

OXFORDSHIRE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD



NOTES of a meeting held on Thursday 1 July 2010 starting at 2.00 pm and finishing at 3.44 pm

Present:

Councillor David Robertson – Chairman (Oxfordshire County Council)
Councillor Barry Wood and Mary Harpley (Cherwell District Council), Councillor Bob Price (Oxford City Council), Councillor Rodney Mann (South Oxfordshire District Council), Councillor Tony de Vere (Vale of White Horse District Council), David Buckle (South Oxfordshire District Council & Vale of White Horse District Council), David Neudegg (West Oxfordshire District Council), Stephen Capaldi (Oxfordshire County Council), Chief Superintendent Brendan O'Dowda (Thames Valley Police), Catherine Mountford (Oxfordshire PCT), Jonathan McWilliam (Oxfordshire PCT and Oxfordshire County Council) and Alison Baxter (OCVA)

Officers: Paul James, Alexandra Bailey, Sally Taylor and Marion Holyman (Oxfordshire County Council).

No.	Item	Notes	Agreed/Actions
1.	Apologies	Councillor Ann Ducker (South Oxfordshire District Council) and Councillor Barry Norton (West Oxfordshire District Council) Warren Ralls (SEEDA)	-
2	Notes of the meeting held on 18 February 2010 and Matters arising	Agreed On 4 (Performance Management – NEETS), Councillor Price reported that the Oxfordshire Leaders' Group had not considered apprenticeships at its last meeting and asked that	- To include on the Oxfordshire Leaders' Group agenda when appropriate

		the issue be considered at a future meeting, possibly in the autumn.	
3	Area Based Grant	<p>Paul James circulated an amended Annex 1 showing an overall reduction of £3½m in grant and reported that the County Council was considering how to manage the reductions. Stephen Capaldi reported that costs of Supporting People administration would be met from within the Social & Community Services' budget and savings made in the road safety partnerships would be used to offset the reduction in grant from Children, Young People & Families' Directorate.</p> <p>A letter from the Chairman of the Oxfordshire Supporting People Commissioning Body was circulated at the meeting.</p>	Noted
4	LAA Reward Grant	<p>1. Breaking the Cycle of Deprivation</p> <p>2. Becoming a World Class Economy</p>	<p>Agreed to reduce allocation to £500k, to delegate the allocation of grants to the Partnership and that there was no need to report on the allocation to the Board.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £60k to Frederick's Oxfordshire loan fund for businesses • £100k to Visitor Economy (DMO) in addition to £147k of existing commitments.

		<p>3. Grant Pot for Voluntary and Community Sector</p> <p>Alison Baxter reported that due to the reduction in the allocation, it was proposed to invite applications in one round in the autumn and not as originally proposed in 4 rounds over 2 years.</p> <p>Discussion took place on whether the Board should retain the allocation in case it was needed for other purposes, in the light of changed economic circumstances since the allocation had been agreed.</p> <p>4. Building Low Carbon Communities</p> <p>5. Safer Communities</p> <p>6. LAA Management</p> <p>7. Partnership Development (District council partnership post)</p> <p>8. Self-Build Project (youth home build project in Banbury)</p> <p>9. Understanding the needs of vulnerable communities in Oxfordshire</p>	<p>Agreed:</p> <p>To ask Alison Baxter to circulate the revised criteria to all members of the Board;</p> <p>To reduce allocation to £250k and add a criterion around support for voluntary sector organisations' capacity to deliver.</p> <p>Agreed to reduce allocation to £250k.</p> <p>Agreed to reduce allocation to £250k.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed to reduce the allocation by 50% to £162k (£45k already spent) and, if the HCA decides not to fund the project, the remaining allocated funding (£117k) be retained by the Board.</p> <p>Agreed to retain £100k i.e. not fund</p> <p>Residual grant available for allocation – approx</p>
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5	Y2 Outturn Performance	<p>Sally Taylor reported on Class 2010, a package of measures which had been put in place to support pupils who were sitting GCSE this summer. At the beginning of September, schools would meet to discuss what had worked/not worked and the measures, which had been successful, would be taken forward.</p> <p>Alexandra Bailey presented the Y2 performance report. There were no questions.</p>	Noted.
6	Oxfordshire 2030 Revised Delivery Plan	Stephen Capaldi reported that the review of the LAA and partnerships would be postponed to March 2011 and would therefore not be discussed by the Board at its next meeting.	Noted
7	Review of Partnerships	Discussion about future of partnerships and joint working.	<p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to await the Government's decision on partnership working before the work of the partnerships was reviewed; and • to ask the officers on the Board to review the officer support for the partnerships and to report their proposals to the next meeting of the Board.
8	Director of Public Health Report 2010	Jonathan McWilliam reported that there had been positive progress last year and highlighted the challenges for the future.	Noted the Public Health Plan and the 7 priorities (dementia and alcohol added this year).
6	Future Meetings, Forward Plan	<p>27 September 2010</p> <p>29 November 2010</p> <p>21 March 2011</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Thanks to members on the Board.</p>