

**Minutes –Unconfirmed  
The Central Area Partnership Board  
28<sup>th</sup> June 2012, 2pm**

**The Education Centre, Brunswick Street, Stockton.**

<p><b>Members:</b> Paul Thomas (Chair, Tilery Residents Association), Cllr Nigel Cooke (SBC), Gareth Rees (Thorpe Thewles Residents), Marilyn Surtees (Elm Tree Community Centre), Josie Bailes (Over 50's Assembly), Jim Fenwick (Community Partnership), Cllr David Coleman (SBC), Verna Pickering (Roseworth Residents), David Headland (Salvation Army), Insp Suggitt (Cleveland Police) *Members are representing their nominating body.</p>
<p><b>Advisors:</b> Sarah Upex (SBC), Paul Surtees (SBC), Julie Thornton (SBC), James Hadman (Catalyst), Ruby Poppleton (Stockton NHS) <b>Observers:</b> Roy Parker</p>
<p><b>Apologies:</b> Anne Howard (Neighbourhood Watch), Alex Bain (Parkfield Residents), Cllr Jim Beall (SBC), Janet Stubbs (Job Centre Plus), Suzanne Fletcher (Voluntary Sector), Neville Anderson (Trade Union Council), Cllr Michael Clark (SBC), Jill Anderson (SBC)</p>

ITEM/ISSUE	ACTION
<p><b>1. Welcome and Apologies</b> The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	No
<p><b>2. Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Coleman declared a personal non prejudicial interest in agenda item 6 as a member of the Catalyst Board</p>	No
<p><b>3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012</b> The minutes were agreed.</p>	Agreed
<p><b>4. Quarterly Crime Update – Insp Suggitt, Cleveland Police</b> It was reported that up until April/May it has been the best year so far in the reduction in crime. Figures for June are also on target for a reduction in crime. Anti social behaviour this year, to date, is down 27.6% for the first 3 months and criminal damage is down by 15%. The Police have worked with Paul Surtees team and the Fire Brigade to work with young people in Tilery as the area was suffering from anti social behaviour. There has been a really positive result with no crimes recorded on Tilery last month (May 2012).  Following on from feedback at the last update, board members requested that they are updated with what are 'problem areas' in the central area. It was reported that each month hot spot areas are designated across the central area and currently Norton North and Norton South are 'hot spot' areas. This is due to problems of metal and lead theft, an increase in anti social behaviour, shop lifting and theft from sheds. A day of action has taken place in the hot spot areas with various outcomes including changing shift patterns and intelligence gained.  It was reported that neighbourhood policing has slightly changed and they are looking to develop the role of the PCSOs to develop skills which will enable Police officers to deal with demand and response. It was noted that Officers from Medina Police Station have been supporting officers in the Newtown area. It was noted that PCSO's are crucial for intelligence and support to deliver a raft of diversionary activities.</p>	Noted
<p><b>5. Plain Standardised Packaging Consultation – Ruby Poppleton, Stockton NHS</b></p>	

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<p>The Board were shown a DVD of the campaign and shown the various packets of cigarettes. The Consultation is aimed at protecting children from tobacco marketing and to help make smoking history for more children in the North East. Evidence shows that plain standardised packs are less attractive, especially to young people, strengthen the impact of health warnings and make packs less misleading to consumers that some brands are safer than others based on colour.</p> <p>There was a general discussion on the impact for the retailer, legal aspects and impact on illicit tobacco.</p> <p>The Department of Health has now launched a public consultation on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012 on whether the UK should adopt the plain standardised packaging of tobacco products. The consultation runs until July 10<sup>th</sup> and individuals can support the campaign at <a href="http://www.freshne.com/plainpacks">www.freshne.com/plainpacks</a></p> <p>Young people from Stockton have commented and signed up to the campaign and have received a letter from the House of Commons, which was really good for the young people and showed them that their voices are being heard.</p>	
<p><b>6. Draft ‘Voice’ Structure – James Hadman, Catalyst</b></p> <p>The Board were provided with a copy of the questionnaire and the draft structure and a background to the consultation and James’ new role at Catalyst. Representatives were encouraged to complete the questionnaire and to feed into the process. The following were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on the £10 contribution towards internet costs – JH to feed back to AA</li> <li>• Representation on thematic partnerships</li> <li>• Voice Forum</li> <li>• Rural areas need to be represented on the structure</li> </ul>	<p>JH to feed back the issues raised to Allison Agius.</p>
<p><b>7. Voice Box &amp; Youth Provision Update – Paul Surtees &amp; Julie Thornton, Stockton Borough Council</b></p> <p>The board were shown a DVD of the Jubilee Tea Party that was held with the young people as part of an intergenerational project. The young people are working with the Roseworth Partnership on the Community First panel. The summer programme has been produced and a copy will be circulated to members.</p>	<p>PS to circulate a copy of the summer programme</p>
<p><b>8. Feedback from Other Partnerships from Board Members</b></p> <p>Update circulated.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>9. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>MS requested that feedback from the VSSF workshops be provided to Laurayne Featherstone.</p>	<p>SU to feedback to LF</p>
<p><b>10. Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>27<sup>th</sup> September 2012, 4pm, Education Centre – Room E, Junction Road, Norton</p>	<p>Noted</p>