

KENSINGTON & CHELSEA PARTNERSHIP STEERING GROUP

24th SEPTEMBER 2002 MEETING

REPORT FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL STEERING GROUP

RENEWING OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS: ACTION PLAN

The report presents the amended Action Plan. The steering group is asked to approve it and agree that it is sent to the Government Office for London as part of the Partnership's Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy (NRS).

FOR DECISION

1 BACKGROUND

1.1 The steering group considered a draft Action Plan for Golborne and St Charles wards at its last meeting.

1.2 An amended **Action Plan** is attached at **Appendix 1**.

2 CONSULTATION WITH PARTNERS

2.1 Since the last meeting:

- Comments have been received on the draft action plan from several partner organisations, the Government Office for London, and individuals. These have been considered and incorporated, as appropriate (see below);
- There have been discussions with partners regarding actions on which their organisation or service is leading, or to which they are contributing;
- The Neighbourhood Renewal Steering Group (NRSG) has met specifically to consider modifications and additions to the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund programme;
- Four Voluntary Organisations Forum (VOF) representatives have met with Borough officers to address concerns expressed at the last meeting; subsequently VOF representatives on the NRSG were invited to a separate meeting to discuss amendments to the Plan and offered individual briefings.
- The Neighbourhood Renewal Steering Group has met to discuss and agree amendments to the draft plan.

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL CHANGES

Format

3.1 A major change is that the Action Plan is now preceded by an **Introduction** and is then split into three parts:

- **Part 1: Skills and Knowledge**
- **Part 2: Golborne & St Charles: Neighbourhood Action Plan**
- **Part 3: The Neighbourhood Renewal Fund**

Each of these is discussed below.

- **Introduction**

3.2 This describes the approach taken by the NRSG to the preparation of the Action Plan and its scope.

- **Part 1: Skills and Knowledge**

3.3 The first part of the Plan concerns the application of skills and knowledge, in order to improve the targeting, delivery and effectiveness of services to deprived neighbourhoods and needy persons throughout the borough. It updates the information contained in the **Summary of Progress**, circulated at the July meeting, and extends the programme of activities through to September 2003.

- **Part 2: Golborne & St Charles: Neighbourhood Action Plan (NAP)**

3.4 The main changes made to the draft Golborne & St Charles NAP are as follows (the headings refer to the columns in the plan):

Issues

- addition to issue 1 of the words *and Ladbroke Grove*. It now reads: *Relatively low satisfaction with streetscape, and street cleansing, particularly of market streets and Ladbroke Grove;*
- rewording of issue 5. In the draft, this read *Repairs and maintenance on some social housing estates are poorly managed*; it now reads: *Need to improve the quality of management, maintenance and repairs services across social housing;*
- rewording of issue 7. In the draft, this read *Young people on the street*; it now reads: *Some youth facilities are adopted by groups which then exclude or discourage others;*
- Two of the issues are now shown under the Skills and Knowledge programme rather than the NAP: Issue 9, *Barriers prevent many residents from becoming involved in neighbourhood issues*; and Issue 10, *Local agencies and groups do not always share information and work together effectively*;

Actions

- inclusion of the additional actions supported by the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund (revised Year 2 programme - see separate report on this agenda);
- additional actions under Issue 2: Inadequate transport links:
- additional actions under Issue 4: Variations in the quality and accessibility of local health and care services

Partners

- This column now includes all partners, not just lead partners.

Part 3: The Neighbourhood Renewal Fund

3.5 Kensington and Chelsea has been allocated £2.43 million from the Government's Neighbourhood Renewal Fund to help meet its neighbourhood renewal objectives.

3.6 In their comments on the draft Neighbourhood Action Plan, GOL expressed the hope that the final version of the Action Plan would have more detail, including baseline data, targets and quantifiable milestones. This part of the plan is a detailed analysis of the impact of the use of the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund in 2002/03, including its contribution to national targets and a section on monitoring and evaluation.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 The steering group is **invited** to

- (i) approve the **Action Plan**, attached at **Appendix 1**;
- (ii) agree to its submission to the Government Office for London as a part of **Renewing Our Neighbourhoods**, the Partnership's Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy for Kensington and Chelsea;

FOR DECISION

The Neighbourhood Renewal Steering Group

NRSB Membership – Summer 2002

	Places
The Voluntary and Community Sectors	[4]
The Kensington and Chelsea Social Council - the local Council for Voluntary Service)	1
The Voluntary Organisations Forum. Representatives, from the KCP Steering Group, for: Children and Young People, Arts and Culture, Ethnic Minorities	3
North Kensington Regeneration Partnerships	[4]
Golborne United / Fighting Unemployment in North Kensington SRB Partnerships	1
Dalgarno SRB Partnership	1
Sure Start North West Kensington	1
Sure Start Golborne	1
Public Sector Services	[8]
RBKC Services – Community Safety, Economic Development, Education and Libraries, Housing, Planning and Conservation, Regeneration,	6
Kensington and Chelsea Primary Care Trust	1
London Central Employment Service	1
Support and Administration	[3]
RBKC – NRS, NRF	3
Total	19

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