

LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (LSP) MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14 June 2016
Hertsmere Borough Council Civic Offices

Attendees:	Councillor Morris Bright (Chair)	Leader, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Donald Graham	Chief Executive, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Simon Aries	Assistant Director – Transport, Waste and Environmental Health Management, Hertfordshire County Council
	Chris Wood	Chair, Citizens Advise Bureau (CAB)
	Sue Pearlman	Chair, Community Action Hertsmere (CAH)
	Steve O’Keeffe	Chief Inspector, Hertfordshire Constabulary
	Councillor Brenda Batten	Leisure, Culture and Health Portfolio Holder, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Tony Campell	Head of Housing, Aldwyck Housing Group
	Rev Richard Leslie	Chair, Hertsmere Forum of Faiths
	David Brame	Chief Executive, Hertsmere Leisure
	Dr Kate Page	Chair, Hertsmere Commissioning Locality
	Councillor John Graham	Finance, Property and Economic Development Portfolio Holder, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Nina Villa	Programme and Business Manager, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
	Councillor Pervez Choudhury	Community Safety and Performance Portfolio Holder, Hertsmere Borough Council

In attendance:	Loran Kingston (Minutes)	Youth and Projects Officer, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Hilary Shade	Head of Partnerships and Community Engagement, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Aaron Eldred	Health and Wellbeing Apprentice, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Valerie Kane	Community Safety Manager, Hertsmere Borough Council

In attendance:	Zoe-Louise Keyte	Partnership Support and Performance Officer, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Liz Gore	Health and Wellbeing Policy Manager, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Rebecca Young	Health and Wellbeing Policy Manager, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Maddy Thomson	Resolving Chaos
	Carolyn Buller	CEO, Citizens Advice Bureau
	Ann Harrison	Trustee, Community Action Hertsmere (CAH)
	Councillor Paul Morris	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Pam Cousins	Corporate Support Officer, Hertsmere Borough Council
	Judie Obeya	Affinity Sutton
	Isobel Hatfield	Community Action Hertsmere (CAH)

Apologies for absence:	Councillor Teresa Heritage	Public Health, Localism and Libraries Executive Member, Hertfordshire County Council
	Scott Black	Executive Director of Housing & Customer Services, Aldwyck Housing Group
	Concetta Kyriacou	Partnerships Manager, Department for Working Pensions (DWP)
	Sean Scully	Director of Student Experience, Oaklands College
	Peter Evans	Clerk, Aldenham Parish Council
	Gareth Bradbury	District Commander, Hertsmere, Welwyn and Hatfield District, Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service
	Jeremy Green	My Incubator Manager, WENTA

1.0	<u>Welcomes and apologies</u>
1.1	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave a special welcome to the guest speaker.
1.2	Councillor John Graham was welcomed to the board as he is replacing Councillor Seamus Quilty as the Finance, Property and Economic Development Portfolio Holder due to changes on the Executive. David Brame, the new Chief Executive for Hertsmere Leisure was also welcomed to the board as was the new Chief Inspector, Steve O'Keeffe has taken over from Tannis Perks. The Chair thanked both Councillor Seamus Quilty and Tannis Perks for their commitment and dedication to improving Hertsmere during their time on the LSP board.
1.3	Apologies were received from Jim McManus, Director of Public Health at Hertfordshire County Council as he was no longer able to attend the meeting to present item 3.

2.0	<u>Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising</u>
2.1	The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.
2.2	The following updates were given from item 2.2 of the previous minutes:
2.3	<p><u>Adults with Complex Needs project</u> – Rebecca Young gave an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Adults with Complex Needs project is being piloted across Hertsmere and Three Rivers has been called the YOU CAN Project, which works with frequent users of high cost public services. These individuals have multiple problems and are engaged with many different agencies but their lives are not improving. The project aims to provide a consistent trusted adult for these individuals to help them to negotiate their lives and improve their situation, whilst also leading to cost savings for the public purse. • This project has been funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), Hertfordshire County Council, Borough Councils, including Hertsmere's LSP and housing associations. • An event was recently held at Watford Football Club for partners to meet the You Can team and get to know how the service works in more detail. This was a very successful afternoon with more than 50 attending. • There has been some minor changes to staffing within the team and there is currently one project worker vacancy. Work has been continuing with 11 clients in Hertsmere and a number of them are making progress. Another nomination event was held last week with 5 new nominations. The project is not yet up to full capacity with a number of cases progressing to active. • Interface have been appointed as the independent project evaluators and it may be useful for the LSP to have a more formal report back from Resolving Chaos at the next meeting in September. • Organisations who continue to participate and help with the data collection and nominations were thanked for their support.
2.4	ACTION: Resolving Chaos to attend the September meeting to give an update on the progress of the project.
2.5	<p><u>Big Local project</u> – Hilary Shade gave an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affinity Sutton, the largest local housing association has been appointed as the Locally Trusted Organisation (LTO) to support the partnership. Affinity Sutton were chosen as they have extensive experience in community development both in Borehamwood and in other parts of the country. Since this time the Partnership has been consulting widely on issues of local concern in the community as part of their review of the Partnership Plan. 4 key themes are emerging – these are : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Community (children and young people, adults of all ages, cohesion and wellbeing) * Education, training and skills * Debt and poverty * Environment and Green Spaces

