

**MINUTES OF THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL STRATEGIC
PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

RUFFORD SUITE, COUNTY HALL

10.00am - 16TH MAY 2008

Present:

Board Members

Cllr David Kirkham, Nottinghamshire County Council
Cllr Mick Storey, Nottinghamshire County Council
Cllr Jason Zadrozny, Ashfield District Council
Cllr Mike Quigley, Bassetlaw District Council
Cllr Michael Rich, Broxtowe Borough Council
Cllr Wendy Golland, Gedling Borough Council
Cllr Roger Sutcliffe, Mansfield District Council
Cllr Tony Roberts, Newark & Sherwood District Council
Cllr John Cranswick, Rushcliffe Borough Council
Cllr John Clarke, Nottinghamshire Police Authority
Cllr Darrell Pulk, Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service
Tom Fremantle, Nottinghamshire County Teaching PCT
Nina Dauban, NAVO
Terry Laws, Learning and Skills Council
John Dowson, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Chamber of
Commerce (Apologies after photo session)

Co-opted Members

Phil Lyons, Chair of the LAA Management Group
Marie-Laure Huke, GOEM

Officers in Attendance

Mick Burrows, Nottinghamshire County Council
Alan Mellor, Ashfield District Council
Ruth Hyde, Broxtowe Borough Council
Peter Murdock, Gedling Borough Council
Ruth Marlow, Mansfield District Council
Andrew Muter, Newark & Sherwood District Council
Allen Graham, Rushcliffe Borough Council
Alistair McGrady, LSP Secretariat
Susan Lewis-Roberts, LSP Secretariat
Peter Elderton, LSP Secretariat

1. Apologies

Cllr Roland Spencer, Gedling Borough Council
Tony Egginton, Mansfield
Cllr Neil Clarke, Rushcliffe Borough Council

2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th May 2008

These were agreed as a true record.

3. Local Area Agreement Update

Phil Lyons, Chair of the LAA Management Group updated the board on the latest position. He reported that most indicators were in place but some were still awaited; the housing indicator would not be available until the autumn, for example.

On NI 154, Net Additional Homes, Marie-Laure Huke of GOEM confirmed that the Partnership would have the opportunity to amend the target at the first refresh following publication of the East Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS). Peter Murdock raised concerns about house building levels in light of the current economic climate. He said that this fell on districts and was not sure how the figure would be achieved as builders are looking to use Greenfield sites rather than Brownfield. Phil Lyons commented that we could address these issues as part of the revision of targets during the refresh process. Cllr Cranswick commented that RSS figures are recommendations only and we are awaiting actual figures before we proceed. Mick Burrows reflected that there was some nervousness around these figures and partners were merely seeking assurance that we were not committing ourselves to anything. Marie-Laure Huke said that this was in the interests of both the Partnership and Government. The RSS will be the determining factor and GOEM was very comfortable with the housing target being amended. The Board agreed to submit a target against NI154 but to have a commentary attached to it explaining that it was only indicative.

Phil Lyons said that there would be no target submitted in the first year on NI 186, CO2 emissions. There would only be an aggregated county target as the district targets had yet to be resolved based on what is deemed achievable in each district.

Phil Lyons said that NI 187, fuel poverty was on place hold due to the data being unreliable. There would be a single county target for NI 192, household waste as it would not be in best interests to have single district targets. He also stated that the children's targets were agreed and that there were 12 stretch targets as well.

Alan Mellor asked whether the Police Authority had agreed crime targets as they are separate to the LAA. Phil Lyons said that they were separate in 2008/09 but would be aligned with the LAA in years 2 and 3. Following a query from Cllr Cranswick, Phil Lyons agreed to find out how this alignment would be implemented. Cllr Quigley asked how NI 7, the third sector target would be measured and suggested NAVO as the lead partner. Nina Dauban replied that there is a national survey and a Joint Group had been established to look at local targets. She further clarified that the Notts Infrastructure Consortium (NIC) is actually part of NAVO.

Cllr Sutcliffe asked how all this work was to be brought together with the sub national review, for example. Mick Burrows responded that the sub national review was being discussed in another forum.

The Board signified its approval of the proposed Local Area Agreement by signing the LAA document that was circulated.

4. Future Planning

Jeremy Hawkins gave a presentation on collaborative working showing how it contributed to public leadership and public value.

Cllr Michael Rich introduced a related report which summarised the recent LSP Peer Challenge reports for the county and the 7 districts. He commented that an influencing factor is how long your LSP has been in existence. LSPs are currently looking at action plans to respond to the recommendations of the Peer Challenges.

Jeremy Hawkins facilitated a session around the development of the LSP. Suggestions included:

- Recognise that we have a new LAA and make sure that the right people are involved.
- Look at branding such as use of the 'Star'.
- Work together better, perhaps giving some form of award to people who contribute to outcomes.
- Board Members championing an LAA target each.
- Avoid use of LAA – use language that the public can understand.
- Use emotional intelligence – tell people stories of what we have done together well e.g. national Food Champions in Rushcliffe.
- Why not have one logo rather than several?
- Work towards a single Sustainable Community Strategy with district chapters

Cllr Kirkham thanked Jeremy for his presentation and it was agreed to carry out more development work at future meetings.

5. Any Other Business

Phil Lyons referred to the report on ERDF arrangements for Ashfield, Bassetlaw, Mansfield and the County Council. It was agreed to nominate one Member per authority to join with Derbyshire colleagues in a management group as part of governance arrangements.

There was a discussion about hotspots of deprivation in other districts. Cllr Quigley responded that this money must be spent in the allocated areas but there were other funding streams that could be accessed that covered wider geographic areas in the county.

6. Date of Next Meeting

To be held at 2.00pm on Monday 23rd June 2008 at Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club.