The Kensington & Chelsea Local Strategic Partnership

Minutes of the meeting of the Shadow LSP Steering Group held at 6.00 p.m. on Thursday 6th December 2001 at Kensington Town Hall, London W8 7NX.

PRESENT

Members of the Steering Group

Councillor Merrick Cockell (Chairman) - Leader of the Council (RBK&C)
Councillor Thomas Fairhead - Cabinet Member for Housing (RBK&C)
Councillor Nicholas Paget-Brown - Cabinet Member for Regeneration,
Community Safety & External Relations (RBK&C)

Ms. Kate Aldous - Director, Chelsea Social Council

Chief Inspector Rick Algar - Metropolitan Police

The Reverend John E. Davis - Ecumenical Deans

Mr. Paul Haigh, Chief Executive, K&C Primary Care Group

Ms. Susie Parsons, Consultant to the local social councils

Others in attendance

Mr. Derek Myers - Town Clerk & Chief Executive (RBK&C)

Mr. Colin Richardson - Head of Economic Development & Strategic Partnerships (RBK&C)

Mr. Graham Taylor - Head of Policy & Partnerships (RBK&C)

Mr. Mark Beauchamp - Research & Consultation Manager (RBK&C)

Ms. Louise Matlock - Government Office for London

Ms. Liz Walton - Government Office for London

Mr. Robert Sheppard, Committee Services (RBK&C)

Mr. Ali Khan, Committee Services (RBK&C)

AGENDA

APOLOGIES AND WELCOME

There were no apologies for absence.

Councillor Cockell welcomed Ms. Louise Matlock and Ms. Liz Walton from the Government Office for London.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25TH SEPTEMBER 2001

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th September 2001 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. THE GOVERNMENT'S LSP ACCREDITATION PROCESS

Items 2(a), (b), (c) and (d) were agreed/noted and, with regard to item 2(e), the Partnership's 'Aims and Objectives' were agreed as follows:

The Kensington & Chelsea Partnership aims to bring together the local authority, health service, Police, other statutory agencies, voluntary and community sectors, faith organisations, business and local residents to improve the quality of life in the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea.

The Partnership is working towards a greener Borough which is safe to live in, with good quality affordable housing for local people and key workers, where there are educational and employment opportunities, good health and social care, pleasant public spaces, accessible sports, leisure and arts facilities and good public transport for all.

The Partnership's objectives are:

- to consult upon, approve and implement a Community Strategy a grand plan for the Borough for the next ten years;
- to consult, approve and implement a Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy - setting out how the most deprived areas in the Borough will be brought up to the standard of the rest;
- to coordinate and add value to the work of the many partnerships already operating successfully in the Borough;
- to value the rich diversity of people living and working in the Borough and to act in an inclusive way so that all sections of the community are able to take part in improving the quality of life in Kensington & Chelsea:
- to adopt a structure which is representative of the various stakeholders, with open and transparent decision-making and commitment to community consultation and involvement and which is reviewed from time to time to ensure that it is still fit for its purpose;
- to improve the overall delivery of public services; and
- to recognise the general obligation to make wise and best use of public monies and acknowledge the interests of those whose financial support pays for those services.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD

After discussion, the Steering Group agreed to the following membership for the Partnership Board:

Organisation	Reps
The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea	3
The Social Councils	2
Voluntary Sector Forum:	
Arts and Culture	1
Education and Employment	1
Children and Families	1
[The Steering Group indicated that these 3 individuals should, if at all possible, be local residents so as to help the Partnership Board towards a membership made up of at least 50% local residents.]	
Local business	1
Metropolitan Police	1
Local health service	1
Faith communities	1
[It was noted that the Partnership might wish to increase this representation to 2 in due course.]	
Strategic Training Provider [e.g. Kensington & Chelsea College]	1
Residents associations/ residents	2
[Possibly to be selected through invitation to those on the Council's Residents Panel]	
TOTAL	15

5. CONSULTATION RESULTS

The report was received and noted.

6. A FRAMEWORK FOR THE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

It was agreed that the language used under items 7 and 8 (page 3) should be redrafted in the active voice.

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

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL

The report was received and noted.

8. DESIGN OPTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL STRATEGY

The Steering Group considered three design options for these strategy documents that had been commissioned from an agency, Serac Communications.

After some discussion, it was agreed that the 'iconic' concept was the most suitable one. The Group liked the logo of interconnecting arrows, the simple layout and larger map size, the latter two making the document more easily photocopyable. The Group did not, however, favour the 'muddy' colours proposed and asked that the title of the document could be given at least equal prominence on the cover with 'Kensington & Chelsea Partnership'. It was agreed that the majority of the inside should have a white background – partly to reduce the time it might take to download the document from the web and, again, to make photocopying easier.

9. ASSOCIATION OF LONDON GOVERNMENT REPORT ON FUNDING STREAMS

The report was received and noted.

10. NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of Partnership Board would take place at 6.00 p.m. on 22nd January 2002 at Kensington Town Hall.

The meeting ended at 8.40 p.m.

Chairman

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