

**The Western Area Partnership Board Meeting
Monday 23rd February 2009
Long Newton Wilson Centre, Darlington Road
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Partnership Board Members

Chair: Cllr Maureen Rigg (SBC)

Members: Doug Nicholson (VS), Tony Hampton (PC), Jennifer Pinkney (CS), Nora Rosser (CS), John Rosser (PC), Alan Lewis (SBC), Geoff Turner (PC), Karen Baker (CS),

Advisers/Observers

Zoe Rutter (SBC), Philip Addison (Friends of Tees Heritage Park), Andy Whinnerah (SBC), Neil Pocklington (SBC), Johanne Parker (SBC)

Apologies

Ian Garrett
Gareth Carson
Jennie Beaumont
Tracy Roberts
Elizabeth Benomran

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		

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1. Welcome and Introductions Members of the WAPB were welcomed to the meeting.		Noted	No	No	No	Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
2. Apologies Apologies noted.		Noted	No	No	No	Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
3. Declarations of Interest Noted.		Noted	No	No	No	Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
4. Minutes of the Last Meeting Minutes of the meeting held on the 26 th January 09 were agreed as a true and accurate record.		Noted	No	No	No	Zoe Rutter SBC

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						01642 526025
<p>5. Matters Arising</p> <p>No matters arising.</p> <p>6. Integrated Service Area (ISA) Update – Neil Pocklington</p> <p>Neil informed the Board that the ISAs have now been in place for roughly 18 months. All teams (specialist, targeted, youth, children’s centres and school nurses) are now integrated and will soon be joined by extended schools staff and attendance officers.</p> <p>Neil informed the Board that there are plans to develop a Children’s Centre in partnership with Layfield School and the Board will be kept informed of any developments.</p> <p>Neil informed the Board that there is still work to be done around developing the Youth Service in Yarm and Eaglescliffe but there are excellent working relationships with the secondary schools. There has</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>Neil Pocklington SBC</p>

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<p>been an increase in referrals following the story of Baby P. However, Neil is very conscious that SBC need to remain focused on youth provision and services whilst ensuring children are safeguarded Neil informed the Board that he will be leaving SBC in March and Kim Staff will be the new ISA Manager.</p>		Noted	No	No		
<p>7. Results of Stockton Residents Survey – Johanne Parker</p>		Noted	No	No		Johanne Parker SBC
<p>Johanne gave a brief presentation to the Board about the findings from the 2008 Stockton Residents’ Survey that relate to the Western Area Partnership area of the Borough. Johanne explained that the Council conducts the Survey, by choice, every 2 years and highlighted that the top priorities for the Western Area of the Borough remain very similar in 2008 to those identified in 2006. The Board had a long debate around some of the issues that were highlighted in the presentation. One of the main points was around local people not being able to influence decisions about the local area however, it was felt that some</p>		Noted	No	No		

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<p>of this was mainly to do with planning decisions which is to some extent dictated by Central Government legislation. Overall the Board were very satisfied with the results and pleased to receive such a report and presentation for the first time ever.</p> <p>8. Youth Service, Youth Provision & Children & Young People Plan – Andy Whinnerah</p> <p>Andy informed the Board that a review is currently being carried out of the youth service and provision. As part of the review SBC are completing an audit of all current youth provision delivered within Stockton on Tees for children and young people, Andy asked if members would take the time to complete a short survey which can be completed either online or in writing. If anybody knows of any youth activities that they think may not be known to SBC could they please pass the details on to Andy.</p> <p>Andy informed the Board that a review of the Children & Young People’s plan is currently being carried out (Andy circulated a copy to members)</p>		Noted	No	No		
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<p>and members were issued with some key priorities to think about. Andy asked if members would take the time to read over the key priorities and feedback any comments as soon as possible.</p> <p>9. Communities Fund Specification – Maureen Rigg</p> <p>Chair informed the Board than a joint application has been received from the Tees Credit Union Ltd, Five Lamps Organisation and Stockton District & Advice Information Service for a service which will assist Western area residents with financial matters, benefit checks, assistance with job search etc. Chair informed the Board that the Western Area Partnership Commissioning Sub Group interviewed Diane Patterson, Tees Credit Union Ltd, at the last sub group and members felt that this project would be very successful and would like to recommend to the Western Area Partnership that they accept this application.</p>		Board accepted the application.	No	No		Maureen Rigg SBC

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<p>10. Thematic Updates</p> <p>a. Safer Stockton Partnership (SSP)</p> <p>GT attended the last SSP meeting but there were no issues specific to the Western Area.</p> <p>b. Children’s Trust Board (CTB)</p> <p>NR informed the Board that the last CTB meeting concentrated on future agenda items and what members felt were a priority for the CTB.</p> <p>c. Housing & Neighbourhood Partnership (H+NP)</p> <p>JR was unable to attend the last meeting.</p> <p>d. Over 50’s Assembly</p> <p>Maurice Snowden was not present so no update was provided.</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>		

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11. Any Other Business Nothing to raise.		No	No	No		
10. Date & Time of Next Meeting Monday 30 th March 2009, 6pm at Municipal Buildings, conference room 2		Noted				