

**Summary report for the Brighton & Hove Strategic Partnership
meeting 24/05/11**

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

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Advice Partnership

Name	Paul Sweeting
Date of Meeting	8/4/2011
Date of next meeting	
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	<p>300 residents attended the Partnerships Family Finance day in Bevendean Funplex (funded by the lottery and the Parents Forum). Parents discussed money issues with advisors from a range of voluntary, council and private advice and legal services whilst their children received a free supervised fun session. Advisors also asked attendees to complete a survey relating to the financial pressures they felt. Key issues arising included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ lack of home contents insurance amongst social and private tenants ▪ cost of child care as a barrier to taking up work and learning opportunities <p>The full report is available from the partnership website www.advicebrighton-hove.org.uk</p>
2	<p>Strategic Director David Murray attended the meeting to open discussion relating to a commissioning strategy for Financial Inclusion and sustainable advice services. This is to be followed for workshops provisionally scheduled for June</p>
Additional Information	

Stronger Communities Partnership

Name	Lisa Mytton and Sally Polanski, CVSF
Date of meeting	There hasn't been a meeting of the SCP since 3rd Feb, ie since the last LSP meeting. This is therefore an interim update report.
Date of next meetings	9th June 2011 and 8th September 2011
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	<p>Communication Plan – this is a document that has been drafted to raise the profile of the Stronger Communities Partnership (SCP); the work of the SCP partner's engagement activities; promote and show case best practice; educate, share knowledge and learning. The draft plan is currently out for consultation with partners and implementation of the plan will start once agreement is reached.</p> <p>Channels for poor practice – (linked to the above) looking at where people go if they want to report or have a concern about engagement practice; identifies possible routes and processes to address this – the Community Engagement Framework Implementation Group is progressing this.</p>
2	<p>Reward and Recognition Guidance – The SCP has developed 'Reward and Recognition' guidance so that the council and its partners will be able to consistently and appropriately reward and recognise the contribution that service users and community representatives make to public sector engagement processes. Specifically the guidance seeks to acknowledge the time, effort and personal resource people offer in efforts to improve services, develop strategic thinking and strengthen local decision-making processes.</p> <p>The consultation on the draft guidance is now complete and a final version is available following changes and amendments based on those who contributed to the consultation. The Final Guidance and a Consultation Report has been produced.</p>
3	<p>The SCP has introduced a standing item on their agenda, aimed at providing an opportunity for partners around the table to discuss the work they are doing around community engagement in more detail. Partners will then have an opportunity to make links and join up this work. Partners presenting their activity are asked to answer the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Why is community engagement important to you/your organisation? 2 How can the partnership help you? 3 How can you help the partnership?

Additional Information

Following the end of current funding/support arrangements for the SCP and current vacancy of a key BHCC rep to support the Partnership, future support of the SCP and its programme of work is currently in flux while new arrangements are put in place.

City Inclusion Partnership

Name	Mary Evans
Date of Meeting	Tuesday 15 February 2011
Date of next meeting	Tuesday 7 June 2011
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	The partnership discussed the opportunities presented by Intelligent Commissioning as a driver for change and improvement and committed to ensuring that this was a reality for all community groups.
2	A new Work Programme has been drafted to support the implementation of the Equality Act 2010 and build on local commitment to partnership working and equalities. Emerging priorities, including Intelligent Commissioning will be reflected in the new plan. This plan will be signed off at the next meeting.
3	Many local organisations including Sussex Police, Brighton & Hove Buses and a number of small business have signed up to the Thumbs Up Campaign to improve services for people with learning disabilities. All participants receive a free training pack and DVD. Further information is at www.brightpart.org/thumbsup.php .
Additional Information	

City Sustainability Partnership

Name	Thurstan Crockett
Date of Meeting	March 14, 2011
Date of next meeting	June 6, 2011
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	The Partnership has developed its “Big Asks” of the new council administration, with an emphasis on the need for strong city leadership for sustainable development, a low carbon city programme, leadership on climate change adaptation locally, and action towards UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Status for the City and its environ. See attached.
2	Markham Hanson from Square Bay Property Ltd presented the redevelopment proposals for site J of the New England Quarter to the partnership which was critical of a number of the transport proposals and has fed this back, with a range of other comments.
3	Vic Borrill, Food Partnership Director, gave a talk to the partnership regarding the review and revision of the city’s Food Strategy and asked for any comments or recommendations. Partners agreed that there was potential to work in partnership with Public Health and GPs to develop education initiatives regarding healthy eating and sustainability.
Additional Information	
The partnership agreed further revisions to its terms of reference and these are in the BHSP papers for approval, subject to final sign off by the CSP itself – following the postponement of its meeting planned for May 16	

Economic Partnership

Name	Tony Mernagh
Date of Meeting	05.04.11
Date of next meeting	05.07.11
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	Concern was expressed over the sale of Patcham Court Farm to a hotel developer that this is not a strategic use of land which is allocated in the Local Plan for high tech office use. The Partnership called for strategic

	sites to be reviewed against existing strategies e.g. Local Plan, emerging Core Strategy, Hotel Futures Study, Employment land Study etc
2	Coast to Capital Local Enterprise partnership Board has been appointed and the first Board meeting is scheduled for 20 th May. It will concentrate on promoting entrepreneurship and export.
3	The Public Service Board has commissioned the Economic Partnership to administer a pilot strategic commissioning project on aspirational economic development.
Additional Information	

Transport Partnership

Name	Andrew Renaut
Date of Meeting	15 / 3 / 2011
Date of next meeting	
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	The Transport Partnership has contributed positively to the development of the new Local Transport Plan [LTP] for the city and welcomed information about updates on changes in government transport policy and funding.
2	The Transport Partnership would like to see more detail associated with the schemes and programmes proposed in the LTP.
3	The Transport Partnership has identified a need to work more closely with other LSP partnership groups.
Additional Information	

Learning Partnership

Name	Michael Nix
Date of Meeting	15 / 3 / 2011
Date of next meeting	
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	The vision, purpose and terms of reference of the Learning Partnership are the subject of a detailed review, led by Chris Thomson, Chair of the Partnership, in consultation with Terry Parkin, head teachers and principals, and other stakeholders. The aim is to ensure that the Partnership is best placed to provide the leadership that is required on key strategic issues for learning across the city. The review will be reported at the Head Teachers Business Meeting on 18 May and finalised in the light of comments from that meeting.
Additional Information	

Children and Young People

Name	Steve Barton
Date of Meeting	
Date of next meeting	
3 key points to be communicated from the Partnership Meeting to the Brighton and Hove Strategic Partnership	
1	Child Protection: The Annual Report of the Local Safeguarding Children Board and Update on the council's Action Plan following Ofsted Unannounced Inspection of Social Work Duty and referral
2	Education: Report on 2009/10 Standards in Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stages 1-5
3	Child Poverty: The Child Poverty Needs Assessment
Additional Information	