

Every Child Matters In Lincolnshire



**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S
STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP
19 MAY 2010**

PRESENT: PETER DUXBURY (IN THE CHAIR)

Sarah Akerman (Voluntary Sector), Malcolm Barham (Voluntary Sector), Ginny Blackoe (NHS Lincolnshire), Nick Borrill (Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue), Andy Breckon (Lincolnshire County Council), Stuart Carlton (Lincolnshire County Council), Chris Cook (Independent Chairman – LSCB), Michael Follows (Schools Forum), Jo Kavanagh (Youth Offending Service), Robert Moreland (South Kesteven District Council), Karen Parsons (Children's Links), Barbara Plunkett (Lincoln College), Philip Roberts (North Kesteven District Council), Tom Stockwell (Job Centre Plus), Marcie Taylor (Government Office East Midlands), Councillor Susan Waring (North Kesteven District Council), Tara Webster-Deakin (Homestart), John Wilcox (Association of Lincolnshire School Governing Bodies) and Clive Yates (Lincolnshire County Council).

Also in attendance: -

John Bustin (Lincolnshire County Council), Caroline Broughton (Lincolnshire Police), Steve De Wint (Lincolnshire Sports Partnership), Mark Homer (Lincolnshire County Council) and Alice James (Children's Links).

58. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Debbie Barnes, Councillor Mrs Patricia Bradwell, Janet Inman, Allan Kitt, Lynne McNivern, Samantha Neal, Heather Sahman, Keith Smy, Hannah Spencer, Terry Vine, Sue Westcott and Councillor Steve Williams.

59. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND ACTION POINTS OF THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 10 MARCH 2010

AGREED

That the Minutes and Action Points of the previous meeting held on 10 March 2010 be confirmed as a correct record.

Actions

60. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND ACTION POINTS OF THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP'S EXECUTIVE GROUP HELD ON 18 MARCH 2010

The Minutes and Action Points of the previous meeting of the Strategic Partnership's Executive Group were circulated to Members, for information.

In answer to a question regarding the Joint Development Day, the Partnership was reassured that the designated deputies for each Outcome Lead had been briefed prior to the event and that the Heads of Service that were also asked to facilitate the workshops had only been notified the day before or on the morning of the event in order to save each group time from nominating their own facilitator.

It was also acknowledged that the agenda was despatched late for the Development Day held in February 2010 and for all future events the agenda/programme would be despatched at least one week ahead of the event.

AGREED

That the Minutes and Action Points of the previous meeting of the Strategic Partnership's Executive Group held 18 March 2010 be noted.

61. BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE

Consideration was given to a report by Andy Breckon, Lincolnshire County Council, which provided the Partnership with an update on the Building Schools for the Future Programme, following the Local Authority's Building Schools for the Future Remit meeting with Partnerships for Schools on 29 April 2010.

Following the first round of Building Schools for the Future in 2004, where Lincolnshire County Council carried out an extensive consultation before submitting a bid to join the programme, it was agreed not to carry out a further consultation period as this raised the expectations of the general public. However, senior governors at schools had been consulted.

A discussion took place regarding the future of the Programme, since the development of a coalition government. It was highlighted that an Emergency Budget would be announced over the next five weeks, where the future of the Building Schools for the Future Programme would be made clear. Lincolnshire would continue with the programme until instructed otherwise.

In answer to a question, the Partnership was reassured that those schools that were at the top of the priority list to receive refurbishment through the Building Schools for the Future Programme would remain at the top of the priority list should Lincolnshire not receive any funding from the Government. In the event of not receiving funding, solutions would be implemented to ensure schools were at the correct standard.

AGREED

That the content of the report be noted.

62. SAFER SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

Consideration was given to a report by John Bustin, Lincolnshire County Council, which informed the Partnership of progress with the Safer Schools Project and to provide an opportunity to consider and approve the concept of the paper on the 'Role of Neighbourhood Policing Teams in promoting safety in Schools'.

In answer to a question, the Partnership was informed that the Safer Schools Project was currently aimed at Primary and Secondary School children but it was hoped that this would be extended to colleges in the future.

There were approximately 59 teams in place across Lincolnshire and it was estimated that there was approximately 90% plus engagement across primary and secondary schools within Lincolnshire.

It was suggested that reference should be made to Safeguarding Children in Public Care.

AGREED

- (1) That the update report be noted;
- (2) That the concept paper on the 'Role of Neighbourhood Policing Teams in promoting safety in Schools' be approved.

63. LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD (LSCB) ANNUAL REPORT

Consideration was given to a report by Sheridan Dodsworth, Lincolnshire County Council, which provided the Partnership with an opportunity to consider the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2009/10.

From 1 April 2011, 'The Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009', was scheduled to introduce a requirement for Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board's to produce and publish an annual report on the effectiveness of safeguarding in the local area. The template used to produce the annual report would follow the format that was set out in the 'Working Together 2010' statutory guidance.

It was highlighted that the annual report was available to view on Lincolnshire County Council's website.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

64. RELATIONSHIP – CHILDREN'S TRUST BOARD AND LINCOLNSHIRE CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING BOARD

Consideration was given to a report by Clive Yates, Lincolnshire County Council, which updated the Partnership on progress in reviewing and updating the relationship between the Children's Trust Board and Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board.

