

OXFORDSHIRE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

NOTES of a meeting held on Wednesday 19 November 2008 starting at 2.00 pm and finishing at 3.45 pm

Present:
 Councillor David Robertson – Chairman
 Councillor Ann Ducker and David Buckle (South Oxfordshire District Council & Vale of White Horse District Council), Councillor Tony De Vere (Vale of White Horse District Council), Councillor Barry Norton and David Neudegg (West Oxfordshire District Council), Councillor Bob Price and Peter Sloman (Oxford City Council), Councillor George Reynolds and Mary Harpley (Cherwell District Council), Stephen Capaldi (Oxfordshire County Council), Superintendent Brendan O’Dowda (Thames Valley Police), Jonathan McWilliam and Catherine Mountford (Oxfordshire PCT), Chris Farthing (GOSE), Alison Baxter (OCVA)

Apologies:
 Councillor Barry Wood, Warren Ralls and Ross Hurley (SEEDA), Joanna Simons (Oxfordshire County Council)

Officers: Paul James, Claire Phillips, Mike Simm, Dave Calver, Susie Ohlenschlager, Val Johnson and Graham Warrington. Alexandra Bailey, Dawn Pettis, Bianca Kerley, Sara Livadeas, Steve Thomas, Jackie Wilderspin

No.	Item	Notes	Agreed/Actions
1.	Welcome and Apologies	Councillor Barry Wood (Councillor George Reynolds) Warren Ralls and Ross Hurley (SEEDA) Joanna Simons (Oxfordshire County Council)	-
2	Notes of the meeting held on 22 May	Agreed Noted that the job description for the LAA Manager post had been emailed that morning.	General agreement to proceed as quickly as possible with recruitment.
3	Performance Management	Report on performance against LAA1 stretch targets and LAA2 targets	

		<p>Need to draw on experience gained in LAA1 in order to challenge more in LAA2 process and avoid replication of earlier mistakes. County Performance Group to look at this as part of the refresh along with impacts from the current economic situation.</p> <p>LAA1 Children In care GCSE achievement has not been met because of the high numbers of children with special needs in the cohort – it was noted that this was a mandatory target in LAA2 which may also be difficult to achieve.</p> <p>LAA1 Domestic Violence sanction detections. Discussion over the status of the target.</p> <p>LAA2 – Affordable Homes</p>	<p>Consider target level for year 2 as part of the LAA2 refresh.</p> <p>Performance team to follow up with target leads</p> <p>Housing Partnership to suggest what can be done to meet targets and outline the nature of problems</p> <p>Data and reporting issues to be resolved for the Quarter 3 Performance Report. Partnerships are to report what remedial action is being taken to address poor performance.</p>
4	Refresh of LAA	Timetable for the LAA Refresh 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree the proposed timescale set out in the report subject to an additional meeting in January 2009 to consider refresh of LAA1 targets. • Delegate final agreement of the details of targets to the LAA Steering Group based on recommendations from partnerships

5	Area Based Grant and LAA1 Performance Reward Grant	<p>Area Based Grant</p> <p>Collation of data currently underway. LAA1 Performance Reward Grant (PRG)</p> <p>Recognition that some priorities may change with the onset of recession in the economy. The potential for moving some resources to offset effects of downturn and help revitalise the local economy should be considered.</p> <p>There was discussion of</p> <p>1: the relative merits of considering major bids over a large number of smaller scale projects. It was noted that the Voluntary and Community Sector may bid for resources through the OVSDP (as a thematic partnership). 2: whether the 50% allocation to partnerships should be reconsidered in the light of the economic downturn. However, it was noted that the PSB have made undertakings to partnerships about their 50% allocations and they are, required to demonstrate how their plans meet strategic objectives. 3: the need to create a framework to discuss allocation of resources for PRG allocation.</p>	<p>An update of ABG will be distributed before the end of December and considered at PSB in February.</p> <p>Report to February meeting</p> <p>LAA Steering Group to develop an application process for reward grant bids and discuss with partnerships. Bids to be brought to the February meeting for consideration by the board</p>
6	Review of Governance	An update on progress with the review including dates for consultation and agreement.	Noted
7	Dates for future meetings		<p>Noted</p> <p>Additional meeting in January 2009 date TBC</p>