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 24 May the Partnership held 2 Stakeholder workshops to engage with organisations working in the area to input their knowledge and ideas and to map existing provision against the key themes. Once the Partnership Plan has been endorsed by Big Local then local organisations of all sizes will be invited to tender for projects to deliver the plan. Affinity Sutton have recently appointed a project worker to support the partnership and the delivery of the local partnership plan.
2.6	<p><u>Refugees</u> - Donald Graham gave an update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As reported at the last meeting - Nationally 20,000 Syrian Refugees are to be resettled in the lifetime of the current Parliament through the Syrian Refugee Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme. In Hertfordshire this would equate to circa 100 refugees. With the exception of one authority all Hertfordshire district and borough councils have said they will take a minimum of 10 refugees, most likely in small family groups. In Hertfordshire we have established a partnership of 8 authorities and the Partnership has engaged the Refugee Council to support the delivery of the initial 12 months of integration support to meet the requirements of the Syrian Refugee Resettlement Programme. The Refugee Council has appointed a Herts Manager to deliver this and they will recruit other staff as required to meet the flow of refugees. As the majority of Herts authorities are non-housing stock holding – the key issue is finding suitable accommodation in the private rented sector. This has so far proved the most problematic thing which has delayed the process of resettling refugees in Hertfordshire. The first families of refugees have been settled in Stevenage, Watford and St Albans. Planned arrivals in the July, August and September period are for : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * St Albans – 1 family (July or August) * North Herts – 2 families (July or August) * Three Rivers – 1 family (August or September) * Stevenage – 1 family (September) * East Herts – 2 families (September) * Welwyn/Hatfield – 2 families (September) Locally in Hertsmere suitable accommodation in the private rented sector will be sought that meets the requirements of the scheme. Work is being done with local landlords to identify accommodation. However this is quite difficult in an area such as Hertsmere where there is a high demand for housing.
3.0	<u>Connecting Communities</u>
3.1	Maddy Thomson talked through a presentation please see attached.
3.2	The Chair was keen to understand how the project will work with the existing CVS, CAH in Hertsmere. Maddy Thomson advised the group that CVSs across the county are already represented and will be attending the stakeholder event next week. She encouraged the CVSs to continue doing their work locally but highlighted that this was a great opportunity to work across the county in partnership.

3.3	Sue Pearlman advised the board that she was unaware of the stakeholder event taking place next week and wanted CAH to be represented. Sue welcomed the potential to work in partnership, but wanted to avoid any more duplication, which currently exists across the county. Sue was really keen to ensure that all CVSs, big or small are represented, especially as Hertfordshire is such a diverse county. Maddy Thomson told the board that it is essential to work with all the CVSs. The Chair encouraged Maddy and Sue to discuss this outside of the meeting.
3.4	Chris Wood advised Maddy Thomson that each borough has CAB services and are part of a county wide consortium. Maddy informed the board that they have a CAB representative but were keen to have local representation too.
4.0	<u>Public Health update</u>
4.1	Although Jim McManus was unable to present the item, copies of the presentation were tabled. Please see attached.
4.2	<p>Councillor Brenda Batten gave the board an update in response to the presentation that was tabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of hard work has been done in Hertsmere to support the delivery of public health messages across the borough. The Health and Wellbeing group has developed a strategy for Hertsmere to direct work in line with our own local priorities and as a group have been involved in the development, delivery and evaluation of local activities. • Sport England have invested £2.5 million worth of funding in Hertfordshire and two new projects started in Hertsmere as a result of the funding for the woman and girls project, We Move, She Moves and for the Get Healthy Get Active project. A Get Active specialist from Hertsmere Leisure is now working with inactive people in the borough. • In addition Hertfordshire County Council has enabled Hertsmere to deliver 15 different preventative projects across the borough as part of phase 1. These include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Free to access play schemes which aim to highlight opportunities for outdoor play and encourage healthy lifestyles. * Family cookery courses in the most deprived area of the borough * Walking football in Potters Bar * Interactive play equipment in Meadow Park * Provision of a registered nurse to work with clients with mental health problems • Our Phase 2 plans are now in place and work is underway to get these projects up and running so that we can continue to improve the health of Hertsmere residents. • The District Offer has also helped to strengthen working relationships between the borough and the county council, reducing the potential for duplication and improving value for money. This can only be a positive thing as we continue to deliver activities and services moving forwards. • In addition to the District Offer, we also work together to promote local and national health campaigns.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In response to One You, the council is working with Public Health to put on a range of activities for One You day. Plans include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Free Tai Chi and Yoga for council staff * Free fitness sessions for the public offered by Hertsmere Leisure * Discounted We Move She Moves sessions * Activities in the Community Shop on Leeming Road Officers also regularly attend community events with campaign based information, issue e-news bulletins and use twitter, facebook and instagram to let our residents know what's going on both locally and nationally.
5.0	<u>Any other business</u>
5.1	The Chair advised the group that the final report from the Prince's Trust had been received. Please see attached. During the past 12 months 29 disadvantaged young people from Hertsmere were supported through a range of Prince's Trust programmes as part of the funding previously allocated through the Performance Reward Grant.
5.2	Sue Pearlman informed the group that their Chief Executive Heather Walsh was leaving CAH. An advert for post will be out later this week and members of the group were asked to circulate it amongst their networks. Heather will be leaving CAH on 31 August, but has agreed to be flexible if needs be. The Chair thanked Heather for all of her hard work and commitment during her time at CAH.
6.0	<u>Date of future meetings 2016</u>
6.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday 13 September 2016 Tuesday 13 December 2016 <p>All meetings start at 2pm and are held at the Civic Offices, Borehamwood.</p>