

**MINUTES OF THE HARINGEY STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD (HSP)  
THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2009**

**Present:** Councillor Claire Kober (Chair), Councillor Kaushika Amin, Tracey Baldwin, Councillor John Bevan, John Brown, Yolande Burgess, Councillor Nilgun Canver, Councillor Dilek Dogus, Robert Edmonds, John Egbo, Dave Grant, Councillor Brian Haley, Paul Head (Vice-Chair), Lorne Horsford, Derma Ioannou, Michael Jones, Peter Lewis, Joanne McCartney, Rev. Nims Obunge, Dr Ita O'Donovan, Susan Otit, Councillor Lorna Reith, Faiza Rizvi, Walter Steel, Michele Stokes and Richard Sumray.

**In Attendance:** Xanthe Barker, Jackie Barry-Purssell, Janet Capstick, Mary Connolly, Marc Dorfman, Wayne Longshaw, Eve Pelekanos, Pamela Pemberton, Geoffrey Ocen, Helena Pugh, Naeem Sheikh.

| <b>MINUTE NO.</b> | <b>SUBJECT/DECISION</b>   | <b>ACTION BY</b> |
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| <b>HSP179.</b>    | <b>APOLOGIES</b><br><br>Apologies for absence were received from the following:<br><br>Lynne Featherstone MP<br>Maria Kane<br>David Lammy MP<br>Peter Lewis<br>Joanne McCartney GLA AM<br><br>-Jannette Karklins substituted  |                  |
| <b>HSP180.</b>    | <b>URGENT BUSINESS</b><br><br>There no items of existing or new Urgent Business raised.   |                  |
| <b>HSP181.</b>    | <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b><br><br>The following declarations were made with respect to Item 6: New Deal for Communities Succession Plan:<br><br>i. Lorne Horsford declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item as Chair of the NDC.<br><br>ii. Councillor Claire Kober declared a personal interest in the item as a member of the NDC Partnership Board. |                  |
| <b>HSP182.</b>    | <b>MINUTES</b><br><br><b>RESOLVED:</b><br><br>That the minutes of the meetings held on 23 June and 23 September 2009 be confirmed as correct records.   |                  |
| <b>HSP183.</b>    | <b>UPDATE ON HARINGEY'S RESPONSE TO THE RECESSION</b>   |                  |

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The Board received a report that provided an update on the work being undertaken in response to the Recession.

At present the Action Plan was being developed based on the analysis of information collected via the Recession Dashboard. Among the key indicators used to obtain a picture of the impact that the Recession was having in Haringey were Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) Claim Rates, average house prices, the ILO unemployment rate, eligibility for free school meals and the level of repossession of homes. These showed that, generally, Haringey was demonstrating a greater degree of resilience than many other parts of the country and London.

The Board was advised that, based on the indicators set out above, Haringey was not experiencing any greater impact than the rest of London or England as a result of the Recession. In terms of employment it was noted that the full impact of the Recession may not be felt until the next Government Spending Review in Spring 2010.

In response to a query the Board was advised that it was unlikely that the target with respect to the Claimant Count for Unemployment would be met due to the calculation used. There had been discussion with GOL on revising the calculation used; however, the proposals put forward were rejected.

The Board was advised that a bid had now been submitted on behalf of the Partnership to the 'Future Jobs Fund'. If successful a total of two-hundred and twenty-one jobs would be created.

It was requested that the figures with respect to Incapacity Benefits were checked in terms of the trend analysis.

It was noted that apprenticeship schemes were an important tool in helping people into employment and the Board was advised that the Council was expanding the number of apprenticeships available as part of the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme. In addition Homes for Haringey were also offering a further five apprenticeship places this year.

The Board noted that the economic downturn had seen a broader range of people applying for apprenticeships and that this clearly reflected the change in people's circumstances. There was agreement that whilst this was not a negative development the impact of this upon young people should be monitored.

It was noted that during 2010/11 and 2011/12 the Public Sector was likely to see very significant reductions in the money available and that the Partnership would need to consider how it would prepare for this over the coming months.

There was also agreement that the Partnership should form a Recovery Plan to address how longer term issues arising from the Recession

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|                       | <p>would be tackled. Although figures showed that there had been a lower than expected increase in the rate of unemployment in the east of the Borough this was largely because this was already very high. Consequently a greater level of support was likely to be required than in the west of the Borough where people were better equipped to take advantage of the opportunities being offered.</p> <p>There was a general consensus that at the next meeting a report should be submitted setting out options for compiling a Recovery Plan and how the Partnership would prepare for the impact of cuts in Public Sector expenditure. It was suggested that this should be informed by the work that was already being undertaken to assess the impact of the Recession on the Public Sector by agencies across London.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the Peace Alliance and RSA (?) Trust were working together on a project to assist young people from BME backgrounds classed as NEET to obtain work experience. Partners were asked for their support for the project and assistance in providing placements.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That the report be noted.</li> <li>ii. That at report should be submitted to the Board's next meeting setting out options for compiling a Recovery Plan and how the Partnership would prepare for the impact of cuts in Public Sector expenditure.</li> </ul> | <p>Marc Dorfman</p> <p>All to note</p> <p>Marc Dorfman</p> |
| <p><b>HSP184.</b></p> | <p><b>NEW DEAL FOR COMMUNITIES SUCCESSION PLAN</b></p> <p>The Board received a report that sought endorsement of the New Deal for Communities (NDC) Succession Plan, which had to be submitted to the Government by the end of November 2009.</p> <p>It was noted that support from partners agencies was vital in order to sustain the work and achievements of the NDC Programme and therefore the HSP and the Council's Cabinet were being asked to endorse the Succession Plan set out in the report. Integrating the Bridge Renewal Trust within the HSP Framework and working with it to ensure that its outcomes were aligned to Local Area Agreement (LAA) targets was a vital component to the success of the Plan.</p> <p>Concern was expressed with respect to the wording used within the draft Business Plan to describe the relationship between the NDC and NHS Haringey over the management of The Laurels. There was agreement that there would be further discussion outside the meeting to agree a revised form of wording.</p> <p>It was noted that much of the statistical information contained within the report did not include baseline data and consequently it was difficult to</p>   | <p>Geoffrey Ocen / Richard Sumray</p>                      |

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|                       | <p>obtain a broader picture of where the NDC sat. This point was acknowledged and the Board was advised that this would be referenced within the final iteration. The Board was also advised that the final evaluation of the NDC would be available in the form of a booklet.</p> <p>In response to concern expressed that the NDC Board did not included representation from the Voluntary and Community Sector the Board was advised that as this developed there was the potential for its membership to expand.</p> <p>The Board was reminded that GOL would be assessing how what had been learnt and achieved was reflected in the Succession Plan and this would be taken forward.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That the Government requirements for the NDC Succession Plan and the need to place this within the context of the Local Area Agreement be noted.</li> <li>ii. That, subject to discussion with NHS Haringey over the wording of parts of the Business Plan with respect to The Laurels, the NDC Succession Plan be endorsed.</li> <li>iii. That it be noted that Haringey Council and the Government Office for Local Government (GOL) may require changes to be made to the Succession Plan as part of the approval process.</li> </ul> | <p>Geoffrey Ocen</p> <p>Geoffrey Ocen</p> <p>Geoffrey Ocen / Richard Sumray</p> |
| <p><b>HSP185.</b></p> | <p><b>LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT PERFORMANCE UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Board received a report that set out performance against Local Area Agreement (LAA) targets up to end of August 2009.</p> <p>An brief overview was given of performance and the measures being taken to address the six key areas of under performance.</p> <p>It was suggested that there should be a value for money analysis of the Haringey Guarantee and its contribution towards meeting Local Indicator 46 –Number of People on Incapacity Benefits Helped into Sustained Work.</p> <p>The Board was advised that it was difficult to assess the Haringey Guarantee’s contribution to this target in isolation as there were a number of other investments contributing. However, there was an evaluation of the Haringey Guarantee taking place shortly that would assess value for money derived from the project as a whole, this information would be available for the January meeting.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That the report be noted.</li> </ul>   | <p>Wayne</p>  |

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|                | <p>ii. That information with respect to the evaluation of the Haringey Guarantee should be presented at the Board's next meeting.</p>   | <p>Longshaw<br/>/Eve<br/>Pelekanos</p> |
| <b>HSP186.</b> | <p><b>HARINGEY'S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK:<br/>DELIVERY PLAN</b></p> <p>The Board received a report, for information, that provided and update on progress to date with respect to the Community Engagement Framework (CEF) and the monitoring arrangements that were being put in place to monitor the CEF Delivery Plan.</p> <p>It was noted that a new CEF Steering Group, consisting of officers from across the Partnership, was currently being established to lead on the delivery of the Plan. This would meet on a quarterly basis and report to the HSP Performance Management Group twice a year.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the report be noted.</p> |  |
| <b>HSP187.</b> | <p><b>THEMATIC BOARD UPDATES</b></p> <p>The received a report, for information, that provided an update on activities undertaken by each of the Theme Boards since the previous HSP meeting.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>   |  |
| <b>HSP188.</b> | <p><b>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>No new items of Urgent Business were raised.</p>  |  |
| <b>HSP189.</b> | <p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><u>Islam Awareness Day</u></p> <p>This was being held on 15 November at the Wightman Road Mosque to celebrate multi faith week and all members of the Board were invited to attend.</p> <p><u>Partnership Working -Electronic Survey from External Auditors</u></p> <p>Board members were reminded that an electronic survey would shortly be issued to the HSP and Thematic Board members by Grant Thornton the Partnerships external auditors. Members of the Board were asked to complete this as soon as possible.</p>  | <p>All to note</p> <p>All to note</p>  |
| <b>HSP190.</b> | <p><b>DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS</b></p> <p>The dates of future meetings, set out below, were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21 January 2010</li> </ul>  |  |

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*Dates for the new Municipal Year will be circulated once the draft Calendar of Meetings for 2010/11 has been agreed.*