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**The Eastern Area Partnership Board (EAPB)**  
**27 November 2007, 9.30am at The Five Lamps Organisation, Thornaby**

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**Chair:**

Graeme Oram (VS).

**Members:**

Elaine Morris (PCT) Insp Ian Garrett (Cleveland Police) Cllr Ross Patterson (SBC) Doug Nicholson (VS) Tom Bowman (TC).

**Advisors:**

Nicola Hall, Nigel Laws, Katharine Linton (SBC) Sue Westerman, Tracy Wilson (VS) Tracy Roberts (SRCGA) Shirley Stenburge (SBC).

**Observers:**

Dorothy Fairhurst (CS) Beryl Robinson (CS) Cllr Mick Eddy (SBC).

**Apologies**

Irene Machin (TC) Geoffrey Green (TC) Cllr Kevin Faulks (SBC) Cllr Tina Large (SBC), Linda Russell- Bond (CS), Mark Telford (SBC) Diane Patterson (VS).

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	TC =	Town Council
VS =	Voluntary Sector		
JC+/PUB =	Job Centre Plus		
CPF =	Community Partnership Forum		

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<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>  Members were introduced and welcomed to the Eastern Area Partnership Board.		No	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823
<b>2. Apologies</b>  Apologies were noted.		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823
<b>3. Minutes of Last Meeting</b>  Minutes of last meeting held on 29 October 2007 were agreed as a true record.		Minutes agreed as a true record.	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823

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<p><b>4. Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Nicola Hall (<b>NH</b>) provided an update on the Teesdale footpath scheme, which was funded through the Eastern Area Partnership Local Transport Plan allocation. NH explained that she had spoken to Mark Gillson and he had explained that the identified footpath was the only viable option for a footpath within the area due to land ownership issues. NH stated that negotiations with the landowner (Accent North East) had been continuing and the Council was still progressing to seek an amendment to the agreement in order to protect the footpath for a minimum time period. NH explained that the outcome of these negotiations would determine if the scheme is pursued further. NH stated that an update on the scheme would be provided at the next Local Transport Plan meeting.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316
<p><b>5. Building Schools for the Future (BSF) – Partnership response to Consultation</b></p> <p>Graeme Oram (<b>GO</b>) provided an update on the Building Schools for the Future consultation, explaining that a presentation had been made at the last meeting of the Board and that the deadline had been extended in order for the Board to provide a response.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316

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<p>GO explained that he had contacted the Head Teachers of Thornaby Community school and St Patrick's school who had stated that they would like to remain as individual schools but recognised that there were issues around the long term viability of this.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>Ross Patterson (<b>RP</b>) explained that he had attended most of the BSF meetings within Ingleby, Yarm and Thornaby and listened to parents' views. RP stated that over 85% of parents wanted their children to be educated on Ingleby Barwick. RP provided an overview of the projected schools places for Conyers, Egglecliffe, Thornaby Community School, All Saints and St Patrick's by 2018. RP commented that a high proportion of the number of pupils attending Conyers and Egglecliffe were from Ingleby Barwick, which he felt highlighted the need for additional places and another secondary school in Ingleby Barwick. RP stated that the proposed options in the BSF consultation booklet took no account of the demographic change. RP further stated that he felt that the consultation addressed the needs of the schools rather than the community.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>RP informed members that a BSF strategy for Ingleby Barwick had been produced, which would be submitted as a response to the consultation. RP stated that the</p>		Noted	No	No	No	

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<p>strategy included that the options presented in the BSF consultation provided little choice for Ingleby Barwick and went against the School Travel Plan agenda.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding evidence that smaller schools produce better achievers and the need for centres of excellence.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the land behind All Saint's secondary school, which could be used to extend the school.</p> <p>RP highlighted the numbers of young people currently being transported from Ingleby Barwick to schools in Eaglescliffe and Yarm.</p> <p>GO stated that he would take into account the discussions from today's meeting when he drafted the Partnership's response to the Building Schools for the Future consultation. GO further stated that the Partnership's response would be circulated to members of the Board for information.</p>		<p>Noted</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>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	
<p><b>6. Thornaby Town Centre Redevelopment</b></p> <p>Nigel Laws (NL) provided an update on the redevelopment of Thornaby Town Centre.</p>		<p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Nigel Laws Town</p>

