

Minutes
The Eastern Area Partnership Board (EAPB)
24th October 2006, 5.30pm at The Five Lamps Organisation, Thornaby

Chair:

Graeme Oram (VS)

Members:

Carol Adams (CS), Tom Bowman (PC), Diane Patterson (CS), Isp Ian Garrett (Stockton Police/PUB), Cllr Derrick Brown (SBC), Cllr John Lynch (SBC), Cllr Beryl Robinson (SBC), Cllr Ross Patterson (SBC/IBIS)

Advisors:

Nicola Hall, Rosemary Young, Rob Farnham (SBC), Mike McGrory, Paul Harford (Teesside Probation Service), Dorothy Fairhurst (CS), Tracy Roberts (SRCGA), Edward Kunonga (North Tees PCT)

Apologies

Jocelyn McIntyre (SBC), Cllr David Harrington (SBC), Irene Machin (PC) Linda Russell Bond (PUB)

CS =	Community Sector	YA =	Youth Assembly
PCT/PUB =	Primary Care Trust/Public Sector	RC =	Rural Community Sector
PS =	Private Sector	BS =	Business Sector
Stockton Police/PUB =	Stockton Police/Public Sector	PC =	Parish Council
SBC/PUB =	Stockton Borough Council/Public Sector		
VS =	Voluntary Sector		
JS+/PUB =	Job Centre Plus		
CPF =	Community Partnership Forum		

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<p>1. Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Members were introduced and welcomed to the Eastern Area Partnership Board.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAP Coordinator (01642) 527823
<p>2. Apologies</p> <p>Apologies were noted.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAP Coordinator (01642) 527823
<p>3. Minutes of Last Meeting</p> <p>Minutes of last meeting held on 26th September 2006 were agreed as a true record.</p>		Minutes agreed as a true record.	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAP Coordinator (01642) 527823

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<p>4. Matters Arising</p> <p>Chair informed members that an informal tour of Teesdale had been arranged for Wednesday 8th November 2006 at 2pm. Members to meet at the Five Lamps Organisation.</p> <p>Nicola Hall (NH) circulated copies of the contact details of the Police Officers and Community Support Police Officers for the Eastern Area.</p> <p>Chair informed members that representation was still required on the Housing and Neighbourhood Partnership.</p> <p>Chair provided an update on the informal tour of Thornaby, identifying that it was useful for members to visit the areas discussed at meetings including the Mandale Redevelopment site, Laburnum Road and Thornaby Town Centre.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>Chair to continue to investigate representation on the Housing and Neighbourhood Partnership.</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>
<p>5. Local Development Framework: Core Strategy Issues and Options: Reconsultation on Strategic</p>						

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<p>Options for Development and Growth</p> <p>Rosemary Young (RY) provided an overview of the submitted report, advising the Board of the reconsultation relating to the emerging Core Strategy, in relation to the options for the location of growth within the Borough.</p> <p>RY advised that extensive consultation had taken place during summer 2006 to identify where development might best be focussed over then next 10 to 15 years within the Borough. As a result of the consultation, additional options emerged and as such a further period of consultation is required.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the seven options put forward in the submitted paper. RY clarified that PPS6 (detailed on page 3 of the report) was a planning term and related to guidance on retail planning.</p> <p>RY asked the Board to submit a response on the Board's preferred option and explained that members could submit their individual views online and by completing a consultation form.</p> <p>RY left the meeting.</p> <p>A discussion took place on the preferred option of the</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>The Board gave</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>Chair to submit a</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Rosemary Young Development Plans Manager (01642) 526054</p>

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<p>PH advised members that if they had a piece of work they would like the Community Payback Scheme to consider undertaking within the area, contact details of the Community Payback Scheme team would be passed onto NH for circulation.</p>		Noted	NH to circulate contact details of the Community Payback Scheme team.	No	No	
<p>Cllr Brown explained that he had tried to work with the Probation Service to undertake a piece of work but was told that the work could not be completed due to health and safety issues. PH advised that he would further investigate this issue.</p>		Noted	PH/ MM to pass on details of Cllr Brown's query to the Community Payback Scheme team to respond.	No	No	
<p>Carol Adams (CA) outlined that the Probation Service had been involved in a project to remove shrubbery at Village Park and residents were very pleased with the project.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>PH explained that he would pass on a copy of the National Probation Service's annual report (due to be published shortly) to NH to circulate to members.</p>		Noted	NH to circulate the National Probation Service Annual report to members	No	No	
<p>Chair thanked MM and PH for attending the EAPB to</p>		Noted	No	No	No	

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give an informative overview of the role of the Probation Service.						
<p>7. Thornaby Station Footbridge: Proposed Improvement Scheme.</p> <p>Rob Farnham (RF) gave an overview of the proposed scheme to improve Thornaby Station Footbridge. RF explained that Thornaby Station Improvement Scheme had commenced in 2002 and substantial improvements had been made to the station facilities. As part of the scheme, work is now required to improve the footbridge.</p> <p>RF explained that as the bridge was 125 years old, it was well beyond its design life and was no longer practical to repair or maintain. Plans are identified to remove the existing bridge and replace it with one that meets current accessibility standards. RF circulated photographs of the current condition of the bridge and access routes.</p> <p>RF identified that Network Rail owns the footbridge and have committed a minimum of £528, 000 towards the scheme. RF identified that Stockton Council potentially would commit £100, 000 from the Local Transport Plan and Trans Pennine have identified that they will contribute a small allocation to the scheme.</p> <p>RF advised members that he would be submitting a bid</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>Chair to provide a</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Rob Farnham (01642) 526729</p>

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<p>to the 'Access For All' grant and asked the Board to provide a letter outlining their support for the scheme.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the bus link to the station. RF identified that plans were being considered to introduce a two way bus service on Mandale Road.</p> <p>RF identified the timescale of the project and advised that work would commence during the next financial year.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>letter outlining the Board's support for the scheme to improve Thornaby Station footbridge.</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	
<p>8. Eastern Area Transport Strategy Update.</p> <p>Chair provided an update on the Eastern Area Transport Strategy meeting held on 9th October 2006.</p> <p>Chair advised that the Board agreed to prioritise the proposed traffic-calming scheme on Ingleby Way for their Area Transport Strategy allocation, as this scheme would provide the greatest impact for the area. When the scheme is established it would allow the current crossing patrol currently on Ingleby Way to be moved to Blair Avenue.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>

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<p>Chair explained that the Board had also identified that the proposed scheme to provide a footpath link on Teesdale would be a priority for the Eastern Area Transport Strategy allocation during 2007/08.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>9. Terms of Reference and Membership of the Eastern Area Partnership Board</p> <p>Chair advised that due to time pressures this item would be further discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p>Chair asked members to submit their views on the current terms of reference to NH, with particular reference to the objectives and composition of the Board. Chair also asked members to also consider the number of members required to make a meeting quorate.</p> <p>NH advised that members should also consider the election process, as it is currently is not detailed in the terms of reference.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding attracting new members to the board. Chair advised that NH would be meeting with the Youth Service to identify young people to sit on the Board.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Members to submit their views on the terms of reference to NH.</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>

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<p>10. Forward Plan</p> <p>Chair identified items that would be included within future EAPB agendas, including reporting on progress towards the Board's Neighbourhood Renewal and Community Strategy priorities.</p> <p>Chair advised that Jill Harrison from the Primary Care Trust (PCT) would be attending the next meeting to provide an overview of primary care within the area.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>
<p>11. Any Other Business</p> <p>Chair informed members that it had been requested that the Board put forward a letter, outlining their support for a bid by SBC and the Billingham Partnership to refurbish the Billingham Forum.</p> <p>CA thanked Tracy Roberts (TR) and her family for their help and support at the Village Park bulb-planting event.</p> <p>CA requested if the minutes of the EAPB could be circulated electronically in advance of the EAPB meetings so that they can be fed back to residents associations.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Minutes of the EAPB to be circulated electronically before future</p>	<p>Chair to provide a letter outlining the Board support of the bid to refurbish the Billingham Forum.</p> <p>No</p> <p>NH to email minutes of the EAPB to members in advance of</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>

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<p>12. Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next informal meeting of the EAPB will be held on Wednesday 8th November 2006, 2pm to include a tour of Teesdale.</p> <p>The next business meeting of the EAPB will be held on:</p> <p>Tuesday 28th November 2006, 9.30am at the Five Lamps Organisation.</p> <p>EAPB members are invited to forward any agenda items for future meetings to Nicola Hall.</p>						<p>Nicola Hall EAP Coordinator (01642) 527823</p>