



## GPP Board Meeting

18<sup>th</sup> March 2009

### At Buckles Solicitors

#### Present:

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| Colleen Gostick        | GPP Chair  |
| Mike Leggett           | GPP Vice Chair   |
| John Bridge            | Cambs Chamber of Commerce                              |
| Richard Astle          | GPP Director   |
| Chris Strickland       | Director of Community Safety, Cambs Fire & Rescue      |
| John Neish             | Cambs Fire & Rescue                                    |
| Keith Lievesley        | Ufford Parish Council                                  |
| Mike Barnes            | Go – East  |
| Elaine Matthews        | Go- East   |
| Gillian Beasley        | Chair GPP Executive                                    |
| Cllr Irene Walsh       | Elected Member   |
| Paul Phillipson        | Executive Director of Operations, PCC                  |
| Lindsey Burrows McGill | Chair, VCS Group                                       |
| Sue Churchill          | Adult Skills Rep                                       |
| Ken McKay              | Chair, Environment Capital Partnership                 |
| Nik Patten             | Peterborough & Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust |
| John Dewis             | Voluntary and Community Sector representative          |
| Trevor Gibson          | PCC, Director of Environment and Community Services    |
| Susie Hall             | GPP, Manager   |
| Louise Harrison        | GPP, Co-ordinator                                      |
| Henry Clark            | Private Sector Rep, Baker Perkins                      |
| Elaine Fulton          | Assistant Director, Children's Services, PCC           |
| Elizabeth Ingram       | Chair of Voluntary Sector Forum                        |
| David Copeland         | PCVS   |
| Sandie Burns           | DIAL   |
| Ed Murphy              | Voluntary Community Sector Rep                         |
| Steve Bowyer           | Director of Strategic Growth                           |
| Linda Jones            | University Centre Peterborough                         |

#### In Attendance:

Cllr Chris Ash, Greater Dogsthorpe Partnership  
Dr Angus Kennedy, Chief Executive, Community Regeneration Partnership Ltd  
Stephen Compton, Chief Executive, Opportunity Peterborough  
Christina Wells, Programme Director Performance Improvement, PCC  
Adrian Chapman, Neighbourhood Director, PCC

#### Absent:

Angela Bailey, Chief Executive, PCT  
Cllr Mark Collins, Chair, Neighbourhood Partnership  
Graeme Clark, VCS Rep  
Mark Edwards, Media Rep  
Mel Collins, Assistant Director, Learning & Skills, PCC

Cliff Walker ,Chair of Peterborough Racial Equality Council  
Robert Ferris, Chief Operating Officer, PCT  
Dr Andy Liggins, Lead Director for Block 4 of LAA

### **Apologies :**

Apologies were received from: Sue Simpkins, Nick Sandford, Andy Hebb, Denise Radley, Robert Ferris, David Strode-Willis, Dr Andy Liggins, John Richards.

### **1. GPP Other Business:**

- **Introduction of new chair:**

The official hand over from John Bridge, who stood down as Chair, took place to Colleen Gostick who is now the Chair of GPP Board. Thanks was given to John from all members.

- **Older People & Disability:**

An update was provided by Richard Astle on the actions from the previous Board meeting in December, which focused on Older People & Disability. Actions included exploring ideas of appointing a Volunteer Involvement Officer.

- **LAA Review & Refresh:**

The end of term report has been received from Go-East showing that 'good progress' is being made. Housing targets have been refreshed to reflect current conditions.

The Place Survey recently took place capturing the opinions of the quality of life where we live from the general public, 1325 responses were received.

- **GPP Development Day & Update from Executive:**

Richard Astle provided an update from the GPP Executive Development Day which took place on 12<sup>th</sup> February where the role of the GPP and its partnerships were discussed. It was confirmed that the role of the partnerships is to drive and assure delivery in their thematic areas. The GPP secretariat will produce a chart to show how these roles inter-relate and will bring the Chairs of the eight partnerships together in the near future for a discussion about how to build on our existing strengths in partnership working and to ensure that all partnerships are working well and collectively.

The revised ToR are in draft format and have been circulated for feedback at the next GPP Executive meeting taking place on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

The proposed Executive Membership was presented which is still for discussion.

- **Performance Management Reports:**

**RA** to circulate January's reporting Pack to the Board. February's Reporting Pack is near to completion.

The impact of the economic downturn is to be discussed further in a group that is currently being set up by Richard Astle to address and resolve this matter.

- **Comprehensive Area Assessment:**

Christina Wells provided an update to the Board on the progress of the CAA. A summary is available upon request. Please use the following link to view the presentation that was given at the recent Outcome Lead Officers Group: <http://www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk/BoardMinutes.php>

- **Marketing Update:**

The new Peterborough Brand was launched at the Ambassadors' Dinner in February. It is important that all partners get behind the new brand and take opportunities to promote it. For further information please contact Chris Carswell at Opportunity Peterborough; [chris.carswell@opportunitypeterborough.co.uk](mailto:chris.carswell@opportunitypeterborough.co.uk)

The Environment Capital Partnership are using the brand in the major sporting event taking place on 4<sup>th</sup> June which is being televised and expected to attract approximately 10k visitors.

Susie Hall joined the meeting. An introduction was given to Susie, recently appointed as the GPP Manager.

#### **4. Growth Agenda:**

The GPP Board's agenda focused on Growth and Regeneration-does one automatically lead to the other? Discussions took place regarding the relationship between growth and regeneration and how we can ensure the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) delivers tangible benefits to all residents of Peterborough in terms of improving outcomes. This clearly links the three outcomes of Regenerating Neighbourhoods, Empowering Local Communities and Safe, Vibrant City and Neighbourhood Centres – as well as cutting across wider agendas.

The vision of Peterborough is 'A Bigger and better Peterborough that grows the right way' We want to be bigger in order to be better and to ensure that all communities benefit from growth.

It was agreed to place the following item on the agenda for next meeting:

*How do we address the issue of 'more growth'?*

**ML** to circulate the survey that has recently taken place through Cross Keys Homes, establishing how satisfied the general public are with their neighbourhood.

**Steve Compton**, Chief Executive of Opportunity Peterborough and Lead Director for the Substantial & Truly Sustainable Growth priority within Peterborough's Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) and Local Area Agreement (LAA), gave a presentation on Peterborough's key Growth Projects including homes, hospital, sports village and a new train station, making it a vibrant and attractive city. Improvements will also be made to our schools, skills centre, highways and cycle ways.

To drive this forward is the responsibility of everyone.

Please use the following link to view the presentation: <http://www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk/BoardMinutes.php>

#### **5. The Regeneration Agenda:**

Dr Angus Kennedy OBE was invited to the GPP Board. Angus Kennedy is widely recognised to be one of the UK's most influential regeneration professionals. He is Chief Executive of Community Regeneration Partnership (CRP), as well as Chair of the Cross Keys Homes Board, a Board member of Peterborough Urban Regeneration Company, a member of the RTPI Regeneration Panel, a member of the Chartered Institute of Housing, and a Neighbourhood Renewal Advisor for DCLG.

Dr Angus Kennedy gave a presentation giving an insight into what was required to regenerate Castle Vale which was built between 1964 & 1969, being the largest post war housing estate in the Midlands. It consisted of a mixture of 34 tower blocks, maisonettes and houses and exhibited all the classic signs of deprivation.

The presentation gave a better understanding of what governance is required and to be clear on who is responsible for what, in order for the project to be successful.

Please use the following link to view the presentation: <http://www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk/BoardMinutes.php>

Nik Patten, David Copeland, Gillian Beasley, Dr Angus Kennedy & Elaine Matthews left the meeting.

#### **6. What our Communities want:**

Cllr Chris Ash who is the Councillor for Dogsthorpe Ward gave a presentation using recent photographs, highlighting the deprivation of Dogsthorpe.

It was urged that we need to encourage the communities to be involved in the regeneration within their areas.

#### **7. Regenerating Communities:**

A briefing from the Outcome Lead officers for Regenerating Neighbourhoods, Empowering Local Communities and Safe and vibrant city centre and neighbourhoods centres was tabled. Input was received from Adrian Chapman, Claire Higgins & Steve Bowyer.

The issues raised were:

Are we clear on who is leading on what?

Where do we take this forward and drive the regeneration agenda?

A discussion took place and the following outcomes were noted:

- To communicate better within the communities
- Where are the gaps – a good economic development is required
- Community Associations are under utilised
- The need for consistency
- Greater understanding and profiling of neighbourhoods
- Physical appearance
- Local leadership – parish councils
- Overarching
- Community Development – helping people to help themselves
- Multi-skilled officers to take control of regenerating neighbourhoods

It was concluded that a meeting is required to take place before the next GPP Board, between the three Outcome Lead Officers and Richard Astle, to look at who leads on what and drive this forward. Feedback to be given at next meeting.

Meeting closed at 4.50pm

#### **Dates for your diary:**

GPP Forum 25<sup>th</sup> June, 12noon & 5.30pm @ Bull Hotel

GPP Board 20<sup>th</sup> July 12.15-5pm, The Fleet, Fletton

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS & MATTERS ARISING:  
GPP BOARD MEETING 18<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

| <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> | <b>ACTION</b>   | <b>DUE DATE</b>         |
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| RA                 | Circulate January's reporting pack.   | 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 09 |
| RA                 | Hold a meeting with three Outcome Lead Officers, on how to take forward regenerating neighbourhoods and who is to lead on what.                             | 25 <sup>th</sup> Jun 09 |
| ML                 | To circulate the survey that has recently taken place through Cross Keys Homes, establishing how satisfied the general public are with their neighbourhood. | 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 09 |