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**A MEETING OF THE
AREA PUBLIC HEALTH LIAISON BOARD
WAS HELD ON 22 SEPTEMBER 2008**

Present:-

HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY CARE TRUST

Neil Lockett - Health Improvement Manager for Hampshire PCT

GOSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL

Councillor Edgar

David Jago – Environmental Services Manager

Chris Wrein – Democratic Services

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

No attendees.

FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Councillor Brian Bayford

Peter Grimwood – Director of Corporate and Community Strategy

Janie Millerchip – Community Development Manager

Emma Barrett – Community Development Officer

Cathie Bolwell – Projects Co-ordinator

11. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

Councillor Lenaghan, Havant Borough Council

Noreen Kickham, Hampshire PCT

Clare Simpson, Hampshire PCT

Nicky Conyard, Havant Borough Council

Colin Mitchell

12. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 30 June 2008 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

13. ELECTED MEMBERS TO REPRESENT HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

This item was deferred as there was no representation from Havant Borough Council.

14. FAREHAM EXERCISE REFERRAL SCHEME

A presentation was made by Emma Barrett and Cathie Bolwell, a copy of which is affixed in the Minute Book.

The Board was advised that the scheme had been successful with a large number of referrals made but was running at a financial loss. More funding was required and it was felt that a report should be submitted to the lead manager at the PCT for further discussion.

With regard to Gosport, there had been an unofficial relationship between Holbrook Recreation Centre and one GP's surgery but other GPs had not shown a great deal of interest. It was felt that the situation could now have changed and that much could be learned from Fareham's experience. Currently there were medium term plans for Holbrook Recreation Centre and David Jago undertook to speak to the appropriate officer at Gosport Borough Council and bring a report back to the next meeting of the Board as well as possibly taking a report to Gosport Borough Council's Community and Environment Board.

Peter Grimwood advised that this currently sat under the Local Strategic Partnership which had funding and was asking for schemes to be put forward. Gosport Borough Council may wish to do likewise.

15. NESC REPORT (JUNE 2008) LOCAL AUTHORITY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – IMPLEMENTATION PROPOSAL AND PLAN

Neil Lockett advised that this had been discussed at the last meeting of the Board and he had been requested to provide an update at this meeting.

The next step was to implement the report and it had been agreed that a training programme be developed on the basis of four half-days. The first would include officers from the local authorities, portfolio holders and members of this Board. There would be a sense of local leadership.

Subsequent sessions would look at how to implement public health practice within the range of disciplines in local authorities. It was intended to submit a bid to NESC for funds to put the training together and buy in facilitators. A bid for £7,000 would be made which would cover three to four sessions.

Draft proposals would be put to local authority senior management teams in early October in order to gain their commitment.

David Jago advised of the importance of getting officers involved whose roles were not necessarily linked to health and to make them aware of the wider health and improvement issues.

16. HEALTH AND WELLBEING ACTION PLAN UPDATE

Consideration was given to the report, a copy of which is affixed in the Minutes Book.

Neil Lockett advised that:

there was a need to develop shorter walks so that people could become acclimatised into walking as a useful exercise activity

- Havant and Gosport should look into the provision of an Exercise Referral

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Scheme based on the success of the Fareham model and practice

- With regard to the weight management programme, contracts had been set up and GPs had been set targets to refer patients with a BMI in excess of 30

David Jago suggested that the possibility of holistic schemes should be looked into.

With regard to childrens weight measurement at Year R and Year 6 statistics had been submitted to the Department of Health and detailed analysis was awaited.

A series of schools had been targeted for 'Cook and Eat' where they have at least 10% free school meals eligibility.

With regard to smoking prevalence the Smokefree Hampshire & IoW Tobacco Alliance was operating a bidding process to try to achieve more smokefree homes etc. The funds had mostly now been allocated but bids had not been received from Fareham or Gosport authorities to date. Hants Fire Service were entering into an informal partnership with Quit4Life to link home fire safety with smoking to stimulate referrals to Quit4Life.

Training was being commissioned to provide training for GPs and nurses in Gosport, Fareham, Eastleigh and Winchester on alcohol reduction.

With regard to CVD case finding, GPs in Hampshire had been provided with software to identify people at high vascular risk. The VI funding overall was provided on the basis of targeted interventions aimed at driving down vascular inequalities.

Neil Lockett advised that some updating of the final page of the Action Plan was required now.

RESOLVED: That the implementation proposals be accepted and that progress and partnership was useful and worthwhile

17. ACTION PLAN – PERFORMANCE AND TARGETS

Neil Lockett advised that the Action Plan was progressing and was being updated by officers as required. It was important that drivers be introduced to recognise when the Plan was not working or delivering as well as required. Time limits would need to be integrated alongside these.

RESOLVED: That the PCT introduce drivers and time limits to the Action Plan and that local authorities be requested to carry out the same exercise.

18. LOCAL AREA ALCOHOL PROFILES

Neil Lockett flagged up an internet site under the North West Health Observatory which contained area Local Authority Alcohol Profiles. Ref: <http://www.nwph.net/alcohol/lape/>

19. FAREHAM SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY: HEALTH AND WELLBEING CHAPTER

Peter Grimwood advised that the LSP was putting this together. There were seven

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partnerships of which Health and Wellbeing was one and it would be necessary to reflect this partnership.

The strategy was in line with the aims of the Board and the LAA and needed the approval of the Board.

Janie Millerchip drew attention to access to dentistry and suggested that maternity services should be flagged up.

RESOLVED: That the Fareham Sustainable Community Strategy: Health and Wellbeing Chapter be approved.

The Chairman thanked officers for their input to the meeting.

20. FUTURE MEETING DATES

It has previously been agreed that the Board will meet on:

- *Monday, 15 December 2008 at 2pm, in Committee Room 1*
- *Monday, 16 March 2009 at 2pm, in Committee Room 1*

All meetings to be held in the Town Hall, Gosport

RESOLVED: That members note the dates of forthcoming meetings

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.25 pm

CHAIRMAN