



The Gosport Partnership

" Working Together For The Gosport Community "

Gosport Partnership Board Minutes Meeting held on 10 September 2008

Attendees:

Attendee	Organisation	Thematic subgroup
Members		
Cllr Peter Edgar	Hampshire County Council	n/a
Johnny Hodgkins	Ministry of Defence	n/a
Andrew Emerson	Portsmouth Housing Association	Deputising for Hazel Warwick
Tim Houghton	Groundwork Solent	Gosport Transport & Sustainability Partnership (GTSP) and Gosport Regeneration and Action Forum (GRAF)
Noreen Kickham	Hampshire PCT	Health & Wellbeing Partnership
Ian Lycett (Chairman)	Gosport Borough Council	n/a
David Miles	Gosport Voluntary Action	n/a
Steve Wain	St Vincent College	Gosport Community Learning Forum
Supporting Officers		
Jo Hamilton (note taker)	LSP Co-ordinator	n/a
Des Hobson	Hampshire County Council	n/a

1.0 Apologies and minutes of previous meeting

1.1 The following members sent their apologies:

Cllr Dave Smith
Reverend John Draper
Chief Superintendent Peter Goodall
Neil Pearce, SEEDA
Hazel Warwick, Portsmouth Housing Association
Janet Wilson, GOSE

1.2 Page 1 - Change to St Vincent College.

1.3 Page 4 – Add teenage pregnancy to December meeting.

1.4 Page 7 - copies of the LTP funding letter were circulated.

- 1.5 Page 8 - Tim spoke to John B. Gosport is referred to in the LAA as an example for Hampshire in terms of changing travel behaviour. Tim will keep the Board informed of any future developments. Last action is forwarded to the next meeting.

2.0 Big Day Out

- 2.1 Lynda Dine presented this item and circulated a report. She reminded the Board that the Big Day Out was tied into the GoGosport campaign and its purpose was to ensure that people who live and work in Gosport appreciate what's on offer in the Borough. The day was very successful with 10,000 visitors and very positive feedback. The team who organised the event and the public would like it to run again next year. A date of 14 June 2009 was suggested. Looking for LSP support and sponsorship from local businesses. The burden fell on Lynda's team to make it happen this year and that level of commitment will probably not be available next year. Lynda also mentioned that they would like to see the impact on visitors in the long-term and will be getting in touch with people in the autumn to follow-up.
- 2.2 There will be no Alive & Kicking in 2009 so GVA could offer more support. It was agreed that the event should run again with more leadership from the LSP. Tim mentioned that Groundwork could help to lead the event.
- 2.3 The event cost £5,500 to run – Lynda was confident the same level of funding could be obtained for next year. Lynda agreed to come back to a future meeting to discuss logistics for next year.

Actions:

- **Lynda to attend a future meeting to plan the Big Day Out 2009.**

3.0 Annual Review

- 3.1 Performance Management – the Board approved the performance management process and requested that reference to the subgroups should be made in terms of a reporting mechanism.
- 3.2 Gosport Partnership Data Report – the Board reviewed the Data Report which had been extracted from the LDF Baseline Data.

Community cohesion: Ian mentioned that Gosport Borough Council has funding to address this issue and that the Big Day Out will have helped. The Council will have data next year.

Health: the Board decided that health should become a priority due to the issues raised in the data. It was agreed that health should be the focus of the March 2009 meeting, with further input from the PCT and actions then agreed to be included in the SCS action plan.

Education and Skills: this was the second area which clearly needs addressing and to be elevated to priority status. This is going to be the focus of the December 2008 Board meeting, again with actions to be agreed and included in the SCS action plan. Pupil achievement is a huge issue as is adult skills but the Local Skills Council have cut funding this year.

Actions:

- **Jo to amend performance management process to include subgroups.**
- **Jo to add Health to the March agenda and coordinate with the PCT.**

4.0 Any other business

- 4.1 Tim mentioned that the Gosport Transport & Sustainability Partnership have asked for a letter to be sent from the Board to GOSE regarding the Tesco development at Quay Street roundabout. It was agreed that the letter should be sent.
- 4.2 Jo mentioned that Progress for Partnership is offering each LSP in the Southeast £5000 funding for capacity development. Last year the money was spent on sustainable development training for the Board. It was agreed to put a bid in for the funding to go towards the development of a dedicated travel website for Gosport – relating to Priority 1 in the SCS action plan.
- 4.3 Johnny informed the Board that Sultan is still a vibrant community. The engineering side is moving out to Wales around 2012-14 and the marine engineering school will be moving 2018-19. The Defence Estates Business will take its place. It was mentioned that there was little engineering offered at the College and there is an opportunity to create a national centre of excellence for engineering. Network Rail, British Energy, RNLI and the super yacht and cruise industries all send trainees at the moment. It should be a priority for the Board as to how the LSP can continue the diversification of the Sultan offer. A link should be made with Daedalus via SEEDA as companies there are crying out for marine engineering apprentices. Steve mentioned that the perception at the College is that companies are at saturation point with apprentices. Tim to give Steve the details of the companies concerned.

- 4.4 Steve informed the Board that KPMG have produced their third merger report. The first report in 2005 recommended that the colleges should merge on a new site in Gosport, possibly Daedalus. The second report recommended that Fareham should merge with South Downs College. The third report recommends merger with the main site at Fareham College and a satellite site in Gosport. Bill Rammel, the higher education minister, had got involved which is unprecedented. He met with the LSC in July and subsequently sent a letter to the LSC stating that it hasn't given proper consideration to the non-merger option, it can't support either option and it must give a recommendation by the end of September to stop merger blight. The LSC has sent St Vincent a letter proceeding with the full merger proposal despite the minister's intervention. The issue should be raised at the December meeting with Cllr Kirk.
- 4.5 Ian informed the Board that Janet Evans from GOSE will unfortunately no longer be attending meetings due to reorganisation at GOSE. Cathy Evans will be available on request.

Actions:

- **Send letter to GOSE.**
- **Submit funding bid to PtP.**
- **Consider the diversification of Sultan at a future meeting.**
- **Tim to give Steve details of companies at Daedalus requiring engineering apprentices.**
- **Raise college merger with Cllr Kirk at December meeting.**

Dates of 2008/09 meetings (1.30pm – 5pm):

Wednesday 3 December 2008
 Wednesday 4 March 2009
 Wednesday 3 June 2009
 Wednesday 9 September 2009
 Wednesday 2 December 2009

All meetings will take place at Gosport Voluntary Action:

Martin Snape House, 96 Pavilion Way, St George Barracks, Gosport PO12 1FG.
 Directions: <http://www.gosport-voluntary-action.org.uk/contact.html>

ACTION	BY WHOM	BY WHEN
Lynda to attend a future meeting to plan the Big Day Out 2009	LD/JH	Mar 09
Jo to amend performance management	JH	Dec 08

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Send letter to GOSE	TH	Oct 08
Submit funding bid to PtP	JH	Oct 08
Consider the diversification of Sultan at a future meeting – add to agenda	JH	Mar 09
Tim to give Steve details of companies at Daedalus requiring engineering apprentices.	TH	Oct 08
Raise college merger with Cllr Kirk at December meeting	SW/All	Dec 08