



Feedback from Thematic Subgroups: March 2010

Thematic Partnership		
Fareham and Gosport Debt & Money Advice Group (F&G DMAG)		
Progress and issues arising since September 2009		
<p>The Gosport credit union multipoint was launched in the Nimrod Centre in Rowner in March 2009. The Board approved a funding bid of £5,000 in December to fund the multipoint from March 2010 – Feb 2011.</p> <p>There has recently been more concentrated activity in Rowner to publicise the multipoint. 5000 leaflets have been delivered in the area and the multipoint has been open 1 - 3 each weekday afternoon through to the end of Feb as well as the regular Thursday mornings 9 - 11.</p> <p>At latest count we have joined 105 and 43 in PO13 and PO12 respectively, representing a growth in membership of 194% and 81%. These new people have taken a total of £25,249.17 in loans. This saved them £600 per £1000 borrowed when compared with the doorstep people, giving an investment in the individuals and area of £14,729.</p>		
Main Aims of the Partnership		
<p>Work towards delivering its relevant section of Gosport's 2026 Vision in the Sustainable Community Strategy:</p> <p>Poverty and social exclusion will be reduced – especially in the three most deprived areas of the Borough. As at 2007, the three most deprived areas of the Borough are Town, Grange and Leesland.</p>		
Emerging Priorities		
How can you make a difference?	1	Extend Hampshire Savers Credit Union into Fareham and Gosport, concentrating initially on areas of deprivation.
	2	Work with local schools and local communities to change attitudes to debt and to encourage money management and saving.
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Links to Hampshire Local Area Agreement Priority Outcomes		
LAA Theme:	F	Health and Wellbeing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve health and wellbeing whilst reducing inequalities
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Community Banking Partnership	Paul Simmonds	
Fareham Borough Council/Fareham Economic Development Partnership	Tony Mundy	
Fareham Borough Council	Malcolm Stevens	
Fareham Citizens Advice Bureau	Karen Randall	
Gosport Citizens Advice Bureau		
Gosport Voluntary Action	David Miles	
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Meetings Held and Arranged		
Date:	March/April date tbc	Date: