

Title:	City Management Board Communiqué to the Brighton & Hove Strategic Partnership
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Purpose/Key Messages:	To inform the BHSP of the work of the CMB
Significance to BHSP and Delivering SCS outcomes:	The CMB exercise a leadership and governing role, reconciling competing interests, investigating and assessing future possibilities in the effective and efficient delivery of public services on behalf of BHSP.
What is BHSP being asked to do?	For information
Next steps and report back mechanism:	The CMB will send regular communiqués to the BHSP to inform members of the CMB's work

1. Employment & Economy:

The City management Board held on 3rd September took place in the offices of Job Centre Plus and focussed on local employment related performance and future challenges & plans.

The Board was presented with a series of reports on local performance and was shown around the new facility of The Loft

The Loft is a new space at Brighton Jobcentre Plus which provides internet access, expert advice on CVs and applications, preparation for interviews, job search techniques, training courses, recruitment days, presentations, conference facilities and much more.

Trainers, employers and a wide variety of partners across the city have bought into the idea of the Loft as a central hub to engage customers and speed their journey into work

This allows Jobcentre Plus and its partners to deliver the kind of hands on, in depth support which has resulted in 32 Loft customers leaving the Jobseekers Allowance register in July alone.

2. Single Adults with Complex Needs

The Board was asked to consider and endorse the bid being submitted on behalf of the City by BHT to the Big Lottery Fund.

A detailed business plan has been completed following successful appraisal of initial plans submitted to Big lottery.

The submission of the plan is due by September 2013. If successful, the projects will commence spring 2014

The partnership have applied for £9.2 m, over eight years; approx. £375,000 in each location each year.

The Board was also asked To consider how we can build on this approach within statutory and other service providers to deliver the most effective services for this client group in the most efficient way for this client cohort.

3. Officer Group to support Joint Commissioning Board

Following discussion at CMB the officer group to support JCB has been re enlivened to help deliver the most effective and efficient commissioning possible in Health and Social Care

4. Work Experience

At the previous CMB meeting on 3rd September, the importance of encouraging work experience within organisations was highlighted. Providing work experience has proven to have a significant impact on reducing unemployment in the City, particularly those that are under 25. The performance in this area is better than other comparable geographical areas. There is also a new 'Wage Incentive' scheme available for those between the ages of 16 and 24, which is proving to be successful. The CMB recommended that this come to a future BHSP for further discussion and action

5. Urgent Health Care Options

CMB were informed of the Clinical Commissioning Group's plans to try and meet care demand in different ways. In connection with this, a campaign, specific to Brighton & Hove, is about to be launched about the other options available to the public when they have an urgent

health issue rather than going straight to Accident & Emergency. The CMB have been encouraged to promote this campaign, including by putting up posters around staff offices. The importance of ensuring that front line staff are aware of these other options will be key.

6. Future Items

Possible items for future meetings include

- Feedback from Asset Management Group
- Citywide risk management
- Whole Place Community Budgets