waste.

LSPE 45/09 JOINT COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**NOTED:**

The October communications highlights and media relations activity.

LSPE 46/09 LSPE FORWARD PLAN**NOTED:**

Items for future meetings of the LSPE.

The Board were informed that a request had been received from the Bedford and Milton Keynes Waterway Trust to receive a progress report on the Economic Impact Study at a future meeting.

It was agreed that priority should be given to projects within the

	<p>Sustainable Community Strategy and that if an invite is extended to consider this item, it would set a precedent .</p> <p>It was proposed that the Bedford and Milton Keynes Waterway Trust be informed accordingly, but that they might wish to organise an event to which LSP Members could be invited. Alternatively a copy of the report could be made available to LSP members via the LSP Infomail.</p> <p>ACTION: Bedfordshire and Milton Keynes Waterway Trust to be informed of LSPE Board decision.</p>	<p>LEAD</p> <p>LSP Support Team</p>
<p>LSPE 47/09</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>NOTED: Colin Fox reported the fantastic news that BT Openreach is to trial fibre optics technology in Milton Keynes; one of two pilots in UK via the Bradwell Abbey exchange in Fishermead.</p> <p>Over the coming weeks Colin will be working with partners to ensure that everything is in place to facilitate the successful and smooth delivery of this new technology.</p> <p>In relation to this news a brief discussion was stimulated regarding an MKC ICT strategy. It was agreed a report should come to a future Board meeting</p>	<p>Geoff Snelson</p>
<p>LSPE 48/09</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>NOTED: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 November 2009 in Room 304/05, CBX II.</p>	