Appended to the report were schematic diagrams which illustrated the relationship between the Children's Trust Board and Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board. A discussion took place regarding the flow of the schematic diagrams. It was agreed that 'Effective Co-ordination' should be included under 'Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Board Chair'.

Clive
Yates

The Partnership was informed that at the meeting of the Executive Group held on 13 May 2010, the Executive Group highlighted the value of the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership, especially its commitment to integrated working across agencies to deliver the outcomes of the six strategic themes.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

65. CHILDREN'S TRUST ARRANGEMENTS PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTATION

Consideration was given to a report by Clive Yates, Lincolnshire County Council, which provided the Partnership with an update on proposals in relation to the new statutory guidance on co-operation arrangements and the requirements for Children's Trust to take a stronger role in agreeing a common strategy.

At the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP) and Local Children's Partnership's (LCP) Development Days held in February and April 2010, partners were provided with an opportunity to review existing Children's Trust arrangements and reflected on achievements since its creation in 2006. Partners had considered how the CYPSP was functioning and the required changes to current arrangements that would place the Partnership in the best position to deliver strong, coherent partnership working and improved outcomes for children and young people. The consultation on the new arrangements had been released and the closing date was 2 July 2010. The consultation documents were appended to the report.

A concern was raised in relation to allocation of seats on the mentioned bodies as part of the new Children's Trust arrangements. The Partnership was

informed that the arrangements were out for consultation and any comments should be fed through this process.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

66. TEENAGE SERVICES

Consideration was given to a report by Sal Thirlway, Lincolnshire County Council, which briefed the Partnership on the current review of Teenage Services within Lincolnshire Children's Services and highlighted further opportunities for more effective and efficient delivery of universal and targeted services for teenagers.

It was highlighted that there may be some changes in the future to the Youth Offending Service, where the prevention of duplication would be welcomed.

AGREED

That the new approach to Teenage Services within Lincolnshire be endorsed.

67. ONE PLACE AREA ASSESSMENT

A report on the One Place Area Assessment was circulated to the Partnership for noting. The One Place Area Assessment looked at how well local public services were working together meeting the needs of the people it served.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

68. BRILLIANT LINCOLNSHIRE

Consideration was given to a report by Debbie Barnes, Lincolnshire County Council, which provided the Partnership with an opportunity to consider, support and endorse Brilliant Lincolnshire.

AGREED

That Brilliant Lincolnshire be endorsed.

69. BREASTFEEDING UPDATE

A report by Ginny Blackoe, NHS Lincolnshire, was considered by the Partnership, which provided an update as to the progress of breastfeeding prevalence across Lincolnshire.

It was highlighted that when the initial targets were set within Lincolnshire on breastfeeding it was based on data that was not robust, which has resulted in targets not being met. Data was now collected through 'Performance Plus' from districts, which highlights any areas that would need to be targeted. Specific action plans could then be devised from this data for that area. NHS Lincolnshire had an internal plan which indicated that the number of mother's breastfeeding was increasing. The detailed action plan appended to the report was on target.

A suggestion was made to increase the amount of publicity within Lincolnshire on breastfeeding where all partners could have an input.

AGREED

That the update report be noted.

70. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman agreed that the following items could be considered under Any Other Business: -

i) Resignation

Jan Gunter had tendered her resignation from the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership, with immediate effect.

ii) Building Project – Tritton Road

The building project, Tritton Road was scheduled to commence on 7 June 2010, with an expected finish date of 6 December 2010. A short video clip would be circulated to the Partnership for information.

iii) Ofsted Inspection

The Chairman thanked all of those individuals who had been involved in the Ofsted's announced Inspection.

71. TEMPORARY ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Partnership agreed to temporarily elect Malcolm Barham as Chairman, for the following item only.

AGREED

That Malcolm Barham be elected as Chairman of the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership, for agenda item 14 only.

MALCOLM BARHAM IN THE CHAIR

Malcolm
Barham

72. SPORTS STRATEGY

A report by Steve De Wint, Lincolnshire Sports Partnership, was considered by the Partnership, which provided additional information as requested, in relation to the 'Living Life, Living Sport' Strategy.

The 'Living Life, Living Sport' Strategy was a thematic strategy for Lincolnshire, which comprised the views of over 52 partners and stakeholders, with regard to sport in its entirety. The Partnership was reassured that the Strategy applied to all individuals, including children and young people, and it also addressed issues relating to mental well-being, disabilities and obesity. The Strategy did not operate in isolation as it linked with other strategies which addressed specific issues, such as the Lincolnshire County Strategy for PE and School Sport, 'Get Active' (soon to be redrafted and re-launched as 'More Active' by CfBT) and the emerging Physical Activity Strategy for the County.

District Councils and the Cultural Services Officer Group for Lincolnshire had been consulted on the strategy.

It was suggested that Members of the Strategic Partnership should consider how each of their organisations use the Sports Partnership.

AGREED

- (a) That the 'Loving Sport, Living Life' Strategy be acknowledged as an overarching thematic strategy for Sport in the County;
- (b) That the Strategy for PE and Sport for Young People 'More Active' by the School Improvement Service of Lincolnshire County Council be supported.

The meeting closed at 16.15 p.m.