

**MINUTES OF THE BETTER PLACES PARTNERSHIP (HSP)
THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2009**

Present: John Brown, Nick Durston, Cllr Brian Haley (Chair), Cenk Orhan (Vice-Chair), Susan Otiti, Pete Ravenor and Beverly Taylor.

In Attendance: Maria Fletcher, Kirsty Fox, Alex Grear, Adam Hunt, Cllr Toni Mallett, John Morris, Robin Payne, John Wood.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
BPP42.	INTRODUCTIONS	
BPP43.	APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from David Anstey, Neil Mawson and Lainya Offside-Keivani.	
BPP44.	URGENT BUSINESS There were no items of urgent business.	
BPP45.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.	
BPP46.	MINUTES The approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2009 would be deferred to the next meeting of the Board.	Clerk
BPP47.	FAIR TRADE FOR THE BOROUGH The Board received a scoping report setting out work required to achieve Fairtrade status for the borough, granted by the Fairtrade Foundation. Encouraging the sale of Fairtrade products aimed to contribute to the tackling of poverty by enabling disadvantaged producers from poor countries to receive a better deal. It was proposed that a local Fairtrade steering group be established to progress the agenda including representation from HSP partners and at a community level. Concerns were raised regarding the lack of progress implementing the agenda since the resolution to support Fairtrade was passed by Full Council in 2003 and the relatively unambitious targets outlined, particularly in relation to engaging local shops. Confirmation was provided that the goals identified constituted a minimum standard and that project management at the lead of the steering group would progress development of the agenda including revising targets based on research. In response to a query as to whether the existing partnership structure could be used to progress the project, it was confirmed that establishing a dedicated group was a requirement for the award of Fairtrade status.	

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	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Better Haringey Programme Manager liaise with John Wood from St Ann’s Church Tottenham regarding providing names of individuals from faith groups potentially interested in involvement with the Fairtrade steering group. • That the Better Haringey Programme Manager contact representatives from SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education) regarding the potential for involvement with the Fairtrade steering group. • That a letter from the Chair of the Board be sent to the Chairs of the other thematic partnership boards of the Haringey Strategic Partnership seeking nominations for representatives to sit on the Fairtrade steering group. 	<p>Better Haring Prog Man. Better Haring Prog Man. Chair/ Better Haring Prog Man.</p>
<p>BPP48.</p>	<p>FAITH AND RECYCLING -DISCUSSION PAPER</p> <p>The Board received a report setting out issues relating to faith and recycling including the barriers certain communities face in fully utilising recycling services and how faith infrastructure could be used to overcome these barriers and improve participation rates to help meet challenging recycling targets. A more targeted approach would potentially allow the tailoring of service provision to the needs of faiths, based on approaches used in other authorities such as the community communication campaign used by Hackney focused on the Hasidic Jewish community.</p> <p>John Wood from St Ann’s Church, Tottenham confirmed that recycling and the environment were currently high on the agenda of denomination and faith groups, although it was advised that engaging black majority faiths might prove challenging. It was proposed that a small, targeted pilot project be developed, recognising where possible the importance of a focus on youth education in relation to recycling.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Chair, John Wood and Better Haringey Programme Manager scope a pilot project and develop a project plan including identification of clear targets, to be submitted for approval by the Board at the December meeting. 	<p>Chair/ Better Haring Prog Man.</p>
<p>BPP49.</p>	<p>PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS AGAINST GREENEST BOROUGH THEMES</p> <p>The Board received a presentation from the Head of Enforcement on performance and progress against the Greenest Borough themes, with a focus on key projects under priority 1 of the Strategy – improving the urban environment.</p> <p>An update was provided on the ‘My cleaner Haringey’ publicity campaign, with the objective of improving services, the customer interface, allowing more targeted enforcement and area based solutions.</p>	

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	<p>whether the stretch target relating to carbon efficiency from the old LAA should be included in the monitoring report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That performance reports for the Greenest Borough Strategy and Local Area Agreement targets submitted for future meetings be combined into one report with a covering report and produced in colour and a larger size. 	<p>Devlpt Officer</p> <p>Head Perf. (Urban Enviro)</p>
BPP54.	<p>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no new items of urgent business.</p>	
BPP55.	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>The Board were provided with copies of the summary leaflet produced for the Community Engagement Framework (CEF). A full version of the CEF was provided on the Haringey Council website. A report proposing a draft CEF Delivery Plan had been submitted to the HSP Performance Management Group to progress to the next stage of the process.</p> <p>Cllr Mallett advised the Board of her role as an Overview and Scrutiny member specialising in environmental and green projects and therefore her attendance at the meeting as an observer. She was also the Chair of the Sustainable Transport scrutiny panel which would feed into the work of the Board.</p>	
BPP56.	<p>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>The following future meeting dates were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 December 2009 • 18 February 2010 	

COUNCILLOR BRIAN HALEY

Chair