

Title: Partnership Feedback from across the Brighton & Hove Strategic Partnership

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Name	City Sustainability Partnership
Date of meeting	16 January 2012
Date of next meetings	12 March 2012
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	Partnership agreed to formally endorse two bids for funding from the Big Lottery: Communities Living Sustainably programme when the applications are finalised.
2	Joint work areas with Public Health were discussed and agreed to have approach Public Health to have greater inclusion of sustainability in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Health & Wellbeing Board and to explore the potential for collaborative work on air quality.
3	Biosphere Reserve Update – partners agreed to send representatives to the public launch of the Biosphere Reserve bid in May 2012 to meet with delegates from UNESCO: Man and Biosphere
Additional Information:	
Next steps for the State of the Local Environment report include prioritising data gaps and timescales and responsibility for updating the report	
Approved a 'Sustainability and Equalities Checklist' to be used as a tool to focus working groups on potential equalities implications of sustainability work.	
CSP agreed to support South Downs National Park Authority Local Sustainable Transport Fund bid	

Name	Stronger Communities Partnership
Date of meeting	1 st December 2011
Date of next meetings	21 st February 2012
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	<p style="text-align: center;">A Stronger Communities Partnership Event - 'Reducing Inequality through Engagement' Showcase Monday 27th February 2012 9.30 am for registration and refreshments, 10 am start – 1 pm finish, Venue: Brighton Dome</p> <p>We look forward to welcoming you to this celebratory event which highlights how the Community Engagement Framework has been used successfully by community groups and statutory partners to engage with residents across the city.</p> <p>As key decision makers and commissioners this is your chance to see how engagement activity has changed local areas and changed people's lives.</p> <p>A series of short presentations will be made by local neighbourhoods and communities of interest and identity groups, showcasing examples of best practice engagement, with the opportunity to ask questions.</p> <p>Join in the discussion about how we engage and inspire people to get involved in their own communities. There is also an interactive range of 'market stalls' to browse, share learning and network.</p> <p>Please let us know if you are able to attend by emailing diane.coe@brighton-hove.gov.uk or Tel: 01273 291280.</p>
2	<p>Embrace Information Project: putting people and local services together</p> <p>The Embrace Information Project is gathering information about groups, clubs and social activities on offer in neighbourhood areas in Brighton & Hove. We aim to produce a web-based resource, searchable by postcode, which will show you what's going on in your area. The new site will launch in 2012.</p>

	<p>We aim to survey community and voluntary groups, public sector and private providers to give a comprehensive list of activities available and on offer in Brighton & Hove. As well as providing useful information to residents and people wanting to find out about specific activities, the Embrace Information Project will also provide an invaluable resource for health and social care professionals.</p> <p>Ways you can get involved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact us about your group's activities – we will put your information on the website • Pass our details on to others you know in your area who might be interested • Volunteer to help our research project team gather information and shape what we are doing • Join our website development group to help us ensure that it's both accessible and easy to use <p>01273 296747 embrace@thefedonline.org.uk www.thefedonline.org.uk</p>
3	<p>A City Engagement Partnership - SCP agreed to establish a 'Strategic Planning Group' made up of its main partners to help guide future role and purpose of the partnership. This group met on 25th January and will be making a series of recommendations to the SCP at its next meeting on 21st February. This includes rebranding as the 'City Engagement Partnership' and streamlining its membership. Proposed purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide strategic leadership on engagement across the city, discussing partners planned engagement activities and providing advice and guidance to partnerships as requested • To be the place in the city where partners share best practice and lessons learnt from previous engagement activities • To be the place in the city which provides consistent messages about how engagement should be carried out and provide tools and resources to enable this • To be a critical friend; providing 'challenge' to colleagues in a safe space and offering solutions to problems presented • To be the place in the city where resources and expertise around engagement is shared by all partners (including data) to avoid duplication of activities and prevent organisations from working in isolation/silos to drive up the quality of engagement

Name	City Employment & Skills Steering Group (CESSG)
Date of meeting	17 January 2012
Date of next meetings	26 April 2012
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	The skills and jobs shop in Queens Rd is expected to be launched by the end of February 2012. The CESSG is working on a coordinated approach amongst different organisations that will help employers and residents to get clarity on the help that's available for apprenticeships, work placements and job opportunities. Social media and a website will be developed.
2	The CESSG is exploring the idea of bidding for the new £250 million employers fund when the prospectus comes out. The focus of the new fund is upon employer led skills. CESSG representatives working on this idea include BHCC Economic Development, the Chamber of Commerce, Economic Partnership, City College, Albion in the Community, AMEX, CVSF, brightonandhovejobs.com.
3	A member of the Coast to Capital LEP board will be invited to the next CESSG meeting to discuss about a new project which aims to promote entrepreneurship in schools, FE and HE. Chichester has won a contract for a pilot.

Name	Strategic Housing Partnership
Date of meeting	13 December 2011
Date of next meeting	14 February 2012
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	<p>Homelessness</p> <p>Narinder Sundar from Housing Commissioning provided an update on the increased pressure and demands on homeless services in the City.</p> <p>Narinder Sundar provided a presentation which highlighted the increase in numbers of people presenting themselves as homeless. The Strategic Housing Partnership discussed issues of housing supply, private sector rents and benefit changes and resolved to keep the homeless issue on the agenda for future discussion.</p>
2	<p>Community Voluntary Sector Forum (CVSF)</p> <p>The CVSF are proposing to hold a CVSF Housing Network event to take place in the Spring at Hove Town Hall which will increase knowledge and understanding of housing for both housing and non-housing professionals in the City. The SHP was supportive of the proposal.</p>
3	<p>Additional HMO Licensing</p> <p>The Council is carrying out further consultation to seek views on the proposal to implement an additional licensing scheme for houses in multiple occupation (HMOs) in five wards in the city. The consultation will run until 31 March 2012 which will include door to door surveys and discussions with partners and stakeholders, neighbourhood groups, student unions, landlords and lettings agent forums and business forums.</p>