



**Minutes of Meeting of Worthing Together held on
11 July 2006 in the Gordon Room, Worthing Town Hall.**

CHAIR	√	Farhang Tahzib
THEMATIC PARTNERSHIPS		REPRESENTATIVE
Voluntary Sector Forum	√	Julia Carrette
Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership	√	Roy Barraclough (from 11.40am)
Worthing First	√	Roy Stannard
Local Planning Group for Community Health and Social Care (& Housing)	√	Tony Chasteauneuf
Worthing Learning Network	√	Trish Tame
Culture and Leisure	√	Jo Hutchinson
Transport	√	Roger Foregard
INVESTORS IN WORTHING		
Worthing Community Partnership	√	Jane Claxton to 11.45 am
Area Investment Framework	√	Paula Welland
YOUTH ORGANISATION		
WSCC Youth Service	√	Shirley Robinson-Viney
FAITH GROUPS		
Churches Together in Worthing	√	Mike Tyler
NEIGHBOURHOOD CHAMPION		
Worthing Council of Community Assns	√	Ian Richardson
LOCAL AUTHORITIES		
Worthing Borough Council	√ √ √	Cllr. John Rogers till 12 midday Cllr. Geraldine Lissenburg Tim Everett (non-voting)
West Sussex County Council	√ A	Cllr. Colin O'Neill Mike Kendall
OTHER MAJOR ORGANISATIONS		
Adur, Arun & Worthing PCT	√	Catherine Scott
Sussex Police	A	Ch Insp Jason Taylor
OBSERVER		
GOSE	A	John Crow
SUPPORTING OFFICERS		
WSCC	A	Clare Gardiner
WBC	√	Julian Carrington
WBC	√	Anne Jones
WBC	√	Maureen Ockenden (Minute Taker)
WBC	√	Dale Thomson from 11 am
WBC	√	Clare Mangan

GUESTS		
Maggie Nairn	√	WSCC Learning Partnership
Corinne Nagle	√	WSCC Children and Young People's Services
Lara Pearce	√	WSCC Youth Services

Welcome and Introductions

Farhang explained that John Crow had withdrawn from the LSP following his move to a different job within GOSE. Farhang would discuss with Julian whether to invite GOSE to nominate a replacement. Farhang welcomed Maggie Nairn, Corinne Nagle and Lara Pearce to the meeting.

1. The **Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th May 2006** were agreed as an accurate record.

2. **Matters arising not on the Agenda:**

(i) **Programme Delivery Officer post**

Julian confirmed that Edward McDermott had been appointed and would be starting on 23rd August 2006.

3. **LAA Sub Group**

Catherine Scott, who is chairing this group, referred to the notes of its first meeting held on 13th June circulated with the agenda. Initially, the group would be focussing on producing action plans for the Outcome 22 Reward Targets, with a view to presenting them at the next LSP meeting for approval.

The Terms of Reference for the working group were agreed.

It was noted that, in addition to the four agreed Outcome 22 targets, there would be a fifth target in due course related to health inequalities.

4. **Creating an NHS Fit for the Future**

Catherine Scott tabled a summary discussion document entitled 'Creating an NHS Fit for the Future' outlining proposed changes to where and how health services are delivered.

The NHS was moving towards more preventative care and investment in community based services. The two main drivers were increased efficiency and customer demand.

Comments on the proposals should be made to the Strategic Health Authority (SHA) by the end of July, following which the document would be revised. There would then be a further three-month consultation from October.

5. West Sussex Stronger Communities Fund (WSSCF)

Julian Carrington referred to the discussion paper dated 11th July 2006 circulated with the agenda. This was the third time this item had come before the Steering Group and it was important to agree the way forward.

Councillor O'Neill said that the allocation from the PSA Reward Grant to the Worthing County Local Committee would not be pooled with the LSP's. However, it would be important to keep each other informed of spending plans to avoid duplication. Julia Carrette referred to the Stakeholder Event held in November 2005 where the West Sussex Stronger Communities Fund had been mentioned and asked that proposals from that meeting to allocate some of this money be included in the list of possible projects for funding.

Action: Julian to draft process and timescale for receiving and assessing proposals with a view to presenting proposals at the next meeting of the Steering Group.

6. Masterplan and Local Development Framework (LDF)

(i) Masterplan

Dale Thomson gave a presentation of the Masterplan proposals: 'Developing the Town We Want'. He reported that the Project Board is overseeing the implementation of the Masterplan and that the LSP will be invited to join.

(ii) Local Development Framework (LDF)

Clare Mangan explained that consultation earlier in the year on the "Core Strategy" and "Unlocking Development Potential" documents was informing development of the "Preferred Options" paper, due for consultation in September. This should highlight links to the Community Strategy. The last time the Steering Group had discussed the LDF, in January, it had agreed to draft a collective LSP response to the Preferred Options paper. However, in order to ensure that there are strong links between the LDF and the Community Strategy in the Preferred Options paper, Clare suggested setting up a working group under the aegis of Worthing Together consisting of 4/5 people, which would be serviced by Clare and her team. This was agreed.

Action: Nominations to Julian by the end of August.

Julia Carrette and Shirley Robinson-Viney (on behalf of young people) nominated themselves.

7. Thematic Partnerships & Sub-Groups reports:

(i) Transport Sub-Group

Referring to the minutes of the Transport Sub-Group meeting held on 12th June, which had been circulated with the agenda, Roger Foregard said that he had not yet received a response from EDAW to his letter sent on behalf of the Sub-Group about the Masterplan

proposals and would be sending his letter again. Roger spoke of the West Sussex Transport Plan 2006-2016 and of the recommendation for a new evening bus timetable. The Sub-Group had highlighted the lack of evening buses as a particular problem in Worthing. The next meeting of the Transport Sub Group would be held on Wednesday 30th August.

Ian Richardson spoke about proposals for a nature trail in East Worthing including a cycle track. Farhang said that the LSP would like to support this as a matter of principle, but suggested that a paper be produced for a future meeting including a map of the area in question with some firm proposals.

(ii) Learning:

Trish Tame summarised the changes to the structure of the Learning and Skills Partnership in West Sussex. New Adult Curriculum Planning Fora would be established in the three West Sussex areas to monitor the collaborative curriculum offer to adults. The Fora would have a key role in progressing the West Sussex Learning Strategy for Adults and the priorities identified by the strategic area reviews. Local learning networks would continue to inform the new Fora.

Trish reported that she would be covering Horsham, Crawley & Haywards Heath area in future, and introduced Maggie Nairn who will be looking after the Worthing area from 17th September.

Thanks were given to Trish for her contribution to the LSP since its inception in 2003.

Corinne Nagle gave an update on the tabled 'Extended Schools' paper. The Government's vision is that, by 2010, extended schools should be open from 8am to 6pm all year round to serve as a hub for services for children, young people and their parents. Private providers would not be affected.

Farhang thanked both Trish and Corinne for their contributions.

(iii) Youth Forum

Anne Jones reported that the first meeting of the LSP Youth Forum had taken place on 6th July with 16 members in attendance. The minutes will be attached with the next LSP Steering Group Agenda.

(iv) Communications

Nothing to report as no meeting had taken place due to the indisposition of the Chair.

8. Standing items

(i) County Local Committee

Councillor O'Neill reported that the CLC had managed to resolve problems relating to Thomas A Beckett Middle School's catchment area.

Trish Tame and Corinne Nagle will be making a presentation to the CLC along the lines of their presentations to the LSP.

(ii) Area Investment Framework:

At the last meeting in June, Paula Welland reported that work was focussing on Business Support and the retention of Graduates; the Infrastructure; and Town Centres.

Paula also reported on the proposed establishment of a Credit Union for Coastal West Sussex that would be based in Worthing. This was a long-term action in *The Town We Want*. The development phase would last from October for 15 months. The project was estimated to cost £120,000. Considerable funds had already been secured including £90,000 from SRB and local authorities. The shortfall for the Credit Union was £5,000.

A Steering Group had been established to take forward the project and would be meeting on 20th July at Littlehampton.

9. Dates of future meetings

Julian informed the group that, following representations from some partners who were unable to attend meetings on Tuesdays, it was proposed to change the dates for the next 2 meetings as follows:

From	To
Tues 19 September at 10am	Thur 7 September at 2.15 pm

Venue: Gordon Room, Worthing Town Hall

(Councillor O'Neill gave his apologies for the next meeting)

From	To
Tues 14 November at 10am	Thur 23 November (all day at this stage)

(This would be the annual LSP partnership event .)

Action: Julian to prepare a paper with proposals for the event for the next meeting.