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NL stated that the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) had been confirmed without modification and that this was progressing and was not far off completion.		Noted	No	No	No	Centre Projects Manager (01642) 527565
NL informed members that the roundabout access to the Town Centre was now in place.		Noted	No	No	No	
NL stated that the exchange of interests of the Town Centre to Thornfield was due to be complete by November 2007, however this had slipped and was now due to be complete by end of February 2008.		Noted	No	No	No	
NL provided an update on the library site, explaining that planning conditions had been discharged and discussions were taking place with Thornfield for three additional kiosks outside of the Library.		Noted	No	No	No	
NL stated that dialogue was continuing with regards to the location of the market. NL further stated that Shopmobility had approached Thornfield for a site in the Town Centre.		Noted	No	No	No	
NL explained that negotiations were continuing with regards to the access to the pavilion with Thornfield and Tees Active.		Noted	No	No	No	

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<p>NL gave an update on the Tristar Neasham site, explaining that negotiations were still continuing with the agent to develop the site. NL stated that he felt that the agent would go out to planning before they would consider progressing the development of the site. NL informed members that the Council had approached the agent and offered to demolish the site as an interim measure. NL explained that negotiations on the demolition of the site were continuing and this may go to Compulsory Purchase early in the New Year.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>A query was raised regarding the future of the Post Office in the Town Centre. NL explained that the Post Office were remaining and had signed up to the scheme.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p>NL provided an update on the Driving School Test Centre, explaining that dialogue had begun in order to bring the Test Centre back into the area and that Dari Taylor MP was involved in these discussions. NL stated that they were looking into potential sites outside of the Town Centre to progress this.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	

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<p><b>7. Eastern Area Neighbourhood Renewal Fund Projects Update</b></p> <p>GO informed members that Diane Patterson was unable to attend today's meeting to provide an update on the Credit Union project. GO stated that this item would be included on the forward plan for a future meeting of the Board.</p> <p>Sue Westerman (<b>SW</b>) provided an update on the Making Young People Matter project, explaining that the project had been allocated £87,500 of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding. SW stated that the project had developed three projects and in the first year had engaged with 104 young people, which had exceeded the projects target. SW stated that the project was expected to engage with 135 young people during 2007/08 and at the end of September 2007, the project had already engaged with 78 young people. SW gave an overview of each of the projects – Bright Sparks, NgageU and Litterbugs.</p> <p>Tracy Wilson (<b>TW</b>) explained that the projects worked with young people who were difficult to engage with and that the project liaised with the Police to identify hotspot areas for on-street engagement. TW circulated photographs of young people participating in the projects. TW explained that the young people from the</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>NH to include Credit Union update on the forward plan of the Board.</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>Sue Westerman (01642) 608316</p>

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<p>project were currently developing a newsletter, which would focus on the activities and achievements of young people. TW explained that the young people were considering approaching local businesses in order to raise sponsorship for the newsletter.</p> <p>Trevor Arnold (TA) pledged £1,000 support to the newsletter.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding involving the views of young people on the redevelopment of Thornaby Pleasure Gardens.</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><b>8. Eastern Area Partnership Governance Healthcheck Questionnaire</b></p> <p>GO informed members that NH had been undertaken a desktop piece of work on the governance arrangements of the Eastern Area Partnership Board. GO explained that the Governance Healthcheck Questionnaire had been circulated for comments.</p> <p>NH explained that as a result of the Partnership Governance Healthcheck Questionnaire, a Roles and Responsibilities document and a Communications Strategy would be published and circulated to members.</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><b>9. Thematic Partnership Update</b></p> <p>GO explained that the Health Improvement Partnership and the Adult Care Partnership had merged into the Health &amp; Wellbeing Partnership. GO stated that at the last meeting, discussions had taken place around the mainstreaming of Neighbourhood Renewal Fund projects within the Health Package.</p> <p>GO explained that he had participated in a review of the Children's Trust Board.</p> <p>Ian Garrett (<b>IG</b>) explained that the results of the Safer Stockton Partnership's Crime and Disorder Audit had been received and that the top five resident priorities were Anti-Social Behaviour, drugs, violent crime, criminal damage and diverting young people from offending.</p> <p>Tom Bowman (<b>TB</b>) requested that an update on School Travel Plans is presented to the Board.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>NH to include an update on School Travel Plans on the forward plan of the Board</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><b>10. Forward Plan (December meeting)</b></p> <p>Items included on the next agenda of the Board are –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eastern Area Partnership Community Strategy priorities – progress update</li> <li>• Open Space Consultation</li> <li>• Eastern Area Partnership Summary Plan 2007/08 – progress update</li> <li>• Roles and responsibilities document for members of the Eastern Area Partnership Board.</li> </ul>		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316
<p><b>11. Any Other Business</b></p> <p><b>1. Proposed Youth Café(s) for the Eastern Area</b></p> <p>In Mark Telford's absence GO provided an update on the proposed Youth Café for the Eastern Area, explaining that the Children's Trust Management Team were working through options appraisal for potential sites for the Youth Café. GO stated that Ingleby Barwick Community Centre had been selected as an location for the Café within Ingleby Barwick. Members felt that this was not an ideal location.</p> <p><b>2. Youth Consultation</b></p> <p>Tracy Roberts (TR) queried a meeting she was attending</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Graeme Oram, Chair (01642) 608316

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<p>regarding an Area Board youth consultation event. NH clarified that the Children's Trust Board were consulting with young people from the Eastern, Western and Central areas and that from these events, the results of young people's views and perceptions would be submitted to the Area Partnership Boards for future planning. NH further explained that an event had been planned for 18 January 2008 and members of the Eastern Area Partnership would receive an invitation for this event.</p> <p><b>3. Tees Heritage Park Update</b></p> <p>Doug Nicholson (DN) provided an update on the development of Tees Heritage Park, explaining that the Park had been identified in the Core Strategy. DN explained that he had given a presentation to the Arts Leisure and Culture Select Committee and that the project was looking to expand to include Newport Bridge and Stockton Waterfront.</p> <p>A discussion took place on the Regeneration and Development Plan. It was suggested that an update on this plan should be included on the forward plan for the Board.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>NH to on the forward plan of the Board.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	

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<p><b>4. Mandale Redevelopment Update</b></p> <p>Katharine Linton (KL) provided an update on the Mandale Redevelopment site, explaining that the Phase 1a of the redevelopment on Mitchell Avenue had been completed and Phase 1 was continuing. KL explained that the developers were progressing with phase 3 of the scheme, which focussed on Diamond Road and Northumbrian Road.</p> <p>KL explained that there had been a lot of interest in the scheme and that the scheme was highly commended in the Regen and Renewal awards.</p> <p>KL informed members that the Housing Redevelopment Team were now looking at the social and economic factors relating to the scheme and explained that a resident satisfaction survey was taking place. KL stated that the results of this survey would be shared with relevant partners.</p> <p><b>5. Development on Thornaby Football Club site</b></p> <p>TA informed members of the plans to develop Thornaby Football Club and surrounding land. TA explained that he planned to modernise the Football Club and had</p>		<p>Noted</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>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>	

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<p>planning permission approved for phase 1 of the project to build three all weather pitches. TA explained his plans to create a youth venue within the development and asked members for ideas and comments. A discussion followed. TA stated that he had received one objection to the development. TA explained that the development would also include a nature trail and housing development.</p> <p>A discussion followed regarding affordable homes. TA explained that he planned to include affordable homes within the development, along with a care home and sheltered accommodation.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	
<p><b>12. Date of next meeting</b></p> <p>The next business meeting of the EAPB will be held on:</p> <p><b>Tuesday 18 December 2007, 9.30am at the Five Lamps Organisation.</b></p> <p>EAPB members are invited to forward any agenda items for future meetings to Nicola Hall.</p>		Noted	No	No	No	Nicola Hall EAPB Coordinator (01642) 527823