

Spatial Planning & Infrastructure Partnership Full Partnership Meeting

Minutes

18 November 2010

Attendee:	Organisation:
Cllr Ian Hudspeth (Chairman)	Oxfordshire County Council
Huw Jones	Oxfordshire County Council
Ian Walker	Oxfordshire County Council
Cllr Barry Wood	Cherwell District Council
John Hoad	Cherwell District Council
Cllr Bob Price	Oxford City Council
Mark Jaggard	Oxford City Council
Val Johnson	Oxford City Council
Cllr Tony de Vere	Vale of White Horse District Council
Cllr Angela Lawrence	Vale of White Horse DC (OHP lead)
David Buckle	South Oxfordshire District Council and Vale of White Horse District Council
Cllr Barry Norton	West Oxfordshire District Council
Andrew Tucker	West Oxfordshire District Council
Jodee Katalanos	Homes & Communities Agency
Ken Glendinning	Homes & Communities Agency
Apologies	
<i>Cllr Ann Ducker</i>	<i>South Oxfordshire District Council</i>
<i>Anna Robinson</i>	<i>Vale of White Horse District Council and South Oxfordshire District Council</i>
<i>Martin Tugwell</i>	<i>Oxfordshire County Council</i>
<i>Nicki Richards</i>	<i>Environment Agency</i>
<i>Warren Ralls</i>	<i>SEEDA</i>
<i>Catherine Mountford</i>	<i>PCT</i>

1. Minutes of meeting 28 September 2010

The minutes of the meeting were agreed.

2. Matters arising

None

3. Homes & Communities Agency: (HCA).

Ken Glendinning did a presentation on affordable housing - slides are attached to the note of this meeting – in which he emphasised the benefits of HCA having worked with the Oxfordshire authorities and other pilots on the single conversation. KG was thanked for his presentation.

Points covered in discussion included the relationship between LIP and LEPs, the intermediate rent scheme (registered providers were seen as positive in working with the scheme), the implications of changes to housing benefits and tenancies system and the need for changes to the provision of affordable housing to be communicated to local authority members in a simple easy to understand way. HCA emphasised the need to ensure a sound evidence base to justify social rented housing; and that whilst a lot of work was being done on rural housing HCA were not yet advanced enough to get a fixed model.

AGREED:

That the HCA would provide a short briefing paper for members on changes in the way affordable housing is to be provided and funded (including a worked example with a local RP) and would work with the SPIP Executive to provide a few step by step guides. **(HCA, SPIP EXEC)**

4. Local Infrastructure Planning and Funding (OCC)

Ian Hudspeth introduced the item with reference to the issue of prioritisation and potential tensions in terms of LEP and LIP. There was a general discussion about the role of the LEP and the SPIP and specifically about bidding for the Regional Growth Fund. Broadband was highlighted as an issue. In relation to the paper on infrastructure planning and funding there was concern that it underplayed the role and value of the LIP, did not refer to the role of LDF's on infrastructure planning and CIL and was not clear about what was meant by infrastructure plan.

AGREED:

That the SPIP Executive would need to work quickly by email to come to a view about potential bids for RGF money to recommend for LEP/private sector support and that the SPIP Executive should consider further what work should be done to take forward the LIP and wider issues related to infrastructure planning and funding **(SPIP EXEC)**

Huw Jones to circulate the list of names of people suggested for membership of the LEP **(Huw Jones)**

5. Local Enterprise Partnership (OCC)

Covered in the discussion on item 4.

10. Date of Next meetings :

20th January a.m. (11.00 am South Oxfordshire District Council Offices, Crowmarsh)