

# **The Kensington and Chelsea Partnership**

Minutes of the meeting of the Partnership Steering Group  
held at The Isaac Newton Professional Development Centre,  
108a Lancaster Road, London W11 1QS  
at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2002

## **PRESENT**

### **Members of the Steering Group**

Councillor. Nicholas Paget-Brown - Cabinet Member for Regeneration,  
Community Safety & External Relations (RBK&C) (in the Chair)  
Councillor Timothy Coleridge - Cabinet Member for Housing (RBK&C)  
Steve Crow - London Central Learning & Skills Council  
Councillor Keith Cunningham - Leader of the Minority Party (RBK&C)  
Pat Deacon - Kensington & Chelsea Residents Association  
Graham Downes - Kensington & Chelsea Social Council  
Ali Omar Ermes - Forum of Faiths (in place of Jed Davies)  
Paul Haigh – Kensington & Chelsea Primary Care Trust  
Dez O' Neill - Representative for Children and Young People (VOF)  
Celia Rees-Jenkins - The Kensington and Chelsea Societies  
Malcolm Spalding - Kensington & Chelsea Chamber of Commerce  
Ch. Supt. Moir Stewart – Borough Commander, Metropolitan Police  
Karin Woodley - Representative for Arts and Culture (VOF)

### **Others in attendance**

Mark Beauchamp - Research & Consultation Manager (RBK&C)  
Danny Chesterman - Winchurch & Chesterman (Consultants)  
Ali Khan - Governance Services (RBK&C)  
Louise Matlock - Government Office for London  
Derek Myers - Town Clerk & Chief Executive (RBK&C)  
Tony Redpath - Director of Strategy and Performance Improvement (RBK&C)  
Colin Richardson - Head of Economic Development & Strategic Partnerships  
(RBK&C)  
Graham Taylor - Head of Policy and Partnership Unit (RBK&C)  
Similola Towry-Coker - Notting Hill Social Council  
Shirley Wechsler - Policy Officer (RBK&C)

## **A G E N D A**

### **A1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Merrick Cockell (RBK&C),  
Zrinka Bralo (VOF representative for Education & Employment) and Menghi  
Mulchandani (Action for Disability Kensington & Chelsea).

**A2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2002**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th July 2002 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**A3. UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PRIMARY CARE TRUST**

Paul Haigh gave a presentation on this item, hard copies of which were made available to Steering Group members.

In response to various questions from members, Mr Haigh said that there were a number of PCT investment issues and health priorities that would benefit from discussion

The Chairman and Steering Group thanked Paul Haigh for his informative presentation in a partnership forum such as this and that he would give further consideration.

*Action by: Paul Haigh*

**A4. REPORTS FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL STEERING GROUP**

Colin Richardson introduced the reports 4(a), 4(b) and 4 (c):

**4a) Renewing Our Neighbourhoods: Strategy Statement**

The Steering Group members raised the following points:

- the possibility of there being money available to support work by the faith communities under Community Development Fund Initiatives should be examined.
- the strategic objectives of the Fighting Unemployment in North Kensington scheme should be kept intact once the project comes to an end.
- some money (approx £800,000) is available from Learning and Skills Council which could be incorporated in to the Neighbourhood Renewal & Community Strategy.

Subject to the above, the report was received and approved.

*Action by: Colin Richardson*

#### **4b) Renewing Our Neighbourhoods: Action Plan**

The following points were raised by the Steering Group members:

- under skills and knowledge, various capacity building measures taken by the Social Council should be reflected in the action plan.
- under part 2, Golborne and St Charles, under the heading monitoring and evaluation on page 6, 'Borough-wide' performance measures/targets would be more appropriate term than just referring to St Charles and Golborne (i.e.: 'Borough wide PCT targets')
- under part 3, Neighbourhood Renewal Fund 2002/03, the sub heading 'forecast' should appear in bold in order for it to correspond to the bold figures underneath.
- the effectiveness of process by which the action plan had been declared should be reviewed/evaluated.

Malcolm Spalding and Dez O'Neill declared interests due to their involvement in the Learning and Skills and Westway projects respectively.

The Steering Group congratulated and thanked Colin Richardson and his team for producing such comprehensive reports.

Subject to the above, the report was received and approved.

#### **4c) Statement of use – NRF**

In response to a query from the Steering Group, Graham Taylor informed the Group that if GoL did not authorise the carry forward requested for this year's projected underspend then alternative means would need to be found to ensure no NRF was lost. The Group was informed by Louise Matlock that a decision would be needed by GoL very soon. He also stated, in response to a question about the future funding of employment/training activities, that the Economic Development Fund would be in place once Fighting Unemployment in North Kensington (FUNK) funding came to an end.

The Steering Group felt that the time being given by GoL, to produce the statement of use under new guidelines, was inadequate particularly allowing for the Summer break.

**Action by:** *Graham Taylor*

**A5. THE 2002 BOROUGH CONFERENCE - PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE PLANNING SUB-GROUP**

Mark Beauchamp gave a brief presentation on this item.

He stated that various bus stops across the Borough would be used to display the advertising posters. He also mentioned that small pamphlets are available for members to take with them and distribute through their networks.

Subsequent to Mark Beauchamp's request to form a question and answer panel, the following members volunteered to represent their respective partnership clusters:

- Councillor Merrick Cockell (Leader of the Council), suggested by Councillor Paget-Brown.
- Paul Haigh or a nominated person (Primary Care Trust - Health)
- Steve Crow or a nominated person (Learning and Skills Council - Education)

In addition it was agreed that:

- Moir Stewart would nominate a representative for the Police following the meeting.
- It was felt that there was a gap in terms of a housing expert/housing provider on the Steering Group which should be discussed at the away day
- The matter of VOF representation would be followed up after the meeting.

Subject to the above, the report was received and noted.

**Action by:** Mark Beauchamp

**A6. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Steering Group agreed to note the following future meeting dates subject to any discussion at the away day, as set out below:

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2003  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2003  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2003  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2003  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2003  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2004

The following meetings are already confirmed (all meetings start at 6.00 pm):

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2002 (next meeting)

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2003

***Action by: All Members***

The meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.

Chairman