

**Wigan Borough Partnership
Local Strategic Advisory Group**

Notes of Meeting held Wednesday 10/02/10 at Douglas Valley Conference Room

Present: Steve Peddie, Neil Fearnley, Andy Baddley, Susan Gambles, Lisa Beckett
In attendance Lynn Kay, Simon Dale
Apologies: Trish Anderson, Janice Barton, Robert Lomas, Peter Burt, Paul Petrykowski, Peter Layland

2. Notes of meeting held 4 January 2010:

In reference to item 2.2 it was agreed that the minutes of the meeting should include precise details of expenditure allocated to each of the projects (in addition to the schedule that had been shared with all partners). This would confirm that the Cultural Olympiad bid agreed funding was £75k – with a further £25k if additional resources became available.

Action - Notes to be amended to reflect above.

3. LSP Development:

Peer Review

SD outlined the Peer Review working programme and timetable which reflected the discussions so far held at the LSP Board and LSMG.

The meeting agreed to focus on identifying a small number of key priorities that could form the basis of a draft LSP Peer Review Improvement programme. This would be reported to the Task group of LSMG / LSP and LSPAG on 4th March.

In discussion several proposals/priorities were highlighted:

- Need to review the role of the LSP Board and its relationship to LSMG and thematic partnerships. This was needed to refocus role around the need for improved accountability across the LSP
- Need for clearer information channels to the LSP Board - raising awareness of roles - building relationships between LSP Board and Partnerships
- Support for role of LSP Board. Board meetings to be themed to focus on partnership and cross cutting issues and to ensure all partners can reflect on progress and highlight any issues around performance.
- Clarity around the wider priorities of the LSP
- Clearer relationships between LSMG and LSAG
- Need to explore models of good LSP practice from elsewhere
- Need to understand how the LSP can best be supported by all partners and not just form Council resources
- Explore whether parts of the LSP might be led by non Council
- Need to see LSP development in terms of longer term organisational development as well as short term response and action
- Development of programmes such as Common Purpose might have some value in developing wider interest and capacity

CAA/Place Survey

Members agreed that work to respond to CAA and Place Survey should be connected into the Peer Review improvement process.

4. PRG Revenue - Project Management

As agreed at Jan meeting, project monitoring template developed to monitor PRG project performance was shared with members.

Action:

LK to meet with designated project lead officers to discuss form and monitoring arrangements.

5. www.wiganlife.com: LSP Website

Members were given a demonstration of the new LSP website, highlighting examples of information already uploaded onto the pages. The aim of the site is to provide a single point of reference for information on all matters relating to the LSP.

Action:

LK to meet with each partnership lead officer individually to discuss the population of the delivery partnership pages and discuss the website protocols in more detail.

6. Any other business:

PRG Capital

SD updated on revised proposals for distribution of the PRG Capital fund.

It was noted that the early consultation on this work had identified a series of issues and there was now a good opportunity to link these resources more clearly to the updated Neighbourhood Management approach and the new Life Centres.

In principle this kind of joint approach seem to provide a clearer focus on the core outcome – improving local people's sense of involvement in local decision making.

Action

SD to draft proposal and share with LSPAG for comments prior to report to LSMG on 12th March

7. Date and time of next meeting:

Wednesday 28 April

Investment Centre - Training Room

3.00pm – 5.00pm