

BOARD MEETING OF THE SOUTH DERBYSHIRE
PARTNERSHIP

Committee Room, Civic Offices, Swadlincote
on Friday 5th July 2013 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT:-

Local Authority Sector

District Councillors Wheeler (Chairman), Harrison, Richards and Southerd and Sheila Jackson (Derbyshire Association of Local Councils).

Other Public Sector

Chief Superintendent Jack Atwal (Derbyshire Constabulary), John Beaty (Burton & South Derbyshire College), Ailsa Daykin (East Midlands Housing Group) and Mary Hague (Derbyshire County Council Public Health).

Private Sector

Colleen Hempson (East Midlands Airport), Tony Hurrell (Sharpe's Pottery Heritage and Arts Trust) and Martin Guest (Northgate Public Services)

Voluntary/Community Sector

Fred Cox (South Derbyshire Tenants and Residents Association), Gill Farrington (South Derbyshire Forum), Jo Smith (South Derbyshire CVS), David Symcox (South Derbyshire CAB) and Stephen Spear (SV2).

Also in Attendance

B. Ledger, M. Roylance, K. Exley, V. Smyth, C. Smith, and S. Cope (South Derbyshire District Council).

SDP/1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from N. Freeman (Toyota UK Ltd), S. Churchill (The National Forest Company), T. Harris (Homestart South Derbyshire), H. Dillistone (Southern Derbyshire CCG), F. McArdle, S. Batchelor (South Derbyshire District Council), K. Mason (Northgate Public Services) and W. Brooks (Derbyshire Fire Service).

MATTERS ARISING

SDP/2. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 30th April 2013 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

SDP/3. **MATTERS ARISING**

With regards to Minute No. SDP/39, Councillor Harrison reported that he had not received a response to his request for an update on CCTV. Chris Smith

agreed to respond directly to Councillor Harrison. Councillor Harrison requested that the response also be circulated to other Ward Members.

SDP/4. **FUTURE COUNCIL HOUSING**

A presentation was delivered on “Affordable Housing – New Build and Acquisition” by Bob Ledger, Director of Housing & Environmental Services. Demand for social housing was at its highest ever level, and was predicted to continue to increase. Phase 1, to build 50 new affordable houses (average £110k per unit), in the next 22 months was currently being progressed. Details were provided on the current financial situation and the New Homes Bonus.

It was asked if there were any plans within this scheme for extra care housing for the elderly. Bob Ledger responded that the primary demand would be for one or two bedroom homes. However, a percentage would be for the elderly and smaller households. The exact profile of the new accommodation was still to be decided.

It was asked if support was available for the College Apprenticeship Scheme. The Director of Housing & Environmental Services confirmed that there would be opportunities to promote apprenticeships, and build on an established relationship, as Housing has had an apprenticeship programme for around 8 years.

SDP/5. **LOCAL PLAN UPDATE**

A verbal report was given by Kevin Exley, Planning Policy Officer on the Local Plan. Details were provided on the key changes and an update on housing needs was provided, taking account the current census figures. Part 1 of the document set out land supply up to 2028, and also identified large employment sites. Part 2 of the local plan identified smaller sites. Discussions took place on the need for an additional 5% uplift in the District’s housing need, to reflect recently published census data. This additional growth was likely to be accommodated on the edge of Derby, and the planning policy team were currently looking at transport, educational issues etc. A draft plan would be consulted upon in September, with a further consultation to reflect comments taking place in the New Year. It was expected that the Plan would be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate for examination around Easter 2014.

SDP/6. **IGNITING THE LEGACY PROJECT**

Full details were provided on the 4 main “Igniting the Legacy” project areas which were Facilities, Sports Participation, Events and Festivals and Performance Support. A request to identify talented sports persons was highlighted and details given on how to put forward applicants. The SDDC summer activity brochure and Parklife leaflet were available, which provided further details on activities. A request was made whether any suitable football activities were available for 2-4 year olds, similar to activities at Burton Albion which many South Derbyshire residents attended. The Sport and Health Team agreed to provide feedback regarding suitable football activities.

It was agreed that excellent work was being done to capture and develop the legacy. A question was asked how local clubs were also capturing the legacy. It was reported that the Sport and Health team linked closely with clubs, and offered ongoing support. It was agreed to report to a future meeting on activities being provided by local clubs.

It was also reported that the Golf Course, which included a golf academy was progressing. Chestnut Avenue football pitches and the new Pavilion were also anticipated to be available in time for the 2014 football season.

SDP/7. **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY ACTION PLAN 2013/14**

A presentation was delivered which reported details of performance for the quarter ending 30th June 2013, in relation to the Community Strategy Action Plan. Key achievements were detailed for each theme groups.

A discussion took place on support from local Supermarkets with regard to the food parcel service, and it was suggested to contact the Bishop of Repton and to also look into any coalfield grants that might be available.

The Chairman informed the meeting that a letter on behalf of the Council had been sent to Inspector Paul Cannon, to thank him for doing an excellent job, and wishing him best wishes for the future.

Cllr Southerd requested that he and Cllr Lauro were kept informed of the progress of the Cadet Service.

RESOLVED:-

That the key achievements and performance for the quarter ending 30th June 2013, be noted.

SDP/8. **VOLUNTARY SECTOR UPDATE**

Jo Smith provided an update on the Voluntary Sector. Information was provided on;

- Derbyshire Volunteers Week
- County Wide Volunteers Forum
- Building Health Programme
- Increased referrals of food parcels from the Job Centre

SDP/9. **DERBYSHIRE PARTNERSHIP FORUM UPDATE**

The Chairman reported that there was no update available for this item.

SDP/10. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Tony Hurrell informed the group that Sharpe's Pottery Museum had received the East Midlands Heritage Award for Resilience and Innovation which had been won on the basis of an increase in visitor numbers accessing the 2 new galleries, coffee shop and playzone.

It was requested that a report be submitted to a future meeting on the economic position, to include unemployment, and shop occupancy, and also changes at East Midlands Airport.

R. WHEELER

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 11.20 a.m.