

**MINUTES OF
HARINGEY WELL- BEING PARTNERSHIP BOARD
19 DECEMBER 2005 AT 19:00 HOURS
HARINGEY CIVIC CENTRE**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Haringey Council	Councillor Kate Wynne (Chair), Councillor Isidoros Diakides, Councillor George Meehan, Councillor Jean Brown, Maria Hajipanayi, Anne Bristow, David Holmes,
Haringey TPCT	Richard Sumray, Tracey Baldwin, Lesley Mishrahi, Gerry Taylor (representing Ann Marie Connolly)
Whittington Hospital NHS Trust	
Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Mental Health Trust	
Metropolitan Police Service	
HAVCO	Robert Edmonds (representing Gloria Saffrey), Stanley Hui
HarCEN	Faiza Rizvi
OBSERVERS	Mary Connolly (Haringey Council), Helena Pugh (Haringey Council), Tom Brown (Haringey Council), Matthew Pelling (Haringey Council).

1. APOLOGIES (Agenda Item 1):

Gloria Saffrey, HAVCO (represented by Robert Edmonds)
Stephen Clarke, Haringey Council
Gillian Prager, Haringey TPCT
John Morris, Haringey Council
Simon O'Brien, Metropolitan Police
Ann Marie Connolly, Haringey TPCT (represented by Gerry Taylor)

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2):

Robert Edmonds and Faiza Rizvi both declared an interest in respect of Item 6 of the Agenda (NRF – Allocations and Continuation Projects). They subsequently agreed to withdraw from the meeting for this item.

3. MINUTES OF THE HARINGEY WELL-BEING PARTNERSHIP BOARD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2005 (Agenda Item 3):

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of this Board meeting held on 26 September 2005 be confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Chair

4. MATTERS ARISING (Agenda Item 3):

There were no matters arising.

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5. A STRATEGY FOR SUPPORTING PEOPLE (Agenda Item 5)

The Board was given an overview of the Supporting People Project before agreeing to endorse the Supporting People Executive Management Board's recommendations to it. It was highlighted that the monies allocated to the supporting people projects was governed by stringent rules and processes. Board members were also asked to provide their respective comments on the consultation document as part of formal response to the Government's national Support People Strategy and proposed funding distribution formula. The Board discussed issues relating to bids for money and heard that there should be fewer requests for bids, and more targeting areas of greatest needs to fill gaps in areas of priority. The Board was asked to agree funding for 2006/7 that had come to light due to a change in the financial position and the need to crystallise £22m from the main fund. This would be discussed further at the March 2006 meeting of the Board. The Board heard that there were too many projects to manage effectively and that a new commissioning and monitoring system would be necessary to ensure consistency of outcomes. It was established that there were no deadlines for these systems to be introduced, allowing time for trials. The Board clarified that it was the responsibility of the Council to manage the formal decision-making process, and that the Council's Executive had agreed funding allocations but that this information would be brought before the Board as part of an exercise to ascertain and clarify at what level funding has been allocated and how decisions on funding were met. The deadline for feedback to the Supporting People consultation would be 28 February 2006.

6. TOWARDS AN OLDER PEOPLE'S STRATEGY FOR LONDON (Agenda Item 4)

The Board was informed of the 13 policy themes which the Older People's Strategy comprised of and heard that these required joined-up working in order to achieve the desired outcomes from the Strategy. However, it was highlighted that the a White Paper relating to the issues of older people's services had no real details on finances and recourses, especially in relation to Haringey. It was established that there would be a number of comments that would be fed back on the Mayor's Strategy which would be related specifically to Haringey's experience. The Board agreed to the three recommendations put before it by the Director of Social Services, namely:

- That the Board will comment on the Mayor's Strategy
- For Board members to provide their respective comments by 15 January 2006 in time for the consultation deadline of 8 February 2006.
- That comments for submission are agreed with the Chair and Vice Chair.

7. NRF – ALLOCATIONS AND CONTINUATION PROJECTS (Agenda Item 6)

The Board was given a brief summary of the allocations of NRF monies and proposed continuation of projects from 2005/6 and a new commissioning approach from 2006/7. However, the Board agreed that consideration of all projects would be undertaken once reports had been received on individual projects and that this would be heard at a future meeting of the Board.

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8. MPA JOINT REVIEW ON POLICING AND MENTAL HEALTH (Agenda Item 7)

The Board was given a brief overview of the Review undertaken as a joint venture led by the MPA, highlighting the issues emerging from the Well-Being agenda. Issues discussed were the problems of stigma and the working definition of mental health. Also, a lack of S136 “safe” areas. It was established that various agencies were currently tasked with considering providing such units. With regard to the provision of S135, protocols exist, but it was thought that these were not being adhered to. Further, the board briefly discussed the development and use of a “crisis card”. The Board heard that a conference was being held in March 2006 to signify a starting point for change on these issues. The Board discussed other issues relating to the Review including removing outdated information on individuals’ records, and the possibility of running a scrutiny review in relation to the issues identified in the Review.

9. PARTNERS’ UPDATES (Agenda Item 8)

Voluntary Sector:

The Voluntary Sector update was given by the HAVCO representative who informed the Board of a number of issues and projects involving the Voluntary and Community Sector within Haringey. This included communications, engaging in the Well-Being Agenda, and responding collectively to consultations.

NHS:

The NHS update was given by a representative from the Haringey Teaching Primary Care Trust who informed the board that the NHS was strengthening its grip on its procurement procedures which would have a major affect in the future. This process was part of the *Commissioning A Patient Led NHS* drive to strengthen commissioning one-step further to local centres (there are four in Haringey). Also, the Board heard that there were structural reforms being consulted upon at present. The update included information about a deficit in budgets of between £1 – £1.5m, but that work was being undertaken to resolve this by the end of the financial year with a target of breaking even.

Haringey Council:

The Haringey Council update was given by the Chair of the Board who informed the board that the Council had achieved a 3* CPA rating. The Board also heard that Social Services had achieved a 2* out of 3* score under the recent CPA assessment. This score included the Children’s Service. The Board congratulated all involved in achieving these scores. The Board also heard that the Learning Disability Service and the Home Care Team had received awards for their performances. The Board was informed that Ita O’Donovan would be the Council’s new Chief Executive and would join on 6 March 2006. The Board heard that work had begun on developing a revised structure to the social services directorate which would establish a clearer focus on commissioning and relations with the voluntary sector. The Executive Member and Director of Social Services would be carrying this work forward. Finally,

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the Board heard that the Housing Service was to set up an ALMO (likely to be named *Homes for Haringey*) which give access to new funds for improved housing stock in the borough (in the region of £234m). It was emphasised that if this was achieved, there would be large potential impacts on health and community safety matters.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (Agenda Item 9)

None

11. PROPOSED DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Thursday 16 March 2006, 7pm, venue to be conformed.

The meeting ended at 21:20 hours.

Councillor KATHERINE WYNNE

Chair, Haringey Well-Being Partnership Board 2005/2006