

Minutes
The Eastern Area Partnership Board (EAPB)
27th February 2007, 5.30pm at The Five Lamps Organisation, Thornaby

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Chair:

Graeme Oram (VS)

Members:

Carol Adams (CS), Cllr Ross Patterson (SBC/IBIS), Diane Patterson (VS), Irene Machin (PC), Tom Bowman (PC), Cllr Beryl Robinson (SBC).

Advisors:

Nicola Hall (SBC), Cllr Derrick Brown (SBC), Dorothy Fairhurst (CS), Shirley Stenburge (SBC), Tracy Roberts (SRCGA), Peter Brennan (CS), Haleem Ghafoor (SBC), Peter Seller (SBC), Elaine Morris (PCT), Rebecca Lax (SBC), Simon Willson (SBC), Eric Jewitt (SBC)

Apologies

Fiona Chesters (RC), Linda Russell- Bond (CS), Trevor Mortlock (JC+), Jane McDonald (SBC), Isp Ian Garrett (Stockton Police/PUB), Cllr David Harrington (SBC), Cllr John Lynch (SBC).

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		
JC+/PUB =	Job Centre Plus		
CPF =	Community Partnership Forum		

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1. Welcome and Introductions Members were introduced and welcomed to the Eastern Area Partnership Board.		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823
2. Apologies Apologies were noted.		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823
3. Minutes of Last Meeting Minutes of last meeting held on 30 th January 2007 were agreed as a true record, subject to the amendments detailed below – ➤ Linda Russell- Bond had submitted apologies; ➤ Tracy Roberts represents SRCGA not SBC; ➤ Cllr David Harrington had submitted apologies.		Minutes agreed as a true record.	NH to amend minutes of 30 th January 2007.	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823

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4. Matters Arising						
Chair provided an update on the Thornaby Footbridge Replacement scheme and informed members that the bid to the Department for Transport 'Access for All' scheme was successful. Funding of £250,000 was secured for the scheme.		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316
Chair thanked Rob Farnham for his commitment in securing the bid.		Noted	No	No	No	
5. Overview of Extended Schools Programme						
Eric Jewitt (EJ) provided an introduction to the Extended Schools programme, informing members that Ruth Kelly had launched the initiative in 2005. EJ explained the five elements of the Extended School Core Offer 1) Quality child care; 2) Swift and Easy Referral; 3) A varied menu of activities including study support; 4) Parenting support including family learning; and 5) Community use of facilities.		Noted	No	No	No	Eric Jewitt (01642) 527681
EJ explained the role of the schools within the Extended School provision and how access for provision is through the schools. A discussion took place regarding the role of the voluntary and community sector within the		Noted	No	No	No	Rebecca Lax (01642) 527698

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<p>Extended Schools programme. It was felt that the Extended Schools arena was inaccessible by voluntary and community sector organisations, as schools were reluctant to allocate funding outside of the school.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>Peter Seller (PS) informed members that the Children's Trust Board had a role to ensure that the Extended School provision was accessible for the voluntary and community sector.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>The schools within the Borough have been divided into five clusters. Rebecca Lax (RL) is the Cluster Co-ordinator for Cluster 5, which covers the areas of Thornaby and Ingleby Barwick. RL has been working to map provision within the Eastern area and identify gaps in provision.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>A query was raised regarding the provision within Cluster 4 and Cluster 5. It was felt that potentially young people from Ingleby Barwick could miss out on provision, due to the funding arrangements between the two clusters.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>Members welcomed the provision provided through the Extended Schools programme, particularly in Ingleby Barwick. A discussion took place regarding the lack of</p>		Noted	No	No	No	

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<p>provision within Ingleby Barwick during the summer.</p> <p>holidays. EJ acknowledged members concerns and stated that events within Ingleby Barwick would be widely publicised in advance.</p> <p>A question was raised regarding the cost for the activities under the Extended School provision. EJ explained that the school governors determined the cost of the interventions.</p> <p>A query was raised regarding the deadline for spending funds. EJ informed members that if funds were not spent by 1st April 2007 they could be included within the Local Area Agreement roll-forward allocation. EJ explained that Stockton Council had been awarded more financial flexibility due to it's status as an excellent authority.</p>		<p>Noted</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>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	
<p>6. Area Partnership priorities reporting (Children & Young People)</p> <p>Haleem Ghafoor (HG) provided an update on progress towards the Eastern Area priorities for Children and Young People and provided details on progress on a number of NRF Projects being delivered in the Eastern area.</p>		<p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Haleem Ghafoor (01642) 528677</p>

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<p>Peter Seller (PS) informed members that a lot of the targets were currently monitored at a borough level, however work is being undertaken to break these targets down to an Area Partnership level. As a result of the development of Integrated Service Areas which are designed according to the Area Partnership boundaries. PS advised members to contact him if they require additional information on the impact within the Eastern Area.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Peter Seller (01642) 527043
<p>7. Children & Young People Plan</p> <p>Peter Seller (PS) provided an overview of the review of the Children and Young People Plan, explaining that the Children's Trust Board is developing the plan for 2007-10.</p> <p>PS explained that consultation was currently taking place on the Plan and requested members to consider the contents and provide a response. PS advised that the final version of the Plan would be submitted to Stockton Council's Cabinet on 14th June 2007 for approval.</p> <p>Chair informed members that he had previously written to PS regarding the Plan and stated that the Eastern</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Peter Seller (01642) 527043
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<p>area was not well served by mainstream provision. A discussion took place regarding the lack of statement within the Plan in relation to statutory provision. PS acknowledged the discussion.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the plans for a youth café within Central Stockton. Members felt that young people had been consulted on the café but stated that they did not want this provision. PS responded stating that the funding for the café came from the Youth Opportunities Fund (YOF) and Youth Capital Fund (YCF), where young people decide where it is spent. PS acknowledged members concerns on the consultation. PS identified that if the youth café model was successful in Central Stockton, there is the potential to roll it out across other areas.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the Children's Trust Board where Chair felt that the Board did not meet regularly enough.</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>8. Joint Area Review</p> <p>Simon Wilson (SW) provided an overview of the Joint Area Review (JAR), explaining to members that the JAR will evaluate the collective contribution to outcomes for Children and Young people by relevant services in the</p>		<p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Simon Willson (01642) 527035</p>

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<p>area.</p> <p>SW explained that the JAR would focus on targeting services for vulnerable groups.</p> <p>SW outlined the key stages of the JAR and gave a detailed overview of the 'Tellus' survey. SW informed members that a meeting with the Lead Inspector in September 2007 would identify the areas of focus for the fieldwork. SW stated that he would come back to the Eastern Area Board in September 2007 to report on further progress.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>NH to include JAR for the forward plan for September 2007</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	
<p>9. Forward Plan</p> <p>Items included on the next agenda of the Board are -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Thornaby Town Centre Re-development; ➤ Stockton Middlesbrough Initiative; ➤ Update on Local Transport Plan and Thornaby Station Footbridge; ➤ Regeneration & Development Plan. 		<p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316</p>

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<p>10. Any Other Business</p> <p>Tracy Roberts (TR) queried if there was any organisation that would supply Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) Checks for free. It was established that the organisation requesting the CRB check usually pays for it.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316
<p>11. Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next business meeting of the EAPB will be held on:</p> <p>Tuesday 27th March 2007, 9.30am at the Five Lamps Organisation.</p> <p>An informal youth consultation event has been arranged for Tuesday 20th March 2007, 5.30pm at the Youthy, Thornaby Road, invitations will be circulated before the event.</p> <p>EAPB members are invited to forward any agenda items for future meetings to Nicola Hall.</p>						Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823