



**LSP Board Meeting, 26 June 2012
Daventry District Council
10am – 11.50am**

Partners Present (* denotes voting member)

Simon	Bovey	Daventry District Council
Carella	Davies* (Chair)	Daventry Volunteer Centre
Matthew	Davies	Nene Commissioning
Cllr Elizabeth	Griffin*	Daventry District Council
Francesca	Guglielmi	Environment Agency
Sally	Halsen*	Daventry Business Partnership
David	Hemmett	West Northants Joint Planning Unit
Cllr Alan	Hills	Daventry District Council
Phil	Martin	Northants CALC
Ciara	McMillan	Daventry & District Housing
Cllr Gina	Ogden*	Northamptonshire County Council
Caroline	Palmer-Fagan	Bromford Housing
Lorraine	Peerless	JobcentrePlus, Daventry
Victoria	Pietersen	Groundwork Northamptonshire
Jane	Roemer	Northants ACRE
Dave	Spencer	District Commander, Daventry & South Northants, Northamptonshire Police

Also in attendance

Roz	Tidman	Daventry District Council (LSP Support)
Bob	Keith	Daventry District Council (for item 3)
Kevin	Fagan	Daventry District Council (for item 4)
Vinni	Bassan	Daventry District Council (for item 3)

1. Welcome, Introductions, Apologies and Declarations

Carella Davies welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that David Quayle had resigned from the role as Chairman of the LSP Board due to ill-health. It was **AGREED** that a letter of thanks be sent to David. **ACTION: Roz Tidman**

Due to the resignation of David Quayle there was a need to appoint a new Chairman of the LSP Board. Attendees were asked for nominations. Cllr Griffin

proposed Carella Davies be appointed Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr Ogden. There were no other nominations. It was **AGREED** unanimously that Carella Davies be appointed Chairman of the LSP Board.

Apologies were received from:

Oliver Burke (Wildlife Trust), Cllr Kay Driver (Daventry District Council), Fiona Galbraith (Northamptonshire Enterprise Partnership), James Nicholls (Cummins), Rob Tracey (SNVB)

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interests.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 27 March 2012

a) The minutes were agreed as an accurate record subject.

b) Matters Arising

Joint Procurement – Roz Tidman advised that there had been no further feedback on this.

Bulk Oil Purchase Scheme – It was acknowledged that there were a number of schemes out there with differing prices. Jane Roemer advised that ACRE were happy to share their prices, though this information should be available via their website. **ACTION: Jane Roemer**

NCC Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board – Papers were available on NCC's website. Meetings of the Board could also be viewed by webcast.

Simon Bovey expressed concerns about the flow of information, as there was not a Daventry person on the Board. He understood it was intended to have a manager representative at District and Borough level on the Board and asked whether that was still the intention. Cllr Ogden advised that the remit of the Board was the setting of strategy and direction and, therefore, not appropriate for every District and Borough council to be represented. It was noted that Councillor Barry Graves was the elected representative for District and Borough Councils.

Inspiring Meadows Project – It was hoped that this project would continue to develop.

3. Local Strategy Update

Bob Keith and Vinni Bassan gave a presentation on reforms of planning policy and housing strategy. A copy of their presentation is **attached**.

As part of this presentation David Hemmett gave a brief update on the Joint Core Strategy. The Joint Strategic Planning Committee were due to consider possible changes to the pre-submission version of the Strategy at their meeting on 16 July. These would take into account responses from the public consultation and also Government changes to planning policy. If approved a formal consultation exercise will run from 30 July to 26 September on this revised pre-submission version. However the consultation would only provide an opportunity to comment on the changes made, not the whole document. There would also be two grounds for comment; its legality and its soundness. Details on how to engage in the consultation process would be available on the West Northants JPU website www.westnorthamptonshirejpu.org.

With regard to the various stages in the preparation of Neighbourhood Plans, it was noted that one element required the holding of a referendum in the parish concerned. Cllr Hills commented that it was important that the public were provided with a full explanation of the implications of a referendum.

It was noted that the District Council would be expected to fund the costs of the independent examination of a Neighbourhood Plan and the running of a referendum. The costs for these two elements combined were between £5,000 and £15,000. However the biggest cost would be the time of those volunteers developing the Plan.

It was noted that those Authorities who were part of the front-runners scheme had not yet formally approved their Neighbourhood Plans, and it was obvious that the whole process was taking longer than the Government anticipated.

4. Community Safety Partnership

Kevin Fagan provided an update on the Community Safety Partnership. He gave a brief overview of the membership and structure of the Partnership.

The Partnership has a number of targets that they are measured against. A strategic assessment is also carried out on an annual basis. Have Your Say days are carried out on a regular basis with 2,400 questionnaires completed last year by members of the public.

With regard to targets, the Partnership had set targets for Anti Social Behaviour, Domestic Crime and Assaults. Last year the figure for 'All Crime' increased slightly. In the 'family group' of other community safety partnerships, crime levels in Daventry and South Northants were 2.7% below the average in that group.

A detailed breakdown of the targets was then presented.

Vehicle Crime – target reduction of 10% - this was not achieved. Recorded levels of vehicle crime increased 14.9%.

Domestic Burglary – target reduction of 10% - 3.3% reduction had been achieved by end of March 2012, however 10% had been achieved by the end of April 2012.

Assault with Less Serious Injury – this had been on the rise over the years. In terms of number a target of 337 had been set, with 388 incidents reported by the end of the year.

Anti Social Behaviour – target reduction of 5% - 20% reduction had been achieved, which was a good result and the reduction was continuing in 2012/13. The public perception on Anti Social Behaviour was at its lowest for four years. Within that the most common problem was young people hanging around. In March 2010 17.2% of respondents on Have Your Say days said that young people hanging round was the main cause of concern, by March 2012 this had reduced to 10% and was still falling. The reason for the decline was that this area had been specifically targeted via direct funding to youth centres and outreach work, Service Six and the Street Vibe mobile youth club.

In terms of confidence in the Police and local authorities 67.8% of the public had confidence in the organisations. Cllr Griffin commented on the lack of attendance by the Police at annual parish council meetings. Dave Spencer would investigate and report back. **Action: Dave Spencer**

For 2012/13 the Partnership would concentrate on continuing the reduction in Anti Social Behaviour though supporting diversionary activities. They would also be working with parish councils to develop sustainable youth provision.

Violence would also be kept as a target, as this was a national Police target. 34% of incidents in Daventry were domestic violence. The Partnership in conjunction with Womens Aid and other organisations were working with low and medium risk families. The Police were also holding bi-weekly tasking meetings to identify those in low/medium risk families who regularly reported violent attacks in order to address these. So far the level of violence has reduced by 3%.

Dave Spencer added that this project had only recently started, with feedback expected shortly. The vast majority of the success of this project would be down to the involvement of other organisations.

5. Local Health and Wellbeing Board

Consideration was given to the report and draft terms of reference previously circulated.

Northamptonshire County Council has taken the approach that they would like local health and wellbeing boards to be operating at district/borough level across the county. These would feed into the County level board and identify and deliver on local priorities. It was proposed that the existing Healthy Safety & Strong Theme Group convert to a local Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board to enable this flow of information to be achieved. Statutorily there was not a requirement to have a local Board, however all partners felt it would be beneficial to have this in place.

The move was welcomed by Cllr Ogden, however she did note that in the Terms of reference Public Health was shown as a separate body when it was now part of the County Council's Directorate of Health. Cllr Ogden was also concerned about the lack of involvement of patient groups and suggested the Health Watch be included on the Board.

Cllr Hills declared an interest as a member of the current Health Safe & Strong Theme Group before confirming his support for the change. He also advised that the County Council's Cabinet Member also supported the transition.

Matthew Davies added that Nene Commissioning were also moving along a similar route and working with partners via the local board would be vital to enable the strategy set by the county-wide Board to be turned into action.

Simon Bovey was conscious that the original theme group did include 'safety', which was missing from the new local Board. The objectives of the Local Health and Wellbeing Board should also keep a community safety element in it, which was **AGREED**.

With regard to monitoring of the local Board, SB suggested this should be initially via the LSP board then via the District Council's Scrutiny & Improvement Committee, if it so wished. He suggested the reference to this in para 6.1 be removed as the Scrutiny & Improvement Committee had the authority to choose what areas it wanted to scrutinise, which was also **AGREED**.

SB added that the public health criteria was one for all agencies and that the Director of Public Health was a key link to achieving outcomes. Cllr Ogden advised that Dr Stephen Horseley had been appointed as Director of Public Health. It was not certain whether this was widely known and Cllr Ogden suggested that he be invited to the next LSP Board meeting to talk about his role. **ACTION: Roz Tidman.**

It was **AGREED**: that the Healthy Safe and Strong Theme Group become that Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board. The Terms of Reference, as amended following the above discussion, were also **AGREED**.

ACTION: Roz Tidman.

6. LSP Project Update

- a) Wise and Well – the next event would be taking place at Woodford Halse on 6 July from 2pm – 4pm. Aimed at the over 50's the event would involve local groups, Health and Social Care organisations. It was hoped that this would evolve into specific project areas, starting off with a slips, trips and falls project aimed for the winter months. It was noted that East Midlands Ambulance Service ran a similar project in the past and, though early days, it could be useful to link up with them.
- b) Cycle Promotion – the Daventry Cyclefest took place the previous Saturday with over 200 people attending. There was some disappointment as some of the big ticket exhibitors did not attend, however the weather stayed fine. Over 30 people went on the guided bike ride around Daventry, and there was very positive feedback. This was also a good opportunity to get the LSP name out in the public via interviews with the local press and radio, via Roz Tidman.
- c) Canal Improvement – funding had been secured for a further year to enable this work to continue. This was also being publicised via local media.
- d) Second Homes Funding – target areas to benefit from the funding had been agreed:
 - Developing employment opportunities.
 - Increasing volunteering.
 - Housing – including bringing empty homes back into use and fuel poverty.
 - Annual Funding Fair.
 - Wise and Well events.
 - Sports and cultural activities.
 - Youth projects.
 - Improving green health ie. cycling, green areas and 'love where you live'The input from partners to these areas would be welcomed. For further information contact Roz.

7. Any Other Business and Information Exchange

1 July 2012 – new management of Daventry Leisure Centre. The new contractor would be carrying out a major refurbishment of the Centre.

2 July 2012 – School Olympics, which Chris Heaton-Harris MP would be attending.

6 July 2012 – launch of the Volunteer Centre's Time Banking Project at the Daventry District Welfare Foundation Building in New Street.

7 July 2012 for 3 weeks – Daventry Arts Festival with activities taking place every day, the majority of which would be free to attend.

September 2012 – possible Daventry triathlon taking place around town and Country Park.

Groundworks Northamptonshire had received Lottery funding to develop their Leftover Spaces project, working with parish councils and housing association to

develop unused areas of land for community projects.

Nene Commissioning were piloting a project targeting at caring for people with long term complicated conditions, to enable them to stay out of hospital longer.

DDH's Youth Board were organising a Youth Day to promote young people and raise awareness of the opportunities available for young people. Ciara also updated on the Princes Trust who were starting their third, and most successful, programme in the town. However this work was dependent of referrals of young people. The age group was 16 – 24 years and reports did show that young people involved in the Princes Trust did go on to employment or voluntary work.

DDH had also launched their Stepping Stones project, which offered interim housing provision for people leaving hospital who were not able to move back into their homes straight away. Working with NCC's Commissioning Team the first tenant had moved in whilst permanent accommodation was being arranged for him.

8. Date of Next Meeting

18 September 2012, 10am, Committee Room 1, Daventry